



Canyon View Elementary

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Principal's Message – April 2017

Canyon View Families,

Spring is in the air and our students and teachers are gearing up for the last stretch of the school year, but you will not find any slacking here. We know how to work AND play hard! Our teachers have done a phenomenal job instructing our students and they will be well prepared for end of year exams. Our goal is to minimize the amount of testing for students and so our SAGE assessment for 3-5th grade will take place the last two weeks of May and although spread out for the different subject areas will only take about six to eight hours total.

Our students have been learning about different cultures in preparation for our annual Cultural Night and they look forward to showing you their cultural talents as well. We hope to see you there (Tuesday, April 18th 5:30-7:00 p.m.)

We are also excited to congratulate Ms. Joko for being a Teacher of the Year finalist in Canyons School District. Winners will be announced at a special board meeting on April 25th. We are crossing our fingers for her to be chosen as THE District Teacher of the Year.

If your child has not finished the requirements for our first ever Brilliant Bengal Cub, there is still time. Forms need to be submitted by May 19th to their classroom teacher. More info can be found on our school website

<http://canyonview.canyonsdistrict.org> or by asking your child's teacher. Students will be recognized at our end of year assembly.

I look forward to spending time with you at all of our end of year activities. Look to the weekly family e-mail for more detailed information on events to come.

As always, thanks for all you do to support your students and all of us here at Canyon View.

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or stop by and visit with me.

Thanks,

BJ Weller, LCSW

Principal



April is sort of a month of new beginnings. The weather USUALLY is getting warmer, the flowers are blooming, the trees are coming alive again and being a runner, I am seeing a lot more people out and about exercising and enjoying the sunshine and longer days. It made me think about how our PTA could be a new beginning for some. The PTA can help you get in shape and get your daily exercise and nutrition in. Really you say? Why yes!!! Think about it...they say you are supposed to get 10,000 steps in for the day. By walking into the school and coming to a PTA meeting that will for sure get you a few extra steps for the day!! Right??!! This is totally good for the heart! Then if you help volunteer at an event or even in the classroom, you are for sure going to get some good steps in as you chase after kids misbehaving or trying to run to avoid some catastrophe some kids are about to create. You may even have to run into another classroom to get help and hey...you are running!!!

When it comes to nutrition, PTA can totally help on that part...at our meetings we provide lots of donuts and cookies and pastries as well as some fruit so you get a good balance there. And donut day....we do offer milk!! See...we know how to keep it balanced for everyone's health. And then they say we are supposed to get 8 hours of sleep a night...well if you are a PTA volunteer, you are so exhausted from volunteering at our events and preparing for events, that you are just a zombie comes day's end and can hit that pillow and fall asleep in seconds. Guaranteed 8 hours right there.

Not only does the PTA help with great things for our kids and staff, we also can make a difference in your life. You can't argue with the facts above. Now if this doesn't make you want to be a part of PTA, then I don't know what more to say.



Rayna Drago
PTA President



WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW??

The school year is almost coming to an end but we still have some fun events to look forward to.

Read below to see what you don't want to miss out on. But let's start off with our monthly recognition...

BENGAL CUBS OF THE MONTH

Kindergarten

Mrs. Armstrong (A.M.) – Ryan Smart

Mrs. Armstrong (P.M.) – Kyah Cornia

Mrs. Waddoups (A.M.) – Isabelle Cloward

Mrs. Waddoups (P.M.) – Emerson Adams

Mrs. Creager – Darryn Nichols

1st grade

Mrs. Mawhinney – Amy Rowley & Mason Lassek

Mrs. Gunter – Dakotah Chase & Alexis Call

Mrs. Van Dyken – Avery Christensen & Bennett Dodson

2nd grade

Ms. Jenkins – Kaitlyn Larsen & Savvy Stauffer

Mrs. Crocheron – Madelyn Green & Madelyn Basso

Ms. Thompson – Lily Olsen & Corbin Carpenter

3rd grade

Mr. Checketts – Finnegan Pack & Isabella Tucker

Mrs. Gustafson – Lily McLoney & Jordan Durkee

Ms. Antivilo – Mia Liljenquist & Liam Jacobson

4th grade

Mrs. Kernodle – Connor Dedman & Brooke Gimes-Rice

Mrs. Moore – MaKylee Woodruff & Luke Lambert

Mrs. Tuckett – Kyndal Demarets & Sam Lens

5th grade

Mrs. Joko – Erin Chan & Audrey Johnson

Mrs. Roberts – Hannah Rowley & Liam Pohl

Mrs. Timoney – Bryton Perkins & Kathryn Ellingson



AND THE AWARD GOES TO...

A HUGE congrats to this year's Canyon View Teacher of the Year, 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Joko!!

We had a lot of submissions this year and the decision was hard to make because all our teachers are amazing but Mrs. Joko definitely deserves this award. She is a great teacher, her students love her, parents love her and she is just an overall super woman. We love having her at Canyon View and we hope she sees how much she means to us all!!



Another HUGE congrats goes out to **Principal Weller**. At our assembly for Mrs. Joko, the PTA surprised him by letting him know he was chosen to be the **Utah PTA Outstanding School Administrator of the Year!!** PTA President, Rayna Drago, nominated him for this award back in the fall for all he has done for Canyon View. We are so excited he was chosen because he definitely needs to be recognized for his work at the school. His wife and kids surprised him by being at the assembly and presenting him with a banner and balloons. Check out the video on the Canyon View PTA Facebook page.

T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

It's that time of year again...time to design next year's school t-shirt! Flyers will be going home with all students in K-4th grade to submit their design for our "kid shirt" for next year. Sorry 5th graders...you will be leaving us so you can't participate in this one! Design should have a Canyon View theme. **Submissions will be due on Friday, May 5th (no late submissions accepted) and 5 designs will be chosen to be voted on during lunch on Monday, May 8th.** Winner will be announced at the end of the year assembly.

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION WEEK

We love our employees and from **Monday, May 1st thru Friday, May 5th** we get to show them how much. Information will be going home soon with fun things we will be doing each day for the teachers and staff and also ways you can help out if you would like. PTA will be providing special themed lunches and a breakfast during the week for all the employees and we will also be sending all the teachers out to lunch on Friday, May 5th like we have done for the past few years. We love spoiling everyone who works at Canyon View because they definitely deserve it. We hope you will help spoil them as well



WHO WANTS SOME DONUTS??!!

Our annual PTA Reading with Donuts and Book Exchange will be happening on Friday, May 12th at 8am in the cafeteria. Bring the family, a good book and an appetite for some donuts to start the day. Coffee (donated by Beans & Brews on Fort Union), milk and chocolate milk will be provided. Alternate treats and drinks will be available for anyone with allergies or dietary issues.

Tables will be set up where you can bring some old books you would like to exchange for some new ones. Trade as many books as you want but please make sure the books you bring are appropriate for elementary students. All leftover books will be donated to the school library or our local city library.

Always a good thing to get the kids all sugared up before they start the day! LOL! Sorry teachers!

NIGHT OF ARTS

Tuesday, May 16th come to Butler Middle School at 7pm for our Canyon View Night of Arts. Our amazing Orchestra, Choir and Bell Choir will all be performing and all the art projects all the students have been working on in art class with Mrs. Malloy will be displayed outside the auditorium for your viewing pleasure. It's a jam packed entertaining evening you don't want to miss!!

SPIRIT NIGHT AT CHIPOTLE

Our last dinner night out for the year and we are headin' to Chipotle this time! On Tuesday, May 23rd from 5-9pm **50%** of all proceeds will be donated to Canyon View to buy iPads for the school so put away the crock pot, hang up the apron and get the family to Chipotle at 6924 South Park Centre Drive for some dinner!

BOX TOPS

Thank you to everyone who has participated all year in our Box Top collections!! **We raised \$1424!!!!** All the money collected will go to purchasing iPads for K-2nd grade. But please don't stop collecting...everything turned in from now thru the end of the year will go towards next year's goal. Till your kids are grown and off to college, keep on collecting those squares!! HA!



BIKE AND HELMET SAFETY

Now that the warmer weather is here, the bikes are being dusted off and the kids are on the streets again. Time to update those bike seats from the growth spurts and check those helmets and what better way to make sure your kids are safe and properly fitted, then to have a professional check them out.

Cottonwood Cyclery (at the corner of Bengal and 2600E) is offering FREE bike and helmet checks for all Canyon View students!! Come in any time and they will make sure your child's bike and helmet are safe and ready for the roads. **Make sure to mention you are from Canyon View and if you want to purchase any non-sale items while you are there, they will give you 15% off.**

Let's keep our kids safe out there!

REMINDERS

All year long, shop on AmazonSmile and donate to your favorite charity...Canyon View PTA!! Go to <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/87-0451218> and Amazon will donate .5% of your sale and we will use the money to help buy those iPads for K-2nd grade.

5/1 – 5/5 – Employee Appreciation Week

5/5 – LAST PTA meeting of the year at 9am!! Game Day at 8am and Spirit Day

5/5 – PTA T-Shirt design submission due

5/11 – Principal Weller's Birthday!!!

5/12 – PTA Reading with Donuts & Book Exchange at 8am in the cafeteria

5/14 – Mother's Day

5/16 – Canyon View Night of Arts at Butler Middle School at 7pm

5/23 – Spirit Night at Chipotle from 5-9pm



CUB CORNER

Time for our 2nd graders to show their artistic skills with the theme of Spring and/or St. Patrick's Day. Enjoy some great creativity.



Student Services

If you have a service that will benefit Canyon View students, we are willing to list your information in our newsletter. Canyon View PTA does not endorse any of the names below. This is just an area for information that you may be interested in.

Carol Copene – 801-942-4155 - Reading Tutor with 40+ years of teaching experience



GET TO KNOW OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF

For our April highlight, I thought it was only fitting to choose your incoming PTA President so you can get to know a little bit about her before next year. Since she joined PTA last year, she jumped at the chance to be President and she is going to do an amazing job next year. I am lucky to not only have her taking over the President role from me but I also get to call her my friend. Here is a little bit about Amber...

For those of you that don't know me my name is Amber Morzelewski and I will be your PTA President for next year. I work as the recess aid here at Canyon View and I have a first grader in Mrs. VanDyken's class as well as an incoming Kindergartener next year. Ask your kids if they know Kolton, I'm sure they all do. I grew up here in Salt Lake City, Utah and attended Cottonwood High School, go Colts!! and graduated in 2005. After graduating, I attended Salt Lake Community College and received my associates degree but I still don't know what I want to be when I grow up but at least I have some college completed! While attending college, I worked at Cottonwood Heights Recreation center as a customer service representative and met my husband while working there. I also worked at Saltz Plastic Surgery and Spa Vitoria as a customer service representative/secretary. I loved that job, but as my family was growing I had to make a choice between working and wanting to be at home with my baby. Very tough decision but I think I made the right one.

I love spending time with my family outdoors, hiking, rZR riding and swimming. I also enjoy going to the gym and having some me time. I wish I was craftier because I really have fun doing crafts too.

This is my first year working at Canyon View and I LOVE it!! I mean really, what's not to love? We really have a great group here at Canyon View...faculty, students and volunteers included. I have loved getting to know other moms and dads that really want their kids to have a fun time at school. I have really enjoyed getting to know the teachers and I'm going to miss all those leaving us this year.

I joined the PTA last year when my daughter was in Kindergarten and I'm so glad I did! The friendships I have created are an extra bonus to making sure my children have fun while at school. If you've never been to a meeting, you have to come and just see what it's all about. Next year as President of the PTA I'm looking forward to continuing a lot of the same fun things we have going on at Canyon View as well as coming up with a few new things that everyone can enjoy.



OH BABY!

Guess who!?

Are you able to pick out any staff, teacher, or PTA babyface?



1) Mrs. Timoney (5th Grade Teacher) 2) Mrs. Huff (Aide)

3) Mrs. Davis (Aide) 4) LeeAnn Erhart (PTA)

5) Alex Lambert (PTA) 6) Micki Harris (PTA)

