

School District #29 **November 2026**

Dufur School Website: www.dufur.k12.or.us

Board of Directors Meetings

The regular November meeting of the Dufur School District Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, November 3rd, at 5:30 pm. This meeting is open to the public and can also be viewed online via Zoom. The Zoom Webinar link, agenda, meeting minutes and video archive can be found on the board agenda page on our website.

On November 9th the Board of Directors will be holding a Board Work Session at 5:30 pm. This meeting is open to the public, see the link above to access the agenda and Zoom Webinar link.

Academics

November 5th marks the end of the Elementary and Mid-Level Elective 1st quarters and the Semester 1 mid-term. We will have parent-teacher conferences the following week. Grades will be available for parents at conferences, and any grade reports that have not been handed out will be mailed to parents.

No School Days

There will be a Staff Inservice Day on Friday, November 6th. School will not be in session for students, and teachers will be working on grades.

There will not be school on Wednesday, November 10th in observance of Veterans Day.

Thanksgiving Break will be November 23rd-27th. No school for staff or students.

Veterans Day Assembly

Dufur High School's National Honor Society will present its annual Veterans Day assembly on Tuesday, November 10th at 9:15 AM in the lower gym. All community members are welcome to attend, and veterans will receive special recognition. Light refreshments will be provide after the assembly by Mrs. Black's Family and Consumer Sciences class.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parents are invited to come to meet with their child's teachers on Tuesday, November 10th and Thursday, November 12th from 4 to 8 PM. Watch for information about how to sign up for times to meet with teachers.

November FFA Meeting

There will be a meeting for the Dufur FFA members on Monday, November 16th. The meeting will be held in the high school Ag Classroom, and the time will be announced.

CTE Construction News

The CTE Construction School-Based Enterprises class is working on making items to sell. Watch for the announcment when they are ready to start their sales.

4th & 5th Explore Natural Art

Our 4th & 5th grade students recently had an exciting hands-on art experience with local artist Molly Holmlund! Students stepped into the role of natural chemists and artists by extracting colors from nature to make their own custom inks out of marigolds, oak galls and elderberries. Students finished the day by painting on watercolor paper using their homemade botanical inks. It was a wonderful blend of science, nature, and creativity! A BIG thanks to the Ranger Pride Education Foundation & the Barbara Garner Endowment for the Arts for generously sponsoring this activity for our students!



S.E.C.R.E.T.S.

Science is back again this year in fifth grade, teaching classes about the local ecology in our unique area. Many thanks to the Ranger Pride Education Foundation for making this once again possible for our students!



Pumpkin Patch Fun!

Sean and Peggy Skiles recently hosted their annual pumpkin patch for all of the elementary classrooms at Dufur School. A wide variety of snacks, games, and (of course) pumpkins made this a lasting memory for our students. Thank you , Skiles family!



Beyond November. . .

Dec 1	Dufur School District Board of Diector's Meeting
Dec 4	End of Mid-Level 1st Trimester
Dec 11	Staff Development Day - No School for Students
Dec 18	Early Release for Students at 1 PM
Dec 21	Winter Break Begins
Jan 1	Winter Break Ends
Jan 5	Dufur School District Board of Director's Meeting
Jan 18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday -No School for Students and Staff
Jan 28	End of Semster 1 and Elementary and Mid-Level Elective Quarter 2
Jan 29	Staff Inservice - No School for Students
Feb 2	Dufur School District Board of Director's Meeting
Feb 8	Scholastic Book Fair begins in the Library
Feb 15	Presidents' Day Holiday
Feb 22	Missoula Children's Theatre begins

Ranger Nation Elementary PE News! 🏃

It has been an exciting time in Elementary PE! We have been working hard on building strong movement skills, practicing good sportsmanship, and learning what it means to be a great PE student and a great citizen. Here are a few highlights from our classes!

🏆 Ranger Nation Sportsmanship & Character Award

Congratulations to **Mrs. Miller's 2nd grade class** for demonstrating outstanding Ranger Nation sportsmanship and character! We have been focusing on the qualities that make great PE students and great citizens, including respect, following directions, playing safely, using kind words, showing teamwork, and encouraging others.

Mrs. Miller's class has done a fantastic job putting these qualities into action! As a reward, they earned an extra PE class, a recess equipment ball bag filled with extra toys to enjoy, and our traveling trophy to proudly display in their classroom this month.

Way to go, Rangers! Keep showing kindness, respect, and great sportsmanship wherever you go!

🦆 Impossible Shot Fridays!

Impossible Shot Fridays have been a fun addition to our PE classes! Students who demonstrate outstanding effort, sportsmanship, and all-around great PE behavior earn the opportunity to attempt the Impossible Shot. We also have some lucky students draw the Lucky Duck, giving them a chance to take their shot, too!

So far, we have had three students make the Impossible Shot:

Oaklyn Streater in Kindergarten - **Dallas Hill** in 2nd Grade - **Wyatt Durham** in 4th Grade

Congratulations to these Rangers for making the shot! We look forward to seeing who will be next. Remember, great effort, positive attitudes, and good sportsmanship are always worth celebrating!

🏃 Marathon Kids: The Running Rangers are on the Move!

Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students are participating in the **Marathon Kids** program during PE! At the beginning of class, students run while working to improve their own times and distances. The goal is to keep moving, challenge themselves, and celebrate their progress along the way.

Our Running Rangers have already accomplished something amazing!

- **565 total miles completed!**
- **6.98 miles per student on average**
- **21 marathons completed!**

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Marathon Kids continued

That is an incredible accomplishment, and we are so proud of the effort our students are putting in!

A special shout-out to our current grade-level leaders:

3rd Grade

- Boys: Jake Barron, Landon Lindell, Easton Olson
- Girls: Juniper Behrens, Hunter Young, Codie Forrest



4th Grade

- Boys: Wyatt Durham, Case Miller, Gavin Rilett
- Girls: Bri Martell, Lyla Lindell, Ruby Harper



5th Grade

- Boys: Chad Smith, Levi Grey, Wyatt Brock
- Girls: Millie Anderson, Kaeley Thompson, Rose Person



Congratulations to all of our grade-level leaders! Every lap counts, and we encourage all of our Running Rangers to keep challenging themselves and celebrating their personal progress.

We will continue the Marathon Kids program in the spring, so our students will have another opportunity to build endurance, set goals, and see just how far they can go!

GO RANGERS! Thank you for helping us build a RANGER NATION culture centered on effort, kindness, respect, teamwork, and a love of being active!.

Ranger Athletics

Congratulations to the Ranger Varsity Volleyball for their 1st place finsih at the Big Sky District Tournament. The Rangers will advance to a State 2nd Round State Playoff game at Dufur on Saturday, October 31st, at 3:00 PM. Come join us in supporting the team on their march to the state tournament at EOU! Go Rangers!

Keep your eye on the Ranger Football team for participation in the State Playoffs as well. They finish their regular season schedule on Friday October 30th by hosting the Joseph Eagles. We will also be honoring our seniors and their families on the 30th. The Rangers are currently ranked #1 in the state by OSAA.

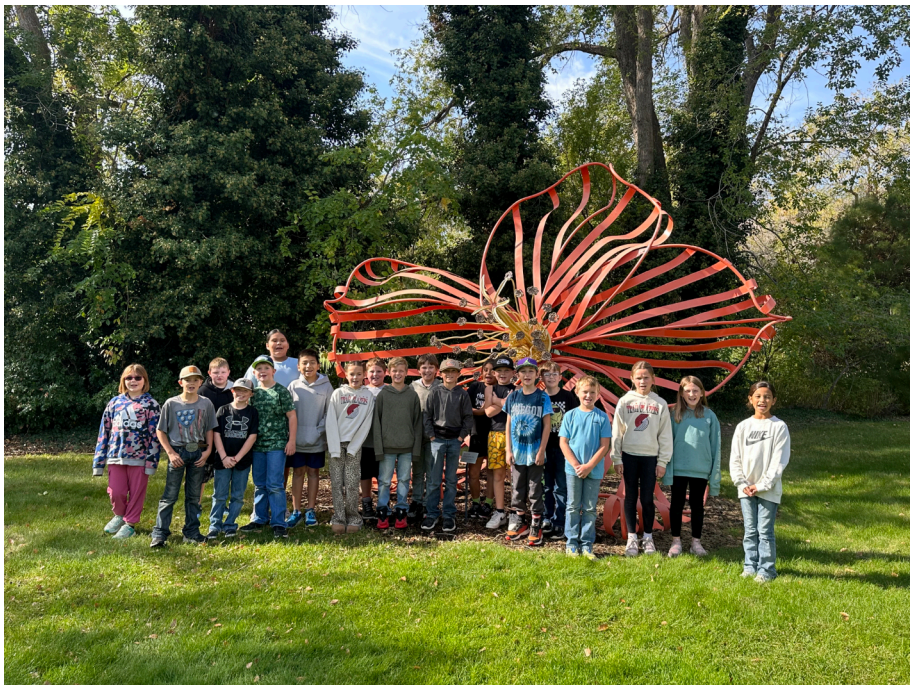
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Maryhill Museum Time Capsule Project

Our 4th and 5th grade classes are building a time capsule that will be buried at Maryhill Museum! Students are currently choosing a favorite photo that captures their life right now- whether it's a favorite hobby, sport, time with family and pets, or a fun outdoor activity! They will also write a personal message to attach to their picture. Please join us for the burial ceremony at the Sculpture Park outside of Maryhill Museum on Saturday, November 14, 2026 at 3:00 PM. Who knows-maybe in 100 years, these photos will be part of a museum exhibit!



Mrs. Odell's 4th grade class at Maryhill on October 21, 2026

Planting Now, Blooming in Spring!

Our fifth-grade classes rolled up their sleeves this fall to prepare for a colorful spring! Working in small teams, students planned their planting areas, learned how to space and plant bulbs, and put their plans into action in our school garden beds. They planted tulips and daffodils, along with garlic, and decorated wooden stakes to mark their rows. This hands on project gave students a chance to practice teamwork, planning, and responsibility while learning how plants grow through the seasons. Now comes the exciting part: watching for the first signs of growth in the months ahead!







