

Summer Jumpstart Program

Grant Union's Summer Jumpstart Program is designed for incoming seventh and eighth-grade students, using local history, field trips, and hands-on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) activities to reinforce junior high curriculum and prepare students for the upcoming school year. In a few short weeks, students learned history, science, art, engineering, and problem-solving. They visited Color Me Ceramics, local museums, and traveled to Burns, French Glen, Bend, and Pendleton. Thank you, Dennise Blevins, Marissa Smith and Fallen Lusco for your hard work and dedication to the Summer Jumpstart Program!



Summer School at Humbolt Elementary

Summer school for kindergarten through sixth-grade students from Humbolt Elementary School and Seneca Elementary School was held at Humbolt Elementary from June 29 to August 6. They averaged 25 students daily, with each student receiving a free snack and lunch through the Summer Lunch Program.

Students rotated through four different classes each day: Math, ELA (Reading & Writing), Science, and SEL (Social & Emotional Learning), and ended their day with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math). Thank you to the Grant County ESD for access to their STEM library! The group also went on three field trips: the Grant County Museum, where students learned about local history; the Hill Family Park, where they walked along the river trail and completed a nature scavenger hunt; and the Grantville Theater, where staff celebrated each students' commitment and hard work with a trip to the theater to watch a movie and end the final day of summer school with a special treat.

All of the staff and students would like to send a special shout-out to Gary Vanderstelt, Grant School District 3 Transportation Manager (and their personal bus driver for the summer). Gary, thank you for being so flexible with our Summer School program at Humbolt and jumping in to help with whatever we needed!

Thank you to all our summer school staff: Andrea Ashley, Elijah Humbird, Kelli McLeod, Bobbee Boethin, Marci Judd, Jennifer Reyes, Shanley Cobb, Bri Majors, Fallen Lusco, Bry Gabbard, Mallory Thomas, and Aaliyah Judd. We would also like to thank our two amazing high school students: Noah Cobb and Ivy Laframboise. We had a great group of people who dedicated their time to supporting students in the program, and we couldn't have done it without each one of their unique talents and contributions.

Also, a huge shout-out to each of our parents. Thank you to every parent who supported and encouraged their child to attend summer school. Your ongoing support of your child's education will contribute greatly to their continued growth and success!



Summer school students stop to pose with sad expressions in front of the Greenhorn Jail at the Grant County Museum in Canyon City during a recent field trip.