

Perrydale School Community Newsletter

Perrydale School District

December 2011

SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

By Robin Stoutt

Congratulations Perrydale Football Team for making it to the State Championship!!



Left to Right from Front: Tristan Collinworth, Cody Halverson, Cody Vineyard, Chris Skyberg, Pedro Iglesias, Ben Young, Jesse Merrill, Justin Cruickshank and Jesus Mendez. **Second Row:** Travis Chrisman, Zach Starr, Jacob Dunn, Tell Cruickshank, Josh Hiebenthal, Landon Pope, Mick Hawes and Juan Huerta. **Third Row:** Joe Hiebenthal, Corbin Reed, Brandon Dunn. **Coaches:** Dan Dugan, Luke Lindell and Jay Phillips. Tobias Amling, Tyson McKechnie and Asmus Hanson.



Upcoming Dates:

December 8th – Winter Program 7:00 p.m.

December 15th - Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

December 16th – Full Day of School

December 19th through January 1st –
Winter Break

Testing in the High School Happening This Fall

By: Sheila McCartney

All of our sophomores and juniors took the PSAT this fall and we will have results from that test the first part of this month. We have students take the PSAT for many reasons: to prepare for the SAT's (those who take the PSAT at least twice raise their scores on the SAT by an average of 90 points), to track academic progress from year to year, to enter scholarship competitions, to meet reading graduation requirements (44 on the critical reading portion) and get personal feedback to help them plan for college. Our students will have access to a free on-line service to explain the answers to the test questions, a personalized SAT study plan based on their own scores, and a series of tools to help them explore colleges, majors and careers. We will review the students' scores with them and then send the information home so they can share with you. Once you have received the information and have questions, please give me a call at (503) 623-2040.

All juniors took the ASVAB test which will provide information to help them in their career exploration. Mrs. Richards will be sending those results home with students after they have reviewed them with a specialist here at school.

Our freshman class piloted a test being developed by Collegeboard Inc. based on the national core standards in an attempt to measure readiness for college. Those scores will be returned by January and we will go over those with students on an individual basis. Perrydale is working hard to use standardized measures to evaluate our programs as well as evaluating individual student growth over time. We appreciate the students trying their hardest to give us accurate information in this quest.

Site Council

By Janet Person

Site Council met on Tuesday, November 8th at 3:45 in the Science Lab. Members and guests present were Robin Stoutt, Janet Person, Tammy Ruegsegger, Dean Deters, Bryan Toller, Teri Ryder, Jennifer Moran, Carrie Cruickshank, Helle Ruddenklau and Nancy Johnston. Our focus again for this meeting was math.

Robin Stoutt reported on how things were progressing in math for the Elementary. The kids are grasping the new vocabulary and are learning to make it a part of their math language. It's exciting to see them doing mental math by using the new strategies. Some kids are grasping the techniques more quickly than others and we've needed to move some to a higher level. We're thinking about having a family math night to familiarize families with Singapore Math methods.

This is the report from the middle school: The middle school math teachers started the school year by going to a math conference entitled, "Oregon Focus on Math: Best Practices Workshop" where we started thinking about the new common core standards that are headed our way and practiced various strategies to help our students succeed in math. We gained new tools, focused on problem solving perseverance and precision, and learned new structures for our lessons that will help to further motivate and engage students.

Our curriculum is now in its third year and is going well. It is challenging and each class seems to have it's own pacing, but our students are growing stronger and more capable each year. Each grade level has a different focus, but the strategies and fundamental material are carried throughout all three years.

Soon we will begin to look at how to make another adjustment in our curriculum and material to prepare for the nation-wide common core standards headed our way. The publisher has vowed their support and we will work together to help our students make the necessary changes.

Bryan Toller filled us in on how math was going for the High School. He has been receiving good feedback and suggestions from the kids which has been helpful. One thing Bryan has been doing that has been helpful is that he video tapes his lecture blocks and then edits them and puts them on his website. He has noticed that kids have done about 10% better than they did last year on the last exam.

Our community members who were present and who also attended the last board meeting reported on the presentation from Robin DeLoach from the WESD. She provided a lot of information and charts for state testing. She also showed where we were from one year to the next. She pointed out how scores differ between kids that have been here for awhile compared to ones that hadn't. She had a lot of great data, gave everyone a good understanding and was very informative.

The last topic of discussion was the Readiness Assessment and the College Board Standards for College Success. This is an assessment that our freshmen took on the day of our meeting. It is now a pilot program for kids to try and is aligned with Common Core Standards as well as the PSAT and SAT. The plan for the future is for freshmen to do this test and sophomores and juniors to take the PSAT on the same day.

We will continue to discuss the progress of math throughout the school as well as other subjects. We are open to ideas from the community and invite them to bring up suggestions.

We will not be having a meeting in December, so our next meeting will be January 10, 2012 at 3:45 in the Science Lab. If anyone would like to be a part of Site Council or attend a meeting, you may contact Sheila McCartney or Janet Person at the school.

2010-2011 District Report Card

The Oregon Department of Education Awarded Perrydale School District this overall school rating for the 2010-2011 school year. We have published just the first page of our report card in the newsletter. Please view the Perrydale's webpage for the entire report card with much more detail.

2010-2011 District Report Card	Perrydale School District 
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Dear Parents and Community Members, October 6, 2011

The Oregon Department of Education is proud to issue the 13th annual Oregon School Report Card. As in previous years, this Report Card contains two ratings: an Oregon rating and a federal rating. Oregon rates schools as either "Outstanding," "Satisfactory," or "In Need of Improvement," based on a number of factors including student test results, participation, and academic growth. While these ratings cannot tell you everything about your school, they are a good starting point for talking about our successes and our opportunities for improvement.

Federal Adequate Yearly Progress Rating: MET	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MET	See rating details on back page
<input type="checkbox"/> DID NOT MEET	<input type="checkbox"/> Identified for District Improvement


 Susan Castillo, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

SCHOOL RATINGS		
SCHOOLS	Oregon Report Card Rating	Federal School Improvement Status
Perrydale School	Satisfactory	

OAKS Online Reading Achievement Standards for 2011-2012

In a move to prepare students for the increased rigors of the new Common Core State Standards and the Oregon Diploma, last May the Oregon State Board of Education increased reading achievement standards for grades 3-8, effective for the 2011-12 school year. The high school achievement standard for "Meets" of 236 is the same.

Perrydale School District would like to inform our parents that The State Board of Education has changed the Achievement Standards for the Statewide Reading Test. Below are the 2010-2011 Reading scores and the new 2011-2012 Reading scores. Please note the changes on the bottom graph. If you have questions about the changes please talk to your child's teacher.

2010-2011 Achievement Standards

	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	HS
Nearly Meets	199	205	209	214	219	224	231
Meets	204	211	218	222	227	231	236
Exceeds	218	223	230	234	239	241	248

2011-2012 Adopted Standards

	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	HS
Nearly Meets	204	210	214	217	222	226	232
Meets	211	216	221	226	229	232	236
Exceeds	224	226	230	237	241	242	247

Difference between 2011-12 and 2010-11

	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	HS
Nearly Meets	+5	+5	+5	+3	+3	+2	+1
Meets	+7	+5	+3	+4	+2	+1	0
Exceeds	+6	+3	0	+3	+2	+1	-1

From The Playing Field By Chris Gubrud



Wow!

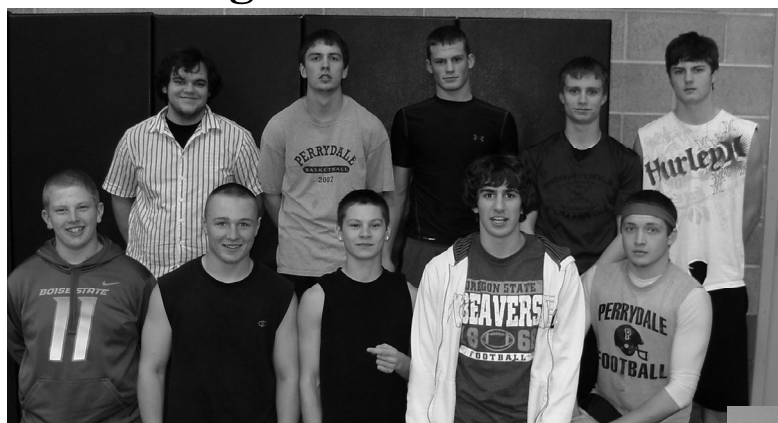
Our High School volleyball and football teams have surpassed most expectations and made deep, deep runs in the playoffs. The girls marched through the state sub tournament with easy wins over Portland Waldorf and McKenzie qualifying for the state tournament in Forrest Grove. The team started with a tough loss to Powder Valley (the eventual state champion runner-up) and then fell to Lowell the following morning. All those in attendance were proud to be Pirates and the girls represented our school and community with great pride. Brooke Barnes was voted by the coaches as a second team All State Tournament.

The football team has made a historic run through the playoffs and is playing for the state title vs. Camas Valley. As you read this the outcome will have been decided and we will be either champions or runner up. Either way, the team has peaked at the right time and the players have displayed the heart and courage that great teams have to have. The semi-final victory over a talented Crane team was one of the best efforts by players and coaching staff that I have witnessed. All those associated with Perrydale football, from players, coaches, parents and supporters should be proud of what has been accomplished with this group.

Five of our Perrydale Girls Co-Op with Western Mennonite for soccer and their team had a very successful season. They were undefeated and League Champions. They went to the Semi-State Game and lost to Caitlin Gabel. The girls that play on the Western Mennonite team are: Cheyenne Locke, Kelsey Ford, Mikaela DeMoe, Lili Stott and Emily Nelson. Congratulations to a great season.

The middle school girls' basketball season is under way. They are about halfway through an 18 game schedule and have had much success. The boys' team will begin practicing after Winter Vacation.

League Awards For Football, Volleyball & Soccer



Left to Right: Chris Skyberg, Corbin Reed, Tell Cruickshank, Justin Cruickshank, Josh Hiebenthal, Travis Chrisman, Cody Halverson, Jesus Mendez, Brandon Dunn and Cody Vineyard. **Not Pictured:** Joe Hiebenthal

First Team

Running Back – Tell Cruickshank
 Linebacker – Tell Cruickshank
 Quarterback – Corbin Reed
 Guard – Joe Hiebenthal
 Defensive End – Joe Hiebenthal
 Defensive Back – Justin Cruickshank
 Tight End – Justin Cruickshank & Brandon Dunn
 Defensive Lineman – Travis Chrisman

Second Team

Defensive End – Brandon Dunn
 Linebacker – Josh Hiebenthal
 Running Back – Josh Hiebenthal
 Guard – Cody Halverson
 Center – Chris Skyberg

Honorable Mention

Linebacker – Cody Vineyard
 Defensive Back – Jesus Mendez

Volleyball:

First Team

Brooke Barnes

Second Team

Kaitlyn Hallock
 Hope Carmona

Honorable Mention

Chloe Buzzell

Player of the Year: Dani Juarez



Left to Right: Kaitlynn Hallock, Dani Juarez, Brooke Barnes and Chloe Buzzell. **Not Pictured:** Hope Carmona



Left to Right: Kelsey Ford and Cheyenne Locke

Soccer:

Second Team

Cheyenne Locke

Honorable Mention

Kelsey Ford



College Corner for December

Dear Perrydale Parents,

I want to say thank you to all those seniors who are seriously following up on their responsibilities toward applying for colleges. Fall is the time to apply for four year colleges. Those students planning on attending a 2 year college should be taking the placement test for that college at this time. There are many scholarships available. Seniors are feeling overwhelmed with their busy schedules and are not making time to apply for these scholarships. Parents can help. As you work with your senior feel free to give me a call if I can also be of assistance.



We just held our Perrydale College Information Night. Seven colleges sent representatives. We had a record number of sixty-five participants. That is an amazing number of people who turned out to learn about post high school options. It says so much about our community and the level of support our students have from their families. Thanks to all the families who made the effort to come. Also thanks to our guest speakers:

Adam Holden, Chemeketa
Britt Pedlar, NW Culinary Institute
Kim Sullivan, Linn Benton Community College
Richard Mullen, Armed Services
Taylor Martin, George Fox
Tony McNeal, Albany Weld School
Dayson Tiogangco, Linfield
and our college student panel: Ashley Fuets, Alex Stoutt, Christina Feil, Christian Juanillo and Bri Hawes, Cody Comerford and Rachel McKee.

And lastly thanks to the sophomore class for cooking us dinner, parents who made desserts and to the high school choir for their wonderful entertainment.

It is amazing how fast this school year is going. The big scholarship push is on right now between November and March. The Oregon Career Information System is a great way to access scholarship information. Our user name is cisperrydale and our password is jobsandwork. Spend some time on this web site. Let me know if I can help at (503) 623-2040.

Happy Holidays to you all. Mrs. McCartney

2011 National FFA Convention

This year's National FFA Convention was a very fun and successful trip, consisting of four students, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. McCartney, and Tonya Parkin. Despite the cold, windy, and rainy weather that we experienced in Indianapolis, convention was a hit! The girls gained valuable knowledge and leadership skills that will be an asset to Perrydale's chapter. The group was able to experience multiple opportunities in Indiana, including Carley Elk Farm in Atlanta, IN, the Indiana State Museum, a Bulls & Broncs rodeo, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, career shows and shopping malls, leadership workshops, and several convention business sessions. The trip was pretty special with a first-time flyer, a first rodeo, and many memories to cherish.





Library Happenings

By Anne Riley

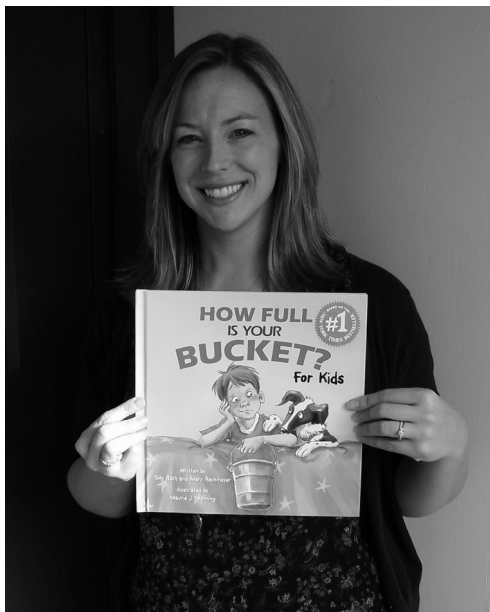
We've had our 2nd Battle of the Books meeting and the teams are set. The students who are participating are hard at work reading their books. Mrs. Ford said she would be reading "Where the Mountain Meets the Moon" from 3:00-3:30pm in her room after the Thanksgiving break for any student who would like to read along. I will be holding another meeting before the Christmas break to check on progress. Battles will begin in early/mid January. Battles are from 12:00-12:20 (during lunch) in the library. Check flyers for dates and team battles.

Your Perrydale School Library will be a donation site again this year for the Polk County Reading For All Christmas campaign. Please bring any new or gently used book to the library before Christmas break. There is a grey tub on the **Everybody** case for donated books. I will make sure they get to Polk County.

I will be sending home a letter to parents asking for volunteers who would be interested in hosting the Scholastic Book Fair. I am here on Monday's and Wednesday's so I am unable to chair this event as we need someone here all week long. At this time I am taking suggestions on how we can best handle having the book fair. Any help or advice is greatly appreciated.

Welcome Ms. DeFrancisco

If you've come into 2nd grade recently, you may have noticed a new face. My name is Jessica DeFrancisco and I have the pleasure of teaching at Perrydale until April. I'm thrilled to be at Perrydale Elementary and I'm looking forward to meeting everyone soon!



Leadership News

Leadership classes have been really busy this holiday season. We are in the process of finishing our holiday project raising money to make Christmas better for six deserving families. We are raising money with the "Sundae Challenge" and also doing "Hat Thursday". We will be creating food baskets along with the FFA and going shopping for toys and clothes.

In January we will be helping the Vernonia School District build a new school building after theirs was severely damaged by the floods of December 2007. The town of Vernonia has issued a bond for thirteen million dollars towards the funding of the new school. However, this is not enough, so Vernonia Leadership is reaching out to schools in Oregon to aid them in their time of need. They have challenged other schools to encourage students to donate one dollar to the cause. However, the school to raise the most money in comparison to their population of their school will win a personal show from the **Ax Men** star Mike Pihl and County Commissioner Tony Hyde. Let's help Vernonia build a school. Any help is appreciated.

Also on January 28 Perrydale Leadership and Perrydale FFA are sponsoring a community dinner/dance featuring the band Joe Shinkle and 99W. Bill Stapleton is on the keyboard. The band is donating their talent to benefit Leadership and FFA. Time and menu will be announced at a later date, but be sure to put this fun evening on your calendar.



Handwriting Without Tears

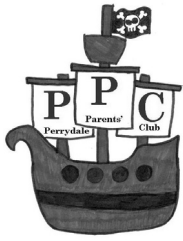
By: Robin Stoutt

This year we will be teaching Kindergarten thru fifth grade the program, **Handwriting Without Tears**. This program is making handwriting easier for kids at all levels. Cursive will be taught at third grade. If you would like more information, please see your child's classroom teacher.

December

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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				Senior Tea 12:01 p.m. MS Girls BB A&B vs. YC 3:45 p.m.		State Football Championship Game 1:00 p.m. @ Cottage Grove High School
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
MS/HS Basketball Open Gym 1:00-4:00 p.m. Comm. Outreach BB 4:00p.m.	Kick off for Food Drive MS Girls BB A&B @ WVCS 3:00 p.m. SIT Meeting 11:45 a.m.	JVGB/VGB BB vs. SW Christian 2:30 p.m. MS Girls BB A&B @ Willamina 3:45 p.m.	MS Girls BB A&B vs. Sheridan 3:45 p.m.	JVB/VGB BB @ Trangle Lake 4:00 p.m. MS Girls BB A&B @ Nestucca 3:45 p.m. Winter Program 7:00 p.m.	JVGB/VGB BB vs. Monroe 2:30 p.m..	MS Girls BB A Only @ Harrisburg Tourney
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
MS/HS Basketball Open Gym 1:00-4:00 p.m. Comm. Outreach BB 4:00p.m.	MS Girls BB A&B vs. WVCS 3:00 p.m.	JVG/VB BB vs. WVCS @ Blanchet 6:00 p.m. MS Girls BB A&B vs. Dayton 3:45 p.m. PPC Meeting 7:00 p.m.		MS Girls BB A&B @ Amity 3:45 p.m. Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	FULL DAY OF SCHOOL JVGB/VGB BB vs. St. Paul 2:30 p.m.	MS Girls BB A Only @ Crow Tourney JVG/VG BB vs. Salem Academy 5:00 p.m.
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
MS/HS Basketball Open Gym 1:00-4:00 p.m. Comm. Outreach BB 4:00p.m.	WINTER BREAK VGB BB @ Alsea 5:30 p.m.	WINTER BREAK	WINTER BREAK	WINTER BREAK	WINTER BREAK	WINTER BREAK
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Christmas Day	WINTER BREAK	WINTER BREAK VGB BB Holiday Tourney.	WINTER BREAK VGB BB Holiday Tourney	WINTER BREAK	WINTER BREAK	WINTER BREAK
January 1	2	3				
	SCHOOL RESUMES	JVGB/VGB BB @ Country Chr. 2:30 p.m.				

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Perrydale Parents' Club Continues to seek donations and help for the annual auction

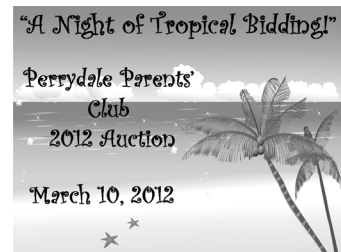
"A Night of Tropical Bidding!"

Great news! We have our first \$1,000 and \$250 sponsorship and many item donations have already been received including a Volcano's Baseball fan package and several wine tasting tours. We have a long way to go though and can use your help in following up with the businesses that received donation letters. We mailed out over 250 letters to people that you do business with, buy personal items from every day or maybe even work for! The letters are a great introduction to the PPC, but it is the personal follow-up that makes the difference in whether we get a donation or not. It is also an easy way for you to help with the auction. If you would like to help, please contact: Anna Scharf at 503-435-7743 or scharfpinot@aol.com. She can easily e-mail you a list of businesses and contacts.

Also, the PPC is proud to be sponsoring the admission for several high school students to attend the OMSI exhibit of Body World. This is part of the PPC support for career exploration opportunities for high School students. We hope they had a wonderful trip and look forward to supporting further career explorations opportunities for other students this year.

Finally, the PPC is pleased to announce the launch of their web site; www.perrydaleparentsclub.com. Here you can get more information on the mission of the PPC, how to get involved, our meeting and hospitality schedule, AND register for Auction Dinner tickets!

Our next meeting will be December 13th at 7pm in the High school Science Lab.
*****NOTE***this is a different night than normal due to the school music program on 12/8/11. Join us that night for some amazing holiday music and cookies.**



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