

Westside Village Magnet School

"A Fun and Innovative Place to Learn"

Upcoming Events

January 15th	No School - Martin Luther King Jr Holiday
January 15th	WVMS MLK Day of Service 1:00pm - 4:00pm
February 2nd	No School
February 2nd	Third Six Weeks Ends
February 5th	Fourth Six Weeks Begins
February 5th	Bend High IB Information Night for 8th Graders (at Bend High) 6:30pm - 7:30pm
February 5th - 9th	Winter Conferences
February 12th	Bend High Information Night for 8th Graders (at Bend High) 5:30pm - 6:30pm
February 15th	Mountain View High Information Night for 8th Graders (at MVHS) 6:00pm - 7:00pm
February 19th	No School - President's Day
February 22nd	Summit High Information Night for 8th Graders (at SHS) 6:00pm - 7:30pm
February 22nd	WVMS Parent Information Session for Lottery 6:00pm
March 1st	High School Area Change Requests Due
March 1st	WVMS Parent Information Session for Lottery 6:00pm

Winter Conferences

Winter conferences are coming up! We will be conferencing the week of February 5th, from 8:30am to 7:00pm (except for Friday, we are ending conferences at 4:00). Please take a moment to look at your calendar and see what dates and times would work best for you. Then, please send Anne an e-mail at anne.forster@bend.k12.or.us, and she will try to accommodate your family's schedule. Anne will then e-mail you back in the next week to confirm a time.

2018-19 Lottery Information

It's hard to believe it's already time to start thinking about the 2018-19 school year! If your child has a sibling that will be attending WVMS next year, please let Anne in the office know. Siblings must fill out Lottery Applications even though they receive priority in the lottery. Applications are now available in the office. Also, please encourage your friends and family to come check us out! Our Parent Information Meetings are on Thursday, February 22nd & Thursday, March 1st, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Tours are available by appointment. Please call Anne at 541.355.2000 to set up a tour.

Curriculum

Students have started working on their Winter Assessments, and they are being incredibly focused!

The ELA Assessment looks at immigration, refugees, empathy, perspectives, and diversity. Students are reading and comparing a variety of non-fiction texts, taking notes, summarizing, and using evidence to back up their responses. They will use the information they gathered to create a claim about their opinion on immigration. Centers and Youngers are writing about how it would feel to be an immigrant or refugee, and are sharing what they would take with them on their journey.

The first Math Problem Solving Assessment gives students data and background knowledge on the Ponderosa Pine tree and its seed dispersal. Students solved problems that ranged from calculating how many seeds per cone, how many seeds per tree are viable in an acre plot of land, or how many seeds are consumed by animals. The second Math Problem Solving Assessment is about immigration and asks students to solve a problem about the wages laborers earned in the 1800's.

The Engineering and Science Inquiry Assessment that students are working on asks students to design a way to improve natural seed dispersal using their previous designs to launch new ideas. They are using the Design Thinking Process to generate ideas, build and test models, and improve their current models. Centers and Youngers are testing different seed coat materials and how it affects seed dispersal in the wind. Orders and Elders are creating a question to further investigate seed dispersal.

Please encourage your child to attend Smart Choice Club if they are feeling stressed or behind on work.

WVMS MLK Day of Service

Please join us on Monday January 15th for WVMS's Service Day on MLK Day.

From 1 pm to 4 pm, volunteers will be doing garden work, school ground clean-up, as well as some deep cleaning of tables, chairs and walls in the school building. It is an opportunity to give back and remember the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a remarkable man who helped change the course of our history in an incredibly positive way.

High School Information for Incoming Freshmen (a.k.a. WVMS 8th Graders)

Bend-La Pine Schools high schools host an orientation event, during which current 8th graders & their families can learn more about the programs and opportunities available for students at each school. Families that live within Bend-La Pine Schools may enroll students in neighborhood schools at any time; families may also request to have their students attend any other neighborhood school that has space available by filling out an [Attendance Area Change Request](#) form by March 1; or request to attend Realms High School or Skyline High School by filling out an [online enrollment request](#).

Information nights are set for the following times:

- Bend Senior High School: 5:30 p.m. Feb. 12
- La Pine High School: contact the school for details
- Marshall High School: contact the school for details
- Mountain View High School: 6 p.m. Feb. 15
- Realms High School: See details below
- Skyline High School: See details below
- Summit High School: 6 p.m. Feb. 22

Realms High School: "Realms High School is a new EL Education school where students engage in rigorous academic coursework in which they investigate real world topics, make connections through interdisciplinary projects and create final products that make a difference in the community. Students at Realms High School work collaboratively, engage in frequent fieldwork, take ownership of their learning and help build a school where all students feel a strong sense of belonging, community and pride," said Principal Roger White.

Information nights:

- 5:30 p.m. Jan. 17 at the Education Center
- 6 p.m. Jan. 24 at Pilot Butte Middle School
- 6 p.m. Feb. 6 at Bend Senior High School
- 6 p.m. Feb. 28 at Realms Middle School

Skyline High School: "At Skyline, students will be creators, not consumers of their learning. Through personalized educational experiences, students will hone their purpose in a community where innovation, design thinking and challenge are valued. Skyline students will actively engage with local industry and the environment in educational, entrepreneurial and philanthropic ways," said Principal Mike Franklin.

Information nights:

- 5:30 p.m. Jan. 17 at the Education Center
- 6 p.m. Jan. 31 at Pacific Crest Middle School
- 6 p.m. Feb. 13 at Sky View Middle School
- 6 p.m. March 7 at the Education Center

Trans*forming Kids and Families

Bend Kids Personal Pediatrics and Central Oregon Therapy are facilitating a 6-week group for transgender kids, teens, and their families on Wednesdays from 5:00pm to 6:00pm starting January 24, 2018 at 325 NW Vermont Pl. Suite 105, in Bend. Topics will include an overview of gender variations, neuroscience of trans/intersex, family response to having a non-binary child and changes in relationships, navigating schools, social transitioning, and more. The cost per family is \$60 per family, discounts are available. For more information, call Bend Kids Personal Pediatrics at 541.241.6371 or Central Oregon Therapy at 541.279.6143.