# The Trailblazer Jesse Hall Elementary School

## Principal's Message

Happy Fall to all of our Hall Families!

We have had a busy start to the school year! Our students and teachers have been working and learning using our new ELA curriculum Benchmark Advance. It is fun to walk through classes and see students working in their text, using annotating strategies as well as reading engaging texts.

We also have started using Dreambox, an online support for mathematics. When the students are using it, they are hard at work with a program that not only adjusts to meet all students' needs but also makes learning fun!

We also have started a school-wide morning quiet/ chime time, where we bring

our focus to school to start our day. Students take a moment to breathe, relax and prepare themselves for learning.

Two fundraisers have been completed so far this school year. One was our 5th grade Tie Dye fundraiser. This assists in funding the 5th grade Sierra Nevada Journeys fieldtrip. We also concluded our 2 week APEX fundraiser. We appreciate all of your support as we fundraise to assist our students.

As we move into the month of October, we will complete our end of the grading period on October 18th and will therefore be starting the 2nd quarter of school. We will also be starting our schoolwide focus on bullying prevention. We will have a parent night to conclude this.

Let me know if you need anything, my door is always open,

Kellie Oliver

Upcoming Dates:

10/15-2 Lunch Tuesday-CANCELLED

WCSD

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10/16-NO EARLY RELEASE

10/16—Book Fair Family Night in the library 4:00- 7:00 pm

10/14-18 Book Fair

10/18-Goodies for Grandparents

10/21-10/28 Conference Weekdismissed @ 12:50

10/22—Make-up Pictures

10/24—Halloween Carnival

10/25-No School

10/31—5th Grade Pumpkin Day

11/1—Clinical Aide Appreciation Day

11/8—5th Grade Colonial Day

11/11-Veteran's Day No School

11/12—2 Lunch Tuesday

11/27-29 Thanksgiving Break

12/7- Breakfast with Santa

12/10 2 Lunch Tuesday

12/18 NO EARLY RELEASE

12/19 School Wide Sing-Along

12/20-No school for students

12/23-1/3—Winter Break

1/6/20 School Resumes!

### PTA Updates

- Goodies for Grandparents 10/18- Watch for flyers
- Can you help decorate for the Hall Carnival or help during the carnival? Please email jessehallpta@gmail.com. Even 30 minutes is a great help!
- 180 lunches were collected for the first 2 Lunch Tuesday in



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Sept. Hall's generosity is

NO 2 LUNCH TUESDAY ON

Thanks for supporting the APEX Fun Run. Our school

raised \$21,546. This will sup-

port new technology and teach-

amazing!!

er's classrooms!

10/15

### **Delayed Start Procedures**

The WCSD has a policy of delaying the start of school two hours if the weather leaves the roads unsafe.

Parents will receive a phone call through the Connect-Ed system notifying a Delayed Start. You can also tune to local TV and radios after 6:00 am. It will also be posted on the WCSD website: //washoeschools.net

During a delayed start, there will be NO PERSONELL at school to watch students.

<u>Students should not arrive be-</u> fore 10:40 am on a two-hour delayed start.

Breakfast is cancelled.

Busses will also run two hours later, based on your bus schedule.

\*\*If there is a delayed start on a Wednesday, then early release is cancelled and students will be released at 3:00.

When we head into the winter weather, please make sure we have current phone numbers on file so that you will receive the most current information quickly!!



### **Reminders from the Clinic**

As we head into the flu and cold season, here are a few reminders from the clinic:

- Make sure your child washes their hands.
- Do not send children to school if they have a fever or vomited within 24 hours.
- If you use Tylenol to reduce a fever, please do not send your child to school, they are still contagious.
- Please make sure to call the office to report your child's absence, or send an email to hall@washoeschools.net. We need

to monitor the type of illness to prevent an all-school outbreak.

#### Counselor's Corner

Hello Hall Families! I am the new full-time school counselor. I started in WCSD in 2001. My involvement with the students takes place in several ways. I implement whole-school prevention programs, such as, bully prevention education, character education, drug and alcohol awareness, and career education. These lessons generally take place with the entire class. I facilitate student groups. Groups usually consist of 3-7 students that meet with the counselor weekly. Each group is usually focused on one topic, such as, grief, social skills, friendship or coping with family changes. Focus group's will be developed according to the needs of the students. Our most popular groups are the "lunch bunch" or "friendship groups". These groups are great for any student, including students

that have difficulty making friends, those that enjoy small groups, children that can serve as role models, and new students. In these groups we play games and work on important social skills, such as, taking turns, active listening, communication, and assertiveness. All students have the opportunity to meet with me, as needed. Students are instructed to schedule with their teacher to meet with them during their non -instructional time. In addition, I also meet individually with students whom would benefit from (weekly/bi-weekly) counseling. Lastly, I am available to meet with parents. I regularly attend IEP meetings and parentteacher conferences. As needed, I can meet with parents individually to discuss specific concerns or to serve as a liaison for families needing community resources.

Sincerely Katrina Fries

#### Fill the Barrel Feed the Hungry

Jesse Hall will be participating in a food drive October 21st through November 1st. Please look for flyers and food barrels after the October Break. Thank you!!

> Don't forget every Wednesday is early release at 2:15!!

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