



SCHOOL DISTRICT #29

MARCH 2025

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Board of Directors

The March meeting of the Dufur School District Board of Directors will be held on Monday, March 3rd, at 6 pm. The meeting is open to the public and can also be joined online via Zoom. The Zoom Meeting link, agenda, meeting minutes and video archive can be found on the [Board of Directors](#) page on our website.

Athletics

The Ranger Boys Basketball team will be playing in a state second round playoff game. We will be hosting the Union Bobcats at 4:00 pm on Saturday, March 1st. Go Rangers!

Track and Field season is quickly approaching. High school practice will begin on Monday, March 3rd. Mid-level practices will begin on the Monday following spring break.

Parents of K-8th students have received sign-up information for the upcoming Junior Rangers Football Camp. The camp instruction will take place throughout April, culminating in a Friday Night Lights event on Friday April 25th. The cost is \$60 per participant for the entire series!

Academics

The mid-level 2nd elective trimester will end on Friday, March 7th. Mid-level students will start their final elective trimester on Monday, March 10th.

Stay in Touch!

Did you know that Dufur School has an app? You can download it to any smart device from the App Store or Google Play. Parents can also see all their student's information on ParentVue. Call the school office for more information!

Fundraisers

The FFA Cookie Dough Fundraiser will end on March 7th. If you are interested in purchasing cookie dough, please check with an FFA member. The FFA will be having a Grocery Raffle which will begin on March 19th.

The class of 2028 is having a "Chocolate Fundraiser." Check with a freshman if you would like to make a purchase!

Fire Safety

The 1st & 2nd grades will have a visit from Sparky and Smokey to learn about fire safety on Tuesday, March 4th. The 2nd grade lesson will be from 9-9:30 am, and the 1st grade lesson will be from 9:30 to 10.

FCS Field Trip

The high school Family & Consumer Sciences class will be going to JoAnn Fabric in The Dalles on Tuesday, March 4th. Students will be selecting supplies for their next sewing projects.

MCT

The long awaited Missoula Children's Theater week will begin on Monday, March 10th. The crew from MCT will be here for the week. All students are welcome to try out for a part in this year's production. Schedules and information will be sent out to families soon!

Artist in Residence

The mid-level students will have an opportunity to work with an Artist in Residence during March 17th & 18th.

No School Days

Friday, March 14th is a Staff Development Day. The staff will be having training, and school will not be in session for students.

Spring Break will be the week of March 24th to 28th. School will not be in session for staff or students.

CTE News

The Ranger TECH CTE Skilled Trades & College Fair will take place at Dufur School on Thursday, March 5th. Dufur high school students along with some students from other area schools will be attending. It will take place between 10 am and 2 pm.

Dufur PowWow

The Dufur PowWow will be held on March 21st. All are invited to attend!



Middle School Assembly

The Dufur Mid-Level ASB will be hosting an assembly on March 6th in the upper gym. The assembly will be from 12:03 to 1:26 pm

Community Food Pantry

The Food Pantry located at Dufur School is open each Thursday from 4 to 6 pm. All members of the community are welcome when there is a need for food assistance. If you need emergency food assistance, please call the school office at 541-467-2509.

Dean's Student of the Month

Mr. Colasuonno, the Dufur School Dean of Students, presents a monthly award for the K-12 Student of the Month. This award symbolizes what it means to be a Ranger: positive, encouraging, striving for excellence, team-oriented and an overall productive member of our student body. Congratulations to the January Student of the Month, Kyle Wilson!

Employee of the Month

We are proud to recognize Tiffany Kenslow as our Employee of the month for January. As our dedicated school counselor, Tiffany consistently goes above and beyond to support the well-being of our students and staff. She is not only a source of guidance but also a compassionate and trustworthy

Beyond March...

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| Apr 3 | Class of 2028
Chocolate
Fundraiser
Ends |
| Apr 6 | Jr. Rangers
Football Camp |
| Apr 7 | Class of 2027
Krispy Kreme
Fundraiser
Begins |
| Apr 7 | Dufur School
Library Week
Begins |
| Apr 7 | Dufur School
District Board
of Directors
Meeting |
| Apr 9 | FFA Grocery
Raffle Ends |
| Apr 12 | Jr. Rangers
Football Camp |
| Apr 18 | Distracted
Driving
Assembly |
| Apr 19 | Jr. Rangers
Football Camp |
| Apr 19 | High School
Prom |
| Apr 21 | Class of 2027
Krispy Kreme
Fundraiser
Ends |
| Apr 25 | Jr. Rangers
"Friday Night
Lights" |

presence in their lives. Tiffany creates a safe, welcoming space where students can feel heard, understood, and supported through any challenges they may face. Beyond her work with students, Tiffany is an invaluable resource for our entire school community. She provides guidance and training for staff, equipping them with the knowledge and tools to support student mental health and safety. Her unwavering commitment to fostering a supportive environment ensures that both students and staff feel empowered and prepared. Tiffany's dedication, expertise, and heartfelt care makes a significant impact every day, and we are truly fortunate to have her as part of our school family. Thank you, Tiffany, for being such an amazing advocate and leader!

Students of the 2nd Quarter

Congratulations to the students who were recognized for 2nd quarter: Noah Darnielle, Lillian Brewster, Tuff Justice, Skyler Spink, Lyla Lindell, Marcus Gonzalez, Maggie Ryan, Parker Davis, Jace Davis, Eva Underhill, Ruthie Fain, Carolynn Clausen, Lucinda Hertel, Alex Olson, Averie Kuehnl, Ava Malcolm and Sky Miller!

Employment Opportunities

Dufur School is seeking a dependable and safety-conscious School Bus Driver to join our team as an intermittent, as-needed driver. We are also looking for a High School Assistant Track Coach for this school year. For the 2025-26 school year we are looking for a K-12 principal, an elementary classroom teacher, a 6-12 ELA teacher and a 6-12 Mathematics/STEM teacher. Visit our website for more information about these position.

Dufur Elementary Garden Gets Big Boost from AgWest Grant

The elementary garden committee is full steam ahead with plans to create a garden for preschool-5th grade classrooms. We have finalized a location for the main garden, largely thanks to suggestions from Don and Ted from Today's Rays (who also helped us to establish a target completion date for this project of summer 2025.) We have an ever-growing collection of curricular materials for all of the elementary classrooms as well. Most importantly, though, we just found out that we are going to be awarded a \$3,500 grant from AgWest Farm Credit! This support puts us in a great place to start setting the groundwork for construction in the summer!

Of course, none of this progress would have been possible without the support of our school's grant team; Josie Turner, Kristin Whitley, Andrea Vannata, Jack Henderson, and Bonnie Everson Lepinski. They are to thank for applying for the grant on our behalf! Also, the dedication by our very own elementary garden committee must be recognized. Thank you so much to Nicole Powell, Alice Reffett, Katie Cade, and Sarah Tierney for your commitment to this project!

We will keep you posted as things develop and milestones are reached. And please feel free to contact Ken Talley at ken.talley@dufur.k12.or.us if you are interested in joining our efforts in any way, especially when we organize our summer work crew!



Mock-up of proposed Dufur elementary garden.