

*note from the desk of
Dan Grabowska*

A COUPLE KEY DATES FOR
THE SPRING:

April 19 and 22:
NO SCHOOL

May 7 School Election

May 19 Graduation 1PM

May 23 Last Day of School
11:05 release time

August 21 First Day of
School 2019-2020

You will find the calendar
for next year on the school
web site.

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HIGH SCHOOL/JR HIGH NEWS

Students are entering the testing season at Park City Schools. We are currently having students in grades 3-10 take the MAP's tests. Juniors will be taking the ACT test on April 2. Students in grades 3,8, and 10 will be taking the state CRT Science test during March. And beginning this month students will be taking the SBAC state tests in grades 3-8. Those results will be shared with you as soon as they are compiled and released.

Students will soon be receiving class requests for next school year. Students also need to think about any dual credit or Montana Digital Academy classes they are interested in for next year.

We will be offering drivers education this year during the months of May and June. Sign ups will happen around the first of April. Students who have failed a core class during the school year can sign up for credit recovery classes through the Montana Digital Academy. Students will be expected to be here Monday through Thursday May 27-June 27 from 8-11 a.m. or until finished with the class, whichever comes sooner. If student's don't finish by that date, they will not receive credit for that class.

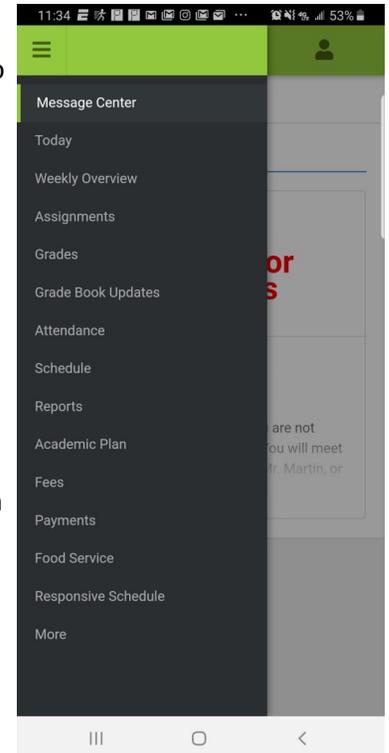
We just finished our winter sports season and our students had great seasons in basketball, wrestling, and cheering. Our spring sports seasons are here, but it is difficult to practice with all the snow. Students are utilizing the gym at various hours to practice and utilizing make shift facilities to get ready for warmer weather and the big melt.

OTHER DIST. NEWS

Technology

We have some excellent technology available to students and parents alike so that information is at your fingertips. You can set up much of this yourself with apps on your smart phones, but you are always welcome to come to the school to get some help with them.

Campus Parent/Campus Student This is the Infinite Campus app that allows you to follow your students grades and lots of other info as noted in this screen shot. Simply go to the app store of your phone and search for Campus Parent or Campus Student. If you don't already have a username and password from going on line to the parent portal, you can check with the school for more info.



Stay Connected This is the app for the school's website. It has the ability to push out notices like special announcements, weather delays or closures, etc. Go to your app store and search for School Pointe and download the Stay Connected app.

Edulog This is our bus app that allows parents to set notifications for their student route bus to let them know when the bus is within a certain range. It also allows for parents to know when field trip or sport trip bus returns are near to the school. Go to your app store and download edulog. You will need to contact the school for a school code.

Dear Friends,

After numerous rough drafts, I'm going to follow my Sunday School Teacher's advice and, "Keep it simple sweetie!"

I've been in education for thirty-seven years, thirty-two of those years have been spent serving at Park City Schools in a variety of roles. I have decided it's time to hang up my shiny shoes and dress clothes and replace them with a pair of boots and blue jeans! It's time for this farm girl to kick up her heels and spend more quality time playing with her family and friends!

However, before dancing off into the sunset, I would like to take a moment to thank all of the very wonderful people that have been such a positive influence in my life. When I recall all of the great people and fond memories over the years, I am overwhelmed with gratitude!

So, first and foremost, thank you to God for directing my path to Park City School. Thank you to my family for being patient and sharing your wife and mother. Thank you to the parents of the children I have been entrusted with over the years. Thank you to the team members at school that work tirelessly to support our children: school board members, administrators, teachers, support staff and volunteers. And most graciously, thank you to all of the children over the years; you have taught me so much!

CommUNITY is really what makes us great!

From the bottom of my heart,

Janet Southworth

PARK CITY SCHOOL LEVY INFORMATION

Park City Schools is seeking voter approval for a levy to increase the High School District’s General Fund operational budget. As noted in earlier articles, our schools have been running basically on the bare minimum for budgets. Throughout the years the state has provided some inflationary increases and the district has operated on a very conservative budget, which has meant that the district hasn’t had to ask the tax payers for permission to increase the general fund. The district has been able to function at 81% of budget authority in the high school and 83% of budget authority in the elementary. Last year the district asked taxpayers for an increase in both the elementary and high school budgets, but it was rejected by the voters. The elementary school budget will hold on its own next year due to retirements and some different budget needs. The high school, however, is again facing a budget authority from the state that has not kept up with district needs. In order to make our budget, the district is asking tax payers for a \$75,000 levy.

This will allow the district to maintain operational levels in the high school. Last year we cut several areas in order for the budget to work, including text books and supplies. We can’t continue to do that and provide a quality educational experience for students. If the levy fails, there will likely be some program cuts. The election will take place on May 7 in the high school gym from noon to 8:00 p.m. All info in the chart below is approximate.

There will be two different ballots for voters at the May 7 election. One is the levy as noted above. The other is a trustee election. There will be two people running for trustee positions. Kristi Lowell, current board chair, will be running. Her challenger is Shane Leland.

HIGH SCHOOL LEVY INFO
\$75,000
16.64 mills
For a \$100,000 home, that would cost 22.47
The annual cost on a \$100,000 home would be \$44.94



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Who are some of the Very Important People in our school? Our teachers, of course! Teachers plan interesting lessons, assess reading levels, grade assignments, answer questions, lead discussions, guide activities, solve problems, and settle debates. Teachers watch the playground, supervise the cafeteria, tie shoes, button coats, dry tears... Most of all, teachers care about kids. Take a little time in the week ahead to remember to thank your favorite teachers. A little encouragement can make a big difference!

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Parent Pointers

Emphasizing the Importance of Reading

- ▶ Parents who read usually have children who read.
- ▶ Reduce TV viewing time and videogame time, and increase reading time.
- ▶ Set aside a time each day when you and your child will read.
- ▶ Read aloud to your child. Reading with expression shows a child that you love books and that you enjoy reading to them.
- ▶ Share what you have read with your child, and ask your child to do the same with you.

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