

LOCKER CLEAN OUT and LIBRARY BOOK RETURN SCHEDULE:



We have set up a schedule to come to check in your library books, Spanish Readers, English books, instruments and clean out your lockers (and P.E. lockers). We need to limit how many students are in the building at any given time. Please only have the student or one healthy family member come in the building during your scheduled time, stagger when you come, and keep a 6-foot distance from people while you are in the building.

Please bring a backpack or bag to carry out your personal items. Garbage cans will be available but we ask that you quickly remove your items.

School will continue until May 22nd, but if you have enough devices in your home to get you by for the last two weeks, feel free to check in your Chromebook during this time as well. If not, don't worry, we will have another Chromebook check-in time at a later date. Please be aware if it is not returned, the charge for those is \$220.

Yearbooks:

Yearbooks will not be available until mid-June and we will most likely do a drive-through pick up for those, but more information will come at a later date. If your school fees are paid, you can still purchase a yearbook on myschoolfees.com for \$25 (the online service fee has been waived for this purchase). Feel free to call the school between 8-3 to see if you have already purchased a yearbook.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we navigate this unusual situation. We miss you!

Monday, May 4:

8-11 Last Names beginning with A
12-3 Last Names beginning with B

Tuesday, May 5:

8-11 Last Names beginning with C
12-3 Last Names beginning with D-E

Wednesday, May 6:

8-11 Last Names beginning with F-G
12-3 Last Names beginning with H

Thursday, May 7:

8-11 Last Names beginning with I-J
12-3 Last Names beginning with K

Monday, May 11:

8-11 Last Names beginning with L
12-3 Last Names beginning with M

Tuesday, May 12:

8-11 Last Names beginning with N-O
12-3 Last Names beginning with P-Q

Wednesday, May 13:

8-11 Last Names beginning with R
12-3 Last Names beginning with S

Thursday, May 14:

8-11 Last Names beginning with T-V
12-3 Last Names beginning with W-Z



May 4th-14th– Locker Clean out
May 15th– Last day of instruction
May 22nd– Last Day of School



Hey grizzlies

we're putting together a big slideshow to remember all the great things that

happened this year! If you have any photos or short video clips that you want to share, please email them to

pjhs.grizzlies@gmail.com
or tag us on social media with #pjhsgrizzlies

Grizzly Update

May 1, 2020



Parents and Students,

On March 13th, I was appointed to be the next principal of Payson High School starting in July. I have worked at Payson Junior High for 14 of my 17 years as an educator and will miss it so much. I have loved the time I have spent at Payson Junior. It all started in the early 90's as a student, then in 2003 I got my first teaching job and lastly as the principal these past 2 years. I was sure I would be work at Payson Junior for several more years and looked forward to serving more with the amazing staff and students here. I'm also very excited to continue my career at Payson High School and look forward to helping our students at that stage of their education.



We are leaving Payson Junior High in very good hands. Kevin Mecham will be taking over as principal on July 1st. Kevin is a long time friend of PJHS. He also started here as a math teacher and later was an assistant principal. Kevin lives in Santaquin and has children who attend Payson Junior. He'll do an amazing job and I'm excited he'll be my own children's principal.

I want to personally thank you all for your support over these past few years. We live in a great community. I know there have been times when you may have disagreed with things we have done here at the school and maybe the way we have handled some situations but I've always felt that you trusted us in the end. Knowing that we have always had the best interest of our students at heart. I'm so grateful for your patience and kindness with me and our entire staff, especially as we have had to adjust to the Covid pandemic.

Thanks again for your support, see you all at Payson High School!

Jesse Sorenson

Mrs. Braithwaite asked her student to list 7 things they were thankful for. Here are some of the responses:

"I am thank full for all the men and women that put there lives at risk to protect us "

"I am thankful for having freedom many countries aren't provided with the same opportunities as we are."

"I am thankful for my dog. That makes my life more joyful, because my dog keeps me company."

"I am thankful for my family cause they are always there for me. They are always joyful and fun to be around. I can ask them anything and tell them anything. I have the best times with my family."

"Baseball in my opinion is the greatest sport. I am thankful for it because it brings so much joy to my life. I love the atmosphere, the people, the friends, the weather, the place we play, I love all of it so much "

"Food makes me happy when I am happy because it tastes so good and it makes me feel so good. It also keeps me strong and healthy. Making me able to do my every day things."

"Ice-cream has always been iconic for my mom's side of the family. Nothing's better than ice-cream and no one can convince me otherwise"

"I am thankful for my bike so I can ride it places and see new things "

"I am thankful for music, that makes my life better, because I cant survive without music."

"I am thankful I can have friends and teachers"

"food/ clean water- without food and clean water I wouldn't be alive and I am thankful to be given all of these things."

"I am thankful for my education. That makes my life better, because since I have an education I have a better chance to getting a job I want. "

"my faith- It gives me something to believe in that good things will come. Faith is knowledge that things will get better and I'm thankful that I have it."

Try Out Announcements



Student Council /
Yearbook
20-21 School Year



Any student interested in being on next year's student council or yearbook staff, please email Mrs. Holt at rachel.holt@nebo.edu and she will send you the information. Let her know which grade you will be in next year and which team you're interested in being on- student council or yearbook. Applications will only be open for a short time, so get in touch with her ASAP! Good luck!

Auditions for PHS 2020-2021 Dance company.



During this time of school closures and uncertainty, the dates have had to be pushed back from what is published on our school's website, and I wanted to get the word out to all the freshmen. I have created a Google Form for all interested participants. Please following the link below for more information.

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Science News

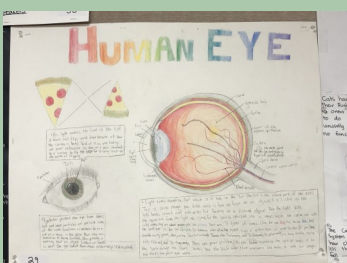
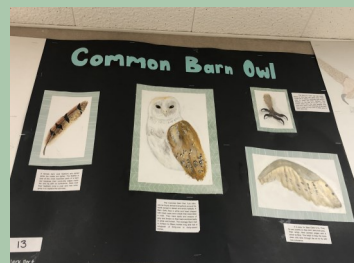
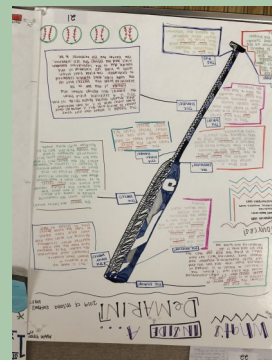
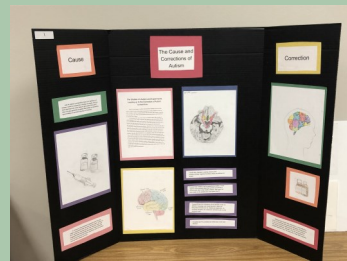
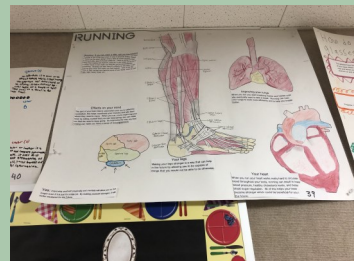
The capstone project for ninth grade Earth Systems is a Science Learning Project or SLP. This is introduced in the disclosure document in August and worked on during the next five months. It is due usually the first week of February which is part of third term. Each student has an option of picking on 5 different categories in which to do their project. The categories are science fair, scientific illustration, video documentary, multimedia presentation, and scientific collection. For most of these categories we have tried to offer a way for students to compete for fame, fortune, and glory. Science fair competes at the school, district, and region levels. The other categories compete at the school level only since there is not yet a venue beyond that. The top projects in the categories of scientific illustration and video documentary were able to be competitively judged by faculty this year. Due to Covid-19 we have not been able to determine winners in the final 2 categories. Usually, the multimedia presentations are judged by the students peers. The collection this year did not have enough participants to have a viable competition. We are extremely proud of all our students, and all of the hard work they put into their projects.

Video Documentary Winners

1st place— Andrew Waters (Air Compression), 2nd place-Renik Carman (Scooter Compression), 3rd place (Tie)- Alexis Mellen (Perfect Cookie) and Austin Slack (Naruto Running)

Scientific Illustration winners with pictures.

1st place is a tie. Brook Clark (Common Barn Owl) and Riley Cook (Runners). 2nd place is also a tie. Maddi Burke (The Cause and Corrections of Autism) and Isaac Webster (Human Eye). 3rd place is also a tie. Abbie Finau (Demarini, what is inside) and Tricia Montgomery (Osprey).



Retiring From PJHS



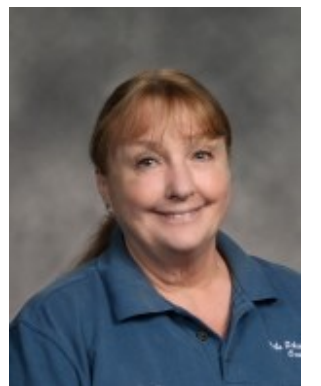
Ingrid Bolz
Choir Teacher/
Director



Faye Fuller
SPED Techni-
cian



Jim Howell
Computer/
CTE Teacher



Pat Spencer
Custodian

Every year brings new changes. We would like to announce the retirement of four of our wonderful faculty members. Mrs. Bolz, Mrs. Fuller, Mr. Howell and Mrs. Spencer have each played an important roll in the success of Payson Junior High and their absence will be greatly missed. Each one has served many years at Payson Junior and touched thousands of students lives throughout their careers. Thank you to each of you for your service and dedication to Payson Junior. We love you and will miss you. Enjoy your next great adventure, whatever that may be.

A Message From Mrs. Bolz:

Dear Parents of my Choir Students:



Little did I know that this year - 2020 - my year to retire-- would end in such a strange way. I am heartbroken that I won't get to sing with or see my students before I go. I would like to thank you all for your encouragement and support this year and so many other years. I will be leaving Payson Jr. High with a tear in my eye, so thankful for your sons and daughters who have touched my life and who have taught me many things. I have loved sharing music with them. I look forward to hearing good news about all my students as they move on to high school and the rest of their lives. I love hearing from and about all my former students..... Thank you for everything.... I am moving to a new chapter but will always look fondly upon my Payson Jr. High School memories.

Sincerely,
With love,
Ingrid Bolz
PJHS Choir Teacher.