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Superintendency message Try something new this year

s a parent of young children, I often need to encourage my kids to eat certain foods at dinnertime. The conversation goes some-

thing like this:



Me: "Hey buddy, can you eat your salad?"

Child: (Silently wonders if ignoring me will work) Me: "C'mon bud,

Dr. Logan Toone

we're in a little bit of a

hurry. Eat your salad please." Child: (Unwilling to give up on quiet resistance, pretends to eat his fruit and chicken — which he's already eaten)

Me: "Son, you need to eat your salad, it's good for you!"

Child: (Reluctantly realizing the futility of his previous methods), "But I don't like this salad."

Me: "You haven't even tried it yet. How do you know you don't like it?"

Child: "I didn't like salad last time we had it."

Me: "But this salad is different. We made it special so you would like it ... Look ... It has pecans in it!"

Child: "I don't like pecans."

Me: "Have you tried pecans? I love pecans!" (snatching a forkful of pecans and salad from my son's plate)

Child: "I don't like pecans."

Me: "They're good! Try them" (with my mouth full of another bite of my son's salad)

Child: "I don't like pecans, and I don't like salad."

Me: (Reluctantly realizing the futil-

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Woods Cross High Principal John Haning (center) points out some of the new features at the school. Construction work over the summer nearly completes the renovation at Woods Cross High. Board of Education members saw the results of a busy summer during a recent construction tour.

District stays busy with summertime projects

ectic." "Crazy." "Busy." Ask department administrators in the Davis School District about summer and those are the words that come to mind.

While students and teachers are out of their buildings for close to three months, a lot goes on behind the scenes to get schools ready for the upcoming school year. From human resources to custodial services, hundreds of district employees are still on the job during the summer.

John Swain, director of environmental services, says: "Summer is a great time for us to do preventative maintenance."

That preventative maintenance includes cleaning boilers, maintaining coolers, cleaning and upgrading school lunchroom walk-in boxes, refrigerators and kitchen appliances. Additionally, the cabinet shop is busy working on classroom and office remodel projects.

Summer is the best time to do many of these projects, because it is a time when the hundreds of students, who normally fill the building, are gone.

Facilities Administrator Gary Payne said the district pushes to complete many projects that can only be completed in the summer including repaving or expanding parking lots, installing air conditioning, window replacements, roofing projects and boiler upgrades. Major remodeling projects also get a boost without building occupants. Once school starts, some work cannot be done until students are out of the building.

"We do many more work orders, because school is not in session, so See SUMMER, Pg. 3

Mark those calendars

hether it be a holiday, professional planning day or other break, it's good to know

when school is not in session.

Here is a list of days school is out:

• Sept. 3 — Labor Day

• Sept. 17 — Professional Day (traditional schedule only)

• Oct. 18-19 — Fall recess

• Oct. 29 — Professional Day (traditional schedule only)

• Nov. 21 — Teacher Compensation Day

• Nov. 22-23 — Thanksgiving break

• Dec. 20 — Early dismissal

• Dec. 21-Jan. 1 — Winter break

• Jan. 10 — Early dismissal (traditional schedule only)

• Jan. 11 — Professional Day (traditional schedule only)

• Jan. 21 — Martin Luther King Jr. Day

• Feb. 18 — President's Day

• March 18 — Professional Day (traditional schedule only)

• April 1-5 — Spring break (traditional schedule only);

• April 4-5 — Spring break for yearround tracks B and C; track D off beginning April 3;

• May 27 — Memorial Day

• May 31 — Last day of school, twohour early dismissal (traditional schedule only).

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ity of my previous methods), "Well, this is a really good salad. Do you mind if I just finish yours?"

As the school year approaches, we all face new challenges - and the best thing to do is to face them head on. Trying new things can lead to remarkable growth, and strength. Whether you're a student facing the challenge of a new grade in school, a teacher facing

New faces in new places

10 become principals at district schools







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for 10 administrators. Addition-

The 10 new principals are:

• Susan Andrews at Kay's

• Adrienne Kennett at Bluff

• Lisa Larkin at Holt Ele-

• Hilaree Lowry at Burton

Elementary. She was an admin-

istrative intern at King Elemen-

mentary. She has been serving

as the interim principal at that

Creek Elementary. She was an

administrative intern at South

Ridge Elementary. She was an

administrative intern at that

ally, nine current principals

have changed locations.

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Lund Poll mentary. He was an administrative intern at Eagle Bay Ele-

ith the start of a new school year

mentary. comes a new role • Michael Page at Oak Hills Elementary. He was an administrative intern at Woods Cross and Hill Field elementaries.

> • Jodi Rees at Sunset Elementary. She was an administrative intern at Vae View Elementary.

• Scott Richardson at Muir Elementary. He was an administrative intern at that school and Bountiful Elementary.

• Travis Lund is at South Davis Junior High. He was an assistant principal at Woods Cross High School.

• Tyler Poll is at North Davis Junior High. He was an assistant principal at Northridge High.

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• Darrin Nash at Doxey Ele-

the challenge of implementing a new instructional strategy, a parent facing the challenge of sending your first child to kindergarten (or junior high) - remember the words of Dr. Seuss. "You'll never be bored when you try something new. There's really no limit to what you can do!"

On behalf of the Davis School District I wish you a wonderful end of summer, and an amazing start of the new school year!

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we go full blast," Payne said. "It seems like it doubles in the summer."

Snapshot of some summer projects

- 22,984 computers set up
- 372 insurance changes

• 158 substitute teacher applications reviewed

• 1,000 people fingerprinted

• 615 security badges printed

• 45 portable classrooms moved

• 90 kitchen appliances cleaned

• 35 boilers torn down and cleaned, routine maintenance on 50 others

• 32 locations of asphalt maintenance — includes 178,733 linear feet of crack seal, 100,932 square feet of patch, 180,806 square feet of overlay and 1,615,236 square feet of seal coat. Within the chool

buildings themselves, custodians are deep cleaning to prepare each and every classroom for the new year.

If you happen by the human resources department in the summer, you can't help but notice the line of people waiting for help. That staff keeps busy with hirings, retirements, fingerprinting and trainings.

Speaking of why so many departments are busy in the summer, Human Resources Director Suzi Jensen says, "It's not the way you think it would be, but when you look inside

you see it's all the moving parts."

One item keeping her staff busy this summer is printing security badges for employees. With an increased emphasis on security, she said, the office has been inundated with employees needing updated badges. Additionally, teachers and district employees keep fingerprinting busy as those files are updated for background checks.

Over in the Teaching and Learning Department, summer is all about trainings. Director Belinda Kuck said summer is the best time to conduct professional development because it doesn't pull teachers out of the classroom. Those trainings include more than 400 teachers attending the Advanced Placement Summer Institute. Hundreds more have undergone content training, including several trainings on using digital tools.

Additionally, the department hosted elementary science camp, language camp, summer school for grades 7-12 and bridge math courses for students who need extra help as they transition from one math course to the next.

"It's one of our busiest times," Kuck said. "We have more of an opportunity to train and help teachers. And we're getting everything uploaded and ready for teachers."

What you need to know about school lunch

Food Allergies in School

Davis School District recognizes a number of students have food allergies.

It is our goal to create a safe environment for students who have food allergies by developing model guidelines to be followed throughout the entire school.

The meal item ingredients, and Special Meal Request Form are available on the nutrition services website.

The gluten free menu and carbohydrate information is available at: http://davis.nutrislice.com

Parents should notify teachers of students with food allergies at enrollment.

Free and reduced lunch

All applications must be completed online with your my.DSD guardian account.

Your children may qualify for free OR reduced price school meals if your household gross income falls within the federal government guidelines.

Parents/guardians are responsible to pay for all meals until the application has been processed and approved.

2018-2019 Meal Prices				
\$1.85 Elementary	\$2.25 Secondary			
\$1.35 Elementary	\$1.40 Secondary			
Breakfast	Breakfast			
\$.40 Reduced Price Lunch	\$3.40 Adult Lunch \$2 Adult Breakfast			
\$.30 Reduced Price Breakfast	Lunch menus			

Lunch payments

• Lunch Payments are no longer accepted at the Nutrition Services Office.

• Cash and check payments are accepted in the school lunchrooms.

• Online payments through MyDSD can be made 24/7.

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Changing locations are: Michelle Fredericks to Crestview Elementary; Ruthanne Keller to Heritage Elementary; Marilyn Merkley to Syra-

cuse Elementary; Vanessa Mori to Endeav-

our Elementary;

Chris Whitaker to Foxboro Elementary; TJ Barker to Junior High No. 17;

Spencer Hansen to Kaysville Junior High;

Lori Hawthorne to Central Davis Junior High, and

Curtis Stromberg to Centerville Junior High.

Back to School with new clothes



Students look for the essentials with their volunteers. Pink shoes are a favorite with the girls.





High school volunteers paint faces in the parking lot of Kohl's.



Volunteers from the community and district schools help the students shop.

Child Spree provides for children in need

hild Spree, an annual event hosted by the Davis Education Foundation, provides at-risk students with clothing essentials for the first day of school.

On Aug. 3, nearly 300 children and more than that number of volunteers gathered at the Layton Kohl's for the event. Volunteers helped students choose new clothes, shoes, backpacks, books, and toothbrushes.

The event is possible thanks to the help of many sponsors and volunteers. It has been ongoing for more than a decade.

Foundation Director Jodi Lunt considers Child Spree a great success.

"If young people don't have their basic needs met," Lunt said, "they cannot academically perform to their optimal potential.

"Because of our fantastic partners, we are able to meet these kids' basic needs and put them on the right track for learning."

Students walk away from Child Spree with a load of new stuff.