

*Shadow Butte  
Elementary*

**School Board Update**

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For May 2024

# PRINCIPAL'S BRIGHT SPOTS



- I was thrilled to celebrate this year's Core Values Awards at our school, celebrating students who embody our principles of being Safe, Responsible, Respectful, and Honest. In addition to recognizing these exemplary individuals, we've introduced the prestigious Top Dog award, honoring those who consistently demonstrate all of our core values. It was a fun way to celebrate our outstanding students with their families and our school community.
- Our end-of-year celebrations, featuring the 5th Grade Promotion and Kindergarten Celebration, were a wonderful opportunity to recognize the incredible growth of our students. It was particularly inspiring to hear Cooper Askew, our class president, address his classmates and families during his 5th-grade speech. We are immensely proud of Cooper and his peers, who will be dearly missed as they move on to their next exciting chapter.
- Please direct your attention to the heartwarming photo at the end of this report, capturing a young kindergarten boy hugging his classmate and friend. The young girl was feeling sad and missing her family, and her friend joined me in comforting her. Witnessing such empathy and kindness from him in that moment was truly inspiring. His encouraging words and compassion are a testament to the powerful lessons our students teach us every day.
- Lastly, what would an elementary school be without fun? As we wrapped up the school year, our students enjoyed a variety of exciting activities, including field trips, field day, and a school-wide kickball tournament featuring a thrilling staff vs. 5th grade match. These joyful events created lasting memories and celebrated the end of a fantastic year. Thanks for trusting me to lead our school.

# INSTRUCTIONAL COACH BRIGHT SPOTS



- **Reading Growth Goals**

I would like to recognize Mrs. Kaitlyn Bailey, Mrs. Andrea Poser, and Miss Courtney Thomas for their teamwork and collaboration throughout the school year dedicated to student learning and meeting needs of all students through alignment of core and small group instruction. Our 2nd grade team proved successful each month and ended the year with high rates of achievement, with 78% of 2nd graders meeting Individual Growth Goals.

Throughout the School Year Shadow Butte Elementary focussed on student growth in reading as measured by the Istation (ISIP) Reading monthly progress monitoring. Most classes met the 50% +1 rate of growth goal, but many found achieving at a high rate a challenging goal. Our 2nd grade team provides a strong example for grade level PLC teacher teams to implement successful instruction and intervention.

- **Strength of our Team**

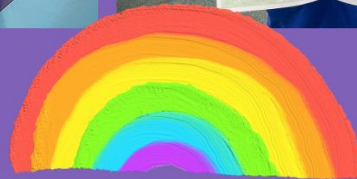
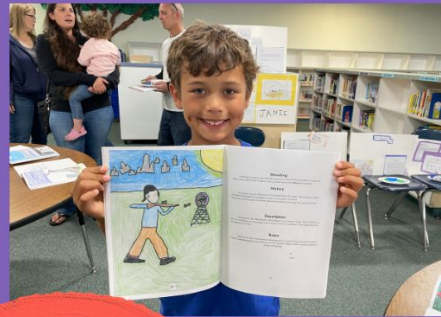
Shadow Butte Elementary staff prides itself in our positive, supportive learning environment. I would like to recognize and celebrate our entire staff for a successful year! 50% of our teachers were either new to the classroom, new to our district or new to a grade level. We had 5 new to Emmett school district teachers this year and 4 others that changed teaching positions. Upon reflecting on the school year with each teacher at our school, I heard many times how encouraged and appreciated staff members felt, and that Shadow Butte Elementary is a special place to work because of the supportive environment of our entire school.

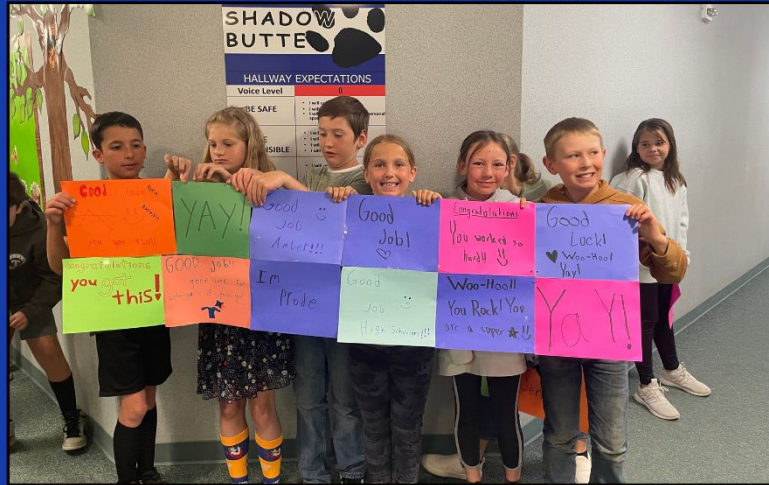
# END OF YEAR AWARDS ASSEMBLY





# END OF YEAR FUN





# SAYING GOODBYE

