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Dear Families, A Letter From Stacey Evoniuk, Counselor

Hello Students of Winter Lakes Schools,

The entire staff here, and I, your on-site school counselor, welcome you from where ever you may be, your homes, your living rooms, your dining room tables, or any of the virtual or physical halls you find us in. Whether you are in Coos County or beyond our county lines, we value you and are here for you, to assist you in reaching your goals. We're grateful for you, and want to be your ever close companions on your journey towards graduation.

These academic years are full of challenges and emotion including, but not limited to:

- Growth
- Promise
- Excitement
- Frustration
- Disappointment
- Hope

We're here to walk with you through this array of emotion and experience. My role is to assist in removing barriers to learning and help you develop skills and behaviors that are critical to academic achievement. Barriers to learning are wide and many. They may be:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Increased stress
- Critical changes in life
- Transitions
- And many other challenges

We are here for you; and can also assist in linking you to other resources within your community. Please check out the "Classwork" tab of this Counseling Classroom: yiiscjn. Please check it out, you'll find many resources for you there.

There are many ways to find us:

- Google Classrooms
- Csd8.info emails
- Telephones

We are excited and optimistic, we want to help make this year positive and full of promise for you. So, please, reach out, we can only help as much as you'll allow us to.

Ms. Evoniuk, School Counselor

Hello
NOVEMBER



VETERANS DAY



— Honoring All Who Served —



This November 11th, make sure to thank Veterans near and far for their sacrifice and service.

Also, don't forget, there's no school in observance of Veterans' Day

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NOVEMBER

- ❖ NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL HOMELESS YOUTH AWARENESS MONTH
- ❖ NOV 6: NO SCHOOL / PROGRESS REPORTS GROUP B (LAST NAMES N-Z)
- ❖ NOV 8: NATIONAL STEM DAY
- ❖ NOV 11: NO SCHOOL – VETERANS' DAY
- ❖ NOV 13: NO SCHOOL / PROGRESS REPORTS GROUP A (LAST NAMES A-M)
- ❖ NOV 20: NO SCHOOL / PROGRESS REPORTS GROUP B (LAST NAMES N-Z)
- ❖ NOV 25 – 27 – NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

NOVEMBER 2020

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
1 Daylight Savings Ends FALL BACK ONE HOUR	2	3	4	5	6 NO SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORTS GROUP B	7
8 STEM DAY	9	10	11 NO SCHOOL VETERANS' DAY	12	13 NO SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORTS GROUP A	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 NO SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORTS GROUP B	21
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One >>>

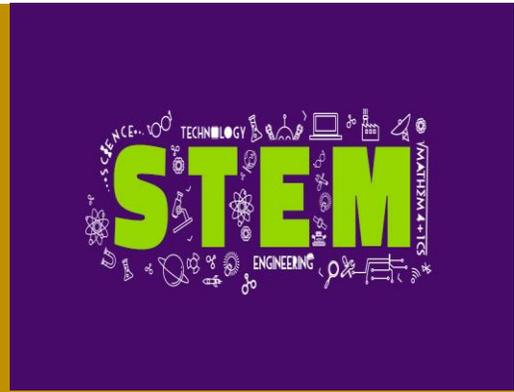
November 8 is National STEM Day!

November 8th is National STEM Day. What is STEM? STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. In education, STEM refers to the skills and knowledge that students need to participate in our high-tech society and to pursue high-tech careers.

Changes in the job market have led to a renewed emphasis in STEM in PK-12 education. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, STEM workers earn 26% more than those without a STEM background. Most of the fastest growing occupations are STEM-related careers. The greatest projected job openings in STEM are for Computer occupations, Engineers, STEM-Related Management, Science Technicians, and Engineering Technicians. (US BLS, 2018)

In addition to our online courses, Winter Lakes offers a wide variety of STEM-related opportunities for students. Students have taken field trips to the South Slough, Marine Science Center in Charleston, the Discovery Museum in Reedsport, and Washed Ashore in Bandon. Google CS and "Hour of Code" activities make computer programming achievable for all students. Design challenges, 3-D printing, and STEM robotics projects introduce engineering concepts and practices.

Consistent with Winter Lakes' mission, the staff of Winter Lakes Elementary and High School continue to use STEM activities to "meet students where they are and take them beyond."



"In the 21st century, scientific and technological innovations have become increasingly important as we face the benefits and challenges of both globalization and a knowledge-based economy. To succeed in this new information-based and highly technological society, students need to develop their capabilities in STEM to levels much beyond what was considered acceptable in the past." – National Science Foundation



Two >>>

COLD & FLU SEASON: Are You Prepared?



It's that time of year again! The chill of Fall is in the air. Which means the onset of the annual cold and flu season.

This year in particular presents us with some new challenges. Is it just a cold? Is it the flu? Or could it be COVID-19? The flu and COVID share remarkable similarities, which can be confusing and scary. Common symptoms include:

- Fever/chills
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath or difficulty breathing
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Body aches/Headaches
- Fatigue
- Sore Throat
- Vomiting and/or diarrhea

If you believe your student is experiencing symptoms of flu or COVID, **please keep them home from school, and contact your local healthcare provider.** Each provider will determine if testing is appropriate based on symptoms, risk factors, and test availability. No testing can be done without a provider's referral.

If you are unable to contact your family's provider or you do not have one, call the Coos County COVID-19 hotline at (541)266-1650 and press option #1. Visit <https://govstatus.egov.com/or-oha-covid-19-testing> for a list of testing locations.

We encourage both parents and students to get their flu shot. Wash your hands often and practice good self-care!

Three >>>

WLHS Students: Have You Signed in to Your Google Classroom Yet?



One of many new tools WLHS is utilizing this year, is the Google Classroom. There are a myriad of reasons to log in to your Google Classroom.

- New Students join to access the New Student Orientation
- Log in to View Teacher Announcements
- Access the Google Meet Link to chat "face-to-face" with a teacher during "Office Hours"
- Access the Activity Log to submit PE and work hours

All students have received an invitation to join this class in their student assigned email. Or you can access it by going to this link:

<https://classroom.google.com/c/NjgoMzM1ODU0NjJa?cjc=07tk3mb>

Log in with your student @csd8.info email address and password. Contact your Learning Specialist or the front office if you are unsure of your login information.

Four >>>

Fees and Payments

Many of you may remember there is a \$20 Registration fee applied to every student's account at the time they enroll for the year. Due to building closures we had put those fees "on the back burner" originally.

We are happy to announce that we are now able to accept debit/credit card payments over the phone at WLE and WLHS. Give us a call at (541)396-2414 for WLE or (541)824-0115 for WLHS to settle those payments.

Log in to your TYLER Parent Portal to view all fines/fees. **Those with a \$200 fee on their accounts, please disregard those. Those are holding deposits for loaner Chromebooks/laptops.**

Five >>>

Our Cosmetology Salon is Up & Running!

Our Cosmetology Salon is up and running! Our students have been very hard at work getting acquainted with the Cosmetology program run by the talented Ms. Goble.

Through a combination of textbook study and hands-on learning, this vital CTE program, one of only three in the state of Oregon, is shaping up to be an enormous step toward turning out our next generation of stylists and nail techs.

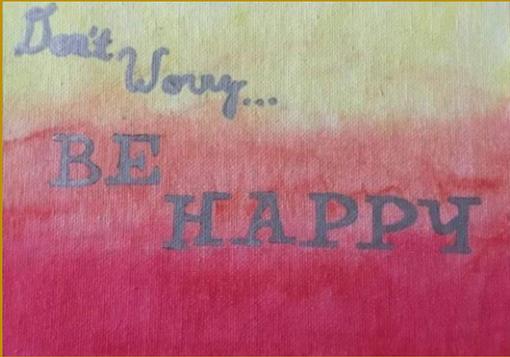
Though the pandemic continues to challenge us in unique ways every day, we have been very pleased to be able to continue providing in-person learning opportunities such as these.

If your high school student is interested in pursuing a career in the hair/nail industry, contact Brenda Goble at BGoble@csd8.info for more information!



Six >>>

STUDENTS' CORNER: A Place for Student Submitted Works



Paint Pen on Canvas
Submitted by L. FitzHenry – 8th Grade

Seven >>>

Video Production & YouTube: White Wolves of Coquille

Amongst the many exciting additions to Winter Lakes Schools this year is our new Video Production class at Winter Lakes High School, with the incredible Mr. Rasmussen at the helm.

Video submissions have started coming in. Students have obviously taken a lot of care with their compositions, and are excited to share them with you.

Check them out, as well as some other fun videos at our new YouTube channel, White Wolves of Coquille!

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfx-UL7K-bdRIIQoYV33uNw/featured>

For more information about how you can get involved in Video Production, get in touch with Mr. Rasmussen at BRasmussen@csd8.info



New Secure 24-Hour Drop Box



You are cordially invited to join school counselor, Stacey Evoniuk's Google Classroom!

Gain a deeper insight into a multitude of topics from bullying support, coronavirus advice & support, mental health, relationship support, character, and much more!

Follow this link:

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MTc2NjE1ODY5NjYz?cjc=yiiscjn>

Any questions for Stacey, hop in the classroom and share, or reach out via email to sevaniuk@csd8.info

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ONLINE CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS FOR GOOGLE CLASSROOM GOOGLE MEETS FLIPGRID ZOOM ETC

EFFORT



- Be on time: Log into the video chat room a few minutes before the session is supposed to start.
- Be prepared: Have a notebook and writing utensil. If there are books or materials that go with your session, have those with you. If you're asking about an OW class, have that tab open on your screen.
- Turn off your cell phone ringer.
- Have your microphone muted when you're logging into the session.
- If you're in a session that had homework due prior to that class, make sure you have it ready to go.

TECHNOLOGY



- If you can, use headphones with a microphone. This helps block out background noise.
- Keep audio on mute until you want to speak. This will help to limit background noise.
- Close unneeded applications and tabs on your computer to optimize the video quality.
- If you would like to speak or answer a question, use the "Raise Hand" feature. Then unmute yourself after you are called on by your teacher.
- Know how to share your screen, use the chat box, and mute/unmute yourself.



PRESENTATION

- Find a suitable, quiet environment to sit during your session.
- Students are not to be located in their bed or in a bathroom.
- Backgrounds--virtual or live-- need to be school appropriate.
- Consider your appearance on the webcam and be dressed appropriately.
- Consider the lighting for your room so there aren't shadows making it difficult to see you.
- Stay in one spot during your call. Don't move around the room.
- Turn off music and televisions that are near your computer.



RESPECT

A video conference classroom has the same expectations of respect as an in-person classroom.

- To speak or answer a question, use the "Raise Hand" feature or actually raise your hand. Unmute after the teacher calls on you.
- The chat box, both group and private settings, are part of school. The transcripts will be saved. Follow school expectations when using chat.
- When you are speaking, let others know that you are finished by saying something like, "That's all." or "I'm done." or "Thank you!" so that everyone knows you have finished your comments.



COLLABORATE

- Stick to the topic at hand. If the teacher asks you if you have any other questions, that's the time to go off topic.
- There might be times you are put into "break-out sessions" to work in small groups with other students. Even if a teacher is momentarily away from your group, you are still expected to be productive and respectful.
- Many sessions have students at different academic level. If you're feeling confident, it would be great of you to help another student. If you're confused, it's okay to ask another student to help you. Remember: Help is not the same as giving someone the answer.
- Participate in discussions. Share your thoughts. Ask questions.

Eight >>>

November is Homeless Youth Awareness Month

As many as 2.5 million youth per year experience homelessness – that’s 1 in 30 kids. According to a 2017-18 report 21,756 students in the state of Oregon were classified as “Homeless” at some point, some of them in Coquille.

Along with losing their home, community, friends, and routines as well as their sense of stability and safety, many homeless youth are also victims of trauma. While trying to survive on the streets, youth are exposed to countless dangers, with an increased likelihood of substance abuse, early parenthood, impulsivity, depression, and PTSD.

The Coquille School District and Winter Lakes School provide critical support services to our students in need. Initial completion of a Student Residency Questionnaire helps us to target those who qualify as “Homeless”. You should have completed one of these forms at registration. If you are not sure whether or not you completed one, give us a call or stop by the office. Make sure to complete a new one any time that your living situation has changed. Contact the Director of Special Programs at the district office at (541)396-2181 with any questions.

We know and respect that asking for help is hard. But that is exactly why we are here. Your needs will be always be met discreetly and without judgement. Always stop by with any questions or concerns.

**Yeah,
kids experiencing
homelessness
is a thing.**

It shouldn't be.



District & Local Resources

Coquille School District:

- ❖ Coquille School District Department of Special Programs – (541)396-2181
- ❖ Winter Lakes High School – (541)824-0115
- ❖ Winter Lakes Elementary School – (541)396-2414

Local:

- ❖ Oregon Coast Community Action – <https://www.orcca.us/> – (541)435-7080
- ❖ The ARK Project - https://www.cbd9.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=1514276&type=d&pREC_ID=1659321 – (541)267-3104 ext. 7115
- ❖ Coos Health & Wellness - <https://cooshealthandwellness.org/> - (541)266-6700
24 Hour Crisis Hotline: (541)266-6800 or (888)543-5763
- ❖ South Coast Gospel Mission - <http://www.southcoastgospelmission.org/> - (541)269-5017
- ❖ Pelican-Harbor Food Bank - <http://wobgone.tripod.com/> - (541)756-5543