

SCHOOL DISTRICT #29 MAY 2026

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CONGRATULATIONS DUFUR HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2026



Dufur School had all 23 high school seniors graduate this year. The ceremony took place on Saturday, May 30th on the Henderson Athletic Field. $98,000 in Jerri Walker DePriest Scholarships were awarded, and the guest speaker was Dr. JoAnne Compo, D.O. Congratulations to the graduates and their families.

Annual Awards and Senior Recognition

On the evening of May 28th, Dufur High School students were recognized for their involvement in leadership, academics and athletics. 53 students were recognized for many different accomplishments. Members of the senior class were awarded scholarships, with the Ranger Pride Education Foundation awarding scholarships totaling $67,000, along with several others from individuals and organizations. It is always an amazing evening to celebrate the students of Dufur High School. Thank you to all those who generously awarded these many scholarships and accolades!

From Mrs. Welk, Principal

Dear Dufur School Families,

Can you believe we have already reached June? This school year has flown by, and I am incredibly proud of all the academic and personal growth our students have shown.

A special congratulations to our 2025/2026 graduating class. You are more than ready for your next adventure! To our returning families, we can't wait to see you in the fall. I want to extend a thank you to our dedicated teachers, staff, and community for making this year such a success.

Wishing you all a safe and restful summer break!

Best, Mrs. Welk

8th Grade Promotion and Year-End Trip

The Class of 2030 and their families will be celebrating their completion of 8th grade and their promotion into high school on Monday, June 1st at 6:00 pm. On Wednesday, the 8th graders will be going on a class field trip to Oaks Park.



Board of Directors Meeting

The regular June meeting of the Dufur School District Board of Directors will be held on **Tuesday, June 2nd at 5:30 pm**. This meeting is open to the public and can also be joined online via Zoom. The Zoom Meeting link, agenda, meeting minutes and video archive can be found on the Board of Directors page on our website. There will be an addition meeting this month on June 23rd at 5:30 pm.

Dufur Sprouts Graduation

The Dufur Preschool 4 year old class will be having a "Preschool Graduation" on Wednesday, June 3rd. This will take place at 6:00 pm in the school cafeteria.

Beyond June...

July 2	Final day of Summer School
July 7	Reptile Man at Summer Library Program
July 7	Dufur School Board of Directors Meeting
July 14	Summer Library "Magician" Program
July 26	OSAA Moratorium Week Begins
July 28	Summer Library Program presents Greg Gustafson Border Collies
Aug 1	OSAA Moratorium Week Ends
Aug 4	Dufur School Board of Directors Meeting
Aug 17	Football Daily Doubles Begin
Aug 22	High School Football Scrimmage
Aug 31	Staff Inservice
Sept 1	Staff Inservice
Sept 2	Staff Inservice
Sept 3	Staff Inservice
Sept 7	Labor Day Holiday
Sept 8	First Day of the School Year
Sept 18	No School for Staff or Students

Wrapping up the School Year/Early Release

The final day for students will be on Thursday June 4th . Students will check out for the summer, and we will complete our check-in for all school issued Chromebooks. **Students will have an early release on the last day at 1:00 pm.**

Staff In-Service

The majority of the school staff will be having their final workday of the year on Friday, June 5th. The teachers will be completing grades, and report cards will be mailed the following week.

Summer Schedule

We will have reduced office hours during the summer. Registration will be available on-line approximately July 1st. If you have an incoming kindergartner or have other questions, please email beverson@dufur.k12.or.us. If you need to contact anyone at the school, please call or email and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Dufur Summer School

Our Summer School program will run Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from June 9th to July 2nd. Registration is closed and all spots are filled for this year.

Ranger Athletics

The Dufur High School Track Team will be celebrating an amazing season on the evening of Tuesday, June 9th. This event will be in the lower gym.

Title 1 Night

With record attendance, the Title 1 program hosted a "Parents are Students and Game Night" in mid May. The night began with dinner generously donated by the Ranger Pride Education Foundation and a short Title 1 informational meeting. Then, students from Kindergarten through 5th grade either taught their parents a lesson or led them through an activity that they do in the WIN room. The evening ended with the students and their parents playing engaging reading games. Thank you RPEF for your donation! Thank you Samantha Brock for coordinating transportation! Thank you to the students that planned the fun activities for this night! Thank you to the families that took time out of their night to attend!











Class of 2026 Year-End Trip

The Class of 2026 embarked on their senior trip adventure on May 20th with advisors Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Wilson and bus driver Ms. Miller. They started at Top Golf, went on to K1 Speed for some go kart racing (Brian Brewster took the top prize!), and ended the day at Tree to Tree Adventure Park for ziplining and an aerial obstacle course. The Portland Winterhawks mascot was doing a promotional video at Tree to Tree while the class was there, so he joined the photo. This class is special to Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Wilson as they have taught and/or advised them continuously since the start of their sixth grade year!







Battleship Tournament

Our fifth grade class has been learning about coordinate planes in math. As a final activity, we had a battleship tournament. Pictured here are the four winners. From right to left: Walker Kelley in Fourth Place; Jade Jim-Heath in Third Place; James Harvey in Second Place; and William McCabe in First Place. Congratulations, champions!





Volunteering at the Dufur Park

The students of Mr. Talley's fifth grade were one of the groups who traveled down to the park to help spread new mulch on the playground area. After two rounds of hard work, the class was ready to enjoy the new chips under the play structure.





Summer Reading & Spring Garden Kick-off Event

We had a nice turnout for the kick-off event on May 16th. Students and families came out to make mini greenhouses, paint decorative garden stones, make Shrinky Dinks, and take home free plants grown by our very own fifth grade class. Thank you to our volunteers: Atreyu Thomas, James Harvey, Hudson Neuberger, and Madeline Stansbury. Families, don't forget to complete your summer reading passport for Pride Points in the fall!





Presidential Physical Fitness Test

It's BAAACK! Mrs. Darden is so proud to recognize our outstanding 3rd–5th grade students who earned awards in the reinstated Presidential Physical Fitness Test! The following students demonstrated exceptional strength, endurance, agility, and overall fitness. We've been working hard in PE class to get stronger each day. These students did something AMAZING!

Presidential Award winners are among the top 15% in the nation of their age group, while National Award winners are in the top half of students for overall fitness.

Congratulations to all of our award recipients for setting a great example of determination and perseverance! Students received their certificates and patches at the awards assembly Friday May 29th.

Presidential Physical Fitness

Chad Smith	Nash Welk	Atkins Frank	Wade Hill

National Physical Fitness

Wyatt Brock	Jax Calloway	Shaniko Meanus	Corbin Wood
Cody Barron	Piper Ferguson	Levi Grey	Jeremy Meanus
Parker Davis	Copper Hill	Walker Kelley	Wyatt Kenfield
Daisy Williams	Wyatt Durham	Ethan Huelle	Lyla Lindell
Case Miller	Rhett Neuberger		



Kindergarten News

The kindergarten class has been busy learning about farm life. We have researched farm animals, hatched chicks that we fell in love with and today thanks to the Ranger Pride Foundation we got to make our very own Build-a-Bear chick! Kindergarten had so much stuffing our chicks, making wishes with the magic star that went into their chicks and naming their new pal! Thank you Ranger Pride Foundation for providing such fun opportunities in the classroom!















Community Food Pantry

The Food Pantry located at Dufur School is open each Thursday from 4 to 6 pm. All members of the community are welcome when there is a need for food assistance. If you need emergency food assistance, please call the school at 541-298-5141.

Oregon Kinder Grad Program

Did you know Oregon families can receive a free $100 contribution toward their child's future education savings? Through the Oregon Kinder Grad Program, families of Oregon kindergartners ages 5–6 can open an Embark College Savings account and receive a $100 starter deposit from the state. Embark is Oregon's 529 college savings plan and can be used for future college, trade school, apprenticeship programs, and other qualifying education expenses. Families can open an account online in just a few minutes. To learn more or get started, visit the Kinder Grad Program website. It's never too early to start planning for your child's future!

Summer Football

⇒ The High School Football will practice at Dufur Park on June 2nd, 4th, 6th, 9th, 11th, and 13th. Helmets only for the first two days, one day with shoulder pads, and full pads beginning the 9th.

⇒ Junior High Camp will be at a new location, the Dufur Park, on June 8th-12th and 15th—19th.

⇒ Dufur Valley Football Camp will take place June 22-June 25. This will be for the Rangers and other guest teams.

⇒ Daily Doubles will begin on August 17th
-Monday, Wednesday & Fridays-7:30 to 10AM & 5-7 PM
-Tuesday & Thursday 5-7 PM

⇒ Scrimmage at the Dufur Park at 9:00 AM on August 22nd.

⇒ All dates and times are subject to change!

Junior Ranger Football Camps

5th—8th football players: Don't miss the Ranger Football Camp June 8th –12th! If you have any questions, contact Dufur School Athletic Director, Nickie Hage.



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Read, Learn, Grow!

DATE	ACTIVITY/PERFORMER	TIME	LOCATION
June 23	Plant a seed and read Kick off event	1:00 PM	Library
June 30	Museum of Natural and Cultural History	10:30 AM	Front Foyer
July 7	Reptile Man	1:00 PM	Upper Gym
July 14	Magician John Stevens	1:00 PM	Cafeteria
July 21	Discovery Center Raptors	1:00 PM	Library
July 28	Border Collies Greg Gustafson	1:00 PM	Football Field
August 4	Plant related games and Snacks	1:00 PM	Library

Dufur School Community Library

QUESTIONS?

Ask Sarah Tierney

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