

Yearbooks are on sale now!



Warm Hearts Winter Drive: If you have any new or gently used winter clothing that you would like to donate, Columbia Bank is collecting and distributing to local families. You can drop them at the JH.

Priest River Junior High December 2018

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe that we are already at the holiday break. Time sure has gone by quickly. When we head back to school after a much-needed break, we will dive right back into the learning that will continue to take place throughout the school year.

Please reiterate the importance of your child's grades to them. Semester grades are the ones that we monitor when looking at sending students on to the next grade level. In order to move on to the next grade students must pass at least 10 of their classes, and they may not fail the same class two semesters in a row. With this information in mind, we have met with any student that failed a first quarter class to remind them of the importance of maintaining their grades. We will also be meeting with parents and students for any child that is failing one or more classes at the end of semester. Students also need to keep in mind that if they fail a semester class they take the chance of being placed into a credit recovery class in addition to the classes they are already responsible for.

Students have also been hard at work completing ISAT Interim Assessments in the past week. These are tests that help them prepare for the actual ISAT test that they will take after spring break. We have many students that have scored very well on these, and have put a lot of effort into doing their best. They should be proud of their hard work.

Have a restful holiday break, and we will see you in the new year!

Ms. Johnson

WBCSD Mission Statement
Success for all with the
Understanding that
Community, parents, students, and educators will
Empower the
Student to make positive lifelong choices.
Strive for Greatness!



School Day – Our school day begins at 7:45 a.m.
The tardy bell rings at 7:50a.m.
Students have free breakfast every day in their classrooms.
School gets out at 2:35p.m.

Vision Statement
Strive for Greatness!

Upcoming Events

Counselor's Corner: We would like to welcome our new GEAR Up Coordinator Brenna Ballenger to PRJH. She will be working at the junior high three days a week, and will focus on helping 7th graders explore careers this year.

All students have participated in a Suicide Prevention and Awareness class with Ms. Bridges. Please discuss what they have learned with them.

January 2019:

2nd: Students return to school

16th: Board Meeting 6:00p.m.

21st: MLK Day – No School

24th: End of 2nd Quarter

25th: Teacher Work Day – No Students

Are you looking to help students out in the Priest River School District? Then look no further because Priest River Junior High School's GEAR UP program is looking for mentors to start up a mentoring program. The commitment is 1 year in which you will be assisting in various GEAR UP activities throughout the school year. If you are interested in the mentoring program, please call Brenna Ballenger at 208-448-1118 ext. 5151 or email at BrennaBallenger@sd83.org. Please feel free to call with any questions.

- Keyboarding students will be wrapping up formatting numerous styles of letters in Unit 3, as well as continuing to practice making corrections with proofreader marks.
- Life science students are finishing up genetics and heredity, and will be starting to tie it into how animals adapt via specific genetic traits.
- Students in World History just finished their argumentative essay on the Mayans and Aztecs. They will start learning about the Incas and then the North American tribes after the break.
- Students in Geography are in the middle of Unit 4, learning about Europe. They will finish chapter 12 before break, and start their argumentative essays on France the U.S. after the break.
- Resource room students will be finishing their Christmas From Around the World reports, grammar concepts, identifying equivalent fractions, multiplication facts, division facts, and area and perimeter.
- Ms. Sullin's language arts classes will be finishing the Interim Performance Task before break, and after break each class will be reading a novel.
- Remediation math students are working on foundational knowledge of fractions.
- Choir students have been preparing for their Winter Concert. After the concert they will be focusing on sight singing, rhythmic reading, vocal technique, note names on the Treble Clef staff, and contest music.
- Students in PE just finished with Badminton and are learning about Pickleball. After break they will be learning about Archery and Basketball.
- Pre-Algebra students are working on linear equations.
- Earth Science students are in the beginning of a unit on plate tectonics, and are learning about the different types of plate boundaries

Classroom Happenings:



Student paperwork: If your child is in 7th grade, or new to PRJH, please go online to <http://www.familyid.com/priest-river-junior-high-school> to complete the paperwork included in the handbook. If you are unable to access this online, please let the office know so we can assist you.



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