

# COLTON ELEMENTARY BULLETIN



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## UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

### October

10/30 Student Listening & Learning  
10/31 Harvest Parties 1:15PM

### November

11/5 Jog A Thon Donation Envelopes Due  
11/7 4th Grade Field Trip State Capital  
11/7 Can Food Drive Kick Off Assembly  
**11/11 No School Veteran's Day**  
**11/15 School Friday**  
11/15 3rd Grade Field Trip Children's Theatre  
11/18-11/21 Fall Book Fair (see times under Reading Corner)  
11/25-11/26 Fall Book Fair (during conference hours)  
**11/25-11/28 No School Conferences/Holiday**  
11/25 Conferences 12PM-8PM  
11/26 Conferences 8AM-4PM

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## NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Harvest Parties/Halloween Parade

Harvest Parties will be on Thursday, October 31st. **Please do not wear costumes to school.** Students will be given the opportunity to change into their costumes after lunches in time for the parade and parties. Classroom teachers will be sending their own announcements out for their classroom activities. The all-school Halloween parade will begin at 1:15 PM.

### School Start 7:30AM

Just a friendly reminder: CES doors open at 7:15AM and the **tardy bell rings at 7:30AM.**

### Can Food Drive

The annual Can Food Drive will be running from November 12-21. The food collected will be given to the Colton Fire Station and then dispersed to Colton families in need. Please make sure donated food is unopened and not expired.

### Rainy Day Recess

In an effort to get students playing and moving during recess we will be headed outside as much as possible, so please have students dress appropriately for the forecast. If it is really wet outside we will still be using the covered play area, so coats with hoods and closed toe shoes are still a good idea given our Oregon weather. In the event of severe weather, we will use the gym as much as possible instead of keeping students in the building.

## **Box Tops For Education**

Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. **You can still clip and send them to school.** Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label. Use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online. More information on the new Box Tops app can be found at [BTFE.COM](http://BTFE.COM) or [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com).

## **Transportation News**

A reminder from the Colton School District Bus Garage:

Fall is here and as the days continue to get shorter and mornings darker, it is helpful for parents to have some type of light with students at their bus stop. Reflective patches on coats help too. This makes it easier for the school bus drivers and other drivers to see them. Let's be safe and visible this winter.

Thank you, from the Colton School District Transportation staff.



## **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.

## 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.

## **READING CORNER NEWS**

❖ Library Days (also the day that books are due for 2nd - 5th graders)



Browning- Tuesdays

Gant- Wednesdays

Krieter- Wednesdays

Riddle- Wednesdays

Weninger- Tuesdays

Groat- Mondays

Bleau- Wednesdays

Sahleen- Thursdays

Herbison- Mondays

Madlem- Tuesdays

Brownson- Mondays

Parker-Tuesdays



**Scholastic Book Fair-** Our Book Fair is three weeks away! This is a wonderful fundraiser to buy new books for the library (50% of the profits goes directly to the library). Volunteer sign ups will be sent out Monday. Book Fair will be open:

- November 18-21 (all week, Monday-Thursday- before school, recesses and after school)
- November 25 & 26 (no school/conference days- Monday 12-8PM and Tuesday 8-4PM)

**OBOB- Oregon Battle of the Books (3rd - 5th grade)-** Our 2nd meeting was this week, Thursday, October 24. Mrs. Wagner will form teams for our next meeting in two weeks. Each student gets to be with at least one requested teammate. Please email Mrs. Wagner to get on her OBOB email list at [wagnerc@colton.k12.or.us](mailto:wagnerc@colton.k12.or.us)

## **EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

### Jog A Thon

It was a great day for the Jog A Thon. Thank you Volunteers for all your help setting up and marking cards! The students had a lot of fun! Remember, donation envelopes are due **November 5th** in order for students to be eligible for prizes.

Last year, Jog A Thon funds were spent on an assembly from OMSI, an artist in residence, PE equipment and classroom field trips. Thank you for supporting Colton Elementary!

### Viking Youth Basketball

Registration for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders is now open through Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Please register at:

<https://www.playyon.com/vikingyouthbasketball/registration/wolxFbh5gg/>

The season will begin with practices starting late December/early January with games running through mid-March. We are also planning to hold open gyms beginning early November. More details will follow in the coming week.

You may also find the registration links on our homepage at:

<https://www.playyon.com/vikingyouthbasketball/registrations/>

## **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.

### **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.

## **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.

