

MELBA HIGH SCHOOL
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Melba Parents,

The weather is getting colder, and the school year continues to fly by! Here is a little of what is happening at the Jr/Sr High in November.

Mustang Awards – At Melba Jr/Sr High School we believe that character counts. Part of education is learning how to be a good citizen; it is not just about academics. The values that we want our students to develop include Enthusiasm, Discipline, Unity, Trust, Personal Responsibility In Daily Effort (PRIDE), Determination, and Resiliency. A student becomes a Champion when they challenge themselves daily in these areas. Each week, we recognize students who have shown to be exemplary in one of these core values. They receive a Mustang Award; a certificate, one treat from the vending machine, and a place on the selfie-wall. The Champion Mustangs for the month of October are:

Meadow L – Enthusiasm
Emeline H – Discipline
Addi F – Determination
Damion H – Determination
Bridger S – Enthusiasm
Sydnie Y – P.R.I.D.E
Jared V – Determination
Noah W – Unity

Corbyn M – Determination
Jessie R – Unity
Bliss H - Unity
Natalie J – Determination
Erika R – Unity
William P – Determination
Emily S – P.R.I.D.E.
Josephine Y – P.R.I.D.E.

Congratulations to – Coach Vonnie Willis and Coach Larry Lincoln for their Coach of the Year Awards. Both were awarded by the District 3 Coaches Association. Coach Willis was Track and Field Coach of the Year for 2A while Coach Lincoln was the 2A JV Softball Coach of the Year.

Field Trips – The 8th graders went on a field trip to Leslie Gulch. On the way they learned a lot about the Melba area and the geological history of it. They were able to dig for fossils and every student found some great ones!

Spanish Club is going on a field trip to Boise JUMP for a Day of the Dead activity. The trip is after school on November 1st.

Jr. High Math Competition – Twelve of our Melba Junior High students attended the 2nd annual BSU Mathematics Invitational on Saturday, October 22nd. Working in 3 different teams, our students competed against other teams of junior high students from around the treasure valley. They were scored in various areas of problem solving and collaboration. One of our teams earned special recognition in the area of "Execution in Problem Solving". We are very proud of these kids for their efforts and for representing Melba so well!

Veteran's Day – We will host our annual Veteran's Day Breakfast and Assembly on November 10th. If you know of any veterans, please let them know that we would love to have them for breakfast at 8:30 and then honor them at the Assembly later that morning.

Rake up Melba – We are looking to do something different this year. We still want to have a service day but rather than raking up yards, we are looking for other service opportunities. If raking leaves is needed, we will gladly do it, but we are also open to doing other service projects. We are currently seeking service opportunities for our students to do. Please email Mindy Lincoln at milcoln@melbaschools.org if you have any service opportunities for our students. Our service day will be November 17th.

FAFSA workshop – Parents of Senior students want to be aware of the FAFSA workshop that we will be hosting on November 3rd from 4 to 7 pm. This is a great opportunity to work directly with Tia Short and get all your Federal Student Aid paperwork filled out for scholarships and grants.

Thanksgiving Break – Will be November 18th – November 27th.

Fall Sports – Our fall sports are experiencing very successful seasons this year. After Volleyball won the District Championship in a row the won their first ever State Championship! Boys and Girls Cross Country both finished second at districts and 6th in State at Lewiston. The football team finished the regular season as WIC Champions and will host a quarterfinal play-off game against Aberdeen on November 4th at 6:00.

Thank you for your time and efforts to make our school great!

GO MUSTANGS!

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