Student Placement

Beginning in May, please send all input regarding student placement consideration for the 2016-2017 school year to Mrs. Brown @ kali.brown@nebo.edu

Emails need to please include: an explanation of the circumstances to be considered, to include the type of classroom environment in which we can help your child be most successful.

Thank you for respecting that all email requests for special placement consideration for next year need to be sent before May 27, 2016.

Priority will be given to providing classes that are balanced academically and behaviorally for the benefit of <u>every</u> student.

Explorer Events

April 2016

Message from Mrs. Brown

We are so excited to continue our "Jump Start Reading" Road to Success reading program for the 2015-2016 school year.

Mission: Motivate Utah elementary and high school students to advance academically by working with schools to reward educational accomplishments.

Vision: Achieve the highest reading scores in the country for elementary students and the highest percent of high school graduates pursuing post-high school degrees.

Below please find our monthly "celebration" schedule:

- April 22 ... 2:00pm-2:30pm: Pizza Party celebration with Mrs. Brown
- May 18 ... 9:30am-10:00am: "Jump Start Reading" Closing Assembly (one bike, college grant certificates, rodeo tickets)

Reading Champions Challenge

Spanish Fork City invited all the students of Spanish Oaks Elementary to 'compete' alongside the Cowboys in *The Reading Champions Challenge*, **March 1-31**. Students were challenged to keep track of the reading they do during the *month of March* and return the attached calendar it to their teacher at the end of the month. Winners will be chosen from *all* of our returned reading calendars from <u>each</u> grade level. **Seven** *Champion Readers* will be awarded two (2) tickets each to the rodeo!

ALL calendars are DUE 3-31-16 ... Yee haw!!

April Calendar

http://spanishoaks.nebo.edu/content/school-calendar

PTA BOGO BOOK Fair	iviarch 28 – April 1
1st Grade Program (parents) @ 6:30 p.m.	30
PTA Board Meeting	30
5 th Shadow Mountain Orientation	30
PTA ""Bookworm Activity" 6:00 p.m7:00 p.m.	31
4 th Grade Hogwarts Feast	11
Spring Break - No School	4 - 8
1st Grade Museum of Natural Curiosity	12
Music at the Mountain Choral Festival @ MMHS	(7pm) 13
SCC Meeting	13
Dance EXTRA Performance @ 5:30pm	15
Orchestra "Monster Concert" @ SHHS at 7:00pr	n 19
"Team Read" Celebration w/ Mrs. Brown	20
"Great Shake Out" Earthquake Drill	21
5 th Grade Program (parents) @ 6:30	21
Hershey Track: 3 rd Grade	26
Kindergarten Egg Drop 10:30 / 2:15	26
3 rd Grade Thanksgiving Point Field Trip	28
5 th Walking Field Trip	29

SEP Conferences

Thank you so much for your attendance during our March SEP
Conferences to celebrate your student's successes with us! We appreciate the respect and support given to our <u>outstanding</u> teachers!

Spanish Oaks Behavior Plan

This year Spanish Oaks Elementary will begin the implementation of a "ticket system" to encourage positive school-wide behavior and safety. Each "ticket" issued will include: the student's name, the behavior, the consequence, action plan, and who reported the behavior. A copy of the ticket will be sent home that day to be **signed by a parent** and returned to the classroom teacher the following morning before school. Our Skills Teacher will track students and contact parents. Students begin each term with a "clean slate."

Please visit our school website under the "Parents" link for more information and a copy of our Behavior Rubrics.

http://spanishoaks.nebo.edu/parents

2016-2017 School Year Enrollment

MOVING!?! To assist with accurate enrollment, if you will be moving and your children will <u>not</u> be attending Spanish Oaks Elementary for the 2016-2017 school year, please contact the office **ASAP**. If you have <u>new</u> neighbors, please have them contact the school **ASAP**. Also, if you have an **address change** or *will* have an address change, please make the changes on Web SIS or let the office know.

Registration information will be mailed during the summer to the address that is on SIS. Please check your demographic information and update, as needed.



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PTA Carnival

Mark your calendars for our annual PTA School Carnival **Friday, May 13, 2016** from 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

This is a major fundraising event for our PTA. The funds earned are used to buy bikes and books for the reading program, provide food and activities for staff appreciation, buy prizes for *Walk to School* Day, recognize teachers on their birthdays, and provide dinner on SEP nights. Did you go to the great Family Art Night? Funds from the carnival purchased the art supplies for that evening. Love the Reflections art program? PTA pays for the medals and recognitions. These things, and many more, are made possible only by families like yours. Besides attractions and food that bring money in at our carnival, we also have success auctioning themed baskets. This is in large part to all of you! We appreciate your generous donations to the carnival baskets.

This year each grade level is assigned a theme. Look around your gift closets, check out the store clearance sections, or ask your boss for a donation ... and send them to the school. Your child will receive 1 ticket to throw a ball at the dunk tank for every item they bring. The grade-level that brings in the most items will win an awesome prize. Below are the different *themes* available ... Feel free to contribute to whichever theme you're most able!

- Kindergarten Camping
- 1st Grade Family Fun
- 2nd Grade Date Night
- 3rd Grade Summer Activities
- 4th Grade BYU vs U of U
- 5th Grade Emergency Preparedness
- 6th Grade Star Wars

Have questions? Concerns? Itching to do more! Reach me by phone, text or email ... *Thank you!*

<u>http://spanishoaks.nebo.edu/sites/spanishoaks.nebo</u>.edu/files/Carnival%20...

Emily Gunderson, PTA President (801) 310-4468 emily@gundy.org

Notes from the Office

- Rainy/Snowy Days: Please make sure your child knows what to do after school on rainy or snowy days. Please do not have one of the options be to call home.
- Planning Time: Below is our Planning Time schedule. This may be helpful when checking students out of school early. It will take a little longer to check a student out if they are at a planning time class.

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6th Grade - 12:00-12:30

4th Grade - 12:30-1:00

3rd Grade - 1:00-1:30

2nd Grade - 1:30-2:00

1st Grade - 2:00-2:30

5th Grade - 2:30-3:10 (not on Wednesdays)
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Lunch Schedule

10:30 a.m 10:45 a.m	. 1 st / 3 rd Grade Recess
10:45 a.m 11:00 a.m	2 nd Grade Recess
11:20 a.m 11:55 a.m	6 th Grade Lunch
11:25 a.m 12:00 p.m	5 th Grade Lunch
11:30 a.m 12:05 p.m	4 th Grade Lunch
11:45 a.m 12:20 p.m	3 rd Grade Lunch
11:50 a.m 12:25 p.m	2 nd Grade Lunch
11:55 a.m 12:30 p.m	1st Grade Lunch
1:45 p.m 2:00 p.m	5 th Grade Recess
2:00 p.m 2:15 p.m	4 th Grade Recess

Please Take A Look at Our Website!

http://spanishoaks.nebo.edu/

- School Google Calendar
- Lunch Menu and Payment Link
- Teacher Websites
- Monthly School Newsletter
- PTA Website
- Parent Resources
- Student Resources
- 2015-2016 Family Information Guide
- School News with Articles and Photos
- Library Website

"Extraordiberries" at Spanish Oaks

This year at Spanish Oaks we are focusing on extraordinary deeds! Can one good deed from an ordinary person change the world? Well, we are going to find out ... This year at Spanish Oaks we are focusing on doing Extraordinary Deeds for those around us. We will work to perform good deeds for others, which will multiply as they are passed on by those who have been touched by our acts of kindness. It is going to be an EXTRAORDINARY year! At Spanish Oaks, we are extraordinary!

Every week teachers will send the name of someone in their class who has been an "Extraordiberry" that week. We will announce their name(s) on Friday morning and invite them to come to the office for a special "thank you"! Each weekly recipient will then get to write their name on our gigantic blueberry muffins we have hanging outside the main office!!

In each classroom the teachers will keep track using our "blueberries" of all the times their students do an extraordinary deed ... At the end of the month they will turn in these totals and the *extraordiberry* winning class will earn a 'thank you' reward activity. At the end of the year we will have a whole-school *extraordiberry* celebration!!

It has been an **Extraordinary** Year!

Open Enrollment

What is Open Enrollment? Open Enrollment allows students to apply to go to a school outside their resident school boundaries. Not all schools are eligible and eligibility changes periodically depending on student enrollment. Any questions about Open Enrollment can be directed to the following:

- Troy Bohling, Open Enrollment Coordinator 801-354-7417 or troy.bohling@nebo.edu
- Rowene Vest, Secondary Education Secretary 801-354-7420
- Robbyn Wagstaff, Elementary Education Secretary 801-354-7423

http://www.nebo.edu/information/open_enrollment http://www.nebo.edu/pubpolicy/J/JECB.pdf

ParentLink

Nebo School District receives parent contact informatio n for *ParentLink* from our student database. Parents can change their own contact information as follows:

- 1. Log in to *Aspire SIS* (the same place you go to check your child's grades)
- 2. Review the *Contacts* section on your student's summary page (near the bottom of the page)
 - a. Calls go to the *Main Phone* number
 - b. Text messages go to the *Cellular* number
 - c. If you do not have a land line, your cell phone number should be entered for both the *Main Phone* and *Cellular* number
- 3. If a change needs to be made, click on *Edit* then click on your name

* Note: Changes to Aspire SIS are immediate. Parent data is sent to ParentLink each night.

Inclement Weather Plan

As the weather begins to cool, the expectation is for students to go outside on appropriate days. Students need to come dressed for outside play. When the temperature is below 20 degrees, students will be inside. On days when the temperature is between 20-32 degrees, we will make a careful decision as to whether an 'outside' or 'inside' day is appropriate. Wind chill, air quality and precipitation will always be taken into consideration when making these decisions. As the inevitable 'inside day' is needed, we are grateful to our specialists who will supervise students in the school's vestibules, providing appropriate inside activities.

The front and back doors on the east end of the school will be open each morning at 8:00 a.m. Students are welcome to choose to stay inside or go outside once they arrive at school each morning. If students choose to remain inside, they need to stay in the east hall by the lunchroom where supervision can be provided. To facilitate student drop-off, the front doors on the west side of the school by the kindergarten rooms will be opened at 8:45 a.m. Students are welcome in classrooms after 8:45 a.m. We will continue to have our PM Kindergarten students come to the front door. This will help us keep our students safe and our school secure.

PTA Buy One Get One Free "BOGO" Book Fair March 28 - April 1

"Book Worm" Activity March 31, 2016 @ 6pm

March means it is Book Fair Month again! Get ready to come shop for your summer reading at our Spring BOGO Book Fair March 28-April 1. EVERYTHING at the fair is buy one/get one free. Also ... start saving those pennies for the Penny War. The grade with the highest "score" receives a cookie party, and the proceeds this year will help buy classroom books for new teachers.

A big 'Thank You' to everyone for supporting the Fall Book Fair. The funds we raised from that fair recently purchased 70 new cd/book sets for the listening centers in the younger grades and 10 new guided reading sets for the older grades. All totaled that's just over 350 new books/cd's for our school!! Stay tuned for information about our BOGO Book Fair coming in March.



"Not Over Night ... Over Time"

Our Mission: To ENGAGE, EMPOWER and COLLABORATE to ensure STUDENT SUCCESS.