



Canyon View Elementary

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Principal's Message – May 2017

Canyon View Families,

I want to thank each and every one of you for all your support, and for entrusting me with your children for the past two years. I am honored and feel so fortunate to have been given the opportunity to be part of the Canyon View Community. I have had some amazing experiences here and will cherish the memories and friendships I've made during this time. As I reflect on the last two years, I feel like we have worked hard and partied hard to ensure we are providing the best educational experience for our students. We have seen great academic growth across all grade levels and I believe it's the result of our focus and partnership with you as parents. Every decision we have made has been focused on what is best for students and how can we continue to improve. Some of these include:

Road to Success - a web based reading minute tracker which has shown an increase in the amount of time and books students are reading. We also have awarded students monthly with prizes for entering those minutes.

Bengal Cub of the Month – We have recognized two students from each class for standing out as leaders and improving their academic agility. They were invited and recognized at a celebratory breakfast with me.

Reverse Lunch – After seeing too many students not eating, throwing food away, having sick students in the office and disrupting academic time by problem solving issues on the playground, we decided to send students out to recess first then come in and eat. This has proven effective as we have seen a decrease in the amount of garbage thrown away daily, rarely do we see a sick student in the office during lunch and adults in the cafeteria help problem solve student issues and concerns so they return to class ready to learn.

Brilliant Bengal Cub Awards – This prestigious award will be given at our end of year assembly. Each grade level designed their own requirements for the awards and is meant to recognize students for going above and beyond their normal academic studies and searching for ways to enrich their educational experience.

Parking Lot – We were able to expand the parking lot to make it safer and more efficient for drop off and pick up. On average, we get all cars through the parking lot in seven to eight minutes.

Technology – With your help from the fundraiser and participation with spirit nights, we updated and increased technology throughout the building and met our goal of having each student in grades 3-5 having their own device in class to use. Each grade level K-2 has their own iPad cart to use and we will continue to increase those as well.

Teacher Certification - More than half of our teachers earned their Level 1 technology certification demonstrating their knowledge of how to incorporate technology in the classroom.

Again, it has been an absolute honor to have worked here and I look forward to continuing to serve your students in a different capacity in the future.

As always, It's a GREAT day to be a Bengal Cub!

BJ Weller, LCSW
Principal



School is coming to an end and it is time to enjoy the long summer days and nights again. The kids are for sure done and are ready to sleep in, go to the pool, go to camps, stay up late and play as many video games as they can! And just like school, the end is here for myself as your PTA President. These 2 years have just flown by and it's honestly quite hard to accept that my role is done. It's become so much a part of my everyday life that I am not quite sure what I am going to do with myself! I need to move my bed out of the PTA room now! LOL! I have had such an amazing time being President and meeting so many people, the kids, the Canyon View staff...it's just been an invaluable time. I have enjoyed every minute of it all, though sometimes it has been quite stressful and overwhelming, but to see how happy the kids are...makes it all worthwhile. I have had the most incredible people working alongside me this whole time and I hope they all realize how thankful I am for what they have done. I am so appreciative of all the kind words many of you have expressed to me about the work I have done and I truly am glad that I was able to bring something to Canyon View in some little way. I wish I had the time to thank each and every one of you personally who helped at an event or in the classroom but please know, your help did not go unnoticed and I thank you.

When I started this job 2 years ago, Mr. Weller had just come to Canyon View as well and we both were trying to figure out our roles as the newbies. 😊 Strange how we both are moving on at the same time now. I have been EXTREMELY privileged to have had my 2 years working with someone as amazing as Principal Weller and enjoyed all the benefits of having him as my "boss". It's been so much fun working with him and it is very hard to say goodbye to the best Principal ever!! He has changed Canyon View forever and we will miss him dearly. Thank you, BJ, for all that you have done for our school and we wish you the best in everything you will continue to do. 😊

As I make my final goodbye, I know that I may not get to walk the halls as frequently as I have done or call the PTA room my 2nd home any longer, but I will still be helping out in every way I can because I love Canyon View and all our students. And think, you no longer will receive 4am emails from me or have to read my corny jokes and comics!! Yes!! LOL! You are in great hands with your new President, Amber Morzelewski, and I am excited to see what she does next year for Canyon View.

Thank you again for letting me be a part of your lives for these last 2 years. It's been an honor.

My work is done...mic drop. HAHA!!

Rayna Drago
PTA President



WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW??

It's over...the year is really over! Time to enjoy the warm weather, the pool, vacations, late nights and lots of fun with no schoolwork! But before we go, a few more things you don't want to miss...

BENGAL CUBS OF THE MONTH**Kindergarten**

Mrs. Armstrong (A.M.) - Stormy Nolan
 Mrs. Armstrong (P.M.) – Ian Wilkinson
 Mrs. Waddoups (A.M.) – Oliver Powers
 Mrs. Waddoups (P.M.) – Aliyah Smith, Brooklynn Dunn & Jane Harmer
 Mrs. Creager – Katelyn Potter

1st grade

Mrs. Mawhinney – Adison Doyle, Charlie Richardson & Aryana Golafshani
 Mrs. Gunter – Ava Pursley & Desmond Dodge
 Mrs. Van Dyken – Wynter Doyle, Wyatt Biagi & Cora Harris

2nd grade

Ms. Jenkins – Korbin Brammer & Teagan McClure
 Mrs. Crocheron – Cameron Brown & Marcus Miller
 Ms. Thompson – Evan Price, Sophia Attebery & Mykenzye Wilson

3rd grade

Mr. Checketts – Ruby Harris, Ethan Paletta & Reggie Heaton
 Mrs. Gustafson – Gage Stephens, Layla Engar, Bella Wallgren & Ava Shelton
 Ms. Antivilo – Ava Shaw, James Young & Landon Stosich

4th grade

Mrs. Kernodle – Jackson Rosvall & Amelie Richardson
 Mrs. Moore – Zoey Dethorn & Lauryn Swanson
 Mrs. Tuckett – Baux Lawson & Jada Ernest

5th grade

Mrs. Joko – BJ Weller!! LOL!
 Mrs. Roberts – Naomi Smith & Annie Call
 Mrs. Timoney – Nellie Brown, Maddox Gamonal & Lucy Collins



SPIRIT NIGHT AT CHIPOTLE

One more night to eat dinner out to help Canyon View for the year is on **Tuesday, May 23rd from 5-9pm at Chipotle at 6924 South Park Centre Dr. 50%** of all proceeds will be donated to the school to buy iPads for K-2nd grade. The weather is warm and it will be nice to get out and enjoy a yummy meal with friends. So let's make this last one our biggest night yet!

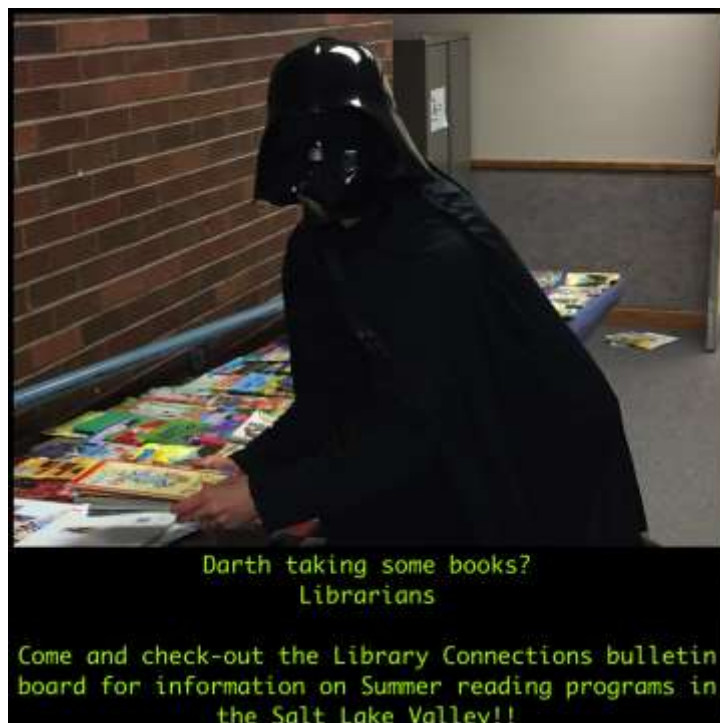
PTA SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Give your child a reason to read this summer...Bengal Bucks and a chance to win a \$20 Barnes & Noble gift card! All students in Kindergarten – 4th grade right now who read 8 or more books during the summer will be rewarded with some Bengal Bucks to start the year off ahead of the game. The more they read, the more Bengal Bucks they can get. And any student who reads 20 or more books gets their name entered into a drawing for the Barnes & Noble gift card. All reading records must be turned in the first week of school to be eligible for the drawing and Bengal Bucks.

Look for the flyer in those backpacks and keep them reading and learning all summer long!!!

BOX TOPS

School may be coming to an end but Box Tops NEVER END!! Keep collecting and turn them in when school starts in August. We want to start the new school year with lots of money for Canyon View!



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.

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

5/29 – NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day

6/1 – Kindergarten Field Day

6/2 – NO SCHOOL

6/5 – 6/7 - Spirit Days

6/6 – Field Day for grades 1-5 and LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR KINDERGARTEN!!

6/7 – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL...EARLY OUT AT 12:45!!



SPiRiT WEEK brought to you by your student council

June 5- Hippy Day (60s)

June 6- Sports Day

June 7- Crazy Hair Day

Solar Eclipse Information:

Before the start of school in August there is something you don't want to miss. Monday August 21, 2017 there is spectacular solar eclipse! It starts at 10:13 am and ends at 12:59 pm. You can view it from Utah (the sun will be over 90% eclipsed) or travel a few hours to view a TOTAL solar eclipse!! The only safe way to view the sun is through special-purpose solar filters, such as "eclipse glasses." Never just look at the sun directly or even through dark sunglasses. The sun will damage your eyes!

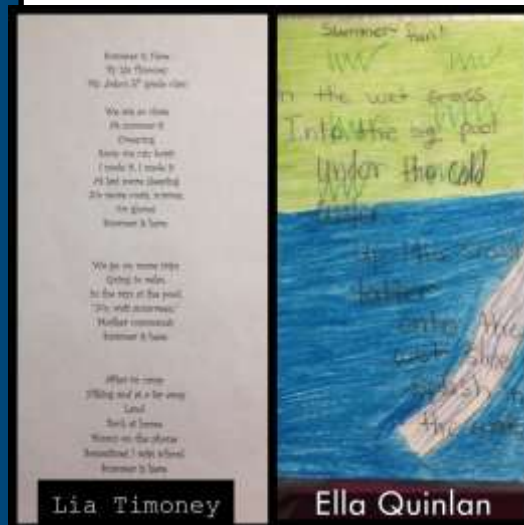
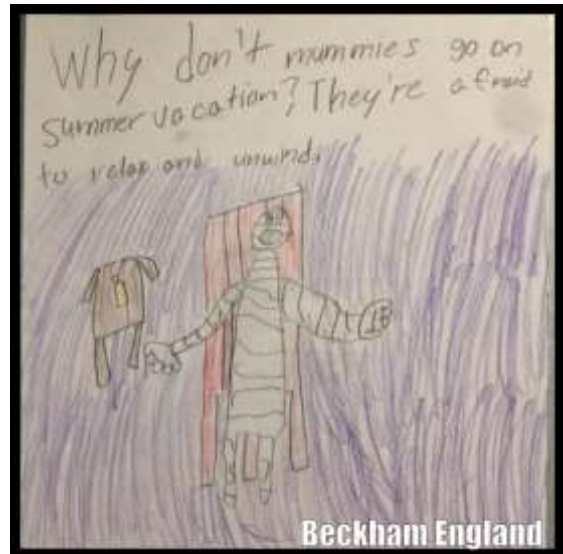
For other science information, including summer science camps, eclipse glasses and reminders of upcoming astronomical events, please email me (Tori Andersen)

at simplysuperscience@gmail.com with questions or to be put on an email distribution



CUB CORNER

Everyone had the chance to participate this month with the theme "What I am going to do over my summer break". By what is here, it's going to be a fun summer for sure!!





Rayna,

You have been absolutely incredible as our PTA president. I am so proud of you, and we all appreciate all of the extras you've provided the kids, staff, and faculty at the school these past 2 years! Having been in your position, I know that those extras are time consuming, draining, and sometimes thankless, but you did it with grace! I hope you can take a LONG, deep breath now and truly take a few moments for yourself! You're an amazing woman, and I'm so glad to call you my friend!

Love you,
Laurel

PS - Way to absolutely rock it! You're the epitome of what a PTA president should be! Great work! Xoxo

Rayna!

You are absolutely amazing! Your energy and dedication in helping Canyon View is infectious. Thank you for all of your hard work and for smiling the whole time!!!

Tori

Rayna,

Thank you for being PTA President for two years! You are an amazing advocate for teachers, all the students know you... maybe they don't know all you do but they see your hard work! and every parent knows of your dedication to the school. Art Night, Cultural Night, game day, spirit days, fundraisers, teacher grants, the list goes on. You have touched the lives of everyone at Canyon View. Thank you for your generous use of your time, thank you for your caring and thank you for your leadership. One of the greatest things I have seen is that every person you interact with calls you a friend first and foremost. Thank you for being my friend.

-LeeAnn

Rayna,

My what shoes I get to fill. Thank you for all you have done these past two years. I know that you do much more than you need to do, and maybe don't get the recognition for it, but just know we all notice and thank you for all your hard work and dedication to our school. I'm so blessed to call you my friend and can't wait to call you all summer with questions. Go relax!!

Amber

Rayna-

It takes an incredible woman to serve not one, but TWO years as PTA president. Thank you for all of your hard work, enthusiasm and FUN you have brought to Canyon View.

I've been inspired by your creativity, organization and diligence.

I'm grateful to call you my friend!

Roz Hite

You have been such a positive spirit in my first year with the PTA at Canyonview. Outside of your positive and outgoing nature, you really exude a sense of wanting to make the team (PTA) and school a better place for our children. I'm so very grateful for your leadership! Enjoy the time with your family - you deserve a break!

Ida Baghoomian





Past and Future PTA presidents
Micki 2014, Laurel 2015, Rayna 2016&2017,
and Amber 2017-2018

Rayna,

All I can think of is Dr. Seuss's book *The Places You'll Go*. The last page makes me think of you when I tweak it just a bit to say,

"Kid, you moved mountains!"

For the past 2 years you did the work of 5 women and 10 men! You have made our school environment so fun for the kids and parents who walked in the front door! Thanks for always helping even when it wasn't your job to. You were always there and went well above and beyond what you needed to do.

You are a beautiful amazing woman and I really appreciate everything you sacrificed for our kids and our school!

Alex Lambert

Rayna,

When I first met you at liberty park many years ago I could tell you were a go getter! I am grateful you were the go getter at my boys school. We are all the better for your selfless service and devotion to the staff and students at Canyon View. I wish you many hours of sleep and lots of time to do whatever you darn well please!

Thank you!
Marianne and Eli

Rayna,

You're the best PTA president this school has ever seen!! Thank you so much for your hard work and dedication to the school. We have the best PTA!!

Rebecca

Thank you Rayna for the transformation you have made to our school. Students have enjoyed all that you have done and the teachers have loved all that you have done.

I truly admire the time you gave to us.

Rebecca Kernodle

Thanks for all you do! You are amazing—from helping with girls on the run to the first grade ink printing project to pretty much anything that needs to be done, I am so impressed by your service, and especially that you always do things with a smile. You definitely know how to make PTA fun! Thank you!

Lisa Rowley

Rayna.. She does it all and with the best attitude!! Her organizational skills are off the charts. Sometimes I can barely keep my ducks in a row with just BoxTops but she'll already have all my ducks in a row and everyone else's too. She's everyone's friend. She smiles, laughs, and talks to everyone. I love running into her at school (she's ALWAYS there!) and hearing her friendly "hi's" or chatting for a bit. And it's all genuine! We've been so lucky to have her as our president/leader/friend/ & everything else for the past 2 years!

Camilo Ellingson

The nickname Runnin' Rayna fits! She is always running. Running to get PTA prizes, teacher gifts, T-shirts, voting ballots, books, etc. I love that she has a bible that she carries around that contains every little thing so she won't forget. And she never does. I am amazed at all that she remembers and how thoughtful she is to the last detail. And you know what? She doesn't complain, she just does it. She is one fine woman and I just love her. I mean that. I love this woman. She really is someone I look up to and strive to be, but I don't think I can catch her!

Micki





Saying goodbye to our PTA Board 2016-2017
Rayna, Laurel, Micki, Raelynn, Shannon, Amber,
Alex, LeeAnn

Rayna,

I just wanted to thank you for all your hard work and dedication you have put into this school the last two years. I have really been touched by how you not only see the school as a whole but see individuals and what their needs might be as well. I was especially touched when you went out of your way to recognize the whole Wagstaff Family at the time they lost their mom. I can tell that each individual is important to you as well as how the school functions as a whole. I appreciate all the little things you do that often go unnoticed. Thanks for making Canyon View a place that I feel proud to have my children and a place where I look forward to helping and volunteering. You've done a great job (especially in a position that nobody wants)!

Thanks again,
Julie Miller
Rayna,

WOW! You are an amazingly beautiful woman who always has a ready smile that makes me feel great. Everything you have helped with runs smoothly and well. I've only worked with you for 1 year but in that year you have impressed.

Thanks so much for everything,

Suzanne Molloy (Art)

Rayna,

I remember you talking in a PTA meeting months ago about doing another Canyon View Movie Day. You mentioned that we didn't have to do it, but it would be something fun we could do together as a school. And of course, you arranged the whole thing yourself. You were right - it was super fun to do as a school. My kids loved it. It's the perfect example of how you always went the extra mile as PTA president. You epitomize always doing something more to make our school a place of learning, activity, culture and service. And of course, LOTS of fun! Thank you, Rayna, for all you have done. I can't imagine a better person to have been PTA president these last 2 years. I've loved every minute of working with you. And I'm SO glad you aren't leaving the school or PTA. We will forever need you!

Raelynn

PS. But now you'll miss out on all the crying fests!

I love her energy! She gets so much done as a result of her attitude and energy. She's always willing to help no matter how stacked her plate is. She is kind and one you can count on for anything. Thank you Rayna for keeping our school fun and organized. You rock!!

Lindsey Kraatz

Rayna,

I can't thank you enough for all you have done for the students, teachers, staff, and community. You truly are amazing! Your enthusiasm and positive attitude is contagious. I feel so lucky to have Sienna in my class. She has such a positive attitude about school and learning. You are a wonderful example to your children. I wish you the best in your next adventure!

Michelle VanDyken

I appreciate her energy!

I have no idea how she was able to keep up the hard work with a smile on her face for two years!

She was always the first to show up and last to leave! I am so happy I got to know her! I love her!

Shannon
Rayna,

Thank you so much for all you have done these 2 years!! Thanks for always being so happy to everyone and welcome new people to the inner circle! I am amazed at how you are so on top of everything and seriously make every event so fun for all the kids. Thank you for all the countless hours you put in behind the scenes. We have had an incredible experience at canyon view and will miss seeing you everywhere. You're the best Rayna.

Love Kaylene



GET TO KNOW OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF

For my final recognition for the year, I saved the space for 2 of our teachers who are leaving Canyon View at the end of the year. 5th grade teacher, Suzanne Roberts, is retiring after 35+ years of teaching in Utah!!! What an accomplishment!! She is going to be missed by many but we wish her well and hope she enjoys every day of her much deserved retirement!! Hopefully she will come visit a few times to say hi! 😊

4th grade teacher, Amber Tuckett, is also leaving us but she is moving on to Silver Mesa where she will be their new Achievement Coach. They are very lucky to be getting such a great person and teacher. We will miss you Amber!!

Both of these ladies have contributed greatly to Canyon View and their absence will definitely be felt next year. Wherever the road may take them, once a Bengal Cub, ALWAYS a Bengal Cub!! Good luck ladies!!!

Here is a little bit about Mrs. Roberts:



Mrs. Roberts



I was born in Cincinnati, Ohio and I have 4 sisters and 2 brothers. My family then moved to Scottsdale, Arizona for a couple of years and then we moved to Ormond Beach, Florida where my father worked with the Apollo space program. My final move was to San Jose, California when I was going into 6th grade. After graduating from high school I attended BYU and graduated in Early Childhood and Elementary Education. My first job was in Bountiful, Utah. I worked for Davis School District for 5 years and then transferred to Jordan School District and have taught at Canyon View for 30 years. I have loved teaching at Canyon View. The students, teachers, and community have been awesome!! I have taught the majority of the time in 5th grade and have loved the curriculum, especially US History. I will miss the relationships with the teachers, students, and parents. I will also miss the challenge of trying to get each child to reach their potential.

I have been married to my husband, Steven, for almost 32 years. We have 3 children and live in South Jordan, Utah. My oldest is Jared who is married with 4 children. They live in San Antonio, Texas, where he is doing his residency in Dermatology. My daughter Kimberly is married with 3 children. She teaches Language Arts and Reading at Oquirrh Middle School. My youngest is Matthew who is married and teaches history and health in Alpine School District. He also coaches the girls and boys' soccer teams at Lehi High School. I love watching and participating in sports. I used to love to run, but because of bad knees I have taken up biking. I also love to read and garden. I hope to travel more in retirement and to go shopping when everyone else is working!

And here is a little bit about Ms. Tuckett:

I grew up in Sandy, Utah but I was actually born and lived in California until I was 8 years old. We visited there often, since my mom's family was still there, so she claims I am a California girl. I went to BYU for my undergraduate degree in Elementary Education and then Southern Utah University for my Masters of Education degree. I just recently finished a certification program in administration from Utah State.

When I was in college I worked for the BYU Mail Services delivering and sorting mail on campus and then I worked at Copperview Elementary for my first 5 years of teaching.

I like to run and play sports. My favorite sport is soccer and I go to as many of my niece and nephew's games as possible!

I have been at Canyon View for 6 glorious years and will miss it immensely. I have loved working at Canyon View. It has become a second home to me. I feel like I am leaving a family that I have grown to know and love.

I will be the Achievement Coach at Silver Mesa Elementary, not too far from here. I will definitely keep in touch with the Canyon View staff.



Our Successful District

McCall, Ridgecrest

Canyon View Principal Named Utah's Outstanding School Administrator

Don't be surprised if you see Canyon View Elementary's Principal camping out on the school roof to thank students for reaching a fundraising goal, or shoveling snow in the parking lot during a wintry morning drop-off. BJ Weller believes that if you see something that needs to be done, do it. This "how can I help you" philosophy has endeared Weller to Canyon View's community — faculty, support staff, parents, and students — and it's one of the many reasons he was chosen to receive the Utah PTA's 2017 Outstanding School Administrator. The award was announced April 11 at a Canyons Board of Education meeting. Weller, who was recently promoted to lead Canyons District counseling teams and support services, will be further recognized at the Utah PTA convention in June.



Celebrating Excellence in the Classroom

The week before Spring Recess, schools throughout Canyons District publicly announce their picks for Teacher of the Year, an award that comes with cash prizes, a gift basket and nomination for District Teacher of the Year. These stellar teachers were nominated by colleagues and parents for outstanding teaching practices, professionalism and community involvement. The educator selected as the District's top teacher will be announced at the Board of Education's special event on Tuesday, April 25.

Bella Vista Elementary — Stephanie Laasig

Canyon View Elementary — Lisa Joken

Brighton Elementary —

Mr. Weller Outstanding School Administrator Award

Butler Elementary — Pam York

Butler Middle School —

Oak Hills Elementary — Sharon Davidson

Timberline Elementary — Ju Chen



Cub Chorus Concert



Orchestra Concert





