

# DECEMBER/JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Annie Griffin  
Superintendent

Washakie County School District #2

Robert Griffin  
Principal

## Principal's Corner

It's hard to believe that just one year ago we were knee-deep in planning and packing, getting ready to move into the new school building. Now, with nearly twelve months under our belts, we're finally past the "Where did they hide the light switches?" stage and getting to fully appreciate what an incredible upgrade this facility truly is. A heartfelt thank you to everyone, staff, parents, students, and community members who helped make this new school a reality. It continues to be a gift that keeps on giving.

This month, I spent over 20 hours digging into our new staff evaluation system; 'tis the season for learning new things, even if they don't come wrapped with a bow. Like any new process, it will take some getting used to, but I genuinely believe this system will be more supportive, meaningful, and user-friendly for our staff in the long run.

Discussions are already underway for next year's calendar, and we're also exploring possible updates to class offerings and schedules. Please attend one of the two public forums if you are interested. The first is December 8th before the board meeting at 6:30 and the second is before the board meeting on January 6th.

Two exciting ideas that are on the table for next year include:

- A potential Zero Hour class that would allow Mr. Thoren to expand course options for students. (Rumor has it he's already sharpening his pencils in anticipation.)
- Concurrent enrollment Freshman English, possibly offered during 8th-hour rolling elective as a semester course. There are still plenty of hurdles to clear before either option becomes official, but we're optimistic and keeping our fingers crossed.

As we head into December and look ahead to the New Year, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the Ten Sleep community. Your support and flexibility make all the difference. Wishing you a wonderful holiday season!

Here's to a wonderful December, a restful Christmas break, and a strong start to 2026!



Thank you to our Sheriff's Office for giving our Kindergarten class a tour of Dispatch, the Detention Center, and Search & Rescue

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# FFA News

Ten Sleep FFA was ecstatic to have the opportunity to compete and perform at the National FFA Convention in the talent contest. Liam, Layne, Nicholas, and Matthew represent our chapter with dignity and respect. The boys were given the opportunity to perform two days at the Indiana Convention center in front of large crowds of onlookers all enjoying themselves. We personally want to thank several Wyoming FFA chapters that made it a priority to support our chapter by including their Ten Sleep performance in their schedules.



Mrs Forshee was honored to be a National Judge for the National Creed Contest. "It was an experience that I am so grateful for as it gave me much inside knowledge to bring back to our students as they prepare for our State contest". I will say Wyoming overall ranks so high in all our speaking contests at the National Convention.

Ten Sleep FFA officers were able to help serve our community veterans at our annual Veterans program luncheon. This is our favorite community service we are able to help with . It is an honor that the students look forward to it each year.





# Music Notes



As our Fall Semester comes to an end, I am looking forward to our Christmas Concert going on in December. We did have a slight schedule change, so please take note that the K-12 Christmas Concert is on December 11th at 6:00pm. This is a K-12 concert and the theme is A Tour of the North Pole.

Each class is a different "part" of our North Pole, and I would love to have them dress up accordingly.

- The **kindergarten and first grade** classes will be the elves, so please feel free to dress them in little elf costumes as that would add so much spirit to our performance.

- The **second and third grade** classes will be the reindeer and brown with black will work for a simple outfit here!
- Finally, the **fourth and fifth graders** will be portraying the weather of the North Pole, so costumes are up to students.
- The **secondary classes** will be wearing concert black with a splash of holiday cheer as follows: 6th-8th graders are the Sounds of the North Pole, 9th-12th graders are Santa and his Sleigh!

I will relay this information to students as well and look forward to seeing you on December 11th.

*Mrs. Kienzle*

## Nurse's Corner

### Access your immunization information

Immunization records from the Wyoming Immunization Registry can now be accessed through the App "Docket." Here's some user-friendly information about the "Docket App" from the Wyoming Department of Health.

[Docket is available on your web browser](#) and as an application for download from the Apple Store or Google Play.

Use Docket to:

- View your personal and family vaccination records
- Show vaccinations that are due, overdue, and complete
- Send reminders when vaccines are due

There is no cost to download or use Docket. Docket will never ask for payment information.

Docket is securely updated with information from



the [Wyoming Immunization Registry \(WyIR\)](#).

For more information, reach out to [docket.helpdesk@wyo.gov](mailto:docket.helpdesk@wyo.gov) or call 307-777-7952, or visit Docket's website at <https://docket.care/>.

Wishing everyone a healthy, safe and joyous Holiday Season!

*Mrs. Holiday*



## Little Shoppers

HO! HO! HO! Merry Christmas!



Big and Little Pioneers will attend Little Shoppers on December 19th at the Ten Sleep United Methodist Church. Little Shoppers is sponsored by the Ten Sleep United Methodist Women. Thanks to donations and the support of the community, students will be able to purchase new or nearly-new gifts for family members

at the cost of \$0.50 per gift. The school will provide bus transportation to and from the church. It is helpful if students bring a shopping list on Thursday so we can make gift tags. It is a tradition we are happy to continue this year. If you have any questions, you can contact Georgia Stocklin at 431-2824.

# Counselor's Corner

The days continue to fly by, and school shows no signs of slowing down. From practices and concerts to late meetings and long bus trips, we experience it all. This time of year, I always like to pause and reflect on the many great things happening in our school community.

Our Love and Logic parenting classes have had wonderful attendance! This program provides an invaluable learning opportunity for parents and would not be possible without the many "behind the scenes" volunteers who give so generously of their time. Student groups such as FFA, NHS, and the Middle School Student Council have stepped up to provide childcare, while staff members have gone out of their way to prepare meals. Their commitment and willingness to serve make this program sustainable and impactful. A sincere thank you to everyone involved!

Another exciting development in my corner of the school is the launch of our CNA program. We will have our first student enrolled this spring, and I hope this marks the beginning of a strong and lasting program. We have also received generous donations that will support students pursuing this pathway and other scholarship opportunities. If you are interested in contributing, there is always a need and every gift makes a difference.

Our Sources of Strength program has been busy as well. They hosted a Turkey Trot on November 20. This

student-led group serves as a key connector for hope, help, and strength within our school.

The Task Force is also hard at work. In addition to helping sponsor the Love and Logic classes, they have supported the launch of a new, student-led Prevention Program. After a summer of learning, one of our students discovered a passion for prevention work, and now approximately six motivated, like-minded students are planning events for youth and families in our community. Their first event—Dinner and a Movie—will be held December 4, from 5:30–8:00 p.m. at the school. This family-friendly evening is designed to promote connection and fun. Bring a pot of soup or a dessert to share, or simply come and enjoy the holiday spirit! We'll be showing *Home Alone*.

The Class of 2026 has been busy applying to colleges and working through scholarship opportunities. They have received assistance with filing the FAFSA twice now—an admittedly tedious process—and we are grateful to Teffany from EOC services for guiding our students through it.

This year, I stepped down from sponsoring the High School Student Council and am now working with the Middle School Student Council. These students have been hard at work planning their second event of the year. Providing opportunities for students to connect and have fun is yet another example of the many individuals working tirelessly for Ten Sleep students. None of these events or opportunities would be possible without the quiet, consistent work happening in the background. Someone is buying snacks, donating food, volunteering time, purchasing plates and bowls, hanging flyers, organizing students, and sharing the workload. The list goes on—all done with one goal in mind: what's best for kids.

There is hard work happening at every turn, and it all contributes to making the student experience at Ten Sleep Schools truly exceptional.

Please take a moment to thank an educator!

~ Mrs. Wiechmann



# Board Briefs

## Regular Board Meeting | 11/10/2025 - 07:00 PM

### 1. 6:15pm Work Session

#### A. Book Study: Chapters 18-20

### 2. Meeting Opening

#### A. Call to Order

Chairperson Erin Blutt called this meeting to order at 7:00pm

#### B. Pledge of Allegiance

#### C. Roll Call

Jordan Bush, Jared Lyman, Shana Harstad, Annie Griffin, Erin Blutt, Bill Murphy, Marc Dykstra, Robert Griffin, and Rachel Casteel were all present.

#### D. Adopt Agenda

Amend the Agenda, removing letter H. EL Consultant Approval, from the Consent Agenda. Motion made by: Shana Harstad, Motion seconded by: Bill Murphy, Voting: Unanimously Approved

### 3. Reports and Recognitions

#### A. Pioneer Character Traits Student Recognition

#### B. Superintendent Report

#### C. 4-5 Presentation

#### D. WYTOPP REPORT

### 4. Guests and Patron Comments

#### A. Visitor Input at Board Meetings

### 5. Consent Agenda

Approve the Consent Agenda items as listed below. Bill Murphy abstained from warrant #'s 3409, 16352, and 27586. Motion made by: Marc Dykstra, Motion seconded by: Bill Murphy, Voting: Unanimously Approved

#### A. Business Manager Reports

#### B. Principal Report

#### C. Approve Minutes

#### D. Authorization and Payment of Outstanding Bills

#### E. Approve Prepaid Bills

#### F. Coaching Position- Kayla Sterling MSGB

#### G. Pinnacle Behavior Solutions Contract

#### H. EL Consultant Approval

### 6. Discussion / Action Items

A. 1st Reading of Policies 3.01 Code of Ethics of Education Profession, 3.02 Essential Duties, 3.03 Applications, 3.04 Certification, 3.05 Nomination and Appointment, 3.06 Contracts, and 3.07 Transcripts.

Approve the 1st Reading of Policies 3.01 Code of Ethics of Education Profession, 3.02 Essential Duties, 3.03 Applications, 3.04 Certification, 3.05 Nomination and Appointment, 3.06 Contracts, and 3.07 Transcripts. Removing 3.02 Essential Duties all together. Motion made by: Jared Lyman, Motion seconded by: Shana Harstad, Voting: Unanimously Approved

#### B. 2nd Reading of Policy 2.20 Census

Approve the 2nd Reading of Policy 2.20 Census. Motion made by: Jared Lyman, Motion seconded by: Shana Harstad, Voting: Unanimously Approved

#### C. WSBA Resolutions

#### D. Library Contract

Approve the 2026 Library Contract. Motion made by: Shana Harstad, Motion seconded by: Bill Murphy, Voting: Unanimously Approved

#### E. Staff Christmas Gift

The Board voted to give each employee \$30 in Chamber Bucks for Christmas this year. Motion made by: Marc Dykstra, Motion seconded by: Bill Murphy, Voting: Unanimously Approved

### 7. Executive Session

Jared Lyman made a motion to enter Executive Session for the discussion of Legal matters at 7:44pm. Seconded by Shana Harstad. Motion Carried 5-0.

Jared Lyman moved to approve the minutes as read in Executive Session. Seconded by Shana Harstad. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:53pm.

Motion made by: Jared Lyman

Motion seconded by: Shana Harstad

Voting: Unanimously Approved

#### A. Legal

### 8. Next Month Board Agenda Items

### 9. Adjournment

Chairperson Erin Blutt adjourned the meeting at 7:56





# December Events Calendar




December

December 2025

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

January 2026

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov 30	Dec 1	2 Love & Logic 5:30-7:30	3	4 Dinner & Movie 5:30-8:00	5 Blue Friday, Afternoon Classes Welding Competition 6:00pm Staff Christmas Party (Brewery)	6 MSGB A Conf @ Rocky 9:00 MSGB B/C Jam @ Burlington 9:00
7	8 Library Christmas Open House 5:30 School Calendar Public Forum 6:30 School Board Meeting	9 Love & Logic 5:30-7:30	10	11 Christmas Concert K-12 6:00 	12 HSBB Upton Tour Red Friday, Morning Classes	13 MSGB East Tourney - KC TBD
14	15 Wrestling (USA) meeting at the library	16	17	18 Love & Logic 5:30-7:30 12:00pm MS Senior Center Christmas Caroling	19 HSBB @ Hulett 4:30/6:00 Last Day of Q2/S1 Little Shoppers 	20 Parade of Lights 6:00 2:00pm Cookies & Cocoa w/Craig @ Library
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Christmas Break						
						
28	29	30	31	Jan 1, 26	2	3
Christmas Break						
						HSBB Home vs Dubois 2:00/3:00

Game times subject to change. Please see our google calendar for updated game times.

# January Events Calendar

January 2026

January 2026							February 2026						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
				1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Dec 28	29	30	31	Jan 1, 26	2	3
	Christmas Break					HSBB Home vs Dubois 2:00/3:00
				Happy New Year		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Teacher Work Day - No School	First Day of Q3/S2 School Calendar Public Forum			HSBB @ Riverside 5:30/7:00 Red Friday, Morning Classes	HSBB Home vs Arapaho 3:00/4:30
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	School Board Meeting 7:00	MSBB Home vs Shoshoni 4:15/5:15/6:15			HSBB Little Six -ACT TBD Teacher Workday - No School	MSBB @ Kaycee 11:00
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	MSBB Home vs Rocky Mtn 4:15/5:15/6:15	NHS Induction, heart space			Blue Friday, Afternoon Classes HSBB Home vs Burlington 5:30/7:00	HSBB @ Meeteetse 5:00/6:00 MSBB @ Meeteetse 2:30/3:30
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	MSBB @ Greybull 4:15/5:15/6:15		PNA Survey for grades 6, 8, 10, 12		100th Day of School HSBB @ St Stephens 5:30/7:00 MSBB Home vs Thermop 1:00/2:00/3:00 Red Friday, Morning	MSBB Home vs Clearmont 3:00 HSBB Home vs Clearmont 5:30/7:00

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# December

## Ten Sleep School K-12 Lunch 2025 - 2026

Sloppy Joe French Fries <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>1</b>	Sweet and Sour Chicken Fried Rice Egg Roll Vegetable Oriental Vegetable Blend Baby Carrots <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>2</b>	Corn Dog Macaroni and Cheese Baby Carrots <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>3</b>	BBQ Beef Sandwich Baked Beans Chips <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>4</b>	Beefy Nachos Refried beans Lettuce Salad <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>5</b>
Country Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes White Pepper Gravy Green Beans <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>8</b>	Beef Enchilada Refried beans Pico de Gallo <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>9</b>	Chicken Chip Casserole Munchkin Muffins Peas <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>10</b>	Hamburger Deluxe French Fries Mixed Veggies <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>11</b>	Chicken Noodle Soup Peas Hot Rolls <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>12</b>
Stromboli Lettuce Salad <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>15</b>	Chicken Fettuccine with Alfredo Cheese Breadstick Lettuce Salad <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>16</b>	Ham Scalloped Potatoes Hot Rolls Corn <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>17</b>	Waffle Sticks Egg Sausage Hash Brown Oranges <b>Milk</b>	<b>18</b>	Crispy Chicken Sandwich Chips Creamy Coleslaw <b>Fruit</b> <b>Milk</b>	<b>19</b>
	<b>22</b>		<b>23</b>		<b>24</b>		<b>25</b>		<b>26</b>
	<b>29</b>		<b>30</b>		<b>31</b>				

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fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442 or

email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov)

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Cookies & Cocoa  
with Craig

Saturday 2:00 pm  
December 20, 2025

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