



◆NEWS RELEASE◆

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE BOISE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, November 2-Monday, November 9: Book Fair, Morley Nelson Elementary School library.

Wednesday, November 4-Friday, November 6: Book Fair, Longfellow Elementary School library.

Wednesday, November 4-Friday, November 6: Parent/Teacher conferences. Wednesday, no school for Boise School District kindergartners. Thursday and Friday, no school for Boise School District students in grades K-6.

Friday, November 6: Secondary Staff Development Activities. No school for Boise School District students in grades 7-12.

Saturday, November 7: Veteran's Day Parade, 10 a.m., downtown Boise. Boise School District junior high and high school bands will perform.

Monday, November 9: Boise School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m., District Services Center, 8169 W. Victory Road. Agenda items include presentation of Red Apple Award to **Alton Stafford**, Technical Education - Drafting/Engineering Instructor, Capital High School; Personnel Report; Enrollment Report. Public is invited to attend.

Monday, November 9: PFA meeting, Hidden Springs Elementary School, 7 p.m.

Monday, November 9: PTO meeting, Hawthorne Elementary School, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, November 10: PTA meeting, Amity Elementary School, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 10: PTA meeting, Cynthia Mann Elementary School, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 12: PTO meeting, Valley View Elementary School, 7 p.m.

Thursday, November 12: PTO meeting, Koelsch Elementary School, 5 p.m.

Friday, November 13: Ability Team Assembly, Koelsch Elementary School gym, 1:15-3:00 p.m. Athletes in wheelchairs from Boise Parks & Recreation AdVenture program will lead the assembly. The athletes will also perform demonstrations in basketball and tennis, give personal testimonials, explain adapted recreation equipment and answer questions from students. The goals are to increase knowledge about disabilities and eliminate negative stereotypes, to promote acceptance by fostering positive attitudes toward individuals with disabilities, and to use sport and athletes with disabilities as a means to show that individuals with disabilities are capable of achieving the same goals as those without disabilities. Media is welcome to attend.

Saturday, November 14: First Annual Official MONOPOLY® Game Tournament hosted by Boise High School's Big Red Band, 1-6 p.m., Boise High School cafeteria. Come watch the BSU vs. U of I football game, wear your favorite team colors, and spend an exciting day playing MONOPOLY®! Registrations forms can be found at the Big Red Band's website, www.eteamz.com/boisehighband. The tailgate themed tournament will feature a broadcast of the BSU vs. U of I game and is open to all adults and students in grades 7-12. Cost is \$12 for students, \$15 for Early Bird adults who register before November 6, and \$20 for adults who register after November 6. No registrations will be accepted after November 12. Proceeds will benefit the Boise High Band Boosters to help fund the Big Red Band's trip to an out-of-state music festival in the spring. For more information contact **Nick Clements**, Boise High Band director, 854-4348 or nick.clements@boiseschools.org.

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Monday, November 16-Friday, November 20: Book Fair, Owyhee-Harbor Elementary School library.

Tuesday, November 17: PTA meeting, Maple Grove Elementary School, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 17: PTO meeting, Longfellow Elementary School, 3:20 p.m.

Wednesday, November 18: PTO meeting, Washington Elementary School, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 19: Family Math Night, Mountain View Elementary School, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Mountain View students and their families are invited to play math games, brain teasers, and puzzles! All students must be accompanied by an adult (and all adults must be accompanied by a student!). Students must register by November 9; contact the school for more information.

Thursday, November 19: PTO meeting, Trail Wind Elementary School, 7 p.m.

Saturday, November 21: Boise School District's 8th Annual All-District Employee Holiday Art & Craft Bazaar, West Jr. High School, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Open to the public who are encouraged to bring a donation to either the Idaho FoodBank or Toys for Tots. Come to the new West Jr. High located at 8371 W. Salt Creek Ct. south of Victory Rd. between Cole and Maple Grove roads and do some holiday shopping! All vendors are employees of the Boise School District and/or their families.

Saturday, November 21: Fourth Annual Turkey Trot and Pancake Feed, Hidden Springs Elementary School, beginning at 8 a.m. with the pancake feed and the one-mile fun run for kids at 9 a.m. (a shorter course will be available for preschool age kids and younger). Race entrance fee will be either two canned food items or one warm coat to benefit a local charity. Proceeds from the pancake feed will benefit the school.

Wednesday, November 25: Early release for Boise School District students. Morning kindergarten will be held from 8:45 a.m.-10:30 a.m., afternoon kindergarten will be held from 11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m., grades 1-6 will release at 1:15 p.m., grades 7-9 will release at noon, and grades 10-12 will release at 12:10 p.m.

Friday, December 4 & Saturday, December 5: 37th Annual Madrigal Dinner, Boise High School, seating at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. both evenings. Enjoy dinner and an evening of medieval/renaissance music and festivities! Ticket information: adults \$20, students/seniors \$15, tickets on sale now! Contact ASB office 854-4291 for information.

Friday, December 11: Drama Showcase, East Jr. High auxiliary gym, 7 p.m. Students from Linda Byron's Theater Arts I classes will perform dance routines, improv, and storytelling. Public is invited to attend.

Longfellow Artists to be Featured: Artists from Longfellow Elementary School will be featured at the downtown Boise branch of D.L. Evans Bank located at the corner of 9th and Idaho streets during December's First Thursday event. Artwork will be on display on Thursday, December 3 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Featured works will include art from every classroom as well as works inspired by the Artist in Residence program. Refreshments provided, free and open to the public.

White Pine Teacher Competes in Triathlon: White Pine Elementary School Physical Education Teacher **Jenny Tobin** recently competed in the Xterra Adventure Racing World Championships, finishing 13th in the world. More than 500 athletes from 23 countries and 36 U.S. states competed in the Xterra World Championships, which combines a one-mile swim, grueling 20-mile mountain bike leg, and a seven-mile trail run, all in and around the Island of Maui. The race was filmed for a one-hour television show that will air in January.

Mobile Rec Van to Visit BSD Elementary Schools: Boise Parks & Recreation invites kids in grades 1-6 to join them for sports, art, fitness, and nutrition education programs after school this fall. The Mobile Recreation Van provides safe, supervised fun right in your neighborhood! The Van will be at Hillcrest Elementary School, 2045 S. Pond St., from 3:15-5:15 p.m. November 9-12.

A free, healthy snack is provided daily by the Freedom Resource Center, a non-profit local food bank. All participants must submit a waiver signed by a parent or guardian. The waiver is available at the site. For more information, contact **Roseanne Daily**, rdaily@cityofboise.org or (208) 854-4917.

Open Gym at Nine BSD Schools: Kids in elementary school and junior high can have fun and stay active this winter at free open gym sessions available at seven neighborhood schools. Drop in for a few minutes or longer!

Open Gym runs from November 7, 2009 through March 2010. Activities may include pick-up basketball, indoor soccer, rope climbing and jump roping. Equipment is provided at some locations. Supervision is provided by Boise Parks & Recreation staff members. All gyms will be closed on holidays and during Christmas break. Locations and hours may be subject to change.

For children in kindergarten to sixth grade, Open Gyms are available at these elementary schools:

- Hawthorne, 2401 W. Targee, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays
- Liberty, 1740 E. Bergeson, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays & 1-4 p.m. Sundays
- Koelsch, 2015 N. Curtis, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays
- Valley View, N. 3555 Milwaukee, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays & 1-4 p.m. Sundays

For older youth, Open Gyms are offered at these junior high schools:

- Les Bois, 4150 E. Grand Forest Drive, 9 a.m.-noon Saturdays & 1-4 p.m. Sundays
- Hillside, 3536 W. Hill Road, 8-11 a.m. Saturdays & 1-4 p.m. Sundays
- East, 5600 E. Warm Springs Ave., 9 a.m.-noon Saturdays
- West, 8371 W. Salt Creek Ct., 9 a.m.-noon Saturdays
- South, 3101 W. Cassia St., 9 a.m.-noon Saturdays

Open Gym is a free service provided by Boise Parks & Recreation in partnership with the Boise Independent School District. For information, see www.cityofboise.org/parks or contact Sara Crawford at scrawford@cityofboise.org or (208) 384-4256.