



# Basin Elementary News

## *Educating Today's Children for Tomorrow's World*



Website: [basinschools.net](http://basinschools.net)

September 3, 2019

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### Upcoming Events



- **September 9th** - PTA Meeting
- **September 14th** - Bingo, Sponsored by PTA
- **September 16th** - Prime Time Begins
- **September 20th** - Teacher Inservice, No School
- **September 25th** - Picture Day
- **October 5th** - Idaho City Splash 5K Run/Walk

- Help your children understand that staying ahead of the game is easier than playing catch up. Teach your children that procrastination can harm them. Working ahead and planning schedules will positively impact every area of their lives.
- Help your children experience how good it feels to be proactive. When children plan, work toward goals, and think through decisions, they will experience less stress and have more confidence.

### Morning Drop-off Times

All students may be dropped off in the cafeteria for breakfast beginning at 7:55 a.m. **We ask that parents do not drop students off prior to that time as we do not have supervision until then.** All kindergarten through sixth grade students will go directly to the cafeteria in the mornings rather than coming into the elementary building. Teachers will meet students in the cafeteria at 8:10. On Friday mornings, we have our weekly staff meeting and the ELEMENTARY doors will be locked until 8:10.

### Character Education ~7 Healthy Habits

During the month of September, the students will be studying **Healthy Habit #1 - Be Proactive**. The following are ideas that can help you work with your children to help them be proactive and be prepared for the school year:

- Help your children set goals for the day, month, and school year. Help them understand how today's behaviors will affect their future.
- Help your children understand that every action has a consequence. Every decision or indecision, both good and bad, leads to an outcome. Discuss how decisions can have long-term implications.

*Knowledge will give you power, but character respect. ~ Bruce Lee*

### Student Handbook

Rather than sending home a hard copy of the student handbook, we are publishing it to our website and sending home a link. If you would prefer a hard copy, please make note in the Tuesday folder and we will send a hard copy next week.

Link to Handbook:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/14fRdHAFpqOs42\\_aptdFQ7DgR5vkZP2HF1hKuWjTbsXY/e/dit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/14fRdHAFpqOs42_aptdFQ7DgR5vkZP2HF1hKuWjTbsXY/e/dit?usp=sharing)

### New Security System

We have a new security system with magnetic locking doors and cameras throughout the campus. Visitors will need to enter the front doors by pressing the button on the right-hand side. It will notify the office that someone is at the door. A picture of the person will pop up and we will unlock the door. We have found that there is a slight delay from when we press the button to when the door unlocks. Please be patient, and it should open a few moments later. We also ask for your patience as it may take a

moment if someone is not right at the front desk.

### **Turn Over**

#### **Changes to Bus Routes and Schedules**

**Effective September 3, 2019**

With the construction of the New Wilderness Ranch Subdivision Bridge, we need to make a few changes to our Bussing Schedule. The students from both Wilderness Ranch and Daggett Creek will be picked-up and dropped off by Bus 21. The Pick-up time in the mornings will be 7:13. The Drop-off time will be 3:50. The bus will not pull into Daggett. The bus will pull off the road at the bridge and load there. To accommodate space, Bus 18 will now pick-up the Gold Road stop at 7:50 in the mornings and drop-off will be at 3:30 in the afternoon.

#### **Basin District Wellness Center**

Dr. Koenig with Garden Valley Family Medicine has had the Idaho City Clinic Location open 1 day a week on Wednesday's throughout the summer. The goal is to have the clinic open 2-3 days starting sometime later this fall. We will help to keep you updated. Please call the main clinic office number to schedule appointments: 208-462-3533.

#### **Parent/Guardian Communication**

We are striving to increase communication between home and school. One of our strategies that we started using was the brief update in each Tuesday Folder. Previously, teachers would mark an appropriate comment and/or leave a personalized note for you each week. Starting next week, students will be making the comment and teachers will indicate below if they agree or disagree. If necessary, a teacher follow up comment will be included for clarification. We believe that by having students make the comments, they will become more reflective on their own learning, engagement and overall behavior. We are asking that parents comment back on the corresponding line or initial. We are expecting that students return the folder on Wednesday.

#### **Important Links**

**AR Home Connect** - Basin Elementary uses a software program called Renaissance at school. This program has a special feature called Home

Connect, which your student can access outside of school from any computer with an internet connection. Home Connect allows you to view information about your child's progress. It also allows you to sign up to receive email notifications after your child completes an activity or assessment at school.

To log in to Home Connect Website:

<https://global-zone50.renaissance-go.com/studentprogress/homeconnect?t=250866>

**Lumen** - Check your student's grades, lunch count and more at:

<https://lumen.basinschools.net/light/lumen/signin>

**Istation** - Students in K-4 can log into Istation to practice their reading and writing skills. Use the link below to access the website. You will need to select our campus on the initial login. Use: Basin School District 72 (admin.basin.id)

<https://secure.istation.com/Account/LogOn>