

# COLTON ELEMENTARY BULLETIN



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## UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

### January

1/13-1/30 Maps Testing

1/20 No School- MLK JR Day

1/22 Student Listening & Learning

1/24 No School- Teacher Work Day

### February

2/4 Kids Heart Challenge Kick Off Assembly

2/13 Valentine's Day Parties 1:30 PM

2/17 President's Day - No School

2/21 School Friday

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## NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Winter Weather

Winter is here! Make sure you have signed up to receive flash alerts for Colton School District to keep informed of possible delays and closures. The FlashAlert Quick Link is on the homepage @ [www.colton.k12.or.us](http://www.colton.k12.or.us).

See our district website for updated snow routes for the 19-20 school year under the Departments tab, Transportation, 2019-2020 Bus Snow Routes. **Highland area residents please note we will no longer be going past Lower Highland and Fellows Rd intersection when on snow routes.** If you have questions please contact the bus garage at 503-824-3534.



### Parking Lot Safety

Please use extreme caution when driving through the school parking lots. **Speed limit is 10 MPH.** This is for the safety of our students!

### Winter MAPS Testing

We will be starting our next round of MAPS testing next week. Please make sure your child is to school on time, well rested and has a healthy breakfast.

## Lost and Found Items

There is an overflowing amount of coats, sweatshirts and clothing items in our Lost and Found bin. Please come take a look! Tables will be set out in the main entry displaying all of those items.

## Immunization Exclusion Day February 19

Immunization Exclusion Day is February 19. This is the day that all immunizations must be current and recorded in order to be present at school. Letters will be sent home in January if your student needs their records updated. Please contact Annette at the CES Office if you have questions regarding immunization requirements. *\*\*Notes were handed out at conferences to parents/guardians of students that need immunizations.*

## **READING CORNER NEWS**

**Viking Listening Voyage**- Join Mrs. Wagner's Listening Voyage through June! Listen to audiobooks or stories, like a CD audiobook, podcasts for kids, or on a device. Fill out a viking ship with your name and the story title to put up in the library. There are many ways to find audiobooks, Mrs. Wagner will collect a list from our Colton families and share in the next bulletin. *Ask your teacher or Mrs. Wagner for more ships if needed.*



**OBOB- Oregon Battle of the Books (3rd - 5th grade)**- We will meet a few more times before starting our school battles at the end of January! We have 5 amazing teams that have read the 16 required books. We are proud of our students! Please finish your minimum of 4 books by January 23. Battle schedules and updates will be shared soon via email. The winner goes to the Regional Competition in Oregon City on Saturday, March 14. Please email Mrs. Wagner to get on her OBOB email list at [wagnerc@colton.k12.or.us](mailto:wagnerc@colton.k12.or.us)

## Library Volunteers Needed

**Volunteers  
Needed!**



**Shelving**- Can anyone help shelve Tuesday or Wednesday? It can be 30 minutes or an hour anytime. If you are volunteering for a classroom, you are always welcome to swing by any day and grab a few books off the shelving cart.

**Library Book Prep Party**- We need help getting new books ready for the shelf! Come help stamp, label and cover over 100 new books:

**January 14-** 9-11AM

**January 15-** 7:30-9:30AM

## **EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

### **Kids Heart Challenge**

Students will have a kick off assembly to promote the Kids Heart Challenge February 4. Information and donation envelopes will be sent home with students after the assembly. This fundraiser directly supports the American Heart Association.

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

### **Parent Check In**

Please be sure to sign in (and out) at the Check In Table in the entryway before walking your student to their classroom in the morning. Not only does this keep our School safe, but it also helps us to know who is in the building should urgent circumstances arise. Thank you for helping us keep our school safe and secure.

### **Student Pick-up Procedures**

At dismissal time, our priority is to make sure every student gets on the proper bus or picked up by the proper adult. Please help us make this happen by following the procedures below.

- ❖ **All changes in student's after school plans need to be sent by note, or a phone call to the school office by 1:00.**
- ❖ Students will come out the main entrance with their teacher. Students riding the buses will be dropped off first while the class walks towards the covered area in front of the gym.
- ❖ **If you are picking up your student, please wait in the covered area. This is where the teacher can safely make sure that the students are leaving with the approved person. This is for the safety of our students.**
- ❖ During pick-up time only, people are allowed to park in the area by the covered area as long as they don't block the bus lane or driveway.
- ❖ Pick-up anytime before dismissal, or without prior notice, requires the parent/guardian to sign the student out in the school office.

### **Background Checks**

Colton School District values the contribution of volunteers in service to students and public education. The District's first priority is the well being and safety of students and volunteers. **Criminal Background Checks and Student Privacy Statement and Volunteer Confidentiality Agreements are required every year** for all volunteers. You will need to have a valid Criminal Background Check on file in order to volunteer on the school grounds, attend class parties or as a field trip chaperone/guest.

Colton Elementary School would like to remind all volunteers to know when their background check expires. Background check forms can be filled out in the Elementary School office. Please allow two weeks to process. If you have questions, please contact Shannon at 503-824-3536.

### **Medication**

Medications for students must be brought in to the Office in the original container by a parent/guardian, they may **not** be transported by the student. Authorization to Administer Medication forms need to be filled out by the parent/guardian at that time.

## **ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Inclement Weather and Emergency Closures**

As we get closer to the possibility of adverse weather conditions, please remember to make sure you are signed up for Flash Alert. This will let you know if Colton School District has a delay, early release or closure. Find the latest information on our district website @ [www.colton.k12.or.us](http://www.colton.k12.or.us) or look for the Quick Links tab on the district homepage, click on Flash Alert to subscribe to receive Flash Alert messages.

## **Employment Opportunities**

Colton School District job listings are posted on the district website @ [www.colton.k12.or.us](http://www.colton.k12.or.us). Click on the Employment tab to find Current Openings.

## **LOCAL LIBRARY HAPPENINGS** (*check libraries directly for any schedule changes*)

**Estacada Public Library** 503-630-8273

**OPEN:** Monday - Thursday: 10:00AM to 7:00PM; Friday: 10:00AM to 5:00PM; Saturday and Sunday: 11:00AM to 5:00PM

**Chess Club-** Wednesdays, 4-5PM (ages 8-18 years old)

**Lego Club-** Saturday, January 18, 11:30-1PM

**Molalla Public Library** 503-829-2593

**OPEN:** Monday - Thursday: 10:00AM - 8:00PM; Friday - Saturday: 10:00AM - 5:00PM; Sunday: 12:00 - 5:00PM

**Upcoming Molalla Public Library Events**

**Tuesday, January 21- Lego Club** 4:30PM to 6:30PM- (K-8th grade)

**Saturday, January 11 - STEAM Connections** 2:00PM- Attack on the Fort (K-8th grade) Castles and Catapults! It's an Engineering event as we break out the craft supplies. Participants will have 30-40 minutes to build a sturdy fortress to withstand the coming siege... Then, let's build some catapults and attack! (STEAM= Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math)

**ORCA Sign Ups Begin at Molalla Public Library-** Oregon Reader's Choice Awards Reading Program (3rd-5th grade)- Read or listen to 2 or more of the 8 books by March 15th. Vote for your favorite and win prizes for participating!

Amina's Voice by Kena Khan

Her Right Foot by Dave Eggers and Shawn Harris

I'm Just No Good at Rhyming and Other Nonsense for Mischievous Kids and Immature Grown-Ups by Chris Harris and Lane Smith

The Losers Club by Andrew Clements

Spirit Hunters by Ellen Oh

Stef Soto, Taco Queen by Jennifer Torres

The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street by Karina Glaser

Wishtree by Katherine Applegate

