Kestrel Chronicle

Columbia River Elementary School
Amanda Wilson, Principal

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

April 2025

Principally speaking . . .

Dear Columbia River Families,

Spring has arrived, bringing longer days, blooming flowers, and fresh opportunities for growth! As we head into Spring Break (March 31-April 4), we encourage our students to rest, recharge, and enjoy time with family. When we return, we will be in the home stretch of the school year, and it's an important time for learning.

This month, we are launching out Kindness Campaign, encouraging students to "plant seeds of kindness" through their words and actions. Our campaign kicks off on April 14th with a spirit week and will include weekly lessons on kindness and acceptance. Whether it's including a new friend at recess, helping a classmate, or writing a kind notes, small acts can make a big impact. We invite families to join us in celebrating kindness at home, too!

With spring comes assessment season, where students will have the opportunity to showcase all they have learned this year. We encourage families to help their students do their best by ensuring they get plenty of rest, eat a healthy breakfast, and arrive at school on time. A positive mindset can make a big difference – let's cheer our students on as they soar to success!

Thank you for your continued support in making Columbia River Elementary a place where students grow, learn, and thrive. Enjoy your Spring Break, and let's finish the year strong!

Watch Us Rise!

Amanda Wilson



Dates To Remember

Happy Spring Break	Mar 31 - Apr 4
PTO Meeting 6:00 p.m.	8
Effort Assemblies 9:25-9:55—K, 1 10:20-10:50– 2, 3 1:45-2:15—4, 5	11
Kindness Campaign **Spirit Week**	14 - 18
CBC Planetarium Chander, Sandoval, Ruvalcaba 9:15-10:45 a.m.	14
CBC Planetarium Culverwell, O'Brien, du Plessis 9:15-10:45 a.m.	15
Salmon Celebration 4th grade Sacajawea St. Park 9:10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	15
Day the Crayons Quit ~ 1st Grade Program 6:00 p.m.—family performance	17
Coffee with the Principal 9:15 a.m.	18

Columbia River P.T.O.

kestrelpridepto@gmail.com

Calling all parents! We are looking for parents/guardians that want to be involved in our P.T.O group for Columbia River Elementary School. If you are interested, please send your contact information to kestrelpridepto@gmail.com.

Monthly P.T.O. Meeting

The next monthly P.T.O. meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the school library.

Everyone is invited to attend and participate in our P.T.O. group.

Upcoming Events

- April 8 ~ PTO Meeting
- April 22 ~ Earth Day

2025-2026 Student Registration is Now Open

Registration is open for the 2025-2026 school year. We are encouraging parents of upcoming kindergarten students to get registered. As well as any student who is new to our area.

THE PROCESS IS EASY:

Go to www.psd1.org/register and click on the 'Register your Student' button and follow the instructions.

INFORMATION NEEDED TO REGISTER:

- Age verification (state issued birth certificate, previous school records, entry in family bible, other)
- Immunization records
- Proof of district residency (utility bill, lease, other)
- Health history with list of allergies and current medications

DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPUTER?

We have kiosks for you to use!

Kindness Campaign

Spirit Week

April 14
Pajama and High 5 Day

April 15
Sports Day to show teamwork

April 16
Bring a small item from home . . . because small acts of kindness can make a difference.

April 17
Disney Day

April 18
Shine Bright—wear bright colors



We will have a supply distribution date in May for our 2025-2026 kindergarten students. Along with that, we will pass out some worksheets and helpful tips for parents leading up to the start of school.