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JANUARY 2013 NEWSLETTER

## CALENDAR

- MLK Jr. Holiday;  
No School, January
- Tip-Off Week,  
Jan 21-25
- Community Pep  
Assembly, Jan 25
- Tip-Off Coronation,  
Jan, 26

DHS expresses appreciation to everyone involved in the Foster Child Christmas Drive.

**THANK YOU!**



Give thanks. Give life.

Donor Information  
Assembly

Date: January 14

Time: 10:00-11:00 AM

Place: AHS Gym



## Superintendent Message

I am hoping that all of you had a great holiday season. Mine was great with lots of family – always enjoyable.

New year's resolutions, anyone? Make every day count! There are too few opportunities to show appreciation to those who bring joy to our lives.

Remember, you can live your life like there are no miracles, or you can decide that everything/everyone is a miracle. I choose the latter, but often fail to say it, or show it. Help me out on this.

The staff here at Adrian are a truly marvelous team. Our students know that we care about them, and put their needs at the top of the list.

Come and join us at our winter activities. We always enjoy the support from our community.

Yours Respectfully,  
Gene Mills

## High School Principal

We're back! I don't know about you, but the extended break was nice this year. I generally need a little extra time to get my Christmas shopping done and the extra time helped. It seems like the kids have come back refreshed and are ready to finish the school year strong!

There seems to be a lull in the action, but things will soon heat up around here. We will be holding our first semester awards assembly next week and the honors will be posted in the February issue of the newsletter. Our athletic teams are competing well as their schedules are in full swing. The wrestling team will be traveling to the 1A State Wrestling meet this weekend in Lowell, but you will need to check the school events calendar to make yourself aware of some of their changes. Our basketball teams will open up league play this week at Huntington on Friday and home on Saturday against Crane.

**Parents of seniors**, if your child is remotely thinking about going to college next year, you need to get the FAFSA completed as soon as possible. Treasure Valley Community College is once again hosting the College Goal Oregon Financial Aid Event this year on Saturday, January 12 from 9:00-1:00 in Barber Hall on the TVCC campus. The location has been changed from the Armory to Barber Hall.

This event is a great opportunity for students to sit down with a financial aid representative to complete their 2013 FAFSA and answer any questions about the financial aid process.

## High School Principal (con't)

TVCC representatives are available to assist students with their FAFSA regardless of the college that they plan on attending. Students are welcome to stop in anytime between 9:00-1:00 and the process to complete their FAFSA generally only takes 15-20 minutes.

Respectfully,  
Kevin Purnell,  
HS Principal/Counselor

# You're Invited to Our BOOK FAIR

**Every Reader Is a Star!**

Thursday, January 24, 2013

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Adrian School Library

(Also available January 25 between 7:30 and 9:30)



**SCHOLASTIC**

Read Every Day. Lead a Better Life.

I would like to express my appreciation and thank the Adrian schools, staff, students and the Adrian community for all your support toward Nichole Orosco's senior project. Through Nichole's efforts and your support, Adrian provided a Christmas for 33 DHS Foster Children. DHS was very appreciative and expressed their sincere gratitude to everyone involved in this worthy cause. It is evident, Adrian has a huge heart for children.

I, along with my wife, Stephanie Allison, Neil Allison, Nichole Orosco, and Emmanuel Dominguez, attended an appreciation dinner hosted by DHS at the Elks Lodge in Ontario. DHS acknowledges the generosity of Adrian schools and community. They adore and admire our school and community.

As a foster parent, I can attest to the challenges many of these children have endured. Your kindness and thoughtfulness during the holiday season made a difference to children and adults.

THANK YOU!

Geary Johnson



## FFA NEWS

The Adrian FFA will be hosting the Snakeriver District FFA Leadership Contests on Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. Students from the six area chapters will be participating in Parliamentary Procedure, FFA Creed Speaking, Beginning, Sophomore and Advanced Prepared Public Speaking and Extemporaneous Speaking contests. In addition, students will have the opportunity to take an exam on Cooperatives.

The Adrian chapter has been busy preparing the Parli Pro teams and the Creed Speakers are working hard to memorize the FFA Creed. It should be a fun and educational day for all! If you are interested in serving as a judge or score keeper for any of the contests, please contact Mrs. Chamberlain. As the host chapter we are expected to supply 8-12 judges.



## K-8 Students of the Month—

### First Grade

Ashlee Dudley AND Chloe Hill...Most Improved Reader

### Second Grade

Jesse Walker...Outstanding Math Student  
Samantha Page...Improved Spelling

### Third Grade

Brycen Soto...Greatly Improved Math Test Scores  
Lea Garner, Dakota Kidder-Sears, Ashtyn Frazier, Donovan Faulconer...  
Master of Math Concepts

### Fourth Grade

Aiden Spiers AND Thomas Stephens...Creative Thinker

### Fifth Grade

Genaro Robles AND Ethan Sheets...Outstanding Work in Reading

### Sixth Grade

Austin Hite AND Thomas Findling...Positive Attitudes

### Seventh Grade

Kayleigh Bradford...Academic Excellence & Outstanding Social Skills

### Eighth Grade

Carlee Morton...Excellence in Academics



## K-8 Principals Office

Happy New Year

It is a wonderful time to keep our New Year resolutions. We hope for a better year. A Master Teacher Pamphlet says, "In reality, we know a lot and very little about hope. For instance, we know from medical research that hope can make a helpful contribution to the physical well being of patients recovering from surgery and health related challenges. We also know that the presence of hope can shape how people perceive themselves and the circumstances within which they are living. We know people decide how much energy to devote to a challenge or goal on the basis of the hope they feel."

I hope that we, (staff, parents and community members) will help our students have the hope they need to accomplish the tasks that will allow them to be successful in life.

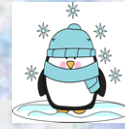
Thank you for your support,

William H. Ellsworth  
K-8 Principal



# Adrian School Cafeteria Lunch Menu

## January 2013



**Food Service Supervisor**  
**Julie Morton**  
**541-372-2337**



### Cafeteria Hours

**Breakfast**  
7:30-7:55 a.m.

**Lunch**  
K-5 11:00-11:45  
6-12 11:50-12:20

### Prices

**Breakfast**  
K-12 \$1.50  
Reduced - Free  
Adult \$1.85

**Lunch**  
K-5 \$2.30  
6-12 \$2.55  
Reduced .40  
Adult \$3.30

(K-12) & Adults  
Extra Milk .30  
(6-12) & Adults  
Extra Entree \$1.25

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1	2	3	4
7 <b>Teacher In Service No-School</b>	8 Pancakes  Tacos/w cheese Rice & Beans Salsa & Sour Cream Oranges	9 Sausage  Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Crackers Banana	10 Grilled Cheese  Hamburger Gravy Mashed Potatoes Apple Hot Roll	11 Biscuits & Gravy  Corn Dogs Sweet Potato Fries Green Salad Pears Cookie
14 Hash browns  Pizza Roll Green Salad Pineapple Birthday Cake	15 Pizza Roll  Beef Stroganoff Sweet Peas Orange Hot Roll	16 Fruit Parfait  Chili w/cheese Carrots Banana Cinnamon Roll	17 Scrambled Eggs  Chicken/Fish Nuggets Sweet Potato Fries Green Salad Apple	18     <b>R/SD</b>
21  <b>No-School</b>	22 French Toast  Weiner Wrap Pork & Beans Oranges Carrots	23 Sausage  Lasagna Green Salad Peaches Hot Roll	24 Muffins  Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans/Spinach Banana Brownie	25 Breakfast Burrito  Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Fries Apple
28 Hash browns  Burrito Sweet Potato Fries Mixed Fruit Maple Bar	29 Waffles  Choice of Sandwich Chips Veggie Sticks Orange	30 Apple Biscuit  Beef Stew Green Salad Banana Hot Roll	31 Biscuits & Gravy  Potatoes Au Gratin Green Salad/Carrots Apple No-Bake Cookie	

**Free & Reduced  
Price Applications  
Are Available At  
The Elementary Office**



**All Meals Are Served With Choice of Milk Or Water**

\* Fat Free White \* 1% White \*\* 1% Chocolate & Strawberry



# Adrian School Board

## Condensed Board Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2012

Members present were: Neil Allison, Ryan Martin, and Paul Shenk.

Call to Order The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Neil Allison, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adopt Agenda Motion was made and was seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

### Student and Personnel Communications

Student Reports/Requests Danny Livas, Student Body Representative, reported that homecoming went well. Olivia Walker raised over \$4,000 with her physical project. Madi Purnell's Pink-Out was a success. The volleyball team played a second round state playoff game where they lost to Imbler. The football team will play a state playoff game here vs Triad at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. The OASC Conference was great and the trip to Seaside went well. The FFA will be putting on a Holiday Bazaar on November 17, 2012 in the cafeteria. There are four students participating in the Treasure Valley Honor Band and one student participating in the Treasure Valley Honor Choir. The Honor Band and Choir concert will be at Northwest Nazarene University at 6 p.m. on November 14. The Drama Club will be attending the Music Theatre of Idaho presentation of White Christmas in December. The cost to the students will be \$4 each.

Staff Reports/Requests Kelly Tolman, Teacher, reported that he had traveled with Mr. Purnell to John Day where the Oregon Education Investment Board (OEIB) was seeking public input on the ESD restructuring and Regional Education Service Centers. There is change occurring in education at the state level and he encouraged the board to become informed.

Elementary Principal Report Mr. Ellsworth reported that the middle school wrestling program has seven participants and have gone to two meets so far. The elementary students had class parties on Halloween. The elementary had about 90% of the parents attend Parent-Teacher Conferences. The PTO will be holding a Bingo Night on November 15, from 5 – 8 p.m. Elementary students of the month are recognized on a bulletin board in the elementary hallway.

High School Principal Report Mr. Purnell reported that the juniors and seniors attended the College Fair, where they had the opportunity to visit with representatives from about seventy colleges, universities, schools, and the military, and to attend classes on financial aid, scholarships and other topics. There were over 1,000 students from the area in attendance. The High School Parent-Teacher Conference attendance was down this year. The Owyhee Avalanche has recently printed several articles from the Adrian area. The football and volleyball teams had a good season. Both head coaches were named High Desert League Coach of the Year for their respective sports. Madi Purnell was named the High Desert League Player of the Year. A number of volleyball players received league and tournament honors. The football league honors will be announced later. The first quarter Academic Awards assembly was held. Mr. Purnell reported that he and Mr. Allison had attended an Ontario School District Board meeting to gain information on the OEIB education reform from Representative Cliff Bentz. Mr. Purnell reported that the OEIB meeting in John Day was well attended by representatives from Eastern Oregon districts. There was a strong message emphasizing that the distance and remoteness of Eastern Oregon needed to be considered in the changes to education.

Superintendent Report Mr. Mills commented on how much students mature from their freshman to senior year, as evidenced in the many physical projects the students do for senior project class. Mr. Mills expressed his appreciation to the Sports Boosters for all the support they give the district. They have recently purchased travel bags for the football team and the girls basketball team, had the sign at the football field remade, and helped purchase wrestling gear. We currently have 236 students enrolled in the district which includes a number of students attending here under inter-district agreements. The basketball clinic he attended at Corbin University was excellent.

Financial Report Darla Witty provided the board with a balance sheet for district funds as of October 31, 2012, as well as, a summary of receipts and expenditures. A student body balance sheet was also presented.

Public Comment There were none.

Consent Agenda Motion was made and was seconded to approve the October 11, 2012, minutes as presented and to approve the payment of the bills as listed in the amount of \$240,896.31. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Action Items

Request to modify Wrestling Coaching Extra-duty Contract Eddie Kinkade would like to have his Wrestling Coaching salary reduced by \$1,200 and to pay \$1,200 to Kelly Tolman for Assistant Wrestling Coach duties. Motion was made and was seconded to modify Eddie Kinkade's Wrestling Coaching contract as requested and to pay Kelly Tolman \$1,200 for Assistant Wrestling Coach duties. Motion carried unanimously.

Offer Extra-duty Contract It was recommended to offer an extra-duty contract to LaDawn Bayes for Middle School Girls Basketball Assistant Coach. Motion was made and was seconded to offer an extra-duty contract as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

Change December Board Meeting There is a boys basketball game scheduled for Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. The game is at Liberty; moving the board meeting will give the board members and the administrators the opportunity to attend the game. Motion was made and was seconded to move the December board meeting to Tuesday, December 11, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment Motion was made and was seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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December 13, 2012

Members present were: Neil Allison, Ryan Martin, Paul Shenk, and Jake Speelmon.

Call to Order The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Neil Allison, at 500 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adopt Agenda Motion was made and was seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Student Reports/Requests Advanced Biology Field Trip Report Six advanced biology students and Miss Myers thanked the district for the opportunity to go to Yellowstone National Park, they shared a slide show and highlights from the field trip. Thank you letters were received from the students who could not be present at the meeting.

Elementary Principal Report Mr. Ellsworth reported that the Middle School Girl's basketball team placed first in the WIC league. Middle School wrestling has finished. He reminded the board that the students of the month and Accelerated Reader achievement levels were posted in the hallway of the elementary school to recognize the students. The winter music programs were a success.

High School Principal Report Mr. Purnell reported that the winter sport season has begun. He is in the closing stages of completing the requirements for his continuing administrator's license. Senate bill 290 requires districts to implement new teacher evaluation procedures by June, as part of his project he is working with Mr. Ellsworth to develop this for our district. The site council met and they asked for volunteers for the Achievement Compact Advisory Committee. Mr. Purnell conducted a survey of the high school students about school climate and 91% of the students responded that they felt their teachers cared. He also conducted a staff survey of school climate and let his staff evaluate him. Now he has the challenge of using the information to improve school climate and instruction.

Superintendent Report Mr. Mills reported that the Fall Sport Awards night was well attended by the athletes involved. The Malheur Education Service District Local Service Plan is being developed in the usual manner; any changes in ESD structure made by the legislature will take effect after next year. The music programs were excellent and he commended Mrs. VanCorbach for a job well done. Rebecca Levenseller's physical projects brought in sports injury experts from St. Luke's to present a sports injury clinic for coaches. The clinic was very interesting and Mr. Mills expressed his appreciation for St. Luke's willingness to present the clinic. The school year is going well and everyone is looking forward to the break.

Financial Report Darla Witty presented a balance sheet and summary of receipts and expenditures as of November 30, 2012. A high school student body fund report as of November 30, 2012 was also presented. Looking forward to next year, the governor has released his budget for K-12 education at \$6.15 billion and includes \$253 million that would come from proposed changes to the Oregon Public Employee Retirement System. The governor expects this appropriation for K-12 education to maintain current service levels. The PERS rates will increase approximately 7% on July 1, 2013. This increase will cost the district an additional \$90,000 at current salaries.

The district's unweighted average daily membership is at 228, which is down 10 students from the end of last school year. We are currently funded on last year's numbers. The district is funded on the higher of the current year or the prior year, so funding for next year will be down unless enrollment increases next school year.

Public Comment T.J. Acock addressed the board in regard to his physical project. He would like to build a retaining wall between the lawn, and the sidewalk along the parking lot on the south side of the high school. The cost of the project is estimated at \$4,000 and the project would need to be completed in the spring, prior to senior boards. The board suggested that T.J. work closely with Mr. Mills and Mr. Purnell to come up with a physical project.

Consent Agenda Motion was made and was seconded to adopt the November 8, 2012 meeting minutes as presented and to approve the bills as listed in the amount of \$354,071.74. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items Extra-duty Salary Requests Mr. Mills requested that his Girl's Basketball Head Coach stipend be reduced by \$300 and the \$300 be paid to Heidi Purnell for her assistance to the basketball team. Brent Ishida would like to volunteer as the Head Boy's Basketball Coach and requested that the salary he would have received be used to pay Heidi Purnell \$300 for her assistance to the basketball team and the balance donated to the ASB Boy's Basketball Fund. Motion was made and was seconded to pay Heidi Purnell \$600 for assisting with the basketball teams, to reduce Mr. Mills Girl's Basketball stipend by \$300 and to allow Brent Ishida to volunteer as Boy's Basketball Coach and to use \$300 to pay Heidi Purnell and to donate the balance to the AHS Boy's Basketball Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Comments Neil Allison reported that he was honored to attend a dinner for the Foster Child Christmas Gift project. Nichole Orosco, for her physical project, worked with the student council, in getting donations or gifts from classes, clubs and individuals from Adrian to purchase or provide gifts for foster children's wish lists. Adrian High School was able to sponsor gifts for 33 of the 134 foster children in Malheur County.

Adjournment Motion was made and was seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was declared adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Complete copies of the minutes are posted in each building and on the district website, [www.adriansd.com](http://www.adriansd.com). Copies may be requested from the District Office.



## 2013 Adrian TIP-OFF



### Thursday, January 24

Girls Varsity vs. Huntington 6:00  
Boys Varsity vs. Huntington 7:30

### Friday, January 25

Community Pep Assembly 2:30  
Boys JV vs. Jordan Valley 4:30  
Girls Varsity vs. Jordan Valley 6:00  
Boys Varsity vs. Jordan Valley 7:30  
Dance 9:30

### Saturday, January 26

Wrestling @ Homedale



### Tip-Off Court

#### Seniors

Prince Tommy Shenk & Princess Jasper Snyder  
Prince Seung-chul Kim & Princess Kristal Goul  
Prince Paxton Shira & Princess Nichole Orosco

#### Juniors

Prince Dominic Abril & Princess Nikki Walker  
Sophomores  
Prince Emmanuel Dominguez & Princess Quincy Pendergrass

#### Freshmen

Prince Michael Horton & Princess Miriah Richardson



The Mr. AHS Pageant is a must see. Fun and entertaining.  
—Entertainment Weekly



Humorous and amusing. The queen of pageants  
—Oprah

Clever. Amusing, Better than Broadway.  
—NY Times

## MR. AHS PAGEANT

March 8, 2013

Please support Danny Livas and  
his talented cast of contestants  
for a evening of entertainment.

Two thumbs up!! Barrels of laughs!  
—Ebert