SPORTS CENTER

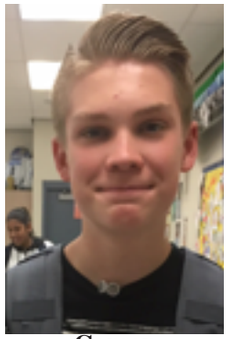
Sports spotlight--these guys play ball!

by Keegan and Seth

Three athletes that play football, lacrosse and soccer are featured in this issue.

Jamison

Isabel



Carson

Jamison Harward loves to play football and he also enjoys playing golf and baseball.

In football Jamison plays quarterback and linebacker and he says the Provo team is working hard to build a successful season.

In baseball, he plays shortstop and pitcher and has won many awards including MVP (Most Valuable Player) and has just recently won a football championship.

Isabel Puertas is a soccer player for Utah Valley United. She also plays Volleyball. In soccer, she plays defence and in volleyball she plays right wing.

Utah Valley United is off to a winning season and are working well together.

Her favorite teams are Peru and FC Barcelona her favorite volleyball team is BYU Women's Volleyball.

Carson is a lacrosse player for Provo Timpview. He plays midfielder. He has been playing for three years.

He says he practices lacrosse by running a lot and he hopes they have a great season.

His favorite teams are New York Lizards and BYU's lacrosse

Dixon football players sport their jerseys for Spirit Week.

Football begin season

By Bailey

The eighth grade football team is off to a shaky start with one win and three losses. They have played very well though with their QB's Keegan Gingras, Jamison Harward and their best wide receiver Lanitolo Takitaki and running back Tomasi Hifo leading the pack.

Their star QB Jamison Harward has been playing lights out as of late. The offensive line they are just unbelievable.

The B team is lead by QB Ty Lamb, who has great arm. The B team has only played two games and lost both in tough battles. They are working hard and hope to improve their season record.

The seventh grade football team is doing okay with two wins and two ls according to QB Lance Reynolds.

They have some good talent in Kyle Larsen and Mack Hixson. Fans can't wait to see how they do the rest of the season. They are working hard to improve their skills and hope to stay strong picking up some wins.

Frank Cole

Want to be a potion master?

Students can sign up with Mrs. Moody in room 100 or in the library to attend a reading and writing workshop with popular author Frank Cole.

Sign up sheets are due by September 25 for the event which will be held Oct. 2 at 1:30 p.m. in the library.

Cole is the author of Potion Masters and book 2 is soon to be released. He also wrote The World's Greatest Adventure Machine and Afterlife Academy along with others.

Students will get the chance to learn about writing and also will be entered to win a book. Cole will also be answering questions and signing books.

Cole will also be at Deseret Book in Orem after school to do a book signing. Information about that event is available from PAWS teachers.

Don't miss out on the readng fun.

Back to School September 2018

Panther Pride

Leadership plans plethora of dress up days, lunch activities--join the fun

by Kennedee

Student leadership has been busy planning lunch activities and dress up days.

Students participated in a successful Spirit Week complete with pie throwing and tns of fun dress up days.

Students participate in pie throwing as part of Spirit Week.

They also planned a red, blue and white dress up day for 9/11.

Coming up is color week and Friday is green dress up day with a head band lunch activity. Next week on Tuesday, Oct. 2, there will be a tropical dress up day and Oct. 5 will be fake injury day. There will also be a cup stacking lunch activity.

In October, student leaders will be planning activities and dress up days for Red Ribbon Week.

Red Ribbon Week will be short week after fall break. Student officer encourage students to participate and have fun. They are trying to plan lots of events during lunchtime to build school spirit.

Calendar

Sept. 20 Student Parent Conference 2-8 p.m.
Sept. 24-28 Hope Week activities
Sept. 26 Picture retakes
Oct. 2 Tropical dress up
Author Frank Cole visit
Oct. 4 Ballroom Dance Social at 7 p.m.
Oct. 5 Fake Injury Day
Oct. 17 End of 1st term

‘Round Campus News...what’s happening

by Schafer

Check out the news below to find out what’s happening at DMS.

Mr. Wardle’s tech students did the spaghetti marshmallow tower challenge. They needed to construct a tower as high as possible using only spaghetti and masking tape that would support a marshmallow on top.

Smith Jeffery, Bradley Jessop and Daminen Duenas team was the highest at 27 inches. Jimena torres and Besty Esparza-Nunez team was second at 25 1/4 inches high.

Mrs. Moody’s Honor’s English class is reading books that take place during the Great Depression. They will be looking at how the characters are heroic. There will be a research project that includes making a short film about a real person who lived in the 1930’s.

Mr. Wardle’s student build spaghetti towers with marshmellows.

In Digital Media, students have been learning Photoshop Basics and have made a food ad for a favorite eating place.

They have also been learning photography and put together a slide show of their best shots. Next up, will be making Lego memes from Lego photos they have taken.

They also filmed a commercial modeling good lunchroom behavior.

Join the Dixon Middle School National **Geographic GeoBee**.

The GeoBee has been around since 1989 and is open to students in the fourth through eighth grade. The school level GeoBee will be held in January. Winners will go to the state GeoBee.

If they score high they can advance and earn prizes and scholarships.n See Ms. Petersen for more information.

Science olympiad is beginning after school with Mrs. Tippetts and Mr. Lockwood. Engineers, biologists, geologists, and physicists wanted! Science Olympiad is finally back! Come after school to travel all over state in different science events.

Beginning second term, Mrs. Moody and Mrs. Humphreys will be advertising the **honors society**. Come and be affiliated with the National Junior Honors Society. Come for service and fun activities. Must have a 3.5 GPA in order to apply.

Mrs Humphreys’ science class dives deep into learning about the atom and molecules. Using molecule model kits to build molecules, they build atoms on ipads. And learn to read the periodic table.

Currently Mr. **Hagedorn’s Chinese class** is learning how to greet others, read numbers, how to write color names, and other basic conversation topics.

Latinos in Action this month are selling chips to help orphanages and to build schools in Mexico, to help them have a better life. Talk to Mrs. Ordaz for information.

In **Mrs. Drussel’s 8th** grade English class, students have completed their first book report. Her honors’ students have read Watson’s Go to Burningham.

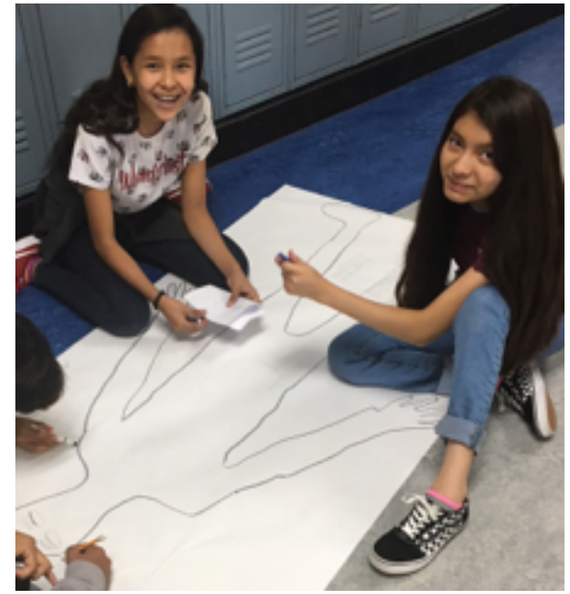
In **Mr. Sheeders’ history** classes students recently held a debate about explorers and which one was the most important.

In **Mrs. Vassau’s 8th Honors/Pre-AP class** just finished reading the book “ The Watsons go to Birmingham” and the rest of her classes are learning about human intelligence and reading Flowers For Algernon.

Summer reading celebrated

More than 30 students participated in the summer reading reading party and were rewarded with with death star and Captain America waffles. They also played a game and the best readers were given a book with a certificate. Mrs. Moody and Mrs. Tippets congratulated top readers with 5000 pages or more.

Outstanding readers who received books were Karhol Tusumbo, Olivia Armstrong, Amelia Cardon, Lacey Peterson, and Smith Jeffery.



Ms. Welch’s students work on a history project recently.

YEARBOOK GOES BEYOND, ON SALE NOW SO BUY ONE

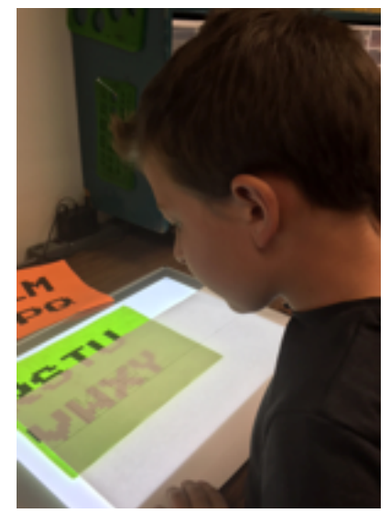
Work has begun on the yearbook for 2018-19 and students can pre-order their book from the financial office or online. Yearbooks are $30 for 132 pages of full colored memories.

The Dixon yearbook has won national awards in the past year and students under the direction of Mrs. Moody work hard to include tons of activities and pictures of students.

The theme for this year’s book is Beyond. The idea behind that according to Mrs. Moody is “the star trekkie ideas of boldly going into the future and exploring all the possibilities.”

Editors and photographers are already taking photos. The staff will be headed by Olivia Armsttrong, Seth Gutzman, Kiley Bioge, Lucy Brown, KenneDee Scott , Schafter Robertson and Dylan Moore.

Watch for poster going up to take fall sports pictures. Students who play football, lacrosse, run cross country or soccer can come in iTime and have their photo taken for the yearbook. There will also be a lunch activity in October.



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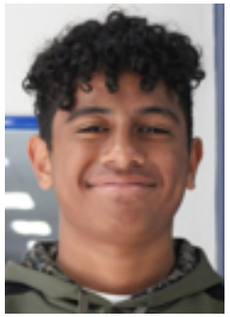


Talo

Maya

Panther Piks

by Kiley

This month's column features two seventh and two eighth graders.

Chloee Grunander is a seventh grader who loves volleyball, sining and piano. Her favorite movies is Wonder Woman.

She likes to play wiht her younger sibllings and she likes that there are seven different classes each day. Some dishes that she likes includes chicken alfredo, steak and mashed potatoes. Her favorite treats are Twix and Starbursts.

Karhol Tusumbo is a seventh grader who loves reading giant books. His favorite movie is Infinity War. When he is bored his favorite thing to do is check his phone and read. He likes lunchtime at Dixon.

Talo Takitaki is an 8th grader. His Hobbies and interests are sports like football and basketball.

His favorite music is R&B. His favorite part about dixon is that the teachers are chill. When he is board he really likes to eat.

Maya Sonnenberg is an 8th grader. She does not like any scary movies. When she is board she likes to make up a dance or read. Her favorite part about Dixon is everyone is so friendly. Her favorite treats are cookies and ice cream. Her Hobbies and interests are basketball, dancing, and singing.

Dance program grows, classes added

by Moira

Dixon has an expanded dance program this year.

The Dance Team under the direction of Nicole Marriott will continue to excel. They will hold their first ballroom social at Dixon on Oct. 4 at 7 p.m.

The addition of Mrs. Malia Strauss adds classes in dance. They are currently learning proper kicks, pirouette turns and a jazz contemporary dance piece.

Students in both classes learn how to choreograph their own dances. Space is available second semester for those who would like t take dance.

By William

The Technology Student Association meets on Mondays, all the members meet and build cool projects like CO2 cars, bridges, and robots. They do a school service project every year.

They will be going to a state competition this year and a national competition in Washington D.C. this summer.

On September 10, they had an opening social that had hot dogs and elected their officers for the year. Mr. Wardle took students to a national competition in Atlanta.

The Seventh Grade Honors choir rehearses number to prepare for their first concert of the year.

Music groups prepared for concert

By Dylan

Come see the Dixon Band and Orchestra on October 11 at 6:30 pm. This will only be Concert Band, Jazz Band and Concert Orchestra. Concert Band under the direction of Ms. Giblon and Concert Orchestra under the direction of Ms. Lacayo, will be combining to play *Thriller* by Michael Jackson.

The Concert Choir will be performing on October at 6:30 pm. This will be a performance by Concert Choir and 7th Honors Choir. They will perform under direction of Jeremiah Tijerina.

Save dates for fall plays

by Moria

Save the dates on your calendar for two fun, hilarious plays under the direction Nicole Marriott. The cast is rehearsing for Holka Polka and Montana Jones and the Gymnasium of Doom, which will be presented Nov. 1,2, and 5.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE
SEPT. 20 THURSDAY
FROM 2-8 P.M.

Student Life

Afterschool classes begin, tons of fun and learning

by Dylan

Sign up for after school. There is a ton of fun classes to choose from. After school starts from 3:00 to 4:45. Plus there is snack everyday.

There are academic classes if you need help with homework or I cans. Also there is enrichment classes and these incude soccer, basketball, cooking, drama, computer skills and games, RPG, Seaperch, TSA and Science Olympiad.

Registration is available in the main office.

Kindness Club begins

Kindness Club is starting again with Mrs. Glenn, one of the counselors and will be meeting on Thursdays during iTime .

Some 70 students signed up for the club that will be divided into three committees. These committees will plan activities to help students be kind, get to know others and to encourage them through hard times. If students would still like to join they can talk with Ms. Glen in counseling.

Hope Week being planned

Members of the Hope Squad are in the process of planning for annual events that encourage students to be kind and help others. This group also encourages Suicide prevention.

Hope Week will be Sept. 24-28 and students are encouraged to participate.

Members of the Provo Soccer team stared the season on fire with a big win.

United heats up the soccer field, picks up big win as season starts

By Olivia

The soccer team of Utah Valley United (Provo Bulldogs) started the season on fire with a winning score of 4-0 on Saturday 8, 2018. Two amazing goals shot by Sadie Snow (forward midfielder) and Olivia Armstrong lead the team to victory.

Goalies, Mara Reynolds and Katie Jensen, saved many shots to help us win as part of a tough defense. With amazing plays and awesome defence, the Provo bulldogs beat the Utah Stars.

The team includes outstanding players such as Lucy Brown (forward), Kate Lunt (defense), Alana Toutai (defense), Rachel Pope (defence) and Hannah Rose (right middle midfielder).

Also on the roster are Riley Huntsman (right Midfielder), Chloe Huntsman (left midfielder), Kiley Biorge (striker), Nichole Case (Defense) and Mckinley Jorgensen (forward)).The team hopes to have a great season and are working hard on their skills.

Latinos in Action begin service project

This month Latinos in Action will be selling chips to help orphanages.

The chips will be sold both first and second lunch. These orphanages are in Mexico and need supplies.

According to Ms. Ordaz the organization will be helping them by supplying them with waht the need to have a better life.

This organization also tutors and helps younger students with their reading and math skills.

A student buys chips being sold by LIA.

P.E. NEWS

By Lucy

P.E. classes are off to a great start. For the first week of boys P.E., with Coach Hendrickson, they have learned how to play kickball and softball.

They have also learned three different stretching routines, a routine to build core muscle strength, and how to warm-up properly.

They have begun the track and field unit this week, so far they have learned the correct way to sprint.

For girls P.E. they have a new teacher, Coach Chambers. For the first week of P.E. they did handball, they worked on passing and scoring, then they had a tournament.

Then they had the football unit, they worked a lot on flag pulling. They are soon going to start the ultimate frisbee unit. They are all excited to see what the new P.E. teacher has instore for the girls in P.E. this year.

Binge watching

What's on the Netflix

By William

Fall break is coming up and that means it's time to start catching up on your favorite T.V. shows.

You can rent Black Panther off of Redbox for only a dollar a night. There is also Infinity War on DVD right now.

If you have Netflix, you can watch Lost in Space and Peter Rabbit. If you don't like any of those, you could watch Thor Ragnarok or Star Wars the Last Jedi.

Students might also like the new Star Trek Discovery although the downside is that there is only one season and season two is over a year away.

There is also some new movies that will come out over fall break like Wreck it Ralph Breaks the Internet. Although you will have to wait until November.

On the book shelf..

Great adventure Reads

By Pablo

Patriots' Day or 9/11 is a day where we remember heroes, wh0 are fighting for freedom. In honor of that day here are some books that have heroes and adventure.

Refugee by Alan Gratz: The book revolves around three main characters from three different eras; Josef from Nazi Germany, Isabel from 1990s Cuba, and Mohammod modern Syria. Can they escape from war, conflict and evil?

The Maze Runner by James Dashner: Thomas wakes up from an elevator and is surrounded by boys who lost their memories, he need to escape from the WICKED group. Will he and other people be alive to the finish line?

Gregor The Overlander by Suzanne Collins: When Gregor fall into the vent in his apartment to find his little sister Boots, he encountered the Underland where he met pale humans.

They told Gregor that he is part of the prophecy to save his father so he needs to go to a quest in the Human vs Rats war to save the Underland.

Mark of the Thief by Jennifer Nelson: When Nic, a slave in the mines outside of Rome, is forced to enter a sealed cavern containing the lost treasures of Julius Caesar, he finds gold, gemstones and an amulet that belonged to the great Caesar and is filled with a magic once reserved for the Gods -- magic some Romans would kill for and steal.

Can Nic protect the amulet from the Romans and survive being hunted?

On the big screen...

Scary films for fall

Just in time for Halloween, *The House with the Clock in the Wall* comes to the big screen. Based on a 70's horror novel, this film promises some laughs and some scares.

This is based on a novel by James Bellair, Lewis an orphan comes to live with his well-intentioned, but not very good uncle who is a warlock. His next door neighbor his a witch. Lewis convinces them to teach him magic which he uses at school to combat bullies and raise the dead in a local cemetery.

Those actions unlease Selenna from her tomb and the evil sorceress' attempts to stop time. Jack Black and Cate Blanchard star in this film which promises humor mixed with horrow and looks worth buying a ticket.

Sony releases *Venom* to the big screen the first week in October. Reporter Eddie Brock develops superpowers after becoming host to an alien parasite.

Tom Hardy stars as Venom in a film that also features Woody Harrelson and Jenny Slate. Rumor is that this character will appear in the next Spiderman film. This film is not part of the Marvel universe and maybe too dark and violent for younger audiences.

A yeti named Migo is convinced that a human only is known as the *Small Foot* is real and has to prove to his tribe that it does exist. The only animated release in September and October.

Voice work includes Channing Tatum, LeBron James, Zendaya and James Carden. Might be a good family film and the trailer looks fun.

GAMING BYTES

By Josh and Issac

Looking forward to your fall break? Here are our recommendations for the gamers. **Fortnite** is the best game so far, they have two games, Save the World and Battle Royale.

They have updates every week with new guns or new features. Fortnite is 100 Player PvP. Where the players have to find guns and eliminate other players. You can buy virtual currency (A.K.A V-Bucks)to buy skins and other cosmetics. Like Pickaxes, Skins, and even emotes like Orange Justice, Hype, Groove Jam, Swipe It, and a lot more. There are different places to land in the map.

Spiderman is a new game that is only on Ps4. This game came out just a few days ago and is blowing up.

This game has great graphics which a lot of people really enjoy because the game looks good and feels good. It has multiple suits and abilities to unlock during story mode.

Just for laughs

by Carter

Q: What's Tony Stark's favorite olympic event?

A: The Iron Man

Q: What do you get when you cross a hammer with a dog?

A: A Labrathor

Loki escaped prison without anyone noticing. I guess he was pretty Low-Key

Stop with all the Harry Potter jokes. I'm Sirius!

Q:Why did Snape stand in the middle in the road?

A:So you wouldn't know which side he's on

Q:How did Harry Potter get rid of a rash?

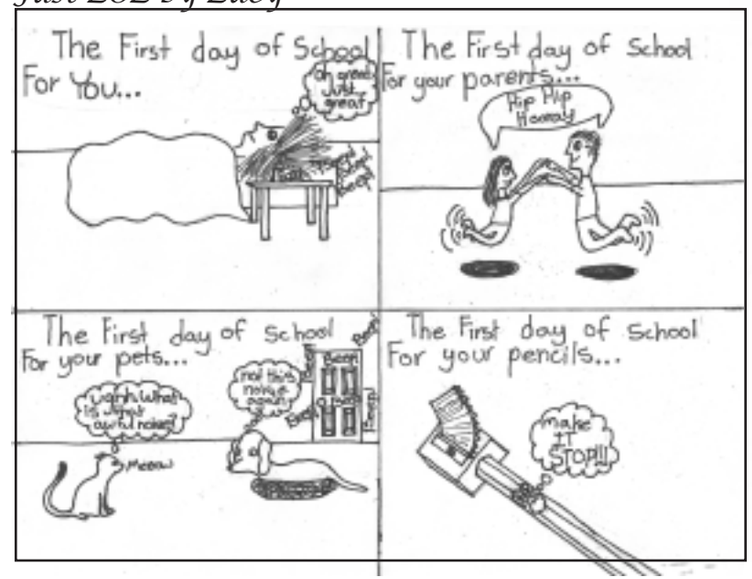
A:With quit-itch

A new mom said "I'll name her Sarah". The doctor said "Sorry, but that name is already taken. You can still name her Sarah 314 or Sarah_12.

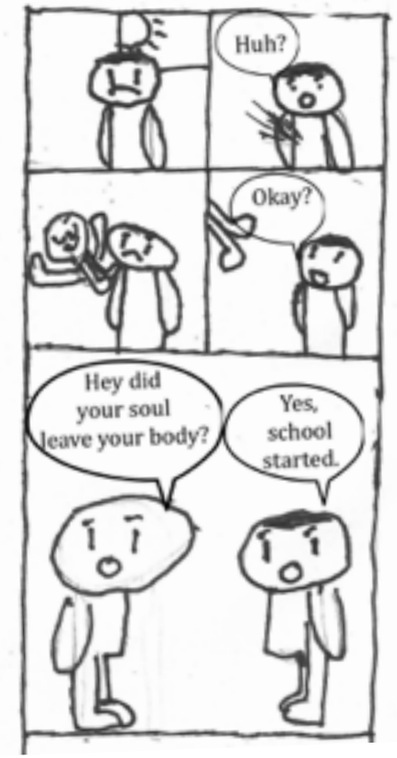
Comics

Knock, knock! Who's there?
Etch...Etch Who? Bless You!
Knock, Knock! Who's there?
Boo! Boo Who? There's not need to cry it's only a joke!

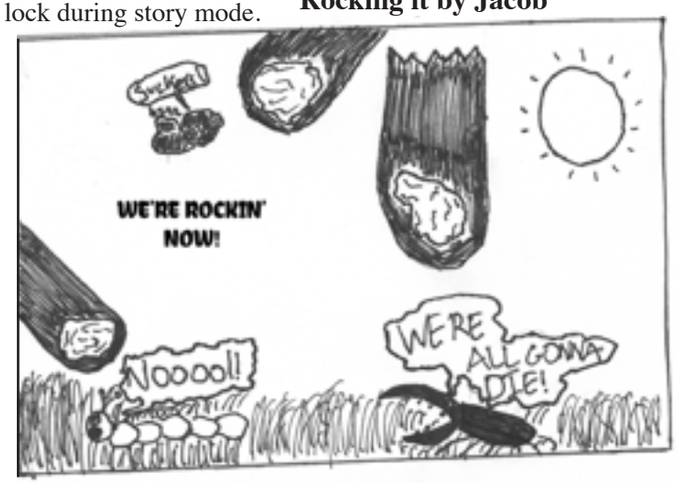
Just LOL by Lucy



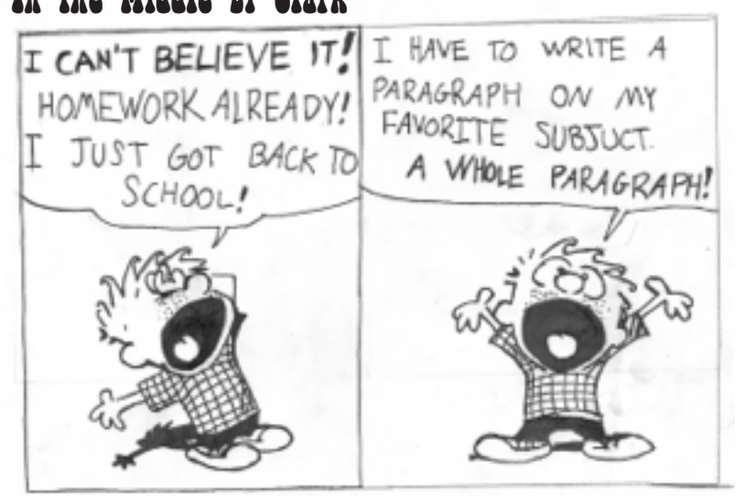
Funny by Connor



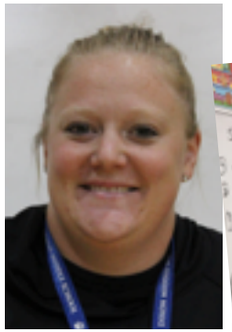
Rocking it by Jacob



In the Middle by Clark



New teachers, new faces and new school year



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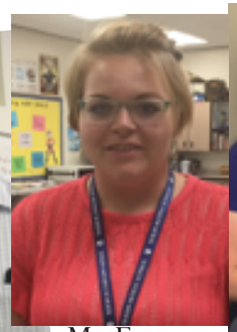

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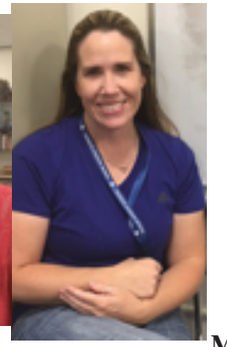

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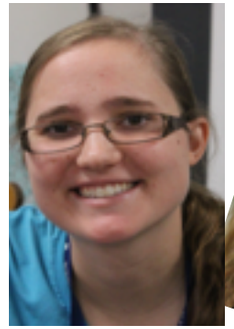

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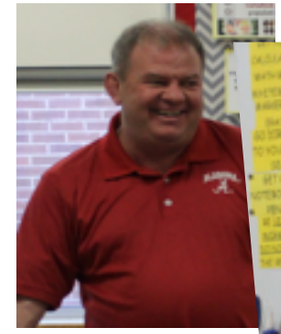

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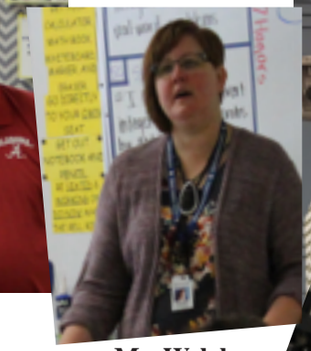

Ms. Welch

Ms. Pagano

Mr. Sheeder

by Estpheny

Ms. Chambers is the girls' P.E. teacher and also teaches sports conditioning. She has a bachelors degree from BYU and a masters degree from Utah State.

She grew up in Provo and graduated from Provo High and was raised with five older brothers who taught her to hit hard and fast. She decided to move closer to home after teaching for seven years in Granite School District.

She loves anything outdoors and spends a lot of time with her fur baby, a large black Goldendoodle. She loves the ocean includling snorkeling and surfing. Anything Disney is her favorite including the movies Moana and Mulan.

Ms. Hollis teaches Utah and US history. She attended to PGJHS and PGHS and she has a degree from BYU. She was born and raised in Pleasant Grove and loves dancing. She grew up doing competitive Irish Dance and also did ballroom and world dance at BYU. She loves reading, ultimate frisbee amd hiking. She loves Ed Sheeran's Divide album. Her favorite thing about DIxon is that everyone works together to make everyone's experience better.

Ms. Olsen teaches Portuguese, world culture, history and media.She has degrees in Master of Arts in Luso-Brazilian Literatures (BYU); Bachelor of Arts in Portuguese and minor in Linguistics (BYU), She was raised in Fort Worth, Texas and has one brother.

She is interested in politics, Brazilian Culture, and Portguese grammar. Her favorite thing about Dixon has bee the support of faculty, staff and administration.

Miss Evans teaches English 7. She studied at UVU and earned an Associates of Science in Criminal Justice/Law enforcement and a Bachelors of Science in English Education and Creative Writing. She grew up in Wallsburg, Utah in the middle of nowhere, riding three wheelers during the summer, and sledding into the creek in front of her house in the winter. She was planning to study music composition and write the sound tracks for movies, not really sure how ended up in Law Enforcement and education but it happens.

Ms Evans favorite thing about Dixon is that we are all working together with the same goal. she also loves her students and continues to be amazed by them everyday.

Mr. Sheeder teaches American History and Utah Studies. He have a degree from BYU. He was born and raised in Arvada, Colorado and lived in Mexico City for two years before coming to BYU. He is married to Terrin Sheeder, a special education teachers at Provo Peaks Elementary.

He likes football, politics, watching movies/TV and reading. His favorite movie is the Avengers. Mr Sheeder favorite thing about Dixon is the chance that he have to work with the students here.

Ms.J (Pagano) teaches Math 7 and Math 7H. She have bachelors from WGU.She was born in Brooklyn, NY, but spent most of her life in Las Vegas, NV. She have also lived in California and Michigan. She is not an outdoorsy person and prefers to cook, bake, read, and just relax at home.

She loves rainy days. Ms. J loves music and some of her favorites movies include Monsters, Inc. and Star Wars. Her favorite thing about Dixon is the diversity and friendliness.

Mrs. Strauss teaches health and dance. She has a BA in Dance Education from BYU. She was born and raised in Orem/Provo. She went to Timpview High, UVSC and BYU. She taught dance at Riverton High and Provo High before she raised her children. She likes to read, make cookies, travel with her family and attend to her children's sports competitions.

Her favorite music is Bon Jovi. She loves that the faculty and staff they have been so warm and welcoming to Dixon. Everyone is so willing to help her out, as she gets back to teaching.

Ms.Welch is teaching U.S History and has a B.S. from BYU. She grew up in Fresno, CA, and during high school she discovered her love for history and moved to Utah to study it, She met her husband at BYU and they have been married for almost two years. She likes hiking, skiing, cooking, writing history paper and teaching. She loves TV, her favorite show is The)ffice. She loves her fun students and her great colleagues.

Mr. Lesuma is from Fiji he taught and been an administrator. He teaches math in the afternoon at Dixon.

Ms. Ebarhard teaches Special Education which includes reading, writing, math, science, social skills. life skills, transitional skills and vocational skills. She was born and raised in Rochester MN with two brothers and two sisters she attended college at BYU. Her favorite things to teach are life skills and vocational training, they do cooking lessons, cleaning lessons and team building activities aid our learning.