

DATES TO KNOW

- May 1-3 MAPS
 Testing
- May 2 School Board Election
- May 8: Library books due
- May 11: Spring Extravaganza and Concert
- May 12: Baccalaureate 7:00
- May 13 Graduation 1:00
- May 17: Writing
 Carnival
- May 18 Last Day of School
- May 19 Teachers' Last Day
- May 22 Sports Banquet
- Aug. 16 First
 Day of School



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Savage Public School Newsletter

MAY, 2017

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Dear Savage,

The final month of school is here and a great time to reflect upon the many good things that have occurred that we can celebrate.

- 1. Tyrel Shannon and Julianna Evans joined the elementary teaching staff.
- 2. Alert Solutions was added to keep parents updated with the latest changes in events, bus schedule changes, attendance and updates on student lunch accounts.
- 3. School safety was increased by a new security camera and buzz in system at the entry doors to the office.
- 4. Student writing examples have been posted monthly in the commons area so the community can read their thoughts and ideas.
- 5. Our basketball teams made it to Divisional tournaments where the girls took the championship in a historic moment for Savage School. The fans were positive and continued their support all the way to the State tournament in Belgrade.
- 6. 87% of our high school students made the honor roll last quarter.
- 7. Missoula Children's Theater had a huge turnout of participants who provided us with excellent entertainment and memories.
- 8. Golf was added as an extra-curricular activity that provides students with the opportunity to learn a possible life time sport.
- 9. The Board of Trustees approved a new literacy program for grades K-5. Needless to say, the teachers are excited and looking forward to the training that will accompany it.
- 10. Alan Hoffmann, Amber Henwood, Tyrel Shannon, and Cassandra Moos are working with the Yellowstone Writing Project as teacher leaders to promote and add continuity to our K-12 literacy program.

This is just a small example of all that has happened this year, I wish I had room for all the successes and challenges that create a strong, joyful learning environment that makes Savage a jewel of a school in Montana. Together, students, teachers, parents, coaches, and community members have accomplished much this year and we need to Celebrate all that is Savage.

Sincerely,

Lynne Peterson

Superintendent

Savage Public School

Around School

Writing Carnival set for May 17

Savage School's partnership with the Yellowstone Writing Project will put on its first major event in May with the Spring Writing Carnival.

"We want to have our students not only be comfortable with writing, but to see the fun in writing," said English teacher Alan Hoffmann. He is on the Savage leadership Team on the project along with Tyrel Shannon, Amber Henwood, and Cassandra Moos.

The May event will begin with a writing marathon around school and town.

"It is always fun to see what students can write about when we take them outside of the classroom," Hoffmann said. During the writing marathon, students will be placed into groups featuring a variety of ages. "We want to try and use



writing to foster a true K-12 spirit," Hoffmann said.

The day will also feature writing themed carnival games, in which students can write their own stories, concoct their own popcorn recipes, improvise a play with puppets, and more. In the meantime, students can earn tickets through the day that can be cashed out for prizes at the end of the day.

The Savage Leadership Team sees this event as a sort of pilot program for what they want to accomplish next year. Students will research and write on the history of Savage up until now. But first, it's a day of fun as the school year winds down.

"We've put in a lot of effort into this project, and we are looking forward to seeing how it works out," Hoffmann said.

Students will be given a composition notebook for the event, but if any parents or community members want to join in on the festivities, all they need is a pen and notebook to take part.

Grant earned for writing history project

Amber Henwood, Social Studies Teacher and one of four Yellowstone Writing Project Teacher Leaders, was awarded the David Walter Research Fellowship from the Montana Historical Society. The grant will allow Miss Henwood to travel to Helena and spend a week in the Montana Historical Society archives and library researching the community of Savage and the surrounding area. The research will be used for a school-wide project that will take place during the 2017-2018 school year under the direction of the Yellowstone Writing Project. Once the project is completed, the grant publishes the final product of Savage students with the Montana Historical Society and it will be added to their collection. Only two researchers state wide were awarded the David Walter Fellowship, so it is an honor that they looked to a research project on Savage as a valuable addition to their library.

School Board elects to not pass Senate Bill 307 Resolution

The Savage School Board of Trustees has chosen not to pass the Senate Bill 307 Resolution. This resolution deals with the permissive mills in the Transportation, Adult Education, Tuition, Bus Depreciation and Building Reserve Funds. Permissive mills are levied without voter approval. This means that the taxpayers' taxes can raise or lower depending on the need in those funds. The resolution that the legislature wants schools to pass has not been made a law yet. The goal of this bill is to provide transparency to the public. By passing the resolution, we are guessing at what we as a district may need at budgeting time in our permissive mill funds. The resolution shows that we may lower or increase those mills. It is just information for the tax payers. The Savage Board decided that they would prefer to know more about what SB307 is completely about before passing a resolution that is being forced on us by the legislature in a time crunch. Any taxpayer can check on taxes and mills anytime at the Richland County Treasurer's office so transparency is available. If you have any questions, please call the Superintendent or the Clerk at 776-2317.

School board election is May 2

Savage School will be holding a Trustee Election on May 2nd, 2017. Voting will begin at noon and the polls will be open until 8:00 that evening in the new gym lobby. There are three candidates running for two positions. The candidates are Lance Miller, Michelle Smith, and Jacqueline Miller. There will not be any mill levy elections this year. Remember, your vote matters in the administration of your school districts. Please come and vote on May 2.

May 13th Rabies Clinic

If you don't want to run into town to help protect your pets from rabies, you'll want to take advantage of the rabies clinic coming up this month. On May 13, the annual Savage Rabies Clinic will be held at the Savage Fire Station from 9:00-11:00.

Community invited to Spring Extravaganza and Concert May 11

The Community is invited to the third annual Spring Extravaganza and Concert, to be held on May 11 beginning at 6:30. The evening begins with a gallery walk at 6:30. Community members can come view students work across all grade levels and curriculum. Everything from art work, to science projects, to original compositions will be on display.

At 7:00, the Spring Concert will begin, as the Savage Music Department, under the direction of Ms. Jamie Becker, will showcase their talents in their final performance of the year.

After the concert, you will want to stick around for the 8th grade promotion ceremony. Academic awards will be handed travaganza and Concert! out as well, as students will be honored

for their excellence in English. Math, social studies, art, science, and more. There will be a community free will supper beginning at 5:30. Proceeds will help benefit the sophomore class.

We hope to see you at the school on May 11 for the third annual Spring Ex-

Savage administration and teacher talk up rural education at MSU

Superintendent Lynne Peterson, Principal Angie Nelson, and English teacher Alan Hoffmann took part in a panel discussing the benefits of teaching at rural schools to prospective teachers at Montana State University on April 26.

"Rural schools have a lot to offer, and they are an excellent place to begin a teaching career. But, it's something that a lot of beginning teachers don't think about," said Hoffmann. Among the benefits of teaching in a small school, the Savage delegation talked about small classroom sizes, the ability to control your own curriculum, and chances for teacher leadership early on.

They also talked about the benefits of living in a small town. "Places like Savage are friendly. They're a good place to get your start," said Hoffmann.

Warrior Athletics May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Top 10 Track @ Glasgow	3	4 JH Track @ Lambert	5 HS Track @ Wolf Point	6 HS Track @ Glasgow JH Track @ Glen- dive
7	8	9 District Track Meet @ Sidney	10	11	12 JH Dis- tricts @ Lambert	13
14	15	16 State Golf @ Seeley Lake	17 State Golf @ Seeley Lake	18 Divisional Track Meet @ Wolf Point	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 State Track @ Laurel	27 State Track @ Laurel
28	29	30	31			

High School Track May 2 Top 10 @ Glasgow May 5 @ Wolf Point May 6 Hinsdale Invite @ Glasgow May 9 Districts @ Sidney May 19 Divisionals @ Wolf Point May 26-27 State @ Laurel High School Golf May 16-17: State Golf in Laurel Junior High Track May 4 @ Lambert May 6 @ Glendive May 12 Districts @ Lambert

Golf has been a success in first season

By Henry Huber

Early in the year, a handful of students reached out to me about starting a golf team here in Savage. We worked out the logistics and made it happen. We have eight students out for golf. Breanna Adolph and Tyler Lien make up our girls' team. Our boys' team consists of Bailey Micheletto, Tucker Lien, Dustin Wyckoff, Tanner Lien, Parker Tofte, and Andrew Waldie.

One of the things we've had to learn about is qualifying for state. Unlike the other divisions, Class C golfers can qualify for state at any time without going through a divisional standards. To qualify for state, girls must shoot a 120 over 18 holes. Boys must shoot a 100. Earlier in the season, Tyler Lien became the first Savage golfer to qualify for state. We are hoping to get a few more under the qualifying standard as our season winds down. Our individuals and team is improving each meet. State will be held May 16 and 17 in Seeley Lake. Class C golf is different in the sense of qualifying for state.

Thank you for your support this season and Go Warriors!

May Menus

Breakfast

Lunch

May 1 Cereal	May 1 Hot Dogs
May 2 Waffles	May 2 Hamburger Gravy and Mashed Potatoes
May 3 Hot and Cold Cereal	May 3 Tostados
May 4 Breakfast Bar	May 4 Pulled Pork
May 5 Bagels	May 5 Croissants
May 8 Cereal	May 8 Hamburgers
May 9 Omelet	May 9 Chicken Drummies
May 10 Hot and Cold Cereal	May 10 Baked Potato Bar
May 11 Breakfast Pizza	May 11 Senior's Choice
May 12 Assorted Muffins	May 12 Pizza
May 15 Cereal	May 15 Cook's Choice
May 16 Scrambled Eggs	May 16 Chicken A La King
May 17 Cook's Choice	May 17 Cook's Choice
May 18 Cook's Choice	May 18 Sandwiches

Reminder: You can check your child's lunch account balance on Power School. Please make sure your child has enough money for their meals! 6:30 p.m. Gallery Walk in Commons Area

You're Invited

7:00 p.m. Band Concert, Awards Night, & 8th Grade Graduation

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