

# THE BLACK AND GOLD



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## Superintendent's Section

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By Dr. Hatfield

I know I have said it before, but this school year is flying by. It is hard to believe that the 3rd quarter is almost complete and spring break is literally just around the corner.

Spring brings a super busy part of the school year: spring sports, graduation, various academic competitions, and ISAT testing. Standardized testing might not be everyone's favorite topic, but it is one that needs to be discussed. It is important that our students do their best on the ISAT tests. You may or may not know, but every school is required to report their ISAT scores to the state and these scores are linked to what is known as a school's report card. Everyone has access to these report cards. In the past we have not had very good scores on the ISATs and it is not because we don't have capable students, because we do; however, we have had some students that do not put their best effort into them and try to get finished in record time. Students not taking the ISATs or any other form of assessment seriously do reflect poorly on the school. So, please talk with your school-aged children about the important of trying their best not just on the ISATs, but in everything they do, even if they think it is not important.

### Upcoming Events

March 2-5: Parent/Teacher Conferences

March 10: Election Day

March 17: Class Pictures

# Principal's Piece

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Dear Highland/Lewis County Families-

We are nearly at the time for Spring Break. We will enjoy a bit of time to rest and re-charge. Spring Break is the week of March 23rd - March 29th. Then, it is back to work to finish this year strong! We have much to do, and as always, your involvement is needed.

The last week of February marks the start of LC Baseball, Culdesac Softball and Highland Track - both High School and Jr Hi. Please check the school website and calendar for event dates and times.

Thanks to those families who attended conferences during the week of March 2nd. I believe that it is vital that your students see your involvement. This cements their belief that their education is important. We will continue to work hard to provide opportunities for you to join us at events both during the day and after school. I sincerely thank you for taking the time to be involved and present in your child's education. This is a team effort, and you are an important member of the team!

As we work our way to the end of the school year, we once again will be involved in testing and assessing your student's academic growth. Students have been working diligently to obtain knowledge this year. In addition, they have been learning how to take assessments more effectively. Testing will begin March 16th and finish after Spring Break. You can help your student make the most of our Spring Testing Window by asking questions about their studies, making sure they get plenty of sleep, and encouraging healthy eating. Limiting video games and TV time is also a great help to a "testing frame of mind". We extend our thanks in advance for the help you can give us.

Please always feel free to contact me with your questions, concerns, ideas. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Warmly,  
Dennis Fredrickson, Principal

# Club Cluster

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## National Honor Society:

National Honor Society is holding its induction ceremony March 19th at 6:30 p.m.

## Nerd Club:

March 4- Science fair @ Highland

March 7- Our Science Bowl team is off to compete!!

## BPA:

Highland-Craigmont BPA will be heading to the State Competition in Boise Idaho this month! Our students have been working hard preparing for their events and are ready to represent Highland!

BPA has 16oz Highland Husky Travel Mugs for sale! \$15 each or \$25 for two! Makes great gifts! Email Mrs. Hadley at lhadley@sd305.org, call the school 208-924-5211 or ask a BPA student about purchasing one! Thank you for your support.

## FFA:

We were successful in the North Idaho District Meats Evaluation and Technology Career Development Event in January, with the team placing 5th and with Kalei Smith 5th Place individually.

At the district level in February Cheyenne Brown placed 5th individually in the Prepared Public Speaking Leadership Development Event, the Agronomy team placed 6th with Lane Wassmuth placing as 6th high individual.



## BPA Updates

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The Highland BPA is anxiously practicing for BPA State in Boise! Students are working hard at their projects for prep. Thank you to everyone who helped with our latest taco feed and supporting the chapter with all the other fundraisers that we have done. Coffee mugs are still for sale!!

Nationals is in Washington D.C. so our chapter is working to get there. Good luck state participants and GO HUSKIES!

# Athlete Highlight

## Clip and Save Calendar

Mar 1-3: FFA 212/360 conference @Boise

Mar 5-7: State BBB tourney- TBA

Mar 10: SB vs. Lapwai @ CHS

Mar 11: Solo/Ensemble Music Festival @ U of I

Mar 12-14: BPA State @ Boise

Mar 12: Music Dept. Dessert Night

Mar 17: SB vs. Prairie @ CHS

Mar. 19: National Honor Society Induction

Mar 31-Apr 5: State FFA Convention @ Twin Falls

Go to [sd305.org](http://sd305.org) for more

Our athlete of the month is Logan Sheppard. He is a senior here at Highland and plays basketball and baseball. His favorite sports memory was making 32 points in a basketball game this season. His biggest supporter is his step-mom. His advice to peers is to just play sports. He has considered coaching.

His favorite positions to play are third base and wing. His most looked up to athlete is Alan Iverson and his favorite sports team is the Houston Rockets. His greatest accomplishment was getting into the finals for prep athlete of the week.

Logan's most embarrassing story was a baseball game versus Potlatch when a ball was coming right for him and instead of catching it his face did. He learned lessons from that game.

Go Pack!



# Teacher Spotlight

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## **Mr. Gehring, HS History**

Mr. Gehring is a 1986 graduate of Highland. He attended Boise State University for a year and then graduated with a teaching degree from the University of Idaho. He is married to Kathy Gehring and they have three kids: named Cole, Kaleigh, and Rylan, who all graduated from Highland. He has been a teacher, counselor, coach, or school administrator for the past 29 years at either Nezperce, Deary, or Highland.

Mr. Gehring teaches U.S. History and American Government. Currently, in U.S. History class, his students have just finished a unit on the Civil War. Next, they will cover the Reconstruction era that followed the Civil War, and then finish 3rd quarter with Industrialization and United States Imperialism.

In Government class, the seniors just finished reviewing President Trump's State of the Union Address and will be returning back to studying the Judicial Branch of American Government. Upcoming for the seniors will be studying a selected Supreme Court Decision and reporting on his or her finding to the class. The class is also spending more of its time reviewing current events that pertain mostly to the upcoming 2020 election, but also to the Coronavirus and some regional government-re-

## **YEARBOOK PRESALE**

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Yearbooks are for sale! You can contact Shannan in the Front Office or Mrs. Hadley to get yours today!

Order by April 10th to guarantee a yearbook.

They cost \$32.00.



Above Gage Crow smiles as he cheers on our Huskies!

# Husky Pride



Kadence Beck was the solo state qualifier for Wrestling from Highland.



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