Little Pro Football Camp...

Our Little Pros had a great time at the two-week Youth Flag Football Camp put on by Grant School District 3 in partnership with John Day/Canyon City Parks & Rec! We had 27 amazing participants in 3rd through 5th grade who learned new skills, built confidence, worked as a team, and most importantly, had FUN! The camp wrapped up with an exciting game played under the lights on Grant Union's football field! A HUGE thank you to our volunteer coaches for giving their time, sharing their knowledge, and helping make this camp such a great experience for our young athletes. Our community is lucky to have people willing to invest in our kids! Way to go, Little Pros! We can't wait to see you on the field next year!



-Charissa Moulton, Humbolt Dean of Students

Once a Teacher, Always a Teacher!

Some connections to Seneca Elementary last a lifetime! Adele Cerny spent decades teaching at our little school before retiring about 15 years ago. Recently, she donated a wonderful collection of books for our students to enjoy. How special it is to have someone who gave so many years to Seneca continue to give back to the next generation of readers. Thank you, Adele, for always being part of our Seneca family!

-Stacy Durych, Seneca Elementary Teacher

Thank You, Local Firefighters!

There is something special about having real-life heroes visit our little mountain school! In October, our local firefighters spent time with the students, answering questions, sharing fire safety lessons, and giving them an opportunity to learn from the people who help keep our community safe. Thank you for taking time out of your busy day to make learning come alive for our students!

-Stacy Durych, Seneca Elementary Teacher

Finley Steps Up...

It is nice to know that when another school has a bus breakdown, our community steps up. Aaron Finley jumped in to get Irrigon's Soccer Bus back on the road and get the kids and coaches home. Thanks, Aaron, for all you do for Grant Union!

-Andy Lusco, GU Vice-Principal/Athletic Director

Raymond Makes Learning an Adventure!

A special shout-out to Mrs. Raymond for all the creativity, energy, and heart she brings to Seneca Elementary. Whether she's working with our youngest learners, encouraging curiosity through hands-on activities, or helping take learning beyond the classroom walls, she reminds us that some of the best lessons come from doing, exploring, and experiencing. Thank you for making our little school such a special place to learn!

-Stacy Durych, Seneca Elementary Teacher

Turning Bottles, Cans into Opportunities!

A big thank you to our Seneca staff and Jay and Hunter Durych for rolling up their sleeves and helping our students sort and redeem bottles and cans. All that sorting and collecting added up to $240 for our PTA! What a great reminder for our students that even something as simple as recycling can make a difference when we work together. We appreciate everyone who helped make it happen!

-Stacy Durych, Seneca Elementary Teacher

Reitz Family Pumpkin Patch...

A huge shoutout and thank you to the Reitz Family for allowing Humbolt students to visit their amazing Pumpkin Patch and pick a pumpkin to take home. Thank you to Humbolt PTA for purchasing a pumpkin for each student.

-Humbolt Elementary Staff and Students





Thank you, Jim & Beth Spell!

Last year, our kindergarteners planted their very own pumpkin seeds, returning this year as 1st-graders to pick the pumpkins they grew! Mr. and Mrs. Spell made the day even more special by baking cookies and reading pumpkin books! Thank you for opening your home and giving us such a fun, hands-on learning experience. We truly appreciate the time, effort, and love you put into making this such a memorable experience!

Vanessa Houpt, Humbolt 1st-Grade Teacher





Shout Outs

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