



TITAN TIMES

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May 2010

SKYVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

From the Principal

Parents,

It is hard to believe but we are down to the last three weeks of school. This time of year is always a busy one, so I encourage parents to look at the calendar and access our website to stay up to date on the activities happening in May. I also wanted to let everyone know that we are currently finalizing our four day schedule for next year and we hope to have it up on our website by the end of the month. The official last day of school will be May 27th but the office will remain open until Friday, June 4th from the hour of 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. If you need assistance over the summer, please leave a message on the school voicemail and someone will return your call. The office will re-open for the 2010/11 school year on Monday, August 3rd. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer break.

-Bob DiPietro



Office Staff

Bob DiPietro, Principal
Brenda Leyh, Dean of Students
Joanna Argys, Counselor
Vicki Bergles, Secretary
Shannon Frazier, Head Custodian



- May 10th—6th Grade Orientation
- May 11th—Drama Night
- May 17th—Art Show
- May 18th—Band Concert
- May 20th—Choir Concert
- May 25th—8th Grade Banquet and Dance
- May 26th—LAST Day for Students

Important Phone Numbers

- Skyview: 547-1175
- Skyview Fax: 647-9667
- Bus Garage: 544-7589 or 948-2676
- District 70 Administration Offices: 542-0220

General Helpful Information

Hours: 7:55 -3:20
Lunch: \$1.90
Breakfast: \$1.25, 7:35-7:55 a.m.
 Please pay for all meals before school if possible.
Bus Schedule:
 Call bus garage or on line at www.district70.org
Students Schedules:
 Given the first day of school. Schedule changes will not be made.
Parent Drop-off/Pickup:
 Loop directly in front of the school. To alleviate traffic problems, please pull as

far forward in the loop as possible (past the crosswalk) and let your child out of the car as soon as possible.
 Students wait outside their grade level wings before school, except in inclement weather
Planners: \$3.00 for an invaluable source of communication and information
Website: svm.district70.org and is updated at least weekly—daily homework assignments are listed by grade levels/teachers
Visitors: Must check into main office and show ID

Absences: must be called into the office by 9:30 a.m. or will be unexcused. Doctor's notes may be requested.
Tardies: Parents must sign in their student, give reason, and excused/unexcused are determined by office
Concerns/Problems/Questions: Call us right away so we can help



From the Dean

Would like to take this opportunity to Thank You for continuing to reinforce with the students' preparation, motivation, and respect the three keys to excellence in education through out the 2009-2010 academic school year. Students have done a great job demonstrating these attributes when they practice Titan PRIDE daily throughout the school year. This was possible by the continued efforts and support of outstanding parents and amazing staff at Skyview Middle School.

As we complete the last four weeks of our school year, we ask that you please help your student make appropriate choices for what they are wearing to school and encouraging their continued motivation in school work and behavior. Students must follow the District 70 dress code and dress appropriately to be outside in the morning, at lunch, and throughout the school day. Students must also do their best to finish their academic work with PRIDE and commitment.

Again, thank you for a wonderful school year and best wishes for a safe and restful summer break!

-Brenda Leyh



From the Counselor

Registration Information for 2010-2011 School Year

Our current sixth and seventh grade students were given registration materials for next year on Thursday, April 22nd.

All students must take the following subjects; language arts, math, science, social studies, reading, physical education, Spanish (9 weeks - 7th grade), and technology (9 weeks - 8th grade). In addition, students will have a variety of electives to choose from. Elective courses include band, art, industrial arts, choir, Spanish (8th grade), technology (7th grade) and performing arts.

Registration forms sent home with students on the 22nd are to be completed, signed by parents and returned no later than Thursday, April 29, 2010. Students will receive two of the five semester electives they have chosen. Students who do not turn in registration forms or turn them in after the deadline will be assigned to elective classes where space is available. Schedule changes will not be made.



Skyview Middle School will host an incoming 6th Grade Student & Parent Orientation Night on Monday, May 10th from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the Skyview gymnasium.

Current 5th grade students and their parents are encouraged to attend.

Awards Ceremony

The 8th grade awards ceremony will be on Tuesday, May 25th at 2:00 p.m. The 8th grade banquet /dance will be that evening from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. **The banquet is for students only.** We ask that parents do not drop their students off at the school prior to 5:30 p.m. and that they are picked up promptly at 8:30 p.m. This will mark the last day of school for all 8th graders as they are not required to attend that last day.

The 6th and 7th Grade Award Ceremony's will be on Wednesday 26th. The 6th Grade ceremony will be at 9:00 a.m. followed by the 7th Grade ceremony beginning at 10:00 a.m. Parents can choose to take their students home after the ceremonies or they may remain at school for the entire day. Lunches will be served and normal bus routes will be run at the end of the day.



School Success Reminders!

SCHOOL HOURS:

School hours are 7:55 to 3:20.

The first bell will ring at 7:55.

To ensure academic success, students need to be at school by 7:55. If students will be late, be sure to contact the school. Parents are required to come into the building to sign in their student if they arrive after the first bell at 7:55. The office staff will make the determination whether or not a tardy is excused or unexcused.

- When dropping off and picking up your child at school please **do not** use the front parking lot as a drop off point for your child. We ask that you please go through the loop pulling as far forward in the loop as you can to alleviate congestion in front of the school.
- Parents should not drop off students before 7:35 am. There will be no supervision for students until 7:35 am.

- There are bike racks on the north side of the school parking lot. Students are welcome to ride their bikes to and from school at their own risk. We ask that students secure their bikes and all other belongings. Pueblo District #70 and Skyview Middle School will not be responsible for any missing or stolen items.

HOMEWORK:

- Students are required to complete all homework assignments by the assigned due dates. If students are absent from school please access the school's web-site to obtain their work <http://svm.district70.org/>
- Students have one calendar day of each absence to make-up the work. Requests for homework will be granted when a student reaches his/her third absence. Please make these

requests before 9:00 am to allow time for teachers to gather materials. Completed requests may be picked up in the main office after 2:45pm.

GRADES:

-Please access your child's grades through the internet via Power School:
(<http://powerschool.district70.org/public>)

If you do not already have a password for your child, you may obtain one during normal office hours (7:20—3:40)



7th Grade News

The 7th grade class will be viewing the made-for-television mini-series "The Odyssey" in their language arts classes in May. This movie is shown as part of this nine week's Greek Mythology unit. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your student viewing this movie, please contact Mrs. Wagner or Mrs. Ferguson at 547-1175.

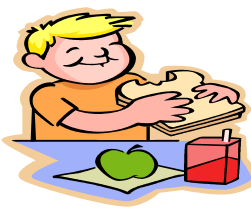


Spring Art Show

The Spring ART SHOW will be on May 17th at 6:00 p.m. All 2nd Semester (3rd and 4th quarter) Art Students will have Art in the show. It is FREE and there will be refreshments and door prizes.



From the Cafeteria



As of May 1st there will be no more charging. If your student has a charge or doesn't have enough money in their account they need to bring \$1.90 for lunch that day or ask us for a sandwich and milk. They can ask the cashiers at any time what their balance is and they need to get their charges paid as soon as possible.

From the Media

All Books need to be returned to the Media by Friday, May 7th. All Fines need to be paid as soon as possible.



8th Grade Banquet

The 8th Grade Banquet will be May 25th from 5:30 p.m.— 8:30 p.m. If you have not purchased your ticket, contact the office.



Band, Choir, Drama



Several Concerts are happening for our Band, Choir, and Drama students. Drama Night is Tuesday, May 11th at 6:30 p.m.. The Band will perform on Tuesday, May 18th at 6:30 p.m. The Choir Concert will be on Thursday, May 20th at 6:30 p.m.

Fall Sports

FOOTBALL: All current 6th and 7th grade students interested in playing football at Skyview for the 2010/2011 school year will need to have all paperwork complete and turned into Mrs. Bergles NO LATER than **Friday, August 6th** at noon. The first day of practice will be Monday, August 9th.

VOLLEYBALL and (NEW) GIRLS SOFTBALL: All current 6th and 7th grade students interested in playing volleyball OR Softball at Skyview for the 2010/2011 school year will need to have all paperwork complete and turned into Mrs. Bergles NO LATER than **Wednesday, August 11th** at noon. Volleyball and softball practice will start the first day of school which is August 17th.



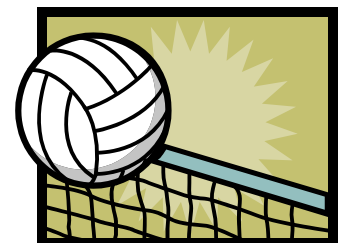
ALL PAPERWORK (including fees) FOR FALL SPORTS IS DUE NO LATER THAN the deadlines above! DO NOT make an appointment for your physical the day after your paperwork is due, LATE is LATE, no exceptions. Incomplete paperwork will not be accepted.

The District 70 Activities and Athletics handbook is available on the Skyview webpage at <http://svm.district70.org>, on the home page or under the Athletics tab. There you will also find instructions and required forms to be completed for clearance. You can also pick up forms after summer break. *The office will re-open Tuesday August 3rd at 8:00 a.m.*

Your paperwork will include a current sports physical. If you are a current 7th grader and went out for a sport this year, you can check with Mrs. Bergles to see if you will need a new physical. **ALL** current 6th graders will need to have a sports physical by the **deadlines mentioned above**. A copy of the District 70 physical form is available on the Skyview webpage at <http://svm.district70.org> OR your doctor can use their own form.

You can get a physical from:

1. Your doctor
2. Urgent Care (553-2208) approximate cost is \$45. They don't accept insurance for a sports physical.
3. District 60 Wellness Centers are located at:
 - Central High School 253-6155
 - East High School 549-7730
 - Freed Middle School 253-6310
 - Risley Middle School 549-7915
 - Pitts Middle School 549-7436



The approximate cost at D60 Wellness Centers are \$25, if you have Medicaid you must present your card. You will need to call for hours and directions.

Washington D.C. Trip

The Washington, D.C. trip is on with a nice big group of 40! We will explore our American heritage in Virginia and Washington, touring sites like Monticello, Jamestown, Colonial Williamsburg, the Smithsonian, and numerous hot spots in our nation's capital. Thank you to all you who registered! This will be a fantastic and memorable adventure!



Have a Great Summer Vacation!
See You in August!



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Mission Statement

The mission of Skyview Middle School is to promote academic excellence by establishing high standards for all students. The school community believes that all children can learn and continue a life-long journey of learning. This will be achieved by providing a safe and well-disciplined environment that fosters respect for all and affirms the cultural diversity within the school.