

# Eagle



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## Money, Money, Money

It makes the world go round. It is the root of all evil. Money is a lot of things but one thing it is important for is funding schools. We are lucky to have gotten a number of grants this year to purchase some items for our Natural Resource and Business programs at the high school.

We received about \$2000 from our CTSOs groups. CTSO stands for Career and Technical Student Organization. These groups, such as FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), FFA (Future Farmers of American, and FNRL (Future Natural Resource Leaders) support our CTE (Career and Technical Education) classes with competitions and activities that help students use their skills taught in CTE classes. We have an FBLA chapter and a FNRL chapter here at YHS. With our money this year, we paid for our chapters' membership and dues. We will also be purchasing extra axes for the axe throw, part of the FNRL competition and other equipment for our FNRL competitions.

Another money source we have at YHS is the Perkins Grant money. It is money set aside from the federal government to use for improvement for CTE programs. Officially, at the high school, we have two CTE programs, Business and Natural Resources. We are also working to have our woods and metals programs become part of the official CTE programs. With our Perkins money this year, we were able to purchase clinometers, a hypsometer, and tree borers, all tools that we will use in forestry.

And the final pile of money we received this year was money related to Perkins and CTE called Career Pathway funding. Career Pathway funding gives programs money for having students that finish their "pathway" in CTE. This means taking three credits in the area of focus. We were surprised to get any money because our program had just started. Most programs do not receive funds until it is three years old. The total funds we received for Career Pathways was \$2000 and we will be purchasing two brand new chainsaws with it.

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Money isn't everything but it sure helps us buys items that will help us improve our programs and bring real world experience to our students.



We all know that middle and high school age students love to argue. So why not do it constructively?

For their final exam in AVID for Semester 1, the AVID 8 class is Taking a Stand. They are taking a stand on something they wish to create an argument about, then researching the topic and ultimately, writing a 2-4-page paper on their choice. Students chose individually and submitted for approval. Some topics include "Should students be required to say the Pledge of Allegiance?", "Should screen time be limited for kids?", "Is the world overpopulated?", "Are we doing enough to stop pollution?". Students will be submitting these papers for grading on January 30<sup>th</sup> and we cannot wait to see what they decide!

#### Career and College Info!

The first and third Wednesday of each month is a Career and College Dress up Day. Students and staff are encouraged to wear a shirt, hat or sweatshirt that expresses a future career or college interests. This could be joining a branch of the military, attending a trade school, a community college, or a university. We are also featuring one career and one community college or university each month on our front bulletin board. This month we are featuring the career of Veterinary Technician and Linn Benton Community College. Be sure to participate and check the information out!



#### January

22nd HS Girls' BB @ Sutherlin 6:00

23rd MSGBB Glide 4:30

24th HSBB @ Elkton 3:00

STUDENT SCHOOL DAY

25th HSBB UVC & Siletz 4:30

28th HSBB Days Creek 3:00

MSGBB @ Oakland 4:30

30th MSGBB Elkton 4:30

END OF FIRST QUARTER

31st HSBB North Douglas 3:30

#### February

1st FBLA Regional Skills Conference

4th HS Girls' BB 6:00

MSGBB @ UVC 4:30

6th MSGBB North Douglas 4:30

7th HSBB SENIOR NIGHT Camas Valley 4:30

MSGBB @ B Tourney Drain 9:00

11th MSGBB @ Glide 4:30

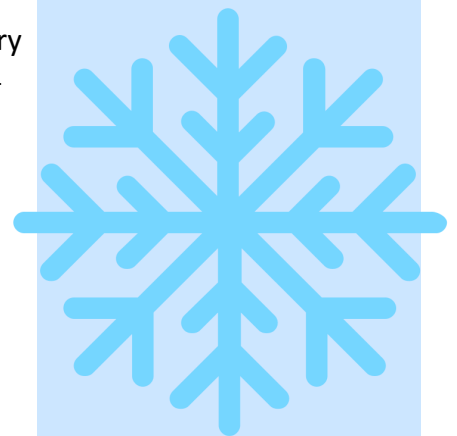
13th HSBB Oakland 5:30

MSGBB Oakland 4:30

14th HSBB @ Pacific 3:30

17th No School

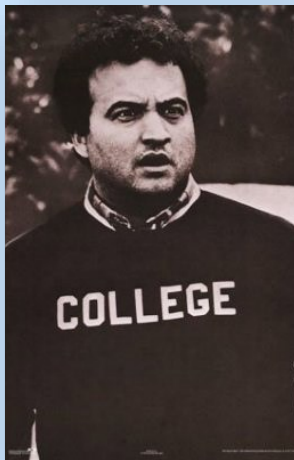
21st STUDENT SCHOOL DAY



**Yoncalla School  
District Priorities**

1. Each student will enjoy positive, engaging learning environments.
2. Each child will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful in post secondary education and careers, and the self-reliance to be a productive citizen.
3. A strong sense of community is recognized and nurtured among all stakeholders
4. Facilities and finances are managed effectively and efficiently for the benefit of each child.

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month is college t-shirt day. Be proud and wear the college or career t-shirt of your choice.



**The kinders look forward to the smart readers every week, and every other week they get to keep a book to take home.**





## Student of the Month



Misty Carrell  
Yoncalla High School



Daniel Catalan  
Yoncalla Middle School



Mateo Peralta  
YES 3-6



Gage Richardson  
YES K-2

## INDUSTRY TOURS

For the past three months, our school has been invited to local businesses for industry tours. These tours are focused on jobs that have family wage jobs that do not require a college degree such as welding, electric work, and wood working. The tours have been small and do a good job of covering salary, benefits, continuing education, what's required on the job, and expectations of employers.

The first industry tours were held at Con-vey and FCC. There were many jobs at both companies that required more on the job training than classwork-type training. At Con-vey, they make conveyer belt items. Jobs there include engineers (those jobs do require degrees), electrical positions, welding, and finish work. FCC makes furniture for restaurants and has many jobs that require on-the-job training for fiberglass coating, welding jobs, and graphic arts.

The second tours were at Roseburg Forest Products and Great Northern Trailer Works. Both were interesting tours and again demonstrated that there are plenty of jobs in Douglas County that do not require a college degree. Job satisfaction seemed high because many of the employee at each business were long-term. Pay and benefits information was shared and it appeared that employees were treated well on that front, as well.

This month's tours were to Umpqua Dairy and Delfino Vineyards. While the tour was interesting and freezing (there was a stop in a -50F freezer!), everyone agreed that the highlight was the award winning Butter Toffee Crunch that was given to the students at the end.

The purpose of the tours is to give a taste of what's available in the job market to those students that just are not interested in college. This used to be the majority of jobs in the job market, but today, that is not true. Hundreds of thousands of skilled workers are leaving the workforce, leaving openings that cannot be filled. Perhaps this will spark a few students and get them into a career.



Students all dressed up for the tour of Umpqua Dairy.



**American  
Red Cross**

*Thank you!*



## Yoncalla High School

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Sponsor Group

1/16/20

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Date of Drive

33

Total Number of Donors

7

First Time Donors

21

Units Collected

63

Potential Number of Lives Saved

**When you made the decision to host a blood drive, you helped change lives.**



## Community Volunteers



Tonight's recognition is presented to Dale and Robin Pritchett. Dale and Robin are an amazing partnership, both personally and in their volunteer endeavors, so it seemed only fitting that we honor them together.

Dale and Robin (and their family) are part of a nine-member Board of Directors and cornerstones in the Christmas for Kids program- a volunteer driven project ensuring families throughout Douglas County are thought of during the holiday season and beyond. In partnership with numerous contributors, the largest being the employees of Roseburg Forest Products (RFP), funds are collected to serve nearly 1,800 children throughout the entire county. Employees of RFP are given the option to donate a small sum of their paycheck each month, sometimes as little as \$5, and their employer provides some matching contributions. These donations accumulate over time, resulting in providing children with much needed winter clothing, shoes, diapers, warm socks and a few new toys.

What makes this program unique is the target population. Early on, Robin explained the priority population was not just the most needy... but rather the families that are working hard to make ends meet, that may be just making it month to month and something "extra" such as car repairs, extra school fees, unexpected sickness etc creates a gap. Both Robin and Dale shared their goal of ensuring Christmas was a time for family and joy, rather than stress from financial pressure.

How does this impact Yoncalla? Robin literally cried when she connected with an organization in North Douglas County. See, she and her husband are originally from Yoncalla and understand the complex needs of young families in the area. Our first year, we were able to serve maybe 20 children and every year since, we have increased that number. This year, nearly 200 children were served in North Douglas County, many from Yoncalla.

Thank you Robin and Dale for your exceptional commitment to Yoncalla. You demonstrate the power of kindness and empathy, the importance of service and the significance of "coming home".

