

# NBMS NEWS



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## **7TH GRADE SCIENCE**

North Bend Middle School is coming closer to becoming a prestigious Ocean Guardian School.

Mr. Johnson's 7th grade science students

do habitat restoration by removing invasive scotch broom plants at home and on campus.





Students study pond puddles created by runoff on the field near Pony Slough.





## **NBMS BASKETBALL**

We just received word that we will be having a Boys & Girls Basketball season!

Family ID is currently open to receive registrations. Please remember you must have a current sports physical on file to be approved for participation.

The season will open up the first part of May. The exact date will be announced as more information becomes available.

If you have any questions, please contact our Athletic Secretary, Sheri Gaines at: 541-751-7279 or sgaines@nbend.k12.or.us

# **8TH GRADE CELEBRATION**

With COVID-19 taking center stage this year a lot of our normal activities have taken a back seat.



It's now time to get things up and going for our 8th Grade students and here's what's happening.

There will be a zoom meeting for ALL 8th grade parents this Friday, 4/23 at 7 PM. This will be for everyone to give some input into what we would like to do this year to celebrate our 8th grade students.

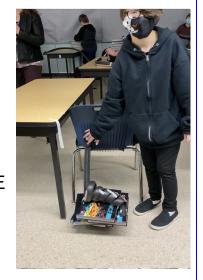
We are hoping for a BIG turnout to discuss as many ideas as possible!

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# **6TH GRADE SCIENCE**

Ms. Brecke's 6th grade science class has just recently completed a section on Potential and Kinetic Energy, using a Marble Roller Coaster Lab.

The winner, with FIVE successful loops is......Kiarra Lock! You deserve a big shout-out for your engineering skills.



Congratulations Kiarra!

#### LIBRARY NEWS

If you have any library books checked out from last year, from the start of COVID-19, you can bring them back and return



them in the library book drop. Mrs. Hensler will be sending out emails showing what books are attached to your library account. It is not a bill or fine. We would like to get as many books back

as possible. Thank you in advance for getting these returned so others are able to check them out to enjoy.

### **GRAPHICS DESIGN CONTEST**

Mid-Columbia Bus Co. is teaming up with the NBSD and inviting students from the Middle and High schools to submit a design for the district motorcoach.

This is a great opportunity for our students. Please see the attached flyer for contest details.

We would like to give a "shout-out" to our NBMS students for adjusting to school expectations since many of them are



in hybrid instruction. They have done a fantastic job respecting COVID-19 requirements in school and doing their part to keep a safe learning environment.

The following students and staff were winners last week as we learned about the character trait of HONESTY.

Grade 6: Hailey Speakman & Keller Vinyard

Grade 7: Sasha Holt and Syla Major

Grade 8: Chris Hooper and Kyrsten Johnson

Staff: Kelly Barnett

#### **ON-LINE SAFETY INFORMATION**

Here is a helpful resource to answer questions regarding social media safety for your student. Social media can be a great way for students to connect online; however, there can also be potential safety concerns. We hope this resource is a helpful tool to answer questions you may have.

https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides
(see attachments)

#### **ACADEMIC SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES!**

North Bend Middle School Academic Support Team has limited openings to support your student in CDL and Hybrid instruction. Our team is able to provide twice a week study hall sessions to students who are struggling in English or Math.

Please contact Teresa Knutson for more information at:

541-751-7288 or tknutson@nbend.k12.or.us

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# **2021 SPRING STATE TESTING**

This year, school has been significantly disrupted by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and other factors. In response, ODE asked the United States Department of Education for a temporary pause (also known as a "waiver") in English Language Arts (ELA) and Math testing. The federal waiver was approved on a modified plan. Students in grades 3-7 will be asked to test in one subject area (soon to be selected and announced from the state), with grade 8 testing in two of the three subjects, and grade 11 students testing in all three subject areas (English/language arts, Math and Science).

If you wish to opt your child out of state testing, please complete the Opt Out Form at:

http://www.nbend.k12.or.us/testing.html

#### **6TH GRADE STUDENTS**

Several 6th grade students have not yet returned the 6th grade novel, Number the Stars.

Please check with your teacher and if you are one of those students, please take the time to look around your home and return it to school

as soon as possible. Thank you so much, we greatly appreciate it.

Number the Stars

#### **NO SCHOOL**

There will be a non-school day this Friday, April 23rd for all NBSD students and staff.

Enjoy your day or use it to get caught up on any assignments you may have!

#### PROPOSED CURRICULUM

The North Bend School District is in the process of identifying a quality curriculum for our foreign language programs, with implementation in the fall of 2021 for grades 6-12. Staff have reviewed a number of options that address French and Spanish standards taught in our current courses. Major factors for decisions include the way concepts and approaches of effective teaching are provided, resources demonstrating a clear priority to prepare students for meeting the adopted state requirements, online resources and materials, accessibility components, and requirements for a path to the next level of language attainment as well as solid foundational skill building.

We are inviting you to make contact if you would like to review the proposed curriculum and/or if you have questions/concerns regarding the upcoming adoption. I would welcome you to contact me to set a time to preview the materials and resources.

Tiffany Rush—Curriculum Director 541-756-6782 or trush@nbend.k12.or.us

The time frame for input, prior to the May school board meeting on May 6th, 2021, will be from April 15th-May 3rd, 2021.

