

WASHINGTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

April 11, 2019

HOME OF THE COUGARS



Our Mission Statement is to assist and empower ALL students to reach their full potential in a safe environment.

April 11	Papa Murphy's Pizza Night
April 24	Walk to School Day
April 21	Easter
April 29 - May 17	Jog-a-Thon (5k Training)
April 23 & 25	Class Photos (Tues. K,2,4,6 & Thurs. 1,3,5)
May 1	PTA Meeting 7:30 in the library
May 1	National Principal's Day
May 8	Bike to School Day
May 6-10	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 11	Fun Run 5k in Dover
May 16	Washington's Got Talent (Doors open @ 5:30, show starts @ 6:00)

Kindergarten and New Student Registration

May 6 - 10

When registering your student these three things are required:

- *Complete Immunization Records: 5 DTP, 4 Polio, 3 HepB, 2 MMR, 2 Varicella, and 2 Hep A
- *Certified Birth Certificate (not a hospital copy)
- *Proof of physical address (ie: a current utility bill)

Registration will be held May 6-10 at Washington Elementary School from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. Idaho law requires that students provide complete immunization documentation in order to attend public school in the state of Idaho. Children entering kindergarten must be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2019. For enrollment into first grade, a child must be 6 years of age on or before September 1, 2019. If you are unsure of your child's school attendance zone, please contact the School District Transportation Office at 263-3522. Until all required documents are provided and paperwork is complete we will not be able to place students on a class list for the next school year.

**Please note that Idaho law requires that immunization records must be SIGNED by a physician or their designated representative.

Are you moving ??

We are trying to get a jump on our enrollment for next year. If you know that you are moving and will not be attending Washington Elementary please notify the office at 263-4759.



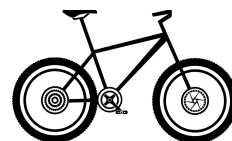
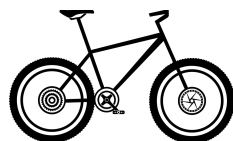
Sixth Grade Families,

Please join us April 25th, 6:00 pm at the Sandpoint High School Auditorium, to hear more about Advanced Opportunities. Stephanie Childress, Advanced Opportunities Regional Coordinator, will present an overview and answer questions.

The State of Idaho's Advanced Opportunities / Fast Forward program provides students attending an Idaho public school an allocation of \$4,125.00 to use toward Advanced Opportunities in grades 7-12. The fund can be used for overload courses, dual credit tuition, or credit bearing or professional-technical certification exams. Additionally, it provides a scholarship for early graduates.

For more information, a copy of the Fast Forward flyer may be found here:

<http://www.sde.idaho.gov/student-engagement/advanced-ops/files/getting-started/program/Advanced-Opportunities-Brochure.pdf>



Safe Routes to School - Will we have our April Showers?

Every Kid Healthy Week is April 22-26 and **Earth Day is April 22nd**, this is a great time to get outside and get moving by walking or biking to school!

April showers shouldn't stop you from walking and biking this spring, umbrellas and raincoats will keep you dry. Please remember that motorists will have a more difficult time seeing pedestrians and bikers on rainy days. Windshield wipers may smear the view, and on a mixed-weather day, sunlight can reflect off the water remaining on the windshield - obscuring the driver's view. Be cautious when crossing at intersections. Make eye contact with the driver and make sure the driver stops for you before you cross. If you need to step around a puddle, always look behind you for walking, biking, and driving traffic first.

Mark your Calendars....May is Bike Month and National Bike to school day will be coming up **May 8th, 2019!** Please be safe when biking and wear a bike helmet. If your child is in need of a bike helmet we now have some available through the Safe Routes to School program, contact your school office or the Safe Routes Facebook page....(**Safe Routes to School Sandpoint Idaho LPOSD 84**), the Facebook page will also have the latest events and safety tips.



Jog-a-Thon Time !!!

Students at Washington Elementary will be running from April 29 thru May 17 during recess in “training” for our May 11th FUN RUN! More information will be coming home soon about how students can earn pledges to enhance our classrooms while running during the Jog-a-Thon and the Fun Run. More information will be coming home soon!

PTA News:

- **PTA Meeting:** The next scheduled PTA meeting will be Wednesday, May 1 at 7:30 am in the library.
- **Papa Murphy’s Night**
 - Dates: April 11th, May 9th, June 6th.
- **Washington Elementary and PTA Facebook Page:** Join our Washington Elementary and PTA Facebook page to stay up-to-date on info about events, activities, and happenings.

Washington’s Got Talent 2019!!!

Auditions: Thursday, May 9 @ 2:45 - 4:15 (Participation required)

Practice: Friday, May 10 @ 2:45 - 4:15 (Participation optional)

Monday, May 13 @ 2:45 - 4:15 (Participation optional)

Dress Rehearsal: Wednesday, May 15 @ 1:45 - 3:30 (Participation required)

Performances: Thursday, May 16 @ 8:30am for students and teachers

Thursday, May 16 @ 6:00pm for family and friends

Pizza will be available at 5:30 for \$2 per slice prior to evening performance

Look for permission slips to come home next week! Due back April 26th



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3rd thru 6th grade show at Columbia Bank Plaza on the corner of Oak & 3rd.

Friday, April 12 5:30 - 7:00 Opening Ceremony

May 9th Closing

Note from the Principal : Loading and Unloading

Drivers on Erie Street are required to remain in their vehicles; this area is for loading and unloading only. On Erie Street, between Boyer and Lavina Avenues, vehicles will form three one-way lanes. The two inside lanes closest to the curb will be for active loading and unloading. The outside lane farthest from the curb is for exiting only; no loading or parking is permitted in the outside lane. Teachers will escort students and help guide vehicles within the loading zone.

Please, please do not use Lavina Ave or Boyer Ave as a drop-off or pick-up area. The new one-way is the safest route for our students. If you prefer to park and walk your student to school, please continue to do so outside of the loading zone. If you are not going to get out of your vehicle, please use the designated drop off and pick up zone. Thank you for teaching your child to walk on the sidewalk and cross at designated crossing. The one-way loading zone improves safety for all and especially aims to ensure safe practices once students leave a vehicle or school grounds.

Parent Reminders:

Please check Lost and Found! Lost and Found is filling up quickly with forgotten gloves, jackets, water bottles, and more. Any items not picked up at the end of the month will be donated.

May 24 is the last day to charge lunch. No emergency meal charges are allowed during the last two weeks of the school year. If your child has a negative balance it must be paid in full by Friday, May 24. Thank you!



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month - a time to celebrate the good things our communities do to promote healthy child development and prevention of child abuse & neglect.

Thumbs Up 4 Prevention



Paint your thumbnail blue & post a pic on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter to help start the conversation about how to make #greatchildhoods possible for all children.

#ThumbsUpIdaho



Thumbs Up 4 Idaho Kids is one small step to show your support for happy, healthy childhoods and be an advocate for children around the state.

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EARTH Week

AROUND TOWN

APRIL 16-22

- CLIMATE-THEMED VIRTUAL REALITY EXPERIENCES
- TEEN BUILDING PROJECTS
- EXPERT PANEL DISCUSSION
- EARTH TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS
- STORYTIMES & STORYWALKS™
- FREE FILM SCREENINGS

Earth Day Festival!

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH
AT FARMIN PARK 1-4 PM

Fun for the whole family!
Games, prizes, activities, green food vendors, music, and a special presentation by Washington School 6th graders.



Facebook.com/sandpointannualearthday



