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Update

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There are some new faces in the Yoncalla Pre-school team. We would like to introduce our new teaching staff Jessica Smith and Marlii Smith! This is their first time stepping into the classroom as official lead teachers but they have been working with Yoncalla students for years. We are so excited to see the fun, creativity, joy, and magic they will add to our school family. Our new friends Sam Niko, Hailey Orr, Brittany Russell, and Aaliyah Singler have been added to our teacher aid team. We are so lucky to have such a strong staff to help us welcome in the new school year!



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Hilbun Completes Summer Internship at Great Northern

This past summer, Yoncalla Senior Mason Hilbun, participated in an internship through Umpqua Community College at Great Northern Trailers in Sutherlin. Mason learned about the possibility of an internship/work experience when he attended an Industry Tour his sophomore year, but it was last year – as a junior – when his Careers teacher, Kristy Westbrook, and UCC Work Based Learning Coordinator Aaron Towne, presented him with the opportunity, that it became a reality.

Mr. Towne worked with Mrs. Westbrook to guide Mason through the application and interview process where he was ultimately offered a 200-hour internship with the option of 100 additional hours.

During his internship, Mason learned landscape maintenance, introductory electrical work (wiring brake lines and connections to junction boxes), and finish work like decking trailers and putting on tires. In addition to the physical skills learned, Mason also learned soft skills. His biggest take away was that having the skill gets you the job, but your perseverance and dedication is what keeps you there.

Mr. Towne noted that “Mason exemplified all of the traits needed to be successful. He was so ambitious and has been working on getting this internship for two years. Once he solidified his position at Great Northern Trailers, he



was punctual, committed, detail oriented, hardworking, honest, and humble. The owner of GNT told me that he would take 10 Mason's at his organization. That spoke volumes to his character and quality of work. We are so proud of Mason and look forward to all the amazing things he accomplishes to come.” At the end of his internship, Mason was recognized by Mr. Towne for his work ethic and gifted a welding hood and jacket. Mr. Towne shared that Mason is a phenomenal young man and that it was an emotional day.

When asked what advice he had for kids looking into internships or going in to the workforce Hilbun said “Apply yourself. Don't be scared to get into the real world. Put in the effort, ask questions, and always know what you are doing. If you do that, you will set yourself up well.”

VOLLEYBALL 2024



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.





FOOTBALL 2024

Middle/High School Students of the Month—September

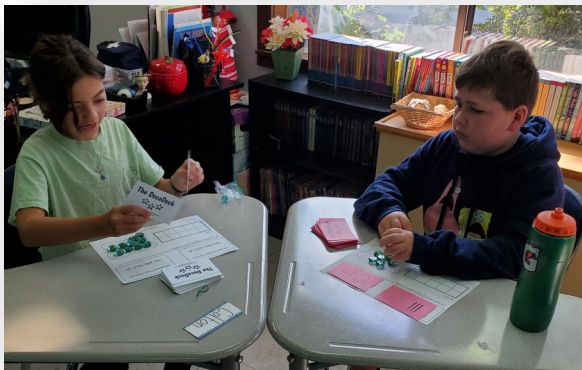
Yoncalla Middle School
September 2024
Max Hemholtz
Adaleigh Bowman

Yoncalla High School
September 2024
Seth Wells
Jayden Churchwell



4th grade Update

This year's 4th grade students got off to a great start learning about collaborating with math skills games. They can play a "mean" game of Deck-a-Deck! They also enjoyed exploring "read to self" activities around the classroom. As you can see, they were more than happy to be under their desks with or without a flip chair and/or pillows. What a great group of students!



The Word from Middle School

Students in Mrs. Westbrook's seventh and eighth-grade English Language Arts classes have had fun creating and presenting the literary and informational text signposts that appear throughout the fiction, nonfiction, and poetry selections in our newer HMH ELA textbooks. They even came up with their own "sticky" ways to remember the signposts, and what they mean, by collaborating on motions that represent each one! Our ELA curriculum will be on display at our upcoming YHS/YMS Open House On Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., or stop in to check out all of their ELA artwork in Mrs. Westbrook's room during the open house as well! Kudos to the middle school ELA students for making learning together so fun and engaging!

