



ANDERSON SCHOOL  
2017-2018

GO PANTHERS!

“The art and science of asking questions is the source of all knowledge.”

- Thomas Berger

## Call For Help- Little Mermaid Costumes!

Interested in helping with The Little Mermaid costumes? WE NEED YOU - even if you don't sew. With 150+ costumes this year, there are plenty of projects - sewing and non-sewing, small and large. If you're willing to help, we'll make it fun and easy. To learn more, come to one of the 30-45 minute informational meetings this week in the Anderson library:

- Thursday, February 1st @ 5:30pm

- Friday, February 2nd @ 3:30pm

Kids are welcome to come!

Can't make it but still interested?

Call or email Melanie Schell at [\(406\) 224-0858](tel:4062240858) or [montanaschells@gmail.com](mailto:montanaschells@gmail.com)

## Geo-Bee Champion

Congratulations to Laine Banziger for once again winning Anderson School's Geography Bee contest! This is Laine's second year in a row that she has represented Anderson School at the state level. Good Luck Laine!

## Upcoming Events

Wednesday, January 31st

5th and 6th Bridger Bowl

Monday, February 5th

Girls Basketball at MCS

Wednesday, February 7th

7th and 8th Bridger Bowl

Thursday, February 8th

PIE Encore @ 2:30

Girls Basketball vs. Monforton  
School Board Meeting 6:30PM

Monday, February 12th

Girls Basketball @ Heritage

Tuesday, February 13th

Girls Basketball @ Ophir

Tuesday, February 15th

4th-8th Spelling Bee @ 1:30PM

February 16th-19th

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## **PIE Encore!**

Did you miss the PIE night? There will be an “encore” discussion on Thursday, February 8th, at 2:30PM in the library. Topics will include how Anderson supports all learners, the School Board’s long-range strategic planning process, and other Hot Topics.

are taking STEM classes and pursuing STEM field careers. You will get to try out some new, fun activities in MSU labs and studios. By the end of the day, you'll have some innovative and creative new ideas for thinking about your future.

<http://ato.montana.edu/eyh/>

## **Science & Math Exploration**

### **For Middle School Girls**

**Date:** Saturday, April 21, 2018

**Cost:** \$30

**Grades:** Girls 6-8

**Location:** Montana State University, Bozeman

**Registration:** Opens March 13, 2018

This one-day conference at MSU-Bozeman includes hands-on workshops in the fields of science, technology, math and engineering (STEM) for girls in grades 6, 7, and 8, plus lunch, and group activities. Spend a day at MSU, meet girls from around Montana and MSU students who

## **PLAYGROUND PROJECT & PLANNING**

Have your students told you about the new playground initiative?! The playground initiative was presented at the last APC meeting, the APC coffee, and at the PIE night. Fundraising plans are being set and more information will be sent out soon. Want to know more? Check out the Anderson Playground Website!!!

<https://sites.google.com/andersonmt.org/andersonplayground/home>

## **Board Trustee Positions**

Anderson School District #41 has two openings for the Board of Trustees. These positions are three-year terms.

Any person who is qualified to vote in Anderson School District #41 is eligible for the office of trustee. The Election will be held May 8, 2018 by mail ballot. Following is the link to the form: trustee application or it can be picked up at the main office, Anderson School, 10040 Cottonwood Road, Bozeman, MT 59718, or requested by telephone at 587-1305. Deadline for return of the completed application is March 29, 2018.

Go to [www.andersonmt.org](http://www.andersonmt.org) for more information and forms.

## **School Board Strategic Planning Process**

The Anderson School Board Trustees will be working with Dr. Michael Redburn this spring to work through a Strategic Planning Process. The purpose of the planning workshops will be to identify the District’s priorities, long range goals, and create a roadmap to help guide the School Board Vision and decisions over the next 5-10 years. This is intended to be a collaborative process and community input is desired. All work sessions are meetings that are open to the public. We are seeking community members that might be interested in committing to participating in the entire process (You would need to be able to commit to attending all 3 evenings) If you are interested in the process or learning more, please email Scott McDowell at

[smcdowell@andersonmt.org](mailto:smcdowell@andersonmt.org)

### **Meeting Dates Have Been Set:**

**Day:** February 27th & 28th & March 6th

**Time:** 3:30-7:30 Each Night at Anderson School

## NOTE FROM THE NURSE

Although the ground is covered in deep snow, it brings with it the promise of spring. During this time of year I begin my planning to teach the 4th grade girls and 5-8th grade boys and girls maturation classes. Classes cover growth and development that is appropriate and specific to each class age group. Issues of personal care, wellness, hygiene, exercise, nutrition and safety will also be discussed. The reproductive system anatomy and physiology targeted to each age group will be covered in this class. Any parents or guardians with questions are welcome to contact me via my email at [julie.ruff@montana.edu](mailto:julie.ruff@montana.edu)  
Julie H. Alexander-Ruff Ed.D,MSN,RN,CPNP-PC

## COLD AND FLU SEASON

Many of you are aware of the exceptionally wide spread flu encompassing all 48 contiguous United States. The latest updates for the state of Montana are:

1,931 confirmed cases (these are individuals who have sought medical care and have had lab confirmation positive for the flu).

**The Montana Department of Public Health feels that this number is largely under-reported.**

304 hospitalizations

18 deaths

176 cases in Gallatin County as of 1-19-18

Although the flu vaccine is not 100% effective against all strains of the flu, it does remain the best protection any individual can have. The vaccine will:

- If not fully prevent the flu, it will decrease the severity of the flu virus.
- Protect the vulnerable-the elderly, the very young, pregnant women and those with a chronic illness.

### Anderson School

- Has students with current confirmed cases of the flu
- Does have individuals of childbearing age in the parent and faculty staff body
- Does have students who have chronic health conditions
- Does have students who are unable to receive the flu vaccine

### What can you do to help?

- Schedule an appointment with your health care provider for the flu vaccine for everyone in your household who is unvaccinated but able to vaccinate.
- Continue to encourage and enforce strict handwashing with warm soap and water throughout the day but especially before meals and after toileting.
- Keep hands away from the face
- Avoid being around individuals who are ill and exhibiting symptoms of the flu.
- KEEP ALL CHILDREN WHO HAVE SYMPTOMS OF FEVER (100.0 F or >) COUGH, RUNNY NOSE, SNEEZING) at home until they are symptom free.

# Cold or Flu?

Cold	Symptom	Flu (Influenza)
Rare, Mild (less than 100°)	Fever	Almost Always High (Greater than 100°)
Rare	Headache	Common
Slight	General Aches & Pains	Usual/Often Severe
Gradual over a Few Days	Onset	Rapid Onset
Common	Stuffy Nose	Rare
Common	Runny Nose	Common
Common	Sore Throat	Sometimes
Mild to Moderate	Cough	Common – Can be Severe (Dry)

See your health care provider if you or any member of your family has symptoms of the flu.

For questions or concerns please contact me at [julie.ruff@montana.edu](mailto:julie.ruff@montana.edu)

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