

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Annie Griffin
Superintendent

Washakie County School District #2

Robert Griffin
Principal

Principal's Corner

The school year is off to a strong start, and I am excited about what lies ahead. When we reflect on the past year, it is clear that the hard work of our students and staff is paying off.

For the second year in a row, Ten Sleep Schools has been recognized as the #1 Academic School in the State of Wyoming.

Our WYTOPP results in grades 3-10 were outstanding, and this recognition reinforces that our students are learning at the very highest levels.

We are also moving forward with new opportunities. On October 7th, we will host our Project-Based Learning Summit, where students will connect with business partners to design real-world projects. This work not only deepens learning but also prepares students with skills they will carry into the future. If you are interested in being involved as a business partner please contact Mr. Anderson at donald.anderson@tensleepschools.com

Outside the classroom, student involvement is at an all-time high. From football, volleyball, golf, and cross country to our new CDL class in partnership with Northwest Community College, our students are showing initiative and drive in all they do. We are thankful for our partnership with Worland and Basin as we have volleyball players and cross country runners that can still participate regardless of our numbers. A special thank you to Mrs. Forshee and Dan Snyder for making the CDL opportunity possible.

Also congratulations to LLMN our Ten Sleep band composed of former student Matthew Blutt and current students Nicholas Blutt, Layne Jordan and Liam Jordan who have been invited to play at the National FFA Conference! They will have the opportunity to perform in Lucas Oil Stadium, the home of the Indianapolis Colts in front of 70,000 FFA members and guests. If you would like to support them watch for a fundraiser to help with their trip.



Mrs. Erickson's second grade class is WILDLY excited about the new school year!

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Our campus is also changing as the old school building comes down. Watching the progress is a reminder that Ten Sleep continues to grow and move forward. Finally, I am proud to share that we have 100% staff retention this year. That is a powerful reflection of the pride and commitment of our teachers and staff, and it sets the stage for another year of excellence. Ten Sleep Schools has a tradition of high achievement, and we are determined to build on that legacy. I am excited for what this year will bring for our Pioneers.

FFA News

Ten Sleep had a phenomenal showing at the Wyoming State Fair coming home with two FFA Reserve Grand Champion Showmen.

Payton Norman was named FFA Grand-Champion Reserve Poultry Showman with his Black Cochon Bantam. Public speaking is a large portion of Poultry Showmanship at the State level and to see Payton speak with confidence and conviction brought so much pride to our chapter. The judge commended him on his project and knowledge of the poultry industry. The judge was extremely thorough and left no question unanswered, Payton never faltered.

Kruze Forshee was named FFA Reserve Grand Champion with his Large Agricultural Mechanics project. The judges commented on his design and fabrication. Kruze is enrolled in advanced welding and was able to work daily on his project. Kruze was then honored at our FFA pie social later in the week and named Overall Reserve Grand Champion Agriculture Mechanics winner.

This is Kruze's 2nd flatbed made for a ranch pickup custom to his design with the metal purchased by himself. I continue to be so proud of both of my students as they both enter their 6th year as FFA members. I have a feeling they will be entering the State Fair next year aiming for Grand Champion.

Congratulations to Brooklynn Norman who earned 1st place with her AOB Cockerel and Reserve Grand Champion AOB.



Nurse's Corner

IMMUNIZATIONS

Parents and guardians are responsible for their child meeting state immunization requirements and must submit documentation of a child's immunization status to the school within thirty (30) calendar days of school entry. Students without proper documentation before September 19, 2025 are required by law to be excluded from Ten Sleep School until proper documentation is provided. Immunizations are required for all students and should be received before attending preschool and entering Kindergarten. The Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis) vaccine is also required for students aged 11-12 years old. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns about immunizations!

Colleen Holiday

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WASH THOSE HANDS

Washing your hands is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of illness. Everyone should wash their hands before preparing and eating food, after going to the bathroom, after feeding or playing with pets, touching garbage, or anytime hands are dirty. It's also important to wash hands before touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Please cough and sneeze into your elbow. Use a tissue to blow your nose, then wash your hands.

SICK DAY GUIDELINES

Please keep your child home from school if they are not feeling well or meet any of the following criteria:

- Your child doesn't feel well enough to take part in normal activities (such as being overly tired, fussy, or won't stop crying).
- **FEVER:** Keep your child home until they are fever free for at least 24 hours **WITHOUT** the use of fever reducing medicine. Returning to school too soon may slow recovery and make others sick.
- **VOMITING OR DIARRHEA:** Keep your child home for 24 hours after the **LAST** time he/she vomited or had diarrhea.
- **ANTIBIOTICS:** Keep your child home until 24 hours after the **FIRST** dose of antibiotic.
- Students who have a severe uncontrolled cough should remain home until cough is improving. Seek medical attention if your student develops wheezing, rapid breathing, or difficulty breathing.
- Students with a rash that spreads quickly, has open weeping wounds, is not healing, or is accompanied by a fever should seek medical attention.

I hope everyone has a happy and healthy school year! Go Pioneers!

Mrs. Holiday

Why Wait?

Children and teens Can Enroll in Affordable Health Coverage through Kid Care CHIP Year Round

Kid Care CHIP enrollment is available all year round and will provide your child or teen with the vital health coverage he or she needs. Eligibility for Kid Care CHIP is based on family size and income. Children in a family of four earning up to \$53,000 a year may qualify. (*If your household income is close to these limits please apply, you may be eligible. Income requirements change annually.)

Benefits include regular check-ups, immunizations, doctor and dentist visits, speech and physical therapy, glasses, hospital care, mental health services, prescriptions and more. To see if your child is eligible or to enroll now call 1-855-294-2127. For more information on Kid Care CHIP please visit health.wyo.gov/chip.



Counselor's Corner

As the new school year begins, we all hit the ground running. In the world of education and working with young people, there is always an overwhelming amount of "stuff" that needs "done". From planning test days, getting concerts set on the calendar, scheduling field trips, making sure seniors have the information they need.... You name it, an educator somewhere is planning it. There is so much that goes on in the walls of a school, that you almost have to be super-human to get it all done and accounted for.

If you are curious and would like to volunteer or get involved, there are numerous opportunities where your voice is valued and needed.

- Task Force meets on the first Tuesday of every month, 6:30 at the library.
- CSO has monthly meetings and is in need of volunteers and collaboration!
- The school loves help in the lower grades for reading time!

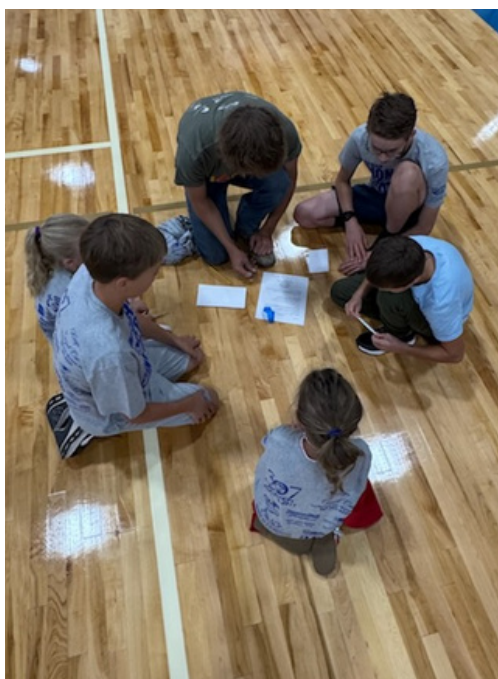
Per the counseling office: I am a general education service; all students have access to the school counselor. Per the information in the handbook,

students can see me whenever they would like. After consecutive meetings, a parent phone call/contact can be made. It is important to me to loop parents in as much as possible if the need arises. Always feel free to reach out if you would like me to check in on your students' well-being. For your student to have optimal success at school, all their needs must be accounted for. I am passionate about my job. Meeting the needs of our students to help holistically is my priority. I look forward to a great year and helpful parent-staff working relationships are necessary for student success.

*Family Tech Zone It has a wide variety of information and is designed to help families manage the tech in their homes. <https://familytechzone.com/>
*<https://www.pbs.org/parents> Great ideas, information, and activities- you can filter to an age specific range.

***"Parenting in a Tech world" Facebook group** is amazing. So many helpful pieces of information to be in the loop on when it comes to technology and kids with cell phones. Search in the group and find a healthy collection of information about any topic.

~ Mrs. Wiechmann



We kicked off the first day of school with a Big/Little activity. Groups designed airplanes using paper, pencils, and rubber bands and then flew their creations off the walking track down onto the gym floor below.

Art News

Ten Sleep Art

<https://sites.google.com/tensleepschools.com/tensleepart/ten-sleep-art>



The Ten Sleep Art website is a resource documenting the expectations for the high choice, high responsibility studio environment we are cultivating in Ten Sleep Art.

It has information specific to High School Art. It will also serve as a collaboratively evolving reference and resource with helpful information on Art Media, Elements of Art, and Principles of Design.

The homepage elaborates on the following expectations for Ten Sleep Art:

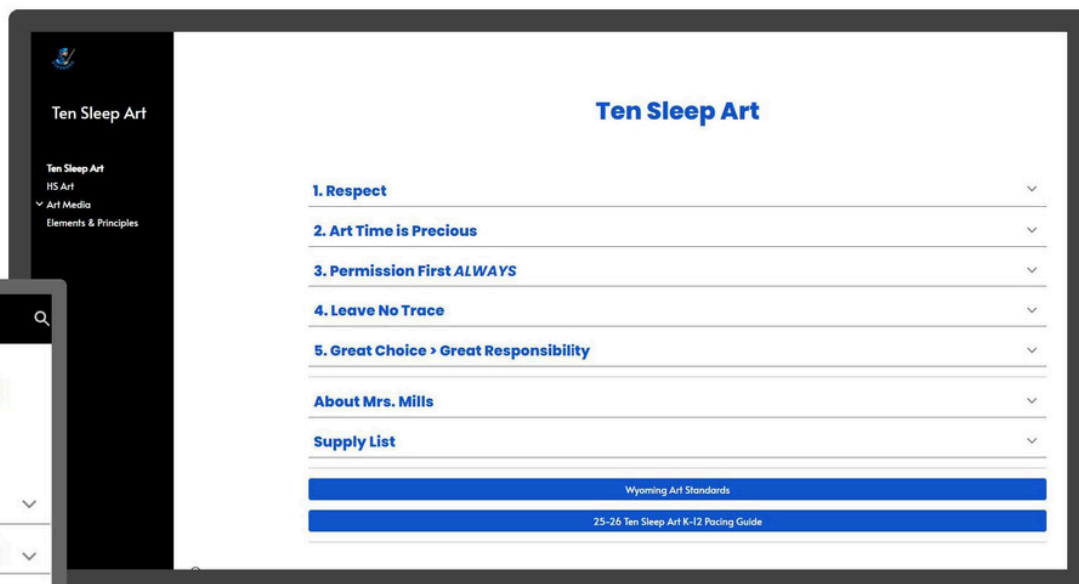
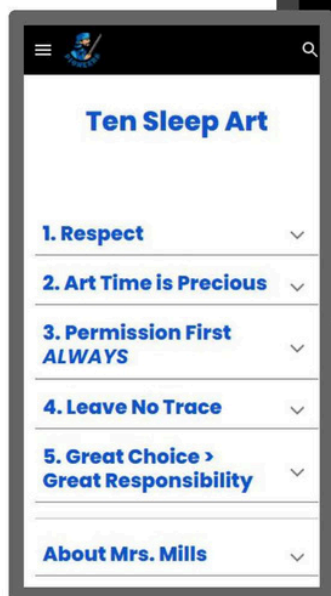
1. Respect
2. Art Time is Precious
3. Permission First *ALWAYS*
4. Leave No Trace
5. Great Choice > Great Responsibility

You can also find more information and links about the following on the Ten Sleep Art homepage:

- About Mrs. Mills
- Supply List

Links

- Wyoming Art Standards
- 25-26 K-12 Pacing Guide(Learning Targets)
- High School Art
- Art Media
- Elements & Principles



There is a known 404 issue for some families have when trying to access the website. We are looking into it.
Please email Mrs. Mills if you have an error when accessing the Ten Sleep Art website. Thank you for your patience and support!

Library News



Harvest
DINNER
PLANNING MEETING
LOOKING FOR AWESOME PEOPLE
TO HELP OUT!

THURSDAY, SEPT. 4, 2025
5:00 PM

TEN SLEEP LIBRARY 200 FIR STREET
IF YOU'D LIKE TO HELP BUT CAN'T MAKE THE MEETING,
PLEASE CALL 366-2348



Old Cabins find New Home

Join us for poetry and
video journey with
Maureen Tolman Flannery

FREE

Sept. 18
6:00pm



Ten Sleep Library
200 Fir Street
366-2348



Brought to you by the
Friends of the Ten Sleep Library



Story Time



Join us every
Thursday and Friday
10:00am

Beginning
Sept. 4th

TEN SLEEP LIBRARY
200 FIR STREET
366-2348

AFTER THE BELL

EVERY MONDAY, TUESDAY AND
THURSDAY
3:15 - 4:30

Beginning Sept. 2nd

REGISTRATION FORMS
COMING SOON



TEN SLEEP LIBRARY
STORYTIME

Thursdays and Fridays at 10:00

September 4 & 5---ABC, 123
September 11 & 12---I Like Me
September 18 & 19---Pirates
September 25 & 26---NO STORYTIME



Board Briefs

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AGENDA (Monday, August 11, 2025)

1. MEETING OPENING

A. Call to Order

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

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

In attendance were Jordan Bush, Shana Harstad, Annie Griffin, Marc Dykstra, Robert Griffin, and Rachel Casteel. Erin Blutt and Bill Murphy were present over Zoom, and Jared Lyman arrived at 7:06pm.

D. Adopt Agenda

Shana Harstad moved to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Marc Dykstra. Motion Carried 4-0.

2. REPORTS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Audit Report-Mr. James Seckman

B. Superintendent Report- Mrs. Griffin

3. GUESTS AND PATRON COMMENTS

A. Visitor Input at Board Meetings

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Business Manager Report-Mrs. Casteel

B. Approve Minutes of July 16, 2025 Meeting

C. Authorization and Payment of Outstanding Bills

D. Approve Prepaid Bills

E. Approve Bus Routes

F. Designate Federal Program Director

G. Golf Coach Resignation/ Approval Robert Griffin

H. Hire 1/2 Time Custodian

I. NW Boces Contract Renewal

Shana Harstad moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Jared Lyman. Motion Carried 5-0. Bill Murphy abstained from warrant #27389.

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve Annual Audit -Marc Dykstra moved to approve the Annual Audit. Seconded by Shana Harstad. Motion Carried 5-0.

B. Adoption of the Conceal Carry Rule

Jared Lyman moved to Adopt the Conceal Carry Rule as amended. Seconded by Shana Harstad. Motion Carried 5-0.

C. 1st Reading of Policies 2.01 Policy, 2.02 Approval/Renewal of Superintendent, 2.02.3 Approval/Renewal of Principal, 2.03 Relationship to the Board, 2.04 Essential Duties, 2.05 Up-Dating Policy, 2.06 Employment and Discharge of Employees, and 2.07 Purchase of Instructional Supplies.

Jared Lyman moved to approve the 1st Readings of Policies 2.01 Policy, 2.02 Approval/Renewal of Superintendent, 2.02.3 Approval/Renewal of Principal, 2.03 Relationship to the Board, 2.04 Essential Duties, 2.05 Updating Policy, 2.06 Employment and Discharge of Employees, and 2.07 Purchase of Instructional Supplies. Seconded by Shana Harstad. Motion Carried 5-0.

D. 2nd Reading of Policies 1.30 Video Surveillance Policy and 5.27 Discipline of Students/

Jared Lyman moved to approve the 2nd Reading of Policies 1.30 Video Surveillance Policy and 5.27 Discipline of Students. Seconded by Shana Harstad. Motion Carried 5-0.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jared Lyman moved to go into Executive Session for Work Based Learning Student Approval, Legal, and Personnel matters at 7:28pm. 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 4-0.

A. Work Based Learning Student Approval.

Marc Dykstra moved to approve the Work Based Learning Student. Seconded by Shana Harstad. Motion Carried 4-0.

B. Legal

C. Personnel

The Board moved out of Executive Session at 7:42pm.

7. NEXT MONTH BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Erin Blutt adjourned this meeting at 7:44pm.



September Events Calendar

**August 2025 -
October 2025**

September 2025						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

October 2025						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Aug 31	Sep 1 Labor Day - No School	2 After The Bell Begins	3	4 Golf @ Buffalo	5 MSVB @ Meeteetse Red Friday, Morning Classes XC @ Buffalo	6 FB @ Dubois 12:00/2:00 MSVB Home vs Shoshoni 10:00/11:00
7	8 School Board Meeting 7:00	9 MSVB @ Rocky Mtn 5:00/6:00	10	11 MSVB Home vs Riverside 4:15/5:15 XC @ Riverton	12 Blue Friday, Afternoon Classes	13 MSVB East Tourney - Midwest FB Home vs Midwest 12:00/2:00
14	15 MSVB Home vs Thermop 5:00/6:00	16 Boston Trip Meeting 6:00pm	17 FFA: LCCC Fall Rendezvous Contest Midterms	18 MSVB @ Greybull 4:30/5:30 XC @ Lander	19 State Golf Douglas FB @ Burlington 12:00/2:00 Red Friday, Morning Classes	20
21	22	23	24 Library Closed	25	26 Blue Friday, Afternoon Classes MSVB Home vs XC @ Worland	27 FB Home vs Meeteetse 12:00/2:00 Homecoming MSVB Home vs Meeteetse 4:30/5:30
28	29	30 MSVB @ Shoshoni 4:30/5:30	Oct 1	2	3 FB @ Riverside 5:00/7:00 MSVB @ Riverside 1:00/2:00 XC @ Cody	4 MSVB @ Kaycee 10:30

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

September			Ten Sleep School K-12 Lunch 2025 - 2026		
1	Pizza Lettuce Salad Fruit Milk	2	Sloppy Joe French Fries Corn Fruit Milk	3	Beefy Nachos Lettuce Salad Pico de Gallo Fruit Milk
4	Pulled Pork Sandwich Baked Beans Chips Fruit Milk	5			
8	Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes And White Pepper Gravy Green Beans Fruit Milk	9	Chili Alice's Cinnamon Roll Corn Fruit Milk	10	Hamburger Deluxe Corn Romaine Lettuce Dill Pickle Spear Fruit Milk
11	Beef & Bean Burrito Spanish Rice Lettuce Salad Pico de Gallo Fruit Milk	12	Chicken Nuggets Or Fish Sticks French Fries Mixed Veggies Fruit Milk		
15	Hoagie Chips Vegetables Fruit Milk	16	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Lettuce Salad Garlic Bread Stick Fruit Milk	17	Chicken Chip Casserole Peas Munchkin Muffins Fruit Milk
18	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Or Potato Soup Fruit Milk	19	Pepperoni Pizza Rippers Or Turkey Ham & Cheese Pizza Rippers Lettuce Salad Cottage Cheese Fruit Milk		
22	Sweet and Sour Chicken Fried Rice Oriental Vegetable Blend Fruit Milk	23	French Toast Sticks Egg Sausage Hash Brown Oranges Milk	24	Chicken Quesadilla Spanish Rice Corn Pico de Gallo Fruit Milk
25	Hot Dog Or Chili Chips Vegetables Fruit Milk	26	Chicken Bacon Mac n Cheese Broccoli Watermelon Chunks Milk		
29	Meatball Sub or Pizza Sub Mixed Veggies Fruit Milk	30	Taco Soup Or Chicken Chili Corn Bread Fruit Milk		
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Pioneer Gear!

Get some sweet Pioneer gear! This year, all orders will be taken directly through ktdreamdesigns.com. Once on the site, select 'Pioneer School Apparel.'



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LONG SLEEVE - PRE ORDER
\$16.00 - \$35.00



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\$25.00 - \$39.00



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\$23.00
Low stock



PIONEERS STICKER
\$2.50



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EARRINGS
\$11.95



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SLEEVE - PRE ORDER
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- PRE ORDER
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PIONEERS HEART TANK
\$15.00 - \$18.00



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