



Horizon Middle School

Principal's E-News
January 6, 2012

"The Sky's the Limit"

WE ARE CVSD!

Greetings Horizon Families— It's good to be back in the swing of things. This will be a busy and fruitful month. Be ready for an additional progress report coming from your child's teachers on Friday, January 20th. We have increased progress reporting to every four weeks instead of six, beginning this trimester.

We are continuing to recognize many students for their acts of Character through our Hawks With Character awards. Any student who is caught by a staff member displaying any of the twelve quality character traits receives a slip that entitles them to an ice-cream bar from the principal and enters them in the drawing for a VIP pizza luncheon.

Please review the important Levy information in order to understand how a Replacement Levy works and what the tax rates will be. If you have an interest in being more involved with the Levy prior to the election, please contact me.

Coming next week will be our FULL quarterly newsletter with in-depth information from all grade levels as well as relevant articles and coming events. Stay tuned.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATTERS! *Mr. Hardt*

Are You Registered to Vote?

Getting registered to vote is easy! All Central Valley schools have voter registration forms available to complete and return by mail; or you can register to vote online. If you want to participate in the February 14th election, the deadline for new or updated voter registration online is January 16th. If you are a new voter, you can register in person at the Spokane County Elections Office through February 6th. To register online, visit <http://wei.secstate.wa.gov/olvrsite/> or call the Spokane County Elections Office at 477-2320.



Counselor's Corner

by Connie Mott

Welcome Back! I hope everyone enjoyed their time off and got plenty of rest. As I expected, we started the new year off busy preparing for exciting learning opportunities for our students. Homework center is off and running every Tuesday and Thursday running from 2:45-4:00 PM. This month and next I will be visiting classrooms to discuss careers with all students and finishing up careers with the culminating event the "Career Fair" during conference week (more to come). If you know of someone or are interested in being a part of 2012 Career Fair, please call or email me at 228-4952 or cmott@cvsd.org.

POLICY CHANGE

There have been a few changes made to Central Valley's Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying policy (HIB). The main ideas to be aware of are the establishment of a compliance officer at the district and building level, implementation of an incident reporting form, and increased tracking of incidents involving HIB. Terrie VanderWegen will be our representative for the district and Ty Larsen will represent Horizon. The incident reporting form will be available on the CVSD website, www.cvsd.org, under parent resources and forms. This incident reporting form is intended for use when HIB is considered persistent, severe, or unresolved. More information regarding Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying will be coming over the next month. If you have questions please contact Ty Larsen, Principal Assistant, at 228-4944.

PTA News **SUPPORT THE UPCOMING LEVY**—We are looking for volunteers to wave signs, ring door bells and write letters of support to the Spokesman Review Editor. Please contact Barb Keto at krbarb@msn.com if you are interested in helping.

HOOPS OVER HORIZON—We are in the planning stages and need parent support. We need approximately 50 basketball hoops. The hoops will be picked up on Friday and returned on Saturday. Please contact Wendy Dingus at 993-6814 or twdingus@comcast.net if you can lend us a hoop. Contact Rondielle Frye at rondielle@yahoo.com if you can volunteer/support this event.

HAWKS FUN DAY! Thank you to all the students who participated in the Hawks Fun Day during winter break. It was a huge success and we were able to purchase more fitness equipment for the Fitness Center. We would also like to thank our volunteers for coming and helping the day of the event to make it such a great success. We are looking at having another Hawks Fun Day in February. Look for more information to be posted soon!



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FAIRNESS

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Reason #3:

Central Valley students excel in math and science with test scores consistently above state average. Nearly 85% passed the state's new end-of-course geometry test, more than 10 points higher than state average. Updated math and science curriculum is funded through the School Programs and Operations Replacement Levy.



Our levy matters!

