

## School Absences

School attendance like attendance at work or in any other endeavor is vital. We have a limited number of school days and it is difficult to make up what is missed. Parents need to call in or send a note or email if your child is absent. Oregon law lists the following as excused absences with parent excuse note: student illness, illness of a family member, family emergency (an unexpected occurrence for which advanced planning cannot be made), death of a family member or prearranged absences (4 in a year).

## Christmas Events...

\*Our elementary Christmas program, including a visit from Santa is

**Wednesday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm.** The program is a mix of Christmas songs, poems and a maybe a little dancing! The primary theme is, "Reindeer And Puppies And Santa... Oh My!" featuring students in grades k-3. Parents, please bring cookies.

\* Primary students will decorate the Pioneer Museum tree on Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> at noon.

## It's Cold Outside!!

Parents please make sure your students have their coats and hats when they come to school as the temperatures take their winter dip! Also be careful when walking on the school walk ways and stairs due to icy conditions.



## School Cancellation or Delay

In the event of bad weather Spray School may cancel or delay the start of school. We will use the best information possible to make that decision. The safety of our students and staff is number one. We will communicate a cancellation or delay by making phone calls to our families in the morning. Either Val or Robin will call bus route families and Mr. Starkey

or another staff member will call families in town. We will also place the cancellation on our Facebook page.

## Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is located at the Spray Post Office. You participate by: selecting a gift tag, purchasing the item indicated on the tag, wrapping it, attaching the tag and taking it to the post office to place under the tree by December 20<sup>th</sup>. All tags represent gifts for local families. Please consider spreading the spirit of giving by taking a tag from the Giving Tree this season. All gifts will be picked up and distributed before Christmas. Call Debbie Starkey with questions at 541-468-2111.

## Find us on Facebook or the web...

When you want the latest information check the Spray School District Facebook site or find us on the web at: <http://www.spray.k12.or.us/home>

# Merry Christmas!

## Cookies Needed December 21<sup>st</sup>

Parents, please bring cookies to share following the Christmas program.

## Community School Activities

Christmas Crafts for grades K-6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> from 3:30-4:30pm. Contact Megan Beron at 541-233-9641 to register for this after school time activity.

## Immunization Rates

Twice a year the school is to share the school and local area vaccination rates. For the 2015-16 school year the district's rate was 100%. Wheeler County had an immunization rate of 97%. February 15, 2017 is the exclusion date for this school year.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Honor Roll HS & MS

### 4.0

Allie Smith

### 3.9 – 3.5

Robbie Beron

Riku Hashiguchi

Anna Maria Kovalicka

Vy Pham

Tanapatr (Team) Phanishsarn

Yiran (Linda) Xu

Mirna Daltoso

### Middle School

Zach Greninger

Gabe Holm

Justin Bunch

### 3.0 – 3.4

Taylor Hudson

Hun Joon (Leo) Shin

Marissa Jacobson

Valentina Millan

Leoni (Toni) Muller-Axt

Nikki Nash

Luke Johnson

Morgan Myhre

## Important Dates

### December

- 1 5:30pm BB Central Christian @ Mitchell
- 2-3 BB Hawk Tourney @ Hood River
- 6 BB Trinity Lutheran @ Mitchell
- 9-10 BB North Lake Tourney @ Silver Lake
- 12 6:30pm Board Meeting  
3 Week Progress Reports
- 14 Primary Decorating the Museum  
4pm BB @ Unity
- 16-17 BB Snowball Tourney, Arlington
- 21 6:30pm K-6 Christmas Program
- 22 Students out at noon  
Christmas Vacation begins

### January

- 3 School Resumes
- 6 BB @ Arlington
- 7 BB @ Dufur



# Spray Menu December 2016

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>Breakfast includes fruit and milk. Lunch includes salad bar with veggies and fruit plus milk.</i>				<i>1 B- Pancakes L- Hot dogs</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>5 B- Cereal and Pastry L- Rotini</i>	<i>6 B- French Toast L- Tater Tot Casserole</i>	<i>7 B- Yogurt and Muffins L-Tacos</i>	<i>8 B- Waffle Stix L- Chicken Broccoli Bowl</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>11</i>	<i>12 B- Breakfast Burrito L- Grilled Cheese and Tomato Soup</i>	<i>13 B- Cereal and Toast L- Beef and Bean Burritos</i>	<i>14 B- Pancakes and Sausage L- Macaroni and Cheese</i>	<i>15 B- Yogurt Banana Splits L- Chicken Pot Pie</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>18</i>	<i>19 B- French Toast L- Hamburgers</i>	<i>20 B- Breakfast sandwich L- Haystacks</i>	<i>21 B- Cereal and Breakfast Cookie L- Chicken Strips</i>	<i>22 B- Surprise L- Surprise</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>

## 2017-18 Spray School Calendar Parent Survey

The Board will be reviewing calendar proposals for the 2017-18 year's calendar and want some input from parents on a few questions. Please mark the Yes or Either Way box indicating your preferences and add any comments. Return the survey to school this week. You may also phone in your input by calling the school and letting us know. The school phone number is 541-468-2226.

Calendar Question	Yes	Either Way	Comments
Do you prefer an after Labor Day start?			
Do you prefer a long Christmas break?			
Ending school after Memorial Day?			
Do you prefer school be held on as few Fridays as possible? (There are 3 school Fridays following a Monday holiday)			
Do you prefer no school the Wednesday before Thanksgiving?			