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Republic School District Learning Community,

Many of our fellow school districts have recently had to experience safety hoaxes of one kind or another. The term most often shared on the news and social media is "swatting". This is highly disruptive to the student learning day, is illegal, and is very scary for families, especially with all the real safety concerns being televised nationally on a daily basis. Under federal law, "swatting" is generally punished as a felony, and a conviction can result in years in prison. We will follow our safety measures accordingly here in Republic and ask our families to have continued discussions with their children on how to report concerns in a timely manner. If you see or hear something, say something.

Graduation is fast approaching and we will have a newer sound system in place to ensure our families can hear and take part in this very important process. The larger HVAC/Plumbing upgrades to the high school, Cameron Building, and shop will start this summer and continue through the fall. The second phase will be windows, doors, lighting, and security, which will continue next year. The legislature has helped provide funds for these needs and is still coming up short due to inflation, costs of supplies, available contractors, and slow supply chain. What was affordable 5 years ago, is out of reach by today's standards. We are exhausting all possibilities and grants to ensure our students and staff have a safe and viable learning environment as our enrollment continues to rise. We are also monitoring and targeting the elementary school roof and fire suppression system for repairs in the very near future.



Please continue to show your support for our track and girl's softball teams! Go Tigers!

Yours in Service,
John Farley
Superintendent

JUNE 9TH
STUDENT'S LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!

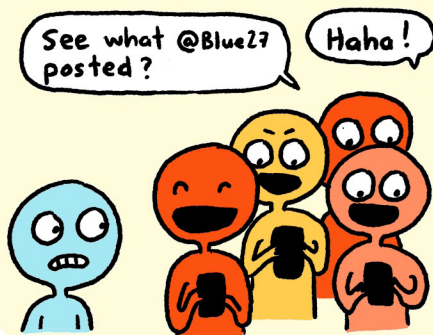
How to make **SOCIAL MEDIA** **SAFER** AND **KINDER**

Social media can be a great way to connect with your friends, but it can also be a cruel and dangerous world. Here's how you can make it a better place for yourself and others.

Don't say anything that you wouldn't say to the other person's face. Insults hurt online too.



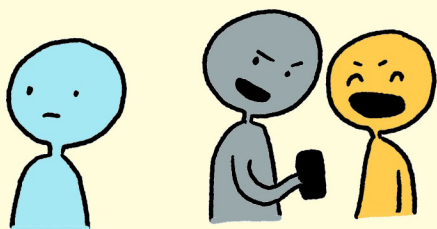
Don't post things you'd be embarrassed about if everyone could see them. Secrets are never safe online.



Remember that everything you post online could stay there forever, even if you delete it.



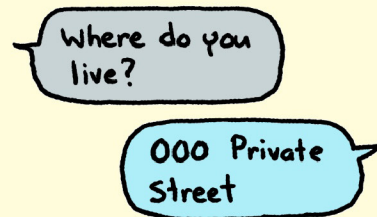
Don't talk behind other people's backs or make fun of them online.



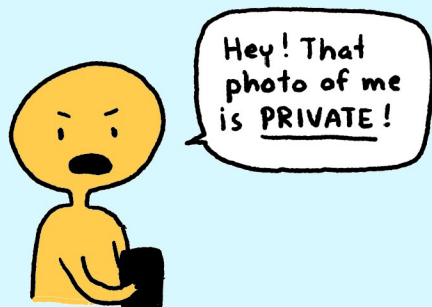
Don't accept friend requests from people you don't know.



Don't share personal information online, and never give anyone your password.



Don't post other people's pics or tag them without their permission.



If a friend is in trouble online, talk to an adult.



Report hateful, violent or inappropriate posts and comments.



MUSIC NOTES



Our High School Band traveled to Deer Park on March 30th and participated in the large group festival. We earned an award of Excellent. The band played well and we had a great time playing on the stage in Deer Park.

❖ Our music Booster Club is up and running again. We have one more meeting this school year. Please come and join us May 9th at 5 p.m.

❖ May is our concert month! Come and join us for one or all of these wonderful events where our Republic students get to share the skills they are learning.

- ★ May 4th-All band and choir concert
- ★ May 11th-Preschool-4th grade
"The Great Outdoors"
- ★ May 18th-Rock Band Concert
- ★ June-Marching Band - local parades



Musically yours,
Sara Cromwell

Don't forget to like us on facebook...RHSmusic

DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF

The district office staff, led by Business Manager Sarah Exner, and supported by Payroll/HR Coordinator Chris Burnside, and Purchasing/Accounts Payable Coordinator Brittany Kersten, operate behind the scenes to keep our school running effectively. They work together to ensure that the school has the financial, material, and employee resources required to provide quality education to the students of RSD.



SCIENCE FAIR by Mr. Zakar

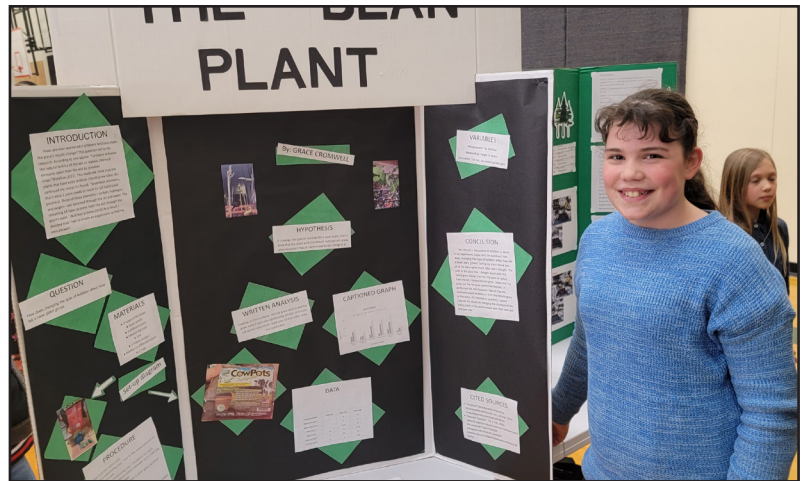
Recently, the Republic School District had an incredible opportunity to participate in a joint science fair event with the Curlew School District, which proved to be a fantastic experience for all involved.

On March 23rd, Republic School District sent its best and brightest fourth, fifth, and sixth-graders to compete at the joint science fair event held at Curlew School District. The event proved to be a remarkable success for the Republic School District, with students bringing home several top prizes. Raina and Taylynn of the fourth grade secured first and second place, respectively. Hope and Ryder of the fifth grade won first place, while Saige and Loraina secured third place. Harper of the sixth grade also bagged third place.

Participating in a joint science fair event with another school district is an excellent opportunity for students to expand their knowledge and learn from other young minds. Events like these provide a unique platform for students to showcase their scientific creativity and innovation, learn from their peers, and build confidence in presenting their ideas to a wider audience.

The Republic School District and Curlew School District's joint science fair event demonstrated the value of collaboration between schools and how such events can enhance the quality of science education. By bringing together students from different districts, participants were exposed to diverse perspectives, innovative ideas, and a sense of community that fosters learning and development.

Science fairs provide a fantastic opportunity for students to apply scientific concepts learned in the classroom and explore science beyond the textbook. Through science fair events, students can develop critical thinking skills, learn to conduct research, design experiments, and communicate their findings to others.



The Republic School District and Curlew School District's joint science fair event was a resounding success, providing a unique opportunity for students to showcase their scientific curiosity and creativity. Such events are invaluable to students' academic growth, as they foster learning, creativity, and innovation. By participating in science fair events, students can develop essential skills that will prepare them for success in their academic and professional careers.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Important Dates and Times for upcoming happenings at Republic School District.

EVENT OR ACTIVITY	LOCATION	TIME	DATE
All Band & Choir Concert	Elementary Gymnasium	6:00 pm	May 4
Music Boosters	Music Room	5:00 pm	May 9
Preschool - 4th Grade Performance	Elementary Gymnasium	6:00 pm	May 11
Rock Band Concert & BBQ	Elementary School	5:30 pm	May 18
School Board Meeting	Tiger Cafe	6:30 pm	May 26
NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day			May 29
Graduation - Class of 2023!	High School Gymnasium	1:00 pm	June 1
Kindergarten Celebration	Elementary Multipurpose Room	1:00 pm	June 7
8th Grade Promotion	High School Gymnasium	6:00 pm	June 8
Student's Last Day of School! Early Release		11:30 am	June 9
Staff Last Day of School!		11:30 am	June 12
School Board Meeting	Tiger Cafe	6:30 pm	June 28



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IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS!

Come cheer on our student athletes!

	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
TRACK	May 2	District #7 1B Championships	Valley Christian, Spokane	2:00
	May 10	1B D7&D9 District Championships	Ritzville HS, Oakesdale Host	1:00
	May 20	1B D7&D9 Regional Championships	Ridgeline HS, Liberty Lake	4:00
	May 27	WIAA 1B, 2B, 1A State Championship	Zaepfel Stadium, Yakima	TBA

	DATE	OPPONENT/ LOCATION	TIME
SOFTBALL	May 2	@ Northport	2:00/4:00
	May 3	@ Tonasket	4:00/6:00
	May 6	League Tournament, Kettle Falls	TBA
	May 19-20	Regional Tournament, Franklin Park	TBA
	May 26-27	State Tournament, Yakima	TBA





ROAR REPORT

by Mr. McRae

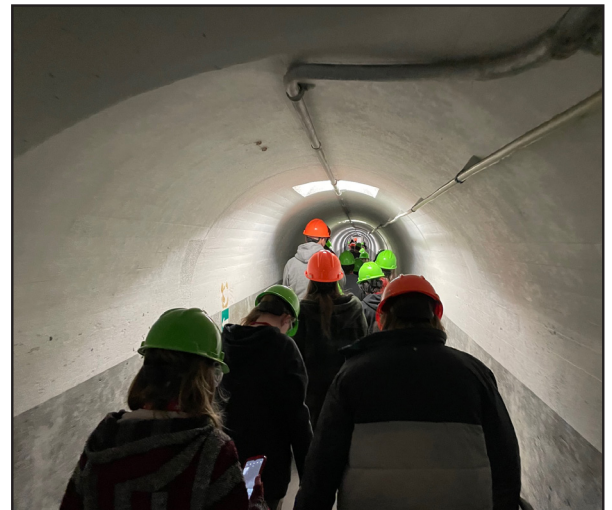
March and April have been busy months for the students of Republic Elementary. Despite winter keeping a firm grip on the county, students have been busy getting outside and exploring the region.

Ms. King's 3rd grade ROAR adventure took students to Stonerose Interpretive Center. Stonerose experts guided the class on the proper technique of splitting rocks to better find fossils. Students were allowed to gather fossils they discovered at the dig site and were also given a special tour of the Republic Historical Society Museum. A big thank you goes out to Travis Wellman, Andy Brockett, Madelaine Perry, and Mary Rourke for making this adventure possible and their support for the students of Republic School District.



Next, Mr. Avila's 4th Grade class traveled to Dry Falls Visitor Center for their adventure. Students were guided on a geologic history lesson by Ranger David McWalter of the Washington State Parks about the Great Missoula Flood and the unique landscape of the channeled scablands of eastern Washington.

Finally, Mr. Winter's 5th Grade class traveled to Grand Coulee Dam to take a V.I.P. tour. Students were allowed inside one of the three powerhouses where the power generating turbines are located. They were guided deep within the tunnels of the dam to depths of 250 feet below current water level. Lastly students were led to the top of the dam where they learned how hydroelectric power is created at Grand Coulee Dam and how the dam was created for irrigating the Columbia Basin and other parts of eastern Washington.



SPRING ROAR ADVENTURE SCHEDULE

Mr. Avila - 4th Grade - Camas Root Gathering Wednesday, May 3rd
Ms. King - 3rd Grade - Stonerose Fossil Dig - Wednesday, May 10th
Mrs. Starr - 2nd Grade - Storytelling, Drum Circle - Wednesday, May 17th
Mrs. Torzewski - Kindergarten - K Diamond K Adventure - Tuesday, May 30th
Mrs. Campbell - 1st Grade - Flower Planting - Thursday, June 1st
Mr. Zakar - 6th Grade - Water Safety and Kayak Adventure - Curlew Lake State Park Wednesday, June 7th
Mr. Winters - 5th Grade - Water Safety and Kayak Adventure - Curlew Lake State Park - Thursday, June 8th

I MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



6th Grade:
Cole Simons



7th Grade:
Haylie Young



8th Grade:
Parker Wren

I.M.A.D.

SECOND QUARTER

Brought to you by Mrs. Young, our
Communities in Schools Coordinator!

Staff nominated 27 middle school students
for "Most Improved".

Each student:

- Has made a consistent positive change
- Has developed more responsibility
- Shows greater academic concerns
- Consistently shows effort to improve general attitude and grades

The students were recognized during a
special assembly where one student from
each grade was chosen as the winner.

Congratulations to the winners &
all the nominees!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



Classes with a attendance
percentage 90% or higher
for a given month win an ice
cream party!

We had three classes with an
attendance percentage 90%
or higher for the month of
February. Congratulations
go out to the 1st Grade, 4th
Grade, & 6th Grade classes.



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