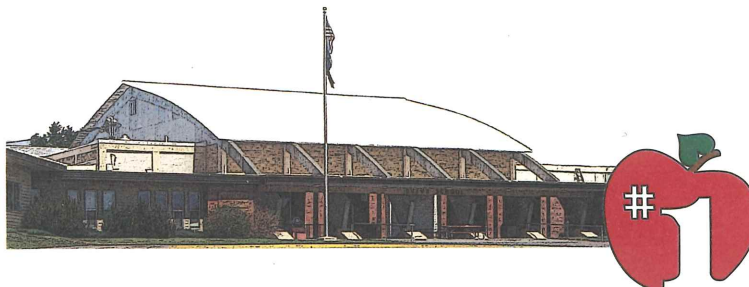


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Dear Dufur School Supporters,

As we reach the 9-week mark of the 2023-2024 school year, there are several highlights I would like to share with you.

- The 2023 Oregon Eightman Classic and Classic Volleyball Tournament were smashing successes. Eighteen football teams and 16 volleyball teams competed in the three-day event. It is our largest yearly fundraiser for Ranger Athletics; this year we raised over \$10,000! Thanks to all the schools that sent teams to Dufur for this amazing event!
- Lindsey Harvey, Dufur School District's Food Services Director, was named the September Employee of the Month. Lindsey does a fantastic job of providing great meals for students and staff, and is always looking for ways to improve the program. She is also in charge of our concessions program which is making record amounts of money due to Lindsey's amazing menus prepared on a regular basis. If you haven't had dinner during a Dufur event this year, you'll want to soon! Thanks to Lindsey Harvey for her dedication to the district in her role as Food Services Director!
- The Jerri Palooza Event in September raised a record amount of money for the Jerri Walker DePriest Memorial Endowment Fund after netting over \$50,000 in one evening. A huge thanks to Shawn Wilkinson and Auction Sales Co. for their contribution of auction services, as well as the countless number of volunteers that make this yearly event! Also, a thank you to Cynthia Kortge for organizing it all. The JWD Fund was started in 1996 and has awarded over \$500,000 in scholarship aid to Dufur graduates. The fund currently has over \$2,000,000 in it!
- The cooling/clean air grant continues; the upper gym now has air conditioning, the main entry will get a new HVAC unit soon, and the main entry and lower gym will receive clean air filtering systems in the next month. These areas will be open to the public during heat events as well as wildfire smoke events in our area.
- The district recently received a \$50,000 grant from the Marie Lamfrom Charitable Foundation to help offset the purchase of the School-Based Health Center.

We look forward to hosting conferences on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of this week!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jack Henderson'.

Jack Henderson, Superintendent