

Joliet Public Schools

2016-17 Newsletter

From the Superintendent's desk...



Dear Staff, Parents and Community,

Hopefully you are enjoying the perks of summer in Montana. Our state is endowed with so many natural wonders, it is fun to traipse through the acreage recreating with family and friends. It is particularly satisfying when the vacation time is rewarded after a year of hard work.

The collective energy this year generated positive accomplishments in academics, athletics and various other activities. As a result, Joliet High School has been awarded the Northwestern Energy Academic Excellence Award from MHSAA for Class B schools for two of the last three years. This award looks at the overall G.P.A. of all of our student athletes, and ranks them accordingly based on aggregate data from other Class B schools in Montana. Kudos to the teachers, coaches, parents, sponsors, administration, community members, and Joliet School Board who continually provide our students with the resources and support they need to be successful. We obviously have some pretty smart kids as a result of our toil.

As I look across the packed gym during our curricular and co-curricular events, I am frequently awe-struck by the sense of community. A sense that people living here; families, friends, teachers, business leaders and coaches, care about our youth. I love that feeling in Carbon County. A feeling born by believing that kids and schools matter.

Another accomplishment this year was the creation of a new mission statement. A committee, comprised of various stakeholders examined our Joliet Mission Statement, and incorporated the educational community's values to align the mission with the existent vision. In May, the Joliet Board of Trustees readily adopted the new mission: **The Joliet Public School in partnership with home and community is committed to developing upstanding responsible citizens, lifelong learners, and independent thinkers who can effectively navigate their futures and reach their academic and personal potential.** While a vision statement outlines what a school district wants to be in the future, a mission statement describes what a district wants to do now. Based on our performances this year, I would say we are well on our way to reaching our future goals.

As part of our commitment to future goals, we have taken additional measures to keep our kids and staff safe. As a public school grappling with continued and questionable social dilemmas, increased security is unavoidable. Over the course of two years and multiple conversations, the district has decided to implement security measures by installing a buzz-in system at the main entrance. After 8:15 a.m. every day, visitors will be allowed into the building after verifying their purpose to the K-12 District Secretary. We have explored alternatives through the invitation of public comment, and have consequently arrived at this decision. We place the security of the lives of your students and employees as a top priority, and recognize the constraints it creates for members of our tightknit community. It will take some adjustment and patience as we pull together during this transition, so we thank you, in advance, for your cooperation.

This year is pivotal for our prospective goals due to the legislative session, and potential changes in educational funding. As with most legislative years, the top priority for legislators is moving the state forward with fiscal prudence. Though legislators give attention to educational bills, statewide school funding continues to erode, and typically does not cover the cost of maintaining our buildings or funding our programs at a level conducive for optimal growth. Our schools are aging, and require continued maintenance for the safety of our children and their hardworking teachers and staff. Reduced funding means having to make staffing reductions, which adversely impact class size. It also impacts student co-curricular and extra-curricular programs, textbook adoptions and general technology needs. The Joliet School District does as well as it can, but is hoping for a better political outcome this year. Please be proactive about expressing concerns regarding education. Vocal and written support aides our cause.

The positive stakeholder mentality is paramount in Joliet as it empowers students, and lets them know that the community spirit embraces what they do. Your contributions to our educational community are noticed and greatly appreciated. Thanks for all you do, and for all the community pride you exude.

~ Respectfully, Allison B. Evertz, M.Ed.
Superintendent of JPS

From the Principal's desk...

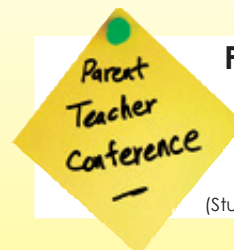
Summer vacation is in full swing and I hope you are all enjoying some fun summer activities. We have prepared this back to school newsletter to inform the new and previous community members and families of school year activities and dates. The school has a website, www.jolietpublicschools.org, which provides student handbooks, staff information, district forms, and a calendar with school events throughout the year. Information on student dress code, daily behavior expectations, schedules, and activities are at your immediate disposal. If you would like a paper copy of the handbooks, just let us know.

Our school staff is looking forward to working with your children, and I encourage parents/guardians to be an integral part in their academic learning process. I would like to thank you for entrusting us with the education of your children and also challenging them to be their best. A key word in our school is "respect". When students are respected and respectful they are in a good mindset to learn and achieve academic excellence. We hope your children will also become involved in the many school activities that are offered. I'm looking forward to a great year in 2016-17! Stop in or call if you have any questions.

~Marilyn Vukonich, MS/HS Principal

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Parent/Teacher Conferences

Nov 9th & 10th
3-7 pm
(Students dismissed at 2:30 pm)



What's Happening?

The online 'School Events and Athletics' calendar is a great way to stay informed!
Find it on Joliet Public School's website under CALENDARS!!!

www.jolietschools.org

Aug 1Coaches/Administration/Athletic Director Meeting, 6:30 pm
 Aug 9Coaches Meetings w/HS Players/Parents, times as follows
 VB - 5:30 (Kindergarten Rm) XC - 6:30 (History Rm) FB - 6:30 (Business Rm)
 Aug 121st Day of Practice HS: Football, Volleyball, and XCountry
 Aug 187th & 8th Grade Orientation, Multi-Purpose Rm, 6 pm
 Aug 18Coaches Meetings w/MS Players/Parents 7pm
 VB - 8th Grade Rm XC - 7th Grade Rm FB - MS Math Rm
 Aug 241st Day of Practice MS: Football, Volleyball, and XCountry
 Aug 24First Day of School
 Sep 13K-12 Joliet Public Schools OPEN HOUSE, 5:30-7pm
 Sep 14Lifetouch Fall Pictures (HS/MS FB, VB, CC)
 Sep 30Homecoming FB Game against Big Timber
 Oct 5MT Repertory Theater Brontë to the Future!
 Oct 19-21All-State Band, Chorus Festival, Billings
 Oct 17MS/HS Music Concert, Band/Choir 7pm
 Oct 22State Cross Country Meet, Kalispell
 Oct 24-29District VB Tourney, TBD
 Oct 29First Round FB Playoffs
 Oct 31-Nov 5Divisional VB Tourney, TBD
 Nov 9-10Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3-7pm
 Nov 9Lifetouch Classroom K-8, MS GBB
 Nov 10-12State All-Class Volleyball, Bozeman
 Nov 17First Day of Practice for Basketball
 Dec 21Christmas Concert, EL 1:30pm, MS/HS 7pm
 Jan 20-21Divisional Speech and Drama Meets, TBD

Jan 27-28State Speech and Drama, TBD
 Feb 13-18District Boys/Girls Basketball, TBD
 Feb 27-Mar 4Divisional Boys/Girls Basketball, Metra
 Mar 9-11State Boys/Girls Basketball, Billings
 Mar 13First Day of Track Practice
 Mar 28-Apr 7District Music Festivals
 May 8-13District Track and Field Meets
 May 9MS/HS Choir Concert
 May 15-20Divisional Track and Field Meets
 May 16MS/HS Band Concert
 May 26-27State Track and Field Meet, Butte

ABSENCES & MESSAGES

Please remember to **call the school by 9:00 a.m.** and report your child absent. Call Mrs. Williams, the District K-12 Secretary, at 962-3541 ext. 207.

By law, we are required to account for each child that attends Joliet School every day. Please call and let Mrs. Williams know of your child's absence or tardiness.

STUDENTS SAFETY IS OUR #1 PRIORITY.

We do our best to get messages to your student if given adequate notice. **We cannot guarantee your message if called after 3:15 pm.**

School Lunch



School Lunch - Same Prices As Last Year

Breakfast	Lunch
\$1.25 for Grades k-6	\$2.00 for Grades K-6
\$1.50 for Grades 7-12	\$2.50 for Grades 7-12
\$2.00 for Adults	\$3 for Adults
Milk - 50¢	Milk - 50¢

EARLY OUTS*

Students are dismissed early on the following days:

Sep 14 2:30 OUT
 Oct 12 2:30 OUT
 Oct 19 11:40 OUT
 Nov 16 2:30 OUT
 Nov 23 11:40 OUT
 Dec 14 2:30 OUT
 Dec 22 11:40 OUT
 Jan 11 2:30 OUT
 Feb 08 2:30 OUT
 Mar 08 2:30 OUT
 Apr 13 11:40 OUT
 Apr 26 2:30 OUT
 May 25 11:40 OUT

NO SCHOOL

Sep 5 Labor Day
 Sep 19 PIR
 Oct 20-21 PIR
 Nov 24-25 Thanksgiving Break
 Dec 23-Jan 2 Winter Break
 Feb 17 February Break
 Mar 20 March Break
 Apr 14-17 Spring Break

SCHOOL HOURS

Monday - Friday, 7:30am- 4:30pm.
All visitors to our school must check in at the District Office inside the library entrance. *All other outside entrance doors will remain locked during school hours for our students/staff safety.*

*EARLY OUTS

Our schedule includes more early outs for students this year for PIR days. Teachers will meet once a month from 2:30 to 4 to collaborate and create a more cohesive Professional Learning Community (PLC).



BUS SAFETY

We ask that you do not park in the bus lanes when picking up or dropping off your children. Talk with your children about walking on sidewalks at all times, NEVER between buses or other vehicles. Please drive slowly and watch for children in the parking lots.

BUS ROUTE QUESTIONS

DRIVER WAIT TIMES FOR ROUTES :

- HIGHWAY - NO WAIT, NO EXCEPTIONS
- RURAL ROADS - 3 MINUTE MAX

Any questions regarding bus routes can be directed to Mrs. Evertz at 962-3541.



IMMUNIZATION REMINDER: Students entering **KINDERGARTEN** will need to have required current immunizations. Students entering **7TH GRADE** are required to have Tdap booster immunizations. Also, **ALL STUDENTS** attending Montana Public Schools are required to have their 2nd varicella booster vaccination. Please provide a copy of these records to Mrs. Williams' office prior to school starting August 24th, 2016.

For Your Information



Please refer to the 'School Events and Athletics' calendar for the latest greatest info for

what's happening, date changes & times!

Did you know... if you hover your mouse over an event, detailed info might be visible, such as bus leave times etc.

Sports and activity schedules change due to unforeseen circumstances. Please check the website often to confirm dates and view the latest updates.

www.jolietschools.org

HS CELL PHONE USAGE

High School cell phone usage is permitted at these times **ONLY**: **BEFORE** the bell rings at 8:15am, **DURING** lunch hour (11:40-12:16 IN LOBBY ONLY), and **AFTER** the last bell rings at 3:34pm. *Students are to have their cell phones OFF the rest of the time.*



SPORTS PHYSICALS

BEARTOOTH BILLINGS CLINIC: LOW-COST (\$15) SPORTS PHYSICALS JULY 28, AUGUST 4 & AUGUST 11, 1- 5 PM, 2525 NORTH BROADWAY, RED LODGE

RIVERSTONE HEALTH: LOW-COST (\$20) SPORTS PHYSICALS WERE HELD IN JOLIET JULY 5 AND IN BRIDGER JULY 11 - WE HOPE YOU HAD A CHANCE TO GO!

Article II, Section (3) of the MSHA Handbook requires that a physical exam must be performed for each student in order for that student to be considered eligible for participation in an Association Contest. Physical exams must be completed prior to the first practice. This examination must be certified by a licensed medical professional acting within the scope and limitations of his/her practice. This certification is valid for a period of one school year. A physical examination conducted before May 1st is not valid for participation for the following school year.

JOLIET BOOSTER CLUB

Become an important part of your community and school... **JOIN THE JOLIET BOOSTERS!** JHS students are enthusiastic about their extracurricular activities, but funding these activities is expensive. There continues to be an urgent need for a strong, active and visible Booster Club to support our students' activities.

For more information, please contact:

Kathy Robinson, 21 Klamert Ln, Joliet, MT 59041, 962-3747.

J-Hawk Membership Fees

Century Club Business Sponsor \$100/yr.

*Business logo on T-Shirts and J-Hawks Booster Sign

Individual \$25/yr.

Couple/Family \$40/yr.

Senior Couple \$25/yr.

Senior Individual \$15/yr.

Thank you for your support!



INSURANCE

JOLIET PUBLIC SCHOOLS CARRIES SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE FROM NORTHWESTERN SCHOLASTIC INSURANCE

Forms are available from Mrs. Williams at the District Office. This insurance covers students: a) attending regular school sessions, b) participating in sponsored interscholastic sports, c) participating in school sponsored extracurricular activities, and d) traveling directly to and from school for regular school sessions and to and from school sponsored extracurricular activities while under the supervision of a school employee. This is a secondary insurance and has limited coverage.

MEDICINES

Please return the form for "Self Administration of Medication in Schools" to Mrs. Williams' office. All medications, including over-the-counter medications must remain in the original packaging and cannot be administered without this form on file at the office. ALL medications should be turned into the office, with the exception of asthmatic students who keep their inhalers with them for immediate use. Medicines must not be kept in lockers or backpacks. This policy is in place for the safety of your children.

ACTIVITY PASSES

EXTRA-CURRICULAR SPORTS, BAND, FFA, SPEECH & DRAMA, ETC.

All students must purchase an activity pass **BEFORE** they may participate in an extra-curricular activity in grades 6-12. A current master list is available at the ticket gate for all home events. Passes will not be printed. Activity passes don't include admission to tournaments or the school play. See Mrs. Myers at the office in the high school to purchase anytime beginning Aug 1.

\$30 - Joliet Student

\$30 - Senior Citizen Activity Pass 60+

\$50 - Adult Pass

\$150 - Family Pass (immediate family in the home only, does not include college children)

STUDENT INFORMATION

SUBMITTED YEARLY TO DISTRICT OFFICE

The Student Information Sheet is handed out yearly for guardians to fill out and return to Mrs. Williams at the District Office. **Even if your students' information hasn't changed, a new form is required.** New addresses, phone numbers, new cell phone numbers, guardian work place changes, emergency contact info, email changes, insurance changes, and medical information is all needed information.

Thank you for getting those back to us **BEFORE** school begins. The form is available for printing from the Joliet Public Schools website under District Information, Forms and Downloads, District Forms and Information.

www.jolietschools.org



JOLIET SCHOOL PROUDLY HONORED VETERANS

November 11th, 2015 Joliet Public Schools celebrated our area Veterans with an assembly. We thank all veterans and their families for your precious service and sacrifice to our fine country. Blessed are Americans.. the Land of the Free and Home of the Brave!

SWING CHOIR SELECTIONS

Trisha Snell, Dawson Bancroft, Jess Grewell, Anthony Songstad, Avery Thompson, Brittany Worden, Lyric Fike, Shay Robertus, Noah Grewell, Cynthia Lavers, Ella Thompson, Shania Koenigshof, Alec Arana, Austin Webber, Sal Arana, Mallory Simons, Sari Robertus. Beautiful sound from a beautiful group!

3RD GRADE TAKES A SHINE TO THE VIOLIN



After attending the Billings Symphony Orchestra concert in Red Lodge on January 22, the third grade class continued studying orchestral music. They had the pleasure of meeting with Mrs. Suzy Larson, a local violinist, on Wednesday, February 3. She brought in four different sizes of violins for the students to see, helped students review what they already knew about the violin, gave more information about the structure and playing of the violin, and performed several familiar tunes for the students to identify.

NATIONAL HISTORY DAY COMPETITION

National History Day competition was in Bozeman, April 2, 2016. Darian Clark, Saybrin Dimond, Cody Dworshak and Kadin Jennison placed 2nd on their "Wild West Show" and qualified to go to National History Day in Washington DC this summer! Also, Jalyn Songstad and Alaina Harris were finalists in their exhibit "Not in our town Billings." Awesome job!!

JHS HOMECOMING SEPT 25, 2015 CANDIDATES

Prince and Princess Candidates:

Freshmens: Kade Wilcox, Kirsten Sweet, Sophomores: Taylor Rowison, Tayler Wright

Juniors: Ty Olson, Sara Maruny

King and Queen Candidates:

Jared Schwend, Colter Peterson, Hunter Brooks, Erik Erickson, Kacey Bertolino, Annie Cooke, Kenyon Hatten, Jessie Gruel

Right: Annie Cooke and Jared Schwend were crowned Homecoming King and Queen for 2015-16 School Year!



KINDLE WINNERS THANK YOU MASONS

"READ BOOKS TO WIN A NEW KINDLE" was sponsored by our Local Masonic Lodge and the Montana Masonic Foundation. Starting April 4, all students in Grades K-6 had the opportunity to win a new Kindle by reading books. On May 4, 2016 one student's name was drawn from each grade level and one name was drawn from the box in Mrs. Williams' office. Those students were given a new Kindle compliments of the Masons.



Group photo ID, back row from left: Masons: Bob Hull & Corb Stromman and Rockwood

Frank, Front from left; Townes Catron, Bryce Williams, Annika Bushman, Madelyn Mahoney, Brooke Nowak, Claire Robuck, Oliver Lewis. Not pictured: Delaney Bray

STATE SPEECH AND DRAMA JAN 28-30, 2016

Congratulations! Students headed for STATE Speech & Drama!!!!

- Wyatt Luloff SPOI (STATE placed 11th)
- Kala Bertolino SPOI (STATE placed 14th)
- Jess Grewell Hum Solo (STATE placed 15th)
- Brittany Worden Expos
- Kacey Bertolino Impromptu
- Sara Johnston OO

MCTM MATH COMPETITION RESULTS

On March 8, 2016 Joliet students competed at the MCTM math competition which was held at Billings West High School. We compete against other Class B and Class C Schools. Such as Big Timber, Columbus, Billings Christian, Reed Point, Lodge Grass, Shepherd, etc. A superior rating means that you are in the top 10 percent overall students, and an honorable mention means that you are in the top 15 percent overall students.

7th and 8th Grade team (2nd Place Overall)

Team Leaders: Joelle Luoma (3 superiors), Rockwood Frank (2 superiors and 1 honorable mention), Jordan Grewell (3 honorable mentions), Cassidy Richardson (1 honorable mention), Megan Riehl (1 honorable mention)

9th and 10 grade team (1st place overall Top School Award)

Nicole Stevenson (2 Superiors and 1 Honorable Mention), Levi Watson (2 Superiors and 1 Honorable Mention), Taylor Rowison (1 Superior and 2 Honorable Mentions), Brett Robinson (1 Superior and 1 Honorable Mention), Reed Welch (1 Superior and 1 Honorable Mention)

11th and 12th grade team (1st place overall Top School Award)

Sari Robertus (3 Superiors), Austin Webber (2 Superiors), Allie Blain (1 Superior and 1 Honorable Mention), Wyatt Luloff (2 Honorable Mentions), Logen Mydland (2 Honorable Mentions), Melissa Daly (2 Honorable Mentions), Noah Grewell (2 Honorable Mentions)

JOLIET'S FFA

PROGRAM

SHINES!!

**John Deere Expo
Nov 12-14, 2015 in
Bozeman**

- Varsity Parliamentary Procedure - 4th
- JV Agronomy - 2nd, - Zayne Songstad 2nd
- Varsity Agronomy - Jerod Songstad 10th
- JV Ag Communications - 3rd, Tysa Oswald 3rd, Jordan Grewell 10th
- JV Ag Mechanics - 1st, Colton Whitney 4th, Justin Harris 5th
- Varsity AG Mechanics - Cotton Myers 1st (tie), Noah Grewell 7th, Logen Mydland 9th
- Varsity Horse Evaluation - Danni Nardinger 7th
- JV Meats - Breanna King 9th
- JV Ag Sales - 3rd, Shane Milton 3rd, Danni Nardinger 8th
- JV Agriscience Team - Brett Robinson & Trey Oswald 3rd
- JV Agriscience Individual - Nicole Stevenson 1st
- Varsity Agriscience Team - Allie Blain & Morgan Harris 1st
- Ag Issues - 4th - Shane Milton, Noah Grewell, Allie Blain, Morgan Harris, Lily Agar
- JV Extemp Speaking - Kala Bertolino 1st
- Varsity Creed Speaking - Kallie Zinne 4th



Speech & Drama 2015-16

Back Top Row: Jess Grewell, Bleacher row L to R: Tristan Wilkerson, Lily Agar, Sara Johnston, Shania Koenigshof, Floor row L to R: Coach Bob Reed, Wyatt Luloff, Kacey Bertolino, Brittany Worden, Sara Maruny, Assistant Coach Ashley Engelke, Kneeling: Kala Bertolino Not Pictured: Deidrah Beckwith



**he did it!!
COACH REED WAS VOTED
Speech Coach of the Year!!**



'FLAPPER' PLAY

MARCH 18-19, 2016

The Roaring Twenties was such a colorful decade that the unbeatable team of playwright Tim Kelly and musician Bill Francoeur couldn't resist it! Celebrating the era with them and meeting Polly Pepper, a young flapper

who really knows how to live in the time of Stutz

Bearcat automobiles, Ziegfield girls, raccoon coats, ukuleles, beauty contests, goldfish swallows, and gangsters. Cast members were: *Brittany Worden, Lyric Fike, Ella Thompson, Wyatt Luloff, Shane Milton, Ashley Dworshak, Brianna King, Allie Blain, Lacy Oliphant, Cynthia Lavers, Dawson Bancroft, Caiden Kirby, Shania Koenigshof, Sara Johnston, Sari Robertus, Austin Webber, Jasmine Frank, Averi Thompson, Jerod Songstad, Tristan Wilkerson, Jared Schwend, Alec Arana, Jess Grewell, Noah Grewell, Shay Robertus, Lily Agar, Sara Maruny, Morgan Harris, Laura Costa, Karen McKay, Jakob May, Sal Arana, Colton Whitney, Noah Salo, Declan Sielaff, Deidrah Beckwith, Melissa Daly, Holly Nowak*

HAT DAY RAISED SOME SERIOUS FUNDS

A basketball referee from the Havre pool, learned his daughter was diagnosed with a rare Immune Deficiency disease. Hat day was organized for all public schools in the state to participate and raise money for the child. Joliet K-12 Hat day was March 11, 2016. By charging \$1 per student and allowing them to wear a hat all day, we helped raise over \$450 for medical expenses for the family. Our students were eager to help! Thanks to Mr. Warburton for organizing the event.



CAT/GRIZ FOOD DRIVE

Rachel's Challenge created the Cat/Griz food drive on Monday, November 16th. Each morning food from each classroom was gathered and marked either pro Cat or pro Griz. The winner was the Cats! Food was delivered to the local food bank on Nov. 30, 2015. Thank you to all who participated!!



GREWELL, LUOMA, AND MILLER WIN VFW AWARD

Joliet Middle School participated in the VFW- sponsored Patriot's Pen essay contest. The 2015-2016 theme was "What freedom means to me". This theme went along with the middle school's veterans day presentation. We are proud to announce winners from the local VFW post and the district VFW post.

Back L to R: Rick Grewell, Ray Locke, Rick Osborne
Front L to R: Jordan Grewell, Joelle Luoma, Caleb Miller



CONGRATS! NATURAL RESOURCES FFA TEAM

Envirothon competition got 2nd out of all the FFA teams at state and 9th overall!!! AWESOME JOB!!!! Members: Kacey Bertolino, Kala Bertolino, Anthony Songstad, Noah Grewell, and Lucas Easthouse. Thank you to Mr. McAndrews and Mrs. Todd for taking and teaching them!

NEW STUDENT BOARD ANNOUNCED FOR 2016-17

Ty Olson, Tanner White, Shane Milton, Danni Nardinger, Morgan Harris, Melissa Daly, & Ashley Dworkshak

STATE FFA RESULTS - BOZEMAN MAR 30-APR 2

You make us proud every year!

Farm Business Management - Team 17th - Kacey Bertolino (16th) Jerod Songstad, Kyle Deines, Cotton Myers
Livestock Evaluation - Team 30th - Danni Nardinger, Tayler Wright, Justin King, Logen Mydland
Ag Sales - Team 8th - Shane Milton (10th) Kacey Bertolino, Danni Nardinger, Tayler Wright
Ag Mechanics - Team 8th - Cotton Myers (2nd), Anthony Songstad (20th), Logen Mydland, Kyle Deines
Agriscience - Allie Blain & Morgan Harris State Winners in their division, Nicole Stevenson
Extemporaneous Speaking - Kala Bertolino 3rd
Parliamentary Procedure - Team 3rd - Allie Blain, Kala Bertolino, Shane Milton, Morgan Harris, Noah Grewell, Kacey Bertolino
Agronomy - Team 1st - Kacey Bertolino (2nd), Anthony Songstad (3rd), Jerod Songstad(15th), Kala Bertolino

Kacey Bertolino selected as the 2016 Star State Farmer (the most coveted individual award in the state)

Congratulations to all who participated. You are awesome!! Thank you Mr. Massar for a great FFA program at Joliet School!!

STATE MUSIC FESTIVAL PARTICIPANTS

Participants were: Alec Arana, Sal Arana, Lyric Fike, Noah Grewell, Shay Robertus, Austin Webber, Caiden Kirby, Cynthia Lavers, Bella Mancini, Sari Robertus, Shania Koenigshof, Dawson Bancroft, Jess Grewell, Lane Nardinger, Noah Salo, Declan Sielaff, Mallory Simons, Anthony Songstad, Jerod Songstad, Ella Thompson, Logan Atkins, Paul McKay, Joelle Luoma

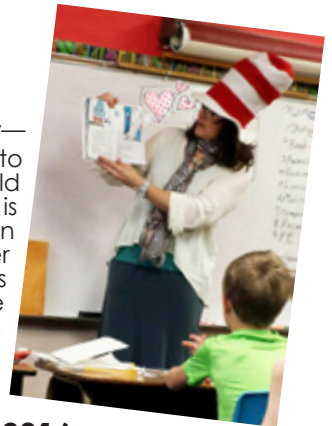
RESULTS: Superior Ratings: Sari Robertus Oboe Solo, Alec Arana Alto Sax Solo, Caiden Kirby Vocal Solo, Lyric Fike Vocal Solo, Swingsation, Women's Vocal Ensemble, Men's Vocal Ensemble, Freshmen Girls Trio

Excellent Rating: Jazz Band

HATS OFF TO DR. SEUSS'S

BIRTHDAY

March 2nd was Dr. Seuss's birthday— what better way to celebrate than to read? Did you know Dr. Seuss would have been 112 this year? While he is no longer with us, his legacy lives on in the pages of his books. He forever changed the way children's books were written and continues to inspire generations. **Below, Mrs. Evertz, Superintendent reads 'Cat In The Hat' to 3rd Grade! Happy Read Across America Day!!**



NW JAZZ FESTIVAL FEB 29, 2016

Top from left: Anthony Songstad, Michael Steffan, Jess Grewell, Dawson Bancroft, Seth Robertus, Alec Arana, Noah Grewell, Austin Webber, Averi Thompson, Cynthia Lavers, Lyric Fike, Shania Koenigshof, Sal Arana, Brittany Worden, Sari Robertus, Mallory Simons, Ella Thompson, and Karen McKay.



HONOR BAND SELECTIONS

Honor Band selections! Congrats to these students: Lyric Fike, Sari Robertus, Cynthia Lavers, Mallory Simons, Ella Thompson, Alec Arana, Austin Webber, Ivan May, Jakob May, Bella Mancini, Shay Robertus, Wyatt Luloff, Declan Sielaff, Michael Steffan, Dawson Bancroft. Alternates: Daniel Daly, Shane Milton, Noah Salo, Jess Grewell, Lane Nardinger

Rachel's Challenge fun day!!

Rachel's Challenge exists to inspire and equip every person to create a permanent positive change not only in themselves, but in their schools, their businesses and communities.



Meet the Board



Melvin Stene - Chairman of the Board

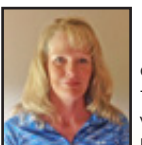
First elected in 1994 - 22 years of Service! 4th Generation Montanan of Norwegian immigrants. I spent 1st through 12th grades in Joliet, graduating in 1962. Attended College at MSU Bozeman and acquired a BS in Medical Microbiology. Medical Technologist (ASCP). Enlisted in the US Military: 1968-1974, US Army - obtained rank of CPT. 1975 - present: Farm/Ranch. Retired from USDA-FSA in 2009. Interested in quality education for all students provided by progressive teachers and management of local budget in a solid fiscal manner.



Justin Oswald

Justin Oswald was born and raised on a farm in Joliet. He attended Joliet schools from kindergarten until graduating in 1990. After graduation he attended Montana State University-Bozeman and obtained a Bachelor of Science in

Animal Science with a Livestock option. He currently resides on the farm that he grew up on with his wife and three children who currently attend Joliet Schools. He has been a member of the Joliet School Board for several years and currently serves as the Vice-Chairman of the Board.



Corie Mydland

I was elected to the school board in May 2002. I am from a ranch/farm background. Our kids are the 3rd generation to attend Joliet schools, of which 3 have graduated. The Joliet community has always supported the school in such a positive manner which is very important to me, along with

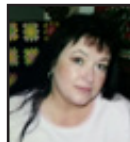
continuing to hire great teachers, support staff, and helping maintain the budget.



Kathy Grewell

I was elected to the board in May 2015. I am a retired teacher with a masters degree in education. Being a lifelong resident of Joliet, I have had a strong connection to the Joliet School.

I was instrumental in implementing Joliet's first public kindergarten as well as the gifted/talented program. JHS has graduated 3 generations of my family and is currently the school of my 3 grandchildren. It is my purpose to help support the school through my service and see it continue to be one of the best schools!



Sharon Songstad

I am a Montana native. Family and community are very important to me. I have been happily married for 27 years to Michael Songstad. We have 3 children, John Michael, Alexander and Anthony. I love spending time with these men. We love camping, fishing and gatherings at our home.

I don't feel that I have hobbies. Some things that are a part of me and my life are working in my beautiful yard, gardening, painting, traveling, canning and pickling food every fall. I can knit, crochet and sew anything and can play any brass instrument. I do crafts of all sorts. I am an avid reader and have books everywhere. And I love to laugh.

I have had the privilege to be able to work with children of all ages. I have enjoyed serving the community and supporting the youth as a coach, preschool teacher and school trustee.

I am active in the Joliet LION's Club, St. Luke Episcopal Church and will help anyone with just about anything.



Dawn Blain

I was appointed to the school board in 2012. I have been married to a Joliet native since 1996. Wade and I have 3 girls in the Joliet School. I love watching my kids in all of their activities inside and outside of the school.



Doug Whitehead

Doug Whitehead was appointed to the school board in 2015. He has one son who graduated from Joliet high school in 2015 and his daughter will enter the seventh grade this fall. He is currently employed by Beartooth Billings Clinic in Red Lodge as a PA practicing family medicine and emergency medicine. He is also a volunteer paramedic for the Joliet Ambulance Service. He and his family have been living in the

area since 2008. His interests include following his children in school sports and coaching the Joliet girls softball team. Other interests include hunting and fly fishing.

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Title IX Coordinator: K-12, Brice Turk.

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