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# At the Peak



A newsletter for Ophir Middle School and Lone Peak High School



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## Important Announcements

*From the Office*

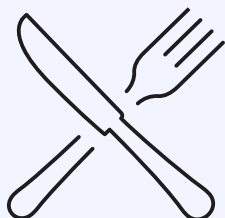
**PSAT:** Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>  
Grades 9-11 \*More info on page 2.\*



**Parenting Presentation**  
Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> WMPAC  
5:30-7:00 p \*See page 3\*

**Parent - Teacher Conferences:**  
Wednesdays, November 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

## MENU



**PSAT will be administered on Tuesday, October 20, to grades 9-11.**

**12<sup>th</sup> graders will have a work from home day.**

The PSAT will start immediately at 8:25 am. Thank you for being on time.

*Students will be excused at 11:30 am (or 12:45 for those with extended time) to leave campus for the rest of the day after signing out in the office.* If you would prefer for your student to stay at school after they complete their test, please email [aromine@bssd72.org](mailto:aromine@bssd72.org).

If your child receives testing accommodations (separate setting with extended time per their 504 or IEP plan) those will be followed. If they do not want to receive these accommodations for the PSAT, please contact Dr. Joy Brooke as soon as possible [jbrooke@bssd72.org](mailto:jbrooke@bssd72.org)



## **OMS Honors Distinction/Passion Project**



OMS students are invited to participate in the Honors Distinction/Passion Project during their Study Skills class. All middle school students who receive grades of A or B during quarterly grade checks are eligible to participate in the Honors Distinction program. This program enables students to undertake independent Passion Projects, where they work on a topic approved by a teacher or administrator during their Study Skills classes.

The Passion Project encourages students to explore topics they are passionate about, conduct in-depth research, and ultimately create a product or presentation to showcase their findings. These projects not only foster critical thinking, creativity, and problem-solving skills but also promote a sense of ownership in the learning process.

The first meeting will be on Tuesday, October 20th, during OMS lunch. **For students interested in participating in the OMS Honors Program please email Mrs. Romine at [aromine@bssd72.org](mailto:aromine@bssd72.org).**

Dr. Mitchem will be advising all interested students.

For more information, check out this link: [Passion Project/Honors Distinction Ophir Middle School: Exploring What Matters Most to You](#)

## **Mrs. Martinez Senior Newsletter**

### **TO DO:**

- Work on Common App - Invite Mrs. Martinez
- Ensure Letters of Recommendation Asks are Completed
- Draft your 1-page Resume
- Keep Crushing!!

**CAP & GOWN ORDERS ARE PAST DUE -**

**\*\*EMAIL MRS. ROMINE WITH QUESTIONS\*\***

**Thank you for your great job  
keeping the senior lounge tidy!!**



**Lone Peak High School will be again participating in Big Sky Resort’s M-Bar-T Program.**

**All 9th - 12th Graders who have achieved a 3.0 GPA or higher for the semester on the November 4th grade check of the 2026-27 school year will be eligible to participate.** The school will be submitting a list of eligible students to the resort and will send the application to those eligible students after the November 3rd grade check.

The program offers the following passes for the 2026-2027 Season:

- **M-Bar-T Black Season Pass** (No Tram Access, No Blackout Dates)
  - \$560 + 4% resort tax (\$582.40 total)
- **M-Bar-T Blue Season Pass** (No Tram Access, No Saturdays, Blackout Dates (12/26-12/30, 1/16-17, 2/13-14))
  - \$335 + 4% resort tax (\$348.40 total)
- **Unlimited Tram Add On** (purchased with one of the above passes)
  - \$500 (Black - \$1092, Blue - \$894.40)



Save the Date

# Parenting Adolescents

## Being the Right Size Pot for a Growing Plant

A presentation for Big Sky parents about teen development, substance use, and the adolescent social landscape.

**We'll explore...**

- Adolescent development and changing brains
- The social landscapes of teen life (including substance use & process addictions)
- How to set supportive boundaries while giving space to grow
- Tools for connection, communication, and confidence

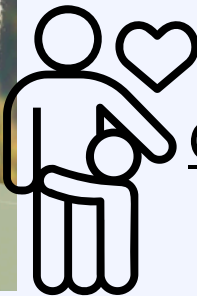
Thursday, Oct 29th  
5:30 - 7:00 PM

WMPAC,  
Lone Peak HS

BIG SKY, MONTANA



9th Grade Biology investigating the scientific method and identifying variables!



Mrs. Martinez's  
Counseling Update



You Matter

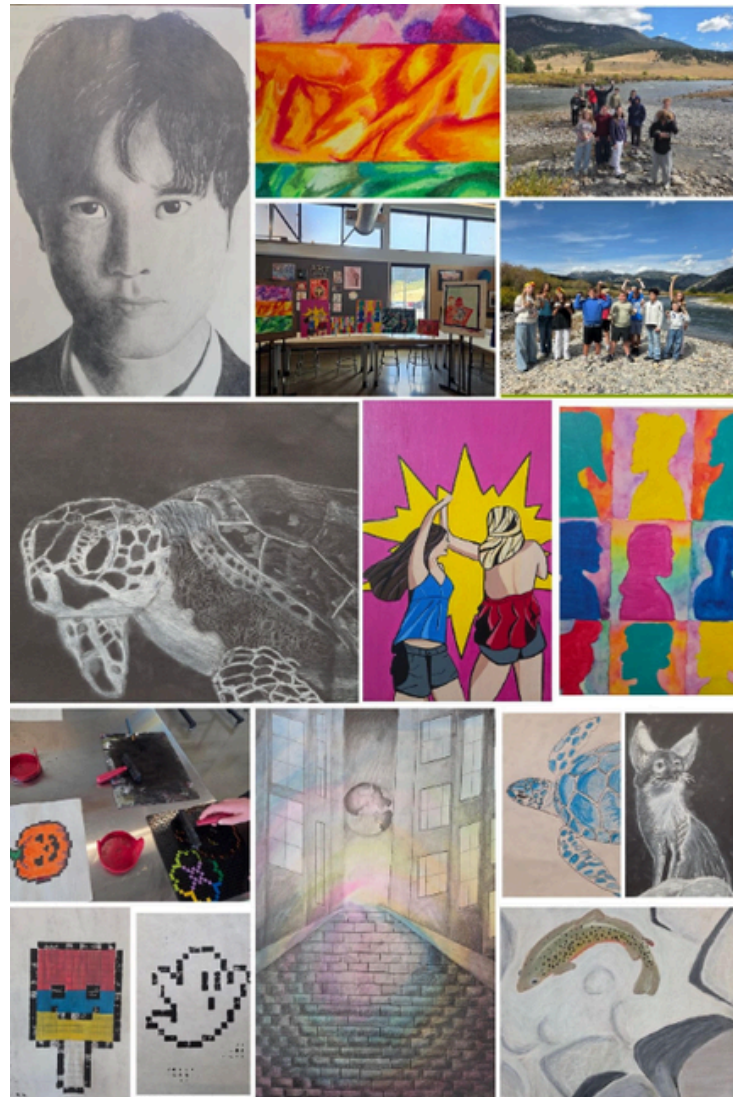
**Fall Report from the Art Room:** It has been a creative fall in the art room! Middle school students have explored art history through Masterpiece Mondays, experimented with monochromatic color schemes, and discovered printmaking.

A highlight this fall semester was the opportunity for middle and high school students to contribute to a public sculpture! The installation, Stone Flock, will feature approximately 1,600 local stones suspended at Big Sky Resort, celebrating the natural beauty of our local landscape.

High school students have been developing their skills through life drawing, portrait projects, digital photography, and photo transfer projects. IB Visual Arts students have also been advancing their resolved artworks and exploring connections between art, inquiry, and personal expression. Students across all grade levels continue to experiment, build skills, and bring their creative ideas to life!

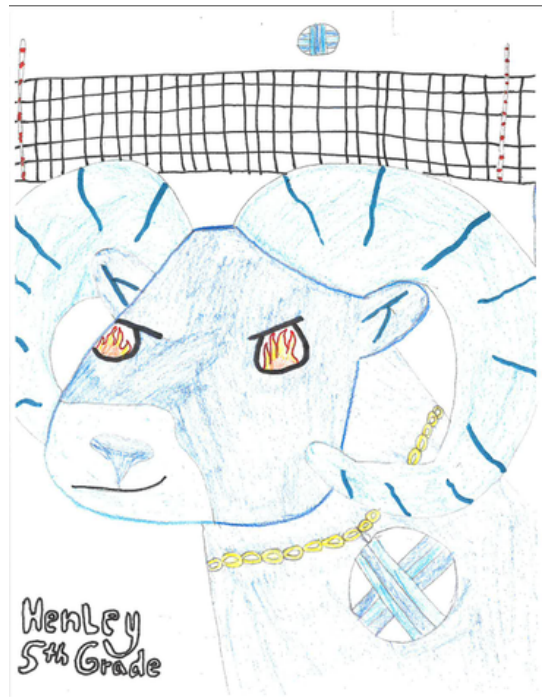


**TICKETS WILL BE SOLD DURING LUNCH NEXT WEEK AND  
MUST BE PURCHASED BEFORE THE DANCE.**





## OES Billy BigHorn Contest Winners!



**CONGRATULATIONS TO BOTH THE LPHS BOYS & LADIES SOCCER TEAMS ON TWO GREAT SEASONS. WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!**



A special thank you to all of our seniors for your time, sweat, tears and leadership.



**Dudley**



**Teagen**



**Riley**



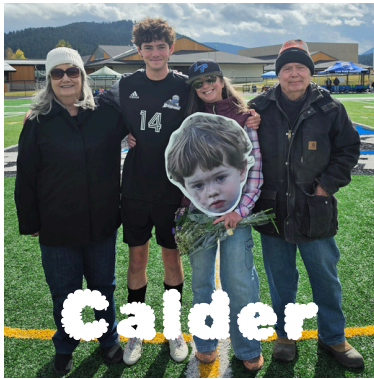
**Liam**



**Keegan**



**Sidney**



**Calder**



**Sidney**



**Miles**



**Ursula**



**Sophie**



**Sabine**



**Pearl**



We will miss you!



LPHS Basketball start: Thursday, November 19th  
OMS Boys Basketball start: Wednesday, October 28th



**UPCOMING HOME EVENTS:**

See Website for full Schedules

BSSD Activities Outlook



**LPHS VOLLEYBALL:**

Thurs., Oct. 22 vs Broadwater- JV @ 4/ Varsity +20  
**\*\*Senior Night\*\***

**LPHS FOOTBALL:**

Fri., Oct. 23 vs Manhattan Christian - OMS @4/  
LPHS @ 7 **\*\*Senior Night\*\***

Booster Club Website:  
[LPHSSports.org](http://LPHSSports.org)  
Become a member today!

# Staff Spotlight

## Mr. Squillace

Middle School Science

"Hello! I am Brian and I have been teaching in Big Sky for 11 years. I love helping middle schoolers explore science and discover how the world works. I'm married with two fantastic boys, Auggie and Andy. Outside the classroom, you will find me out fishing or skiing!"



Hi, I'm Mrs. Schreiber the Health Enhancement teacher for grades 10th, 9th, and 6th and I teach the 4K-5th grades at the Elementary School. I've been teaching and living in Big Sky the past five years. I came to Big Sky for skiing and the love of the mountains and all that Montana has to offer. Teaching Health Enhancement allows me to share my joy of being physically active with all my students. Watching them grow through the years is also rewarding in many ways. When I'm not at school I enjoy reading, biking, working out, golfing, hiking and skiing. I love being in Big Sky, spending my summers on the hiking trails and golfing with my husband.

I also coach OMS Boys Basketball and OMS Track. Another rewarding way to watch kids succeed at what they enjoy.

## Mrs. Schreiber

Pre-K - 10<sup>th</sup> Grade HE