

OUR MISSION
TO PROVIDE A SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT WITH DIVERSIFIED EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES WHICH ENCOURAGES
STUDENTS TO BECOME LIFELONG LEARNERS AND PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS

May 1, 2010

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Congratulations to Allison Bye and her parents, Lowell Bye and April Snowden, for being named the Valedictorian of the Class of 2010, and to Rhett Aschim and his parents, Rick and Sally, for being named the Salutatorian of the Class of 2010. Graduation ceremonies will be held on Saturday, May 22, in the NTCHS Gymnasium for eleven seniors.

Parents of bus students that live more than three miles from Sunburst or the nearest bus stop and want to receive individual transportation payments must submit a yearly application. Business Manager, Jeanne Fairhurst, will mail renewals to families presently receiving payments. New applicants may pick up an application at the school. Completed applications are due before the first of June.

School bus routes for the 2010-2011 school terms will be discussed and approved at the regular May Board Meeting, May 19, 2010. Please contact Vince Burley at 937-2321 beforehand or come to the meeting to discuss any concerns you may have pertaining to your bus route.

There will be a Board Meeting on Wednesday, May 12, beginning at 6:00 for the purposes of reorganizing the board for 2010-2011 and doing a walk through of the school buildings. Only these two items will be done at this special meeting. The regular May School Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 19, beginning at 7:00 P.M.

The school election will be held at the Gordon Pocket Elementary School Gym on Tuesday, May 4. The poll hours will be from 12:00 to 8:00. Michael Wallewein and Jason Hanson are running for the one school board position. There will be no mill levy vote this year.

Student mid term grades are included with this newsletter. Please check on this and if more information is needed, feel free to communicate with your child's teacher.

Congratulations to Mrs. Hauschulz and the following students for earning a right to compete at the State Music Festival in Helena on April 30th and May 1st: Kyle Watterud, Misha Kearns, Mahkia Clark, Ronnie Gillund, Jacoba Hauschulz, Whitney Aschim, Titia Bloch, Kelsey Burley, Rachel Ehlers, Stephanie Gliko, and Shelby Wallace.

The softball team had a tough time getting their games played because of the weather and lack of players being eligible or healthy. They will play in the Divisional Tournament at Conrad, beginning on Thursday May 21, hoping to qualify for the State Softball Tournament the following week.

Miss Becker and Mrs. Kearns will accompany the following three science students to the International Science and Engineering Fair in San Jose, California the week of May 9th: Allison Bye, Misha Kearns and Haeli Turner.

The State Golf Tournament will be played at Ennis on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 18th and 19th. Each member must have a score of below 100 to qualify for the State Tournament. Three players must be eligible to compete as a team. Eligible individuals can compete at State as well.

The track team is working hard and getting in a few meets. Weather has put a damper on some meets. Injuries have put veterans Matt Horgus and Cassius Ehlers out with injuries. The District, Divisional and State Track Meets are all held in Great Falls this year. See the dates on the May calendar.

Awards Night will again be held after Graduation. Awards in all areas will be presented at the program beginning at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, May 24th.

The PTO would like to extend a big thank you to everyone that was involved in making this year's Cabaret such a huge success. The PTO raised approximately \$4600 this year! This money will go towards senior scholarships and various activities at both the elementary and the high school.

Junior parents: May 7 is the last day for students to register for ACT test on June 12. Register online at www.actstudent.org. Our school code is 270-855. The next date is September 12 (with registration by August 7). To be eligible for some scholarships, seniors must have taken ACT tests by December 12.

Reminder: NHS project summaries are due before graduation.

Summer opportunities: Montana Natural Resources Youth Camp from July 11 – 16. Apply by June 19. Cost \$175. More information at www.mnryc.org. For assistance call Toole County Conservation District at 406-434-5234, ext. 113, or email marlene.moon@mt.nacdnet.net

REACT 2010 Teen Summit (Montana Tobacco Use Prevention Program) from June 22-24 in Helena. For more information visit www.reACTMT.com

Paint the State contest is open to teens ages 13-18. Must be original work of art, be displayed publicly and have a strong anti-meth message. Deadline June 30. Register online at www.PaintTheStateMontana.org.

Junior girls are invited to participate in the 2011 Toole County Junior Miss Scholarship Program on June 13. Deadline is April 30. Apply at www.ajm.org. More info, contact 460-0626.

Create-an-Ad Contest is sponsored by Toole C. Health Dept & Marias Medical Center. More information at the high school office. Deadline May 3.

Students may apply for a four week experience to work outdoors, work with others on small teams, and earn \$500 toward postsecondary training. Application can be downloaded at www.mtcorps.org or call 1.866.JOIN MCC.

The PSAT/NMSQT is offered to next fall's juniors; however, they must sign up this spring as SOPHOMORES. This test measures critical-thinking skills that are important for success in college, including critical reading, math problem-solving and writing skills. It enables students to get feedback about academic skills, receive information from colleges, enter scholarship competitions, prepare for SAT and ACT, and access online college and career tools. The cost is \$15.00 per student; the test will be given on Wednesday, October 13 at our high school. Pre-register by calling Val at the high school office by May 20. Payment will not be made until next fall.

The juniors and seniors took the Montana Writing assessment this spring. The minimum score necessary to avoid taking remedial writing courses at the post secondary level is 3.5. Two students scored 3.5, seven students scored 4.0, six scored 4.5, five scored 5.0 and one scored 5.5. Students are currently enrolled in courses taught by Mrs. Johannsen, Mrs. Barsness and Mrs. Ross

Don't forget to check out the school website at sunburstschoools.net for additional information. Check the website for school board minutes and agendas.

Please feel welcome to call the school if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Superintendent Hvidsten

