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PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

'*Do you like your job*?' This question was asked of me by Callie and Kyndal Richards as part of an interview they were conducting to fulfill a 'Class Newspaper' assignment for Mrs. Heath. As I reflect back on my first semester as principal of Idalia, a simple 'Yes' does not suffice as a response to Callie and Kyndal's question.

I love my job, as I know of no other in which you counsel, teach, learn, discipline, praise, collaborate, fail and succeed, all before Monday's lunch break. I love my job because the staff loves theirs. I love my job because it provides me with purpose and the opportunity to contribute to something greater than myself. For many in the community, this same satisfaction is found in farming the very piece of ground that their great-grandfather did while raising a family with the identical small-town values, priorities, and work-ethic that has been constant for multiple generations. In my short time in Idalia, I have come to appreciate and respect those who call it home. I have found it to be a unique community in the sense of how supportive, friendly, and genuine the people are. I love my job because the students of Idalia are a reflection of this, making them a true joy to be around.

Upon the completion of a very successful first semester, I hope everyone enjoys their well-deserved break. I look forward to returning in 2017 to the job in which I no not like, but instead love. *Submitted by Myles Johnson, Idalia Principal*



A LARGE CROWD TURNED OUT FOR THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.

ACT TO BE REPLACED WITH SAT

For the past 15 years, all 11th graders in Colorado were administered the ACT as the state's official collegeentrance exam. A persistent testing-reform legislation, paired with a competitive bidding war has resulted in The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) announcing that the SAT will now replace the ACT as the state's official college-entrance exam. Below are some key takeaways:

- 1. The change to the SAT will take effect in the spring of 2017 (impacting this year's junior class).
- 2. All juniors will be administered the SAT on April 11, 2017 (@ Idalia School, free of charge).
- 3. All sophomore's will be administered the PSAT on April 11, 2017 (@ Idalia School, free of charge).
- 4. Kelli Kite has resources available in her office to help students prepare for the SAT. Please stop by her office if you are interested.
- 5. SAT scores range from 400-1600 (as opposed to the ACT, which ranges from 12-36).
 - Broken down into two Sections (each worth a maximum of 800 points) Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (100 minutes/96 questions) Reading Test (65 minutes/52 Multiple Choice questions) Writing and Language Test (35 minutes/44 Multiple Choice questions)
 - B. Math (80 minutes/58 questions) Calculator Section Non-Calculator Section
 *SAT Essay is Optional (One essay prompt/50 minutes)
- 6. The SAT underwent changes in 2016, most notably "Right-only scoring" in other words, you are no longer penalized for an incorrect guess on the SAT.
- 7. Students may choose to take the ACT (or the SAT multiple times). However, these opportunities are independent from our school and will not be provided/paid for by Idalia School District RJ-3. (**There are financial aid opportunities available- Please see Mrs. Kite for more information.*)



Girl Scouts went Caroling at The Legacy in Burlington Dec 14. The girls sang for the residents with the help of music teacher, Johanna Caron. IYCS traveled to Denver to serve meals at Father Woody's.





IDALIA AFTER PROM PITCH PARTY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15TH 4:00-8:00 P.M. LOCATION: IDALIA SCHOOL CAFETERIA. \$10/TICKET

COME JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED NIGHT OF CARD PLAYING AND GREAT FOOD.



SEE ANY FRESHMAN/JUNIOR PARENT TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKET!!! THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING AFTER PROM!

Community Support is Needed

Are you aware of the amount of scholarships that our high school students and continuing education students receive from the Idalia Vision Foundation Continuing Education? All profits from the drink and snack machines and the use of Safeway and King Soopers gift cards are used to fund scholarships for students who apply for them.

Purchasing and using Safeway and King Soopers reloadable gift cards is very easy. Individuals buying these cards need to reload them at the register for whatever amount they choose. Loading this card can be done by using your credit card, check, cash or debit card. The card is swiped just like a credit or debit card. These cards can be used to purchase fuel at Safeway or King Soopers as well as merchandise. You can still use your store card to get store discounts. Safeway and King Soopers donate 5% of all money that is used to load these gift cards to the Continuing Education program.

Our funding for scholarships has been lowered so we need your help more than ever in order to be able to help fund scholarships.

Perhaps your child has received a scholarship from the Continuing Education in the past; or maybe you have a child that will be eligible to receive a scholarship in the future. Wouldn't this be a great way to show your appreciation for that scholarship by supporting this program?

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The Cub's Den Board of Directors & Staff Extend A Sincere Thank You To The Kitzmiller-Bales Trust								

For Their Long-Term Support and Matching Funds Tonight Up To \$18,600!!

PREMIUM SILENT AUCTION!!

This year, in addition to the silent auction of amazing goods from our local businesses and craftsmen, we have a select number of exceptional items on our Premium Silent Auction table! Your bid on these items comes with a

bonus...

A CHANCE TO WIN A HORSE FOR TONIGHT'S RACES!

That's right! Tonight we will auction off 7 horses, but the 8th horse in the final race will be a winner from the Premium Silent Auction bidders.

For <u>each time</u> you bid on an item at the Premium Silent Auction Table, your name will be entered in a drawing to win a race horse. Eight names will be drawn for horses to run in a preliminary race. (Individuals may only win one horse in the drawing.) The winner of that race will go on to the Final to race with the 7 auctioned horses!!

PREMIUM ITEMS UP FOR BID:

Biometric Hand Gun Safe

- donated by Gun Runner Trading / Larry Wilson

RTIC Cooler with 17 lbs. frozen Crab Legs

- donated by High Plains Plumbing

Lefthand Canyon Boulder House – 4 day, 3 night stay

- donated by Dimes to Dollars Inc.

Premium Sprits Assortment

-donated by The Cubs Den with Davis & Davis Liquor

AND LIVE AUCTION TOO!!

Listen up for these exciting items to be live auctioned <u>during the horse races</u>!

3 Cement Feed Bunks - 8 ft.

- donated by Chamberlain Concrete

Cinnamon Rolls

- world famous homemade by Joyce Helling & Deb Crites

Cheesecake

-absolutely delectable and homemade by Kathy Wiley

"The Cubs Den Community Daycare Center would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to the Idalia community and surrounding communities for their tremendous support of our annual Cajun Boil and Horse Race Fundraiser! It was an exciting night of great food and entertainment, and the generosity shown by the community this year amazed us just as it has in years past. The night yielded \$18,620 in funds raised, which maxed out the matching funds pledged by the Kitzmiller-Bales Trust of up to \$18,600. We would like to extend a special thank you to Tucker Louthan and Cody Johnson for their priceless emcee and auctioneering services during the evening. The Cubs Den looks forward to another great year of providing valuable and caring child care services for our area families!"

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	nur	5 Honor Band Workshop	12	19 JH/HSBB @ Bethune	26		
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	ant	3	10 Chapter FFA Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.	17	24 JHBB vs. Arickaree	31 Junior High Championship @ Arickaree	
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Idalia Lunch Menu January 2017

Fruits and vegetables offered daily----A selection of milk is offered daily----Menu is subject to change.

	MONDAY		TUESDAY		Wednesday	THURSDAY			FRIDAY
2	No school Menu is subject to change.	3	No school	4	Chipotle BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich Baked Beans *	5	Fajitas* Rice* Rainbow Bean Salad*	6	Mac & Cheese* Buttered Com*
9	Chicken Fried Steak w/Mashed Potatoes & Gravy*	10	Chicken Noodle Soup* Dinner Roll*	11	Chicken Sandwich* Rainbow Bean Salad*	12	Sloppy Joe* Pasta Salad*	13	Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce option*
16	Ham Sandwich* Steak Fries*	17	Chicken Nuggets Roasted Broccoli*	18	PB & Jelly Baked Sun Chips	19	Tacos* Rice* Spicy Bean Salad*	20	Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni Breadstick
23	Lasagna Garlic Bread	24	Chicken Teriyaki* Veggie Fried Rice *	25	Parmesan Chicken Sandwich*	26	Beef Burrito* w/Green Chili Refried Beans *	27	Cheesy Nachos w/Ground Beef option Rainbow Bean Salad
30	Salisbury Steak* w/ Mashed Potatoes Dinner Roll*	31	Chipotle BBQ Chicken* Garlic Bread						*HOMEMADE

Idalia Breakfast Menu January 2017

A selection of milk offered daily-----Fruit and juice offered daily-----A variety of cereal offered daily.

	MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
2	No school Menu is subject to change.	3	No school	4	Bagels Scrambled Eggs	5	Breakfast Burrito Yogurt	6	Breakfast Round Scrambled Eggs
9	Muffins Scrambled Eggs Yogurt	10	Toast Scrambled Eggs	11	Bagels Scrambled Eggs	12	Breakfast Burrito Yogurt	13	Breakfast Round Scrambled Eggs
16	Muffins Scrambled Eggs Yogurt	17	Toast Scrambled Eggs	18	Bagels Scrambled Eggs	19	Breakfast Burrito Yogurt	20	Breakfast Round Scrambled Eggs
23	Muffins Scrambled Eggs Yogurt	24	Toast Scrambled Eggs	25	Bagels Scrambled Eggs	26	Breakfast Burrito Yogurt	27	Breakfast Round Scrambled Eggs
30	Muffins Yogurt Scrambled Eggs	31	Toast Scrambled Eggs						

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Christmas Program

February Wolf View deadline is Tuesday, January 24.