

Harney ESD



October 1, 2017



Double O Students Explore with Google Expeditions

Harney ESD has implemented a checkout system for our technology tools that include our green screen and our Google Virtual reality tools that teachers have had the opportunity to be trained on at our annual Harney Technology Conference. All Harney County teachers have received the information on how to check out the tools so that they can use them in their classrooms. Below is an example of First Grade Teacher Brandi Fulton of Slater Elementary involving a student in a green screen activity, posting on Twitter, and shooting a basketball over a UCONN Husky in a D1 basketball game. Fun for teachers and students!



Important Dates

October 11, 2017

- ❑ HESD Board Meeting

October 16, 2017

- ❑ Woodcock Special Education Training @ HESD

October 20, 2017

- ❑ Wade Antonio Colwell: Stewardship/ Building Community Toolkit @ HC Chamber
- ❑ Rural Writing Scoring @ HESD

October 26, 2017

- ❑ Frontier Hub Advisory Board Face-to-Face Meeting

October 27, 2017

- ❑ Oregon State SMILE STEM @ HESD and HMS with Kids Club of Harney County

November 1-2, 2017

- ❑ Youth Equity Stewardship Middle School Student Group @ HC Chamber of Commerce

Tech Tips!

Teachers are encouraged to enter help desk tickets by self-registering at

<http://198.237.192.40/customer90/default.asp?CustomerMobile=NO>

To help our technicians provide the best assistance, please save the Urgent priority for absolute emergencies, ie network down!

Check out our website!

www.harneyesd.k12.or.us

Instructional Support Twitter: twitter.com/HarneyESD





Department News



Professional Development= Teacher Opportunities

Professional development is beginning to move for teachers in our schools. Harney ESD recently assisted with professional development at Hines Middle and Burns High centering around Clarity. Teacher clarity leads to student clarity as seen in the professional work of literacy specialists Fisher and Frey and Voice specialists Quaglia and Lande. Future PD in this area will continue as developed in collaboration with District 3 and HESD.

Future professional development in keeping with our mantra that Harney ESD offers “The Best Professional Development for Teachers this side of the Mississippi,” includes in the upcoming months the following:

- Oct 16--Woodcock Johnson Training
- Oct 20--Wade Antonio Colwell--Classroom Practices for District 3
- Oct 27--Intervention with SMC curriculum crew (authors of Oregon Focus)
- Oct 27--SMILE STEM workshop with Student Voice opportunity

Special Education

Dean Richards, the ORTIi specialist and Harney ESD’s Gayle Mackey visited the Fields and Suntex Schools on September 19th and 20th. Both schools are implementing RTIi strategies and are having good success. Mr. Richards and Ms. Mackey did observations, worked with students and met with the teachers, who had lots of pertinent questions. Oregon RTI stands for Oregon Response to Instruction and Intervention. From the website:

“The purpose of Oregon Response to Instruction and Intervention is to provide technical assistance to Oregon school districts implementing Response to Intervention (RTI) systems that provide targeted, effective instruction to meet the needs of all students and provide the framework to identify students with Specific Learning Disabilities (SLD). The focus of the project is on literacy, early intervention, and the use of evidenced-based practices. ORTIi has been supported by the Oregon Department of Education since 2006.”





Department News

Learn 360 for Teachers

Harney ESD provides a subscription to Learn 360 for all component schools and staff. Teachers can browse by producer, subject, grade, standards, and recently added material, or glance through a calendar of timely events. Logging on is easy; contact our tech department to have us create a login or to get a passkey that will let you create your own login. Teachers can then create playlists and assign them to students, who can log on with a code or with a student passkey. Contact our technology department if you have any questions about using this digital content.



Lunch with a Tech

Once a day each month, the teachers at Slater, Hines Middle School and Burns High School are invited to come have their lunch with one of our computer technicians. This provides the staff with a great opportunity to ask about small problems or to bounce ideas around with a knowledgeable person. The meetings in September were well received by staff in the schools. We hope the teachers will continue to use the chance to get their technology questions answered.

Featured this Month



National Breast Cancer Awareness Month



National Bullying Prevention Month



Ford produces the first Model T, 1908



National Cybersecurity Awareness Month

National Cybersecurity Month

As a nod to National Cybersecurity Month, please take a moment to review your own security practices. Never, never, never respond to any email request for personal information. Most business offices will not ask for a response in this way. Teachers in a school district in Atlanta recently had their paychecks hijacked to another bank account simply by clicking on a bogus email link. Redmond School District had social security numbers compromised by a staff member supplying information to an email pretending to be the superintendent. And Southern Oregon University lost 1.9 million dollars to an email scheme. School entities are a target, please beware!