

Hiteon Highlights

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District Goal (2010-2015): All students will show continuous progress toward their personal learning goals, developed in collaboration with teachers and parents, and will be prepared for post-secondary education and career success.

Happy Holidays from our Hiteon family to yours. Wishing you all a winter break filled with time together and enjoyment. I look forward to welcoming everyone back in January.

While you enjoy time together be sure to factor in time to read together too! Every moment your child spends engaged in text over winter break will build on the foundation they've constructed so far this school year and assure they return to Hiteon in January ready to hit the ground "reading!" Encouraging your child to read aloud to a family member helps increase reading fluency and discussion about the story builds comprehension.

We recently hired two new Specialized Program Assistants in our Secondary Behavior Learning Classroom. Esther Piety and Sarah Reeves are new members of our Hiteon staff. Welcome Esther and Sarah!

Our 4th and 5th Grade students unboxed their Chromebooks this week. These classrooms are recipients of Chromebooks as part of The Positive Change Innovation Grant through Beaverton School District. These grants are an integral part of the District's Digital Conversion Plan. This conversion focuses on students and teachers working together while being supported by tools and applications. Just as each classroom looks different and each classroom teacher has his or her own unique style, the technology use will be different in each classroom. The 4th and 5th Grade teachers work collaboratively and share strategies but teachers are not tied to using the devices in the same way. The technology is a tool teachers will use to enhance the learning and expression of student knowledge. The Hiteon Grant Team will be hosting an Open House/Information Night for 4th and 5th Grade parents on January 22nd from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. There will be Chromebooks out for exploration!

The Beaverton School District has a new library catalog system available for both students and teachers at school and at home. The name of this catalog system is called the Destiny Library Catalog. Further information

Upcoming Events

December 2014

19th Winter Parties
Winter Sing-A-Long
Newsletter

22nd-31st **Winter Break**
No Students

January 2015

1st-2nd **Winter Break**
No Student

5th **Welcome Back**
9th Newsletter

14th 9:00am PTC General Meeting

19th **Holiday School Closed**

23rd Popcorn Sales
Newsletter

26th **Staff Development**
No School

February 2015

6th Newsletter

16th **Presidents Day**
School Closed

18th 6:30pm PTC General Meeting
Immunization Exclusion Day

19-20 **Conferences No Students**

26th Passport Check Day

27th Popcorn Sales
6:00pm Bingo Night

March 2015

5th 9:00am Kindergarten
Orientation

8th Daylight Savings Time Begins

12th 6:30pm Science Fair

13th **Grading Day-No Students**

18th 9:00am PTC General Meeting

19th Passport Check Day

about this new Library resource is included in our newsletter attachment. Destiny is a tool for students to communicate about books and allows students to post reviews and recommend books to one another. Posts and communication between students are monitored by the Beaverton School District Library Services Team.

This Spring, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Students will take the Smarter Balanced Assessment. Please visit the following website to learn more about the Assessment and access practice test questions. Further information about testing at Hiteon will come later this winter.

<http://www.ode.state.or.us/search/page/?id=3298>

Warm regards and holiday wishes,
Meghan Warren

Christine's Counselor Corner

Holiday Assistance Thank You!

It was such a privilege to see the tremendous outpouring of generosity as the gift cards came in to assist our families who are having economic challenges. Equally profound was the privilege to talk with some of our families who received the cards and hear their joy. In all, just over 40 children will have a brighter holiday season thanks to you. But "thank you" doesn't begin to do justice to the difference you have made. It truly is an honor to work alongside our children, families and staff. I wish each of you a wonderful holiday break and a joyful new year.

Fifth Grade Parents - Option Schools

Just a reminder that the deadline to apply for option schools is Tuesday, January 6, at 4pm. Hopefully your children shared the letters they wrote to you expressing the thinking behind their first choice for middle school, as well as some of their mixed emotions about leaving elementary school. If your child didn't give you the letter, be sure to ask to see it as they did an excellent job. Many of our students' middle school of choice is Conestoga which is a great choice!

Immunization Exclusion Day

February 18, 2015 is exclusion date for all students who are incomplete on their immunizations. Letters went out to parents before the Thanksgiving break if your child needed more shots. Please come into the school office to update your records.

Library Resources



Beaverton School District has a new library catalog system available for students and teachers both at school and at home. It's as easy to use as 1,2,3!

1. Go to your school's library web page. Navigate to BSD's home page, choose "Schools" & click on "[Library Resources](#)" from the left hand side menu.
2. Find your school's name in the list, click on it for your Library Resource Page. Click on the **Destiny Library Catalog** link. Search for resources anywhere with an internet connection. **NEW!** Search for materials inside your library AND pre-evaluated valid web pages by choosing the white **Web Sites** tab on the right.

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3. To access your account information (materials checked out, fines, items on hold) find the white **Login** button in the upper right hand corner and enter your student ID number for both the login and the password. Click on the **Catalog** tab to search. Choose the **My Info** tab to see your account info.

Home **Catalog** **My Info**

Library Search

Library Search [Help/Log Out](#)

Destiny Quest

Universal Search

WebPath Express

Resource Lists

Find

Log in to **Destiny Quest** to post book reviews and share book recommendations with BSD friends.

*If you have access to a mobile device - download the Destiny app by searching for **Destiny Quest** in the app store.*

eBooks

BSD has many fiction and non-fiction choices from the eBooks link – including many reference books.

Login: full school name [all one word]*. **Password:** book.

*The following schools' usernames are exceptions:
highlandparkms, mckinleyes, montclaires, sunseths, westviewhs

Online Encyclopedias

For reliable, easy-to-use, general information, nothing beats an encyclopedia. Break that Wikipedia habit and start using *World Book* or *Grolier* encyclopedias.

Login: beavsd. **Password:** griffith.

Magazines, Newspapers, & Reference

When you need information on current events, primary resources or subject-specific reference works try *Student Resources in Context* or *InfoTrac Junior*.

Login: beaverton. **Password:** oslis.

World & U.S. History/Countries

Find up-to-date information about countries, cultures, and governments by using sources like *CultureGrams* or *U.S. History in Context*.

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Issues and Health

These resources are subject-specific resources for health and science classes with *Greenr* and *Health & Wellness Resource Center*. There is also *Opposing Viewpoints* for those needing to find info on both sides of an issue or event.

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Research Resources

Use the links to *Washington County* and *Multnomah County* websites for additional resources, homework, and research help. For writing citations and getting started on a research project try using the *OSLIS* link.

