

## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Snowy Range Academy Families,

I can't believe it is already May! The days are flying by and before we know it another school year will be over. The students have done an amazing job this school year and have worked very hard to learn so many new and exciting things. I feel so lucky to be a part of such an amazing school and community.

As you know, students in grades 3-8 have just recently completed their WYTOPP testing. I have been able to see a few preliminary scores and I am so excited to announce that our 4<sup>th</sup> grade students scored 100% proficient and highly proficient on their math assessment! This is quite an accomplishment, so if you have a fourth grader, give them a pat on the back! I'd also like to highlight Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Monteith for preparing their students so thoroughly.

We have a very busy month planned with a great deal of activities and events. Please be sure to stay in touch with your students' teachers so you don't miss anything!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Diediker SRA Principal



## Special Dates of Interest

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- May 1— CK Music Festival, 6:30 pm at LHS • May 3— Last Day to order field day t-shirt size(s)
- May 6— Field Trip, 7th gr fly fishing
- May 7— Field Trip, 8th gr visit to LHS
- May 8— Last Day for Satisfaction Survey submissions
- May 10— Middle School Luau
- May 13— PTA Meeting, 6:30 pm
- May 14— Field Trip, 3rd gr to AG EXPO
- May 14— Field Trip, MS to LHS Jazz Concert
- May 15— Kindergarten Round-Up
- May 15— ANNUAL MEETING, Board Elections, 6:00 pm
- May 15— Field Trip, 5th gr to Curt Gowdy
- May 16— Field Trip, 5th gr to Curt Gowdy
- May 16— Last Day of Tutoring
- May 21— Field Trip, 1st gr to ACPL
- May 23— Field Trip, 4th gr to Ft. Laramie
- May 24— HALF DAY, Early dismissal at 11:15 am
- May 27— NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day
- May 28— Field Trip, 4th gr to Territorial Prison
- May 28— Field Trip, 8th gr Golf
  May 28— Field Trip, 6th gr Disc Golf
  May 30— Talent Showcase
- May 30— 8th gr Commencement, 6:00 pm May 31— Field Day

- June 3— Career Day June 4— Awards Assembly, 10:00 am
- June 4— Last Day of School, Dismissal at 11:15 am
- June 19— SRA Board Meeting, 6:00 pm



SRA SUMMER HOURS **Monday-Friday** 8:00 am-2:00 pm

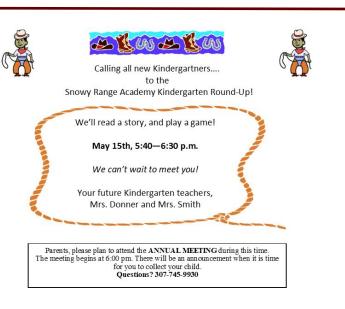
## What's for Lunch?

The school lunch menu can be found posted on the district website. There is a quick link on the right side of our page, under "Parent".

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## Kindergarten Round-Up



## Join Us for the Next Board Meeting

SRA Board Meetings, 6:00 p.m. May 15, 2024– Annual Meeting June 19, 2024 All are welcome!

## **MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL**

All student medications at SRA must be taken home before the last day of the school year, June 4th. In mid-May, I will send home a letter to parents of students who have medications at school to let you know the medications that need to be taken home. I prefer that parents pick the medications up from the school, however if you are truly unable to do this, I will send medications home with your student if I have a signed parent permission form. Please be advised that all medications left at SRA after the last day of school, June 4th, will be disposed of.

## IMMUNIZATIONS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Wyoming state immunization requirements mandate that all students entering seventh grade must have a booster dose of diphtheria/tetanus/ pertussis containing vaccine (Tdap). Your healthcare provider might also recommend other important vaccinations for your pre-teen such as immunizations to prevent Meningitis, Hepatitis A and Human Papillomavirus. Please remember to send an updated immunization record to school after your child has received any new vaccinations.

## EMERGENCY LOANER CLOTHING

Please check your laundry area for any articles of clothing that were loaned to your student during the school year. All loaned clothing is marked in the waist band, neck band or on the back side with the initials SRA. We would appreciate the return of this clothing prior to the end of the school year.

## UPCOMING FIELD DAY AND SKIN PROTECTION

Field day is scheduled for Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. **Parents, PLEASE check the weather to make sure that your student is pre**pared for the weather... a light jacket might be necessary if the day is cool and windy. A hat/head protection and SUNSCREEN are highly recommended. Remember that sunburns can happen even on cloudy/overcast days!

*Have a safe and healthy summer!* Enjoy the outdoors, but remember to wear protective clothing and apply sunscreen/ insect repellants as per product instructions. I look forward to seeing you all back in August!

Lori Smith, SRA School Nurse

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# Field Day

WHO: YOU! Are you ready!??

WHAT: Snowy Range Academy's Annual Field Day and PICNIC.

**WHEN:** Friday, May 31st. Three events will be held before lunch this year. The picnic begins at 11:45 a.m. Please have your child(ren) **bring** their own **sack lunch** and **drinks**. A light lunch is recommended prior to all field events.

WHERE: Washington Park, at the Otto Dahl shelter and adjacent soccer playing fields.

**DETAILS:** The school buses will be taking the children to the park at 10:00 am. We plan to return to school at 2:30 pm. Times will be on the permission slip.

This will be a non-uniform day. Your child(ren) needs to wear sneakers and clothing that allows him/her to move freely. Light jackets may be needed. **HAVE YOUR CHILD(REN) BRING SUNSCREEN!** 

Free T-shirts will be provided for every student. Please submit this form by Friday, May 3, to order correct size: <u>https://forms.gle/RXYSuJ5PUo8WtaoKA</u>

If you wish to take your child directly home after Field Day, you will need to sign-out with their classroom teacher.

Hello from the SRA Board of Directors,

The SRA Board of Directors is gearing up for Board elections and looking ahead to the end of this school year and next fall.

Board elections are underway, with openings this spring for three parent members and one community member. Results will be announced at the annual meeting on May 15. Watch your email for information about candidates and how to vote. The Board will be filling the emeritus member opening this summer.

Hiring is underway for multiple staff positions, including three elementary teachers, middle school language arts, middle school social studies and art, plus a counselor. Mrs. Diediker is leading the hiring process, with hiring committees composed of staff, Board members and parents interviewing candidates and watching teaching demonstrations. The Board scheduled a special meeting on April 30 to consider and approve Mrs. Diediker's recommendations.

SRA plans to participate in WyoGives, a statewide fundraising initiative led by the Wyoming Nonprofit Network. This year's event is scheduled for July 10. Be watching social media and Remind for information about how to support SRA!

The annual meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. May 15, at SRA. Please plan to attend to hear a report from Mrs. Diediker and meet the new Board members. As always, visit the Board of Directors page on the SRA website for meeting information.

Best,

Eve Newman Snowy Range Academy Board Chair

## Annual Meeting

### Mark your calendars for the <u>SRA Annual Meeting</u> on Wednesday, May 15th, at 6:00 PM.

SRA online voting will close at 10:00 am on May 15. YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT! Please take the time to complete the ballot.

#### Board Candidate Profiles and Election Ballot will be sent out soon.

The SRA board will provide a short report on the state of the school, and announce the new parent and community members to the board. Please see note below regarding important voting information.

## **Board Election Guidelines**

Snowy Range Academy voting will occur online prior to the Annual Meeting on May 15th. The ballot will close at 10:00 am on May 15th, with the results tallied and announced at the Annual Meeting.

Section 4.13. Elections to the Board of Directors. Elections for expiring positions for the Board of Directors shall beheld during the Annual Meeting of the Members of SRA. Elections for the Board of Directors shall be conducted as follows:

- 1. For voting purposes, each family of a student or students and each employee of the Charter School shall be entitled to one vote. If an employee is also a parent member, s/he may have only one vote for each Director's vacancy. In the case of married employees, only one may vote for each voting Director's vacancy. If more than one vote is cast by a particular family or employee, then all votes for that family or employee shall be disqualified and not considered;
- 2. Member families and employees may vote for as many candidates as there are vacancies to be filled;
- 3. Elections shall be by secret ballot;
- 4. Elections shall be determined by simple majority of votes cast;

The Nominating Committee shall conduct, tabulate the results of, and certify the results of all elections. Certification of election results shall be presented to the Board of Directors at the conclusion of the election at the Annual Meeting. Newly elected Directors are encouraged to attend as non-voting Directors meetings of the Board until they assume their duties as Directors.

#### Middle School Luau is May 10th from 6-8pm.

Because the Luau is a privilege, not an expectation for staff and students, the student council has created an agreement that all students must follow if they would like to attend the Luau this year.

#### Luau Requirements 2024

As a student of Snowy Range Academy, I will continue to hold high standards for myself and others I surround myself with. To attend the Luau that is held by the Student Council and teachers of SRA I will: \*\*Not receive detention in the fourth quarter. (If I

do, my attendance at the Luau will be based on the reason for my detention at the teacher's discretion); \*\*Get no more than 3 signatures for respect in the four weeks before the Luau. \*\* No serious offense forms. (Vandalism, Fighting, etc.) If I do any of the above offenses, I will be uninvited to the school Luau. The final say will be at the principal's hands depending on my behavior. For Parents: Should bad behavior occur during the Luau, the parent will be asked to come pick up their child.

Each grade is asked to bring the following food/drink:

- 6th grade- savory finger foods
- 7th grade- individual drinks (water bottles, soda cans, juice boxes, etc.)
- 8th grade- sweet finger foods

#### Talent show information:

The applications will be online, the link is below, and are DUE on May 2nd <u>https://forms.gle/LFajDc2ATRXw5QxU9</u> Auditions will be Monday, May 13th and Tuesday, May 14th.

The talent show will be held in the afternoon of May 30th.



#### End of 4th Quarter Celebration:

The student council will buy and pass out donuts to all SRA students and staff in the cafeteria from 7:30-8:10 on May 23rd. This will be at no cost to the students, just a fun way to celebrate the end of the school year.

# PTA News

#### **Teacher Appreciation Week**

May 6-10 is Teacher Appreciation Week. Let's show our teachers and staff just how much we appreciate them with great treats and much more! Contact us for more details on how you can help!

#### Elections

The PTA will be holding elections for 2024-2025 school year officers at their next meeting on May 13 at 6:30 pm in the SRA Library. If you are interested in running for a position, please contact the PTA for a questionnaire.

#### Next Meeting

The next and final PTA meeting for the school year will be held May 13, at 6:30 pm in the SRA library. If you can't attend in person, please consider joining via Zoom.





# Satisfaction Surveys

It is time once again that we ask for your feedback concerning your satisfaction with various aspects of SRA. Each year we ask students, parents, and staff to complete these surveys to provide us with the opportunity to evaluate our practices and consider any changes in our operating procedures. Please take the time to complete the parent survey. This feedback is valuable and necessary for SRA to continue to provide the best educational experience we can to your children. Please follow the link below to access the survey. The survey will be open through May 8.

https://forms.gle/LUuvHK4vLNAiHRnD9

Thank you!

# Field Day T-Shirts

Field Day is just around the corner.

SRA is ordering a free t-shirt for each student. Please fill out this form to indicate the SIZE for your child/ren. There is room for up to SIX children on the form. Please make sure you fill out as many as needed and go to the end of the form to SUBMIT.

If your family will not be in attendance for Field Day, please complete the form and check "no".

## The deadline for t-shirt submissions is Friday, May 3.

Field Day is on Friday, May 31, 2024. Thank you.

# **Office Reminders**

- ENROLLMENT 2024-2025: At SRA we understand sometimes plans can change, families move, sabbaticals occur, etc. If your situation changes at any time, and your child will \*not\* be attending SRA for the 2024-2025 school year (all or partial), please email the front office. Note: we can hold your student's seat for up to one year in the case of a sabbatical, but only if we are notified by email. We currently have a waitlist for several grades. If you do not need your child's seat, someone else would probably love to learn it is an option for them. Thank you for your consideration.
- PICK-UP/DROP-OFF AND SPORTS: Parents, when you are dropping off or picking up your student morning, afternoon, or for a LMS district sports activity/team practice or game- in the interest of everyone's safety please refrain from parking/waiting beside the barriers just south of our front door. Please use the designated visitor parking spaces or waiting area just south of the playground, near the exit to Boulder Drive. Students should use the sidewalk to get to their waiting vehicles.
- Please check out our LOST AND FOUND bins by the Front Office. A table will be set up in the lobby during the final week of school. Any belongings not claimed by Tuesday, June 4, will be donated or trashed.









Kindergarten- House, Sports and The Three Little Pigs

First- Spanish Alphabet, Time and Short Spanish stories.

**Second-** Finish reading Esperanza Rising by Pam Muñoz Ryan and have a food walk through review of the novel. End with Spanish vowels and insects.

Third- Perform the 3rd grade play, Animals and TPRS (Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Stories) in Spanish: El Cuento del Gato.

Fourth- Somos FLEX Unit 1:2 Encierro de Toros

Fifth- Present Don Quixote digital narratives and Kindergarten through 5th grade review and introduction to 6th grade Spanish.





#### Kindergarten:

**Composer:** Camille Saint-Saens: "Carnival of the Animals" **Songs:** Here We Go 'Round the Mulberry Bush; Go in and out the Window; Review

#### First Grade:

**Composers:** Jazz: Louis Armstrong; Duke Ellington **Songs:** Frere Jacques; La Raspa; For He's a Jolly Good Fellow; Review

#### Second Grade:

**Composer:** Bach; Mozart; Mendelssohn: Keyboard Instruments **Songs:** De Colores; Swing Low Sweet Chariot; Song of the Volga Boatman; Review

Third Grade: Composer: Tchaikovsky: Swan Lake Ballet Songs: Review



Fourth Grade: Composer: Mozart: "The Magic Flute" Songs: Review

**Fifth Grade: Composer:** Joy Harjo-Sapulpa: "Trail of Tears" **Songs:**Battle Hymn of the Republic; Fifty Nifty United States; Spirituals

Middle School: Modern Music Performers







"We don't make mistakes, just happy little accidents." ~Bob Ross

Kindergarten- Shapes and Lines in Architecture: Featured Art: Hall of Supreme Harmony, Eiffel Tower, Sydney Opera House



**Grade- Kinds of Pictures- Still-Lifes & Murals:** Featured Art: *The History of Medicine in Mexico, The Revolution* 

# **Character Education**

**2**<sup>nd</sup> **Grade- Abstraction** Featured Art: *I and the Village, Bird in Space* 



## **3**<sup>rd</sup> Grade- Discuss and Recognize How the Elements of Art Work Together:

Featured Art: The Peaceable Kingdom, Icarus, The Scream, The Horse Fair, The Bath, The Block Quilting Time, Early American Quilts from Gee's Bend (Pictorial Quilt, Grandma Strips)

# 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- The Art of a New Nation (the U.S.):

Featured Art: Washington Crossing the Delaware, Paul Revere, George Washington, Bust of Benjamin Franklin, Monticello

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- Russian Art & Architecture:

Featured Art: Old Testament Trinity, Faberge Egg (Imperial Coronation), St. Basil's Cathedral

#### Middle School- Postmodern Architecture

Featured Art: Vanna House, House VI, Center Pompidou, Neue Staatsgalerie Stuttgart, Baths of the Vals, Guggenheim Bilbao, Phaeno Science Center, Burj Kalifa (Dubai)

## Loyalty

During the month of May, students at Snowy Range Academy will be learning and discussing the character trait loyalty. When I think of loyalty, I think of a dog. A dog is faithful to its family, is quick to forgive, always willing to listen and loves unconditionally. Like the loyalty of a dog, people can show loyalty by caring about others, keeping commitments, encouraging others in the right direction, helping those in need, and serving their community.

You don't earn loyalty in a day. You earn loyalty day-by-day. ~Jeffrey Gitomer

## Summer Movie Program

Order forms for the Summer Movie Program were sent home with students. Extra forms are available in our front lobby.



# May 2024 Loyalty Banner

Star Spangled

ASSEMBLY RECITATION SCHEDULE

- May 1: Character \*
- \* May 8: 1st gr A & B
- \* May 15: Guest Speaker
- \* May 22: Operational Goal
- \* May 29: Staff Recitation

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Field Trip– Fly Fishing, 7th gr TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK	7 Field Trip- LHS, 8th gr	8	9	10	11
12	13 PTA MEETING	14 Field Trip- Jazz Concert, MS Field Trip- AG EXPO, 3rd gr	15 Field Trip- Curt Gowdy, 5th gr ANNUAL MEETING & BOARD ELEC- TIONS 6:00 pm	16 Field Trip- Curt Gowdy, 5th gr	17	18
19	20	21 Field Trip- ACPL, 1st gr	22	23 Field Trip- Ft. Laramie, 4th gr	24 HALF DAY Dismissal at 11:15 am	25
26	27	28 Field Trips-4th gr Territorial Prison 8th gr Golf 6th gr Disc Golf	29	30 Talent Showcase	31	

# Jung 2024

ASSEMBLY RECITATION SCHEDULE

\* June 4: Honor Roll Assembly, 10:00 am

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 HALF DAY Dismiss at 11:15	5	6	7	8
9	10	HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			SRA Board Meeting 6:00 pm			
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