

COLTON ELEMENTARY BULLETIN



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UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

December

12/17 Dunk Tank 1:30PM (Jog A Thon Award)
12/19 Winter Music Program 8AM
12/19 Winter Holiday Class Parties
12/20 Winter Break Begins NO School

January

1 / 6 No School- Teacher Work Day
1/7 School Resumes
1/10 School Friday
1/16 Student Talent Show
1/20 No School- MLK JR Day
1/22 Student Listening & Learning
1/24 No School- Teacher Work Day

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Mr. Mario Alba

Colton Elementary and Colton Middle Schools are extremely happy to welcome Mr. Mario Alba as their new K-8 Interim Principal. Mr. Alba comes to Colton School District with many years of experience as a successful school leader. He will be working alongside of Mrs. Hazelton starting this week. He is very excited to support the students, staff, and families of Colton. Please take the time to introduce yourself to him and give him a warm welcome.

Welcome Ms. Beth Bytnar

Ms. Beth Bytnar is Colton School District's new speech language pathologist. She has been empowering children with communication for over 25 years. She has a thorough knowledge and expertise in a wide variety of communication disorders. We are delighted to welcome Ms. Bytnar.

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!

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.

Canned Food Drive

Thank you for contributing to the annual Canned Food Drive to help Colton families! Mrs. Krieter's 1st grade class won the competition and will be putting on a Talent Show for CES students with the help of our Student Council.

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.*

FlashAlert

Colton School District uses **FlashAlert** to communicate with families on emergency closures. With winter fast approaching, please make sure you are signed up to receive alerts. The FlashAlert Quick Link is on the homepage www.colton.k12.or.us.

READING CORNER NEWS



**THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED:
SET UP, WORK A SHIFT AND
TAKE DOWN THE BOOK FAIR!
YOUR HELP WAS GREATLY NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!**

Our Scholastic Book Fair helped raise

\$3,300

in new books for the library!

We plan to buy more book series our students love!
(The Book Fair made \$6,600 total and we keep 50% profit)



BOOK FAIR STUDENT WINNERS:

Guessing Game Winners- You won a poster from the Fair!

POLAR BEAR FOOD (goldfish) 5th Grade, Brady, was the closest in guessing 400 (actual was 393)

SNOWBALLS (marshmallows) Kinder, Joshua H., was the closest in guessing 225 (actual was 224)

Snowball Raffle Winners (6)- You won a book at the Fair!

Reiden (2nd grade), Quentin (K), Jerzie (3rd), Lily (5th), Oliver (2nd) and Easton (1st)

Mrs. Wagner will give you your prizes next week!

Coloring Contest Raffle- You won a book at the Fair on Thursday, Nov. 21!

Anson (K), Quentin (K), Forest (1st), Farrah (1st), Shyanne (2nd), Cody (2nd), John (3rd), Payton E (3rd), Dylan (4th), Dylan (4th), Lylah (5th), Kaylee (5th)

OBOB- Oregon Battle of the Books (3rd - 5th grade)- We met this week on Monday, Dec. 9, and had a practice battle! Our next meeting will be Monday, Dec. 16. We will practice battles and name our teams! Please finish your 4 books by January 23! Take a look in their OBOB folder that they will keep continuously in their backpack. Please email Mrs. Wagner to get on her OBOB email list at wagnerc@colton.k12.or.us

Volunteers Needed: Continue the tradition!

Help plan and decorate the gym for the Winter Music Program! Volunteers needed: Tuesday, December 17, 10-12PM, and Wednesday, December 18, 7:30-10:30AM. Let the front office know if you are interested.



EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Dunk Tank- Jog-A-Thon Award Event

Tuesday, December 17 at 1:30PM, CES Jog-A-Thon winners will be lining up to take a turn at trying to dunk a staff member in the Dunk Tank. Good luck students!

Winter Music Program

CES Winter Music Program will be held in the Gym on December 19 at 8AM. Please allow time for parking as this is a well attended event. Also, be mindful of reserved parking areas and fire lanes.

Winter Classroom Parties

Teachers will be sending home information regarding their individual classroom parties. Be on the lookout for these details. Each classroom will have their own times and activities!

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 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. Click on the Employment tab to find Current Openings.

