# Cub Community News - 2: Issue 1

Welcome to our Cub Community Newsletter. We send periodic updates to keep our community informed and involved. This newsletter is posted to Our Important Announcements<sup>1</sup> on our website<sup>2</sup> and sent directly to families through email.

To view this newsletter in Spanish click here<sup>3</sup>.



# In This Issue

Welcome to our community newsletter. We hope that you find the information timely and helpful. Topics in this edition of Cub Community News include:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup><u>https://www.washoeschools.net/Page/17985</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>https://www.washoeschools.net/Page/1736

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>https://sway.cloud.microsoft/CDcaNTteMT171aDN?ref=Link

# School Updates and Information

## Complete Your Child's Annual Online Registration

We have about two-thirds of our enrolled students with updated registrations for the coming school year. We encourage you to complete your online registration today. We are planning for next year and your updated registration helps us include your child in our plans. Our feeder high schools schedule course requests for students that have completed the online registration process.

We will begin to collect our students' course preference forms in the coming month and student with online registration completed will be the first course preferences processed.

If you need assistance with online registration or access to Infinite Campus, please reach out and call our office at 775-746-5860.

## State Testing Begins Soon

We are quickly approaching our state testing window when students can show us how much they have learned this year. They have been working hard, and we are interested to find out the results.

Our first sessions are schedule in the next couple of weeks. Here is the complete schedule:

- Tuesday, March 11: Science (8th grade only; Team 1 and Team 2)
- Wednesday, March 12: Science (8th grade only; Team 3)
- Tuesday, April 1\*: ELA Smarter Balanced Assessment (all students)
- Wednesday, April 2\*: ELA Smarter Balanced Assessment (all students)
- Tuesday, April 8\*: Math Smarter Balanced Assessment (all students)
- Wednesday, April 9\*: Math Smarter Balanced Assessment (all students)

We will pull our 8th grade students during their regular schedule<sup>4</sup> to complete the Science test during the March testing sessions. The school will continue to follow our regular bell schedule. We will follow our testing schedule<sup>5\*</sup> for our April testing sessions.

Help us to get all students to school on these days and arrive on time. We will make-up missed testing sessions through May 16th but is less disruptive to your child's schedule to take the tests on the scheduled dates. Please try to schedule any personal appointments or events around

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup><u>https://www.washoeschools.net/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=52535&dataid=69629&FileN</u> <u>ame=Schedule\_Bell-2024-2025.pdf</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>https://www.washoeschools.net/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=52535&dataid=69629&FileN ame=Schedule\_Bell-2024-2025.pdf

these important dates. There are some testing sessions (specifically Science and tests administered on Wednesdays) that cannot be interrupted and continued at a later date. Thank you for helping us assess your child's progress.

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#### 2 - Special Schedules

Testing - 2 hour Session (Wednesday; Schedule H)

Testing - 3 hour Session (Tuesday: Schedule G)

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## Community Connectedness Information and Events

#### **Student Connection**

#### **Bring a Friend to School!**

We are challenged with increasing our positive attendance at school. We provide support to students and families to motivate students to come to school while focusing on our practice to ensure our school a supportive, consistent, and positive learning environment for all. Currently, our positive attendance rate is 70%. This means that 30% of our students are considered Approaching Chronic, Chronic or Severely Chronic absentees.

Thirty percent of our student population is 197 students. These students are friends and neighbors. Many times, students that are at school are missing their friends and neighbors that are not here. If you have friends or neighbors that you notice missing from school, help us encourage them to come to school. Some families have set up carpools. Some friend groups plan a time to meet-up and walk to school. Others knock on a friend's door on their way to school.

Our school community is better for all of us when everyone is here.

#### Join a Club

Our afterschool clubs and activities are growing! If your student would like to participate in a club or activity and transportation is an issue, consider joining our Boys & Girls afterschool program. Here is a list of Clubs that are available to our students:

- Mondays:
  - Crafts (2-3pm) Dixon & Romo
  - Dungeons and Dragons (2-3:30pm; Full) Habdas
  - Choir (3-3:45pm) Li
- Tuesdays:
  - Minecraft & Coding (2-3pm) Haley
- Wednesdays:
  - None (due to early release)
- Thursdays:
  - Art (2-3:30pm) Habdas
- Fridays:
  - Choir (3-3:45pm) Li

## Family Connection

#### **Parent Climate Survey**

The 2025 Family Climate Survey is now open! Please complete the survey here<sup>6</sup>. Our district has also sent an email directly to you.

If you have multiple children in the WCSD, you can complete a survey for each child's school, or you can complete just one survey. Participating in this survey will allow you to enter a raffle ticket to win a prize from one of our sponsors. The survey will be open from February 10, 2025, through April 25, 2025, and results will be posted on the school climate website in June.

We appreciate your opinions about our school and will use the information to help improve the climate and safety of our schools. Click here<sup>7</sup> for the results of our last survey.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>https://www.washoeschools.net/page/6424

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup><u>https://www.washoeschools.net/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=49488&dataid=82104&FileName=Clayton\_ParentClimate=2024.pdf</u>

# Clayton Data Point

In each of our Cub Community News editions, we will include a data point from our school. It could be related to our general demographics, student achievement and assessment, school programs and services or school goals.



Online registration is open now. Help us update student information so that we can prepare for the coming school year. We use that information to confirm course preference as does our feeder high schools. If you have not already, please join the families that have completed online registration today!

*Our Student Enrollment = 702* 

Registrations Completed = 470 (67%)

## Calendar & Events

Stay connected with our Cub Community. Here is what is happening:

- 3/6: Attendance Reward Event (0 Tardies: 23-2/28)
- 3/7: Cal Bears Team Time (7:30-8:14a)
- **3/7**: Student Store (7th Period)
- 3/7: Band Festival (4:00-9:00p; NVHS)
- 3/10-11: WCSD Orchestra Festival (Nightingale Concert Hall)
- **3/11**: Science Test (8th grade only; Team Buffalo and Stanford)
- 3/12: Science Test (8th grade only; Team Buffalo and Stanford)

- **3/13**: St./Month Coolest Cubs Award
- **3/14**: Student Store (7th Period)
- **3/14**: March Spirit Day THEME TBD
- **3/17-28**: Spring Break
- 3/31: Classes Resume
- 4/1: ELA Smarter Balanced Assessment (all students)
- 4/2: ELA Smarter Balanced Assessment (all students)
- **4/8**: Math Smarter Balanced Assessment (all students)
- **4/9**: Math Smarter Balanced Assessment (all students)

## Contact Us

We are always here to help. Please contact us with your questions.

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We work hard to keep our website up to date. Visit us on the web at www.washoeschools.net/clayton<sup>9</sup>.

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