

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE FEBRUARY 2019

Beginning February 4, 2019, and continuing through March 15, 2019, our school will be administering school climate surveys. All parents/caregivers are being invited to participate.

The purpose of this survey is to gather input about school climate and the effectiveness of the teachers and administrators at our school. Responses are anonymous and no personal information will be collected. Reports will be made available for teachers and administrators to use in their school improvement efforts. The survey is short, taking less than 10 minutes to complete.

The survey can be found online at

https://uepc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2ireDtaO5CSZpCR

and is available in either English or Spanish. There is a computer available in our main office if you would like to complete the survey here at Kauri Sue.

Thank you in advance for your participation and for sharing your kids with us each day.

Rita



Save the Date!

- March 1st- Teacher Grade Transmittal Day, No School
- March 6th- SIBS Night, 6:00 8:00 PM
- March 8th- Parent Teacher Conference Comp Day, No School
- April 10-11th- Spring Fling
- April 15-19th- Spring Break, No School



SIBS

Super-Incredible Brothers and Sisters Wednesday, March 6, 2019 6:00 - 8:00 Kauri Sue Hamilton School Atrium

Please come and meet other kids who have brothers and sisters who attend our school. Enjoy an evening of activities, socializing and a treat! Remember, this is just for the brothers and sisters and you must be 6 or older to attend. This is a chance for you to come to Kauri Sue while your brother or sister who usually comes to school here gets to stay home. Please call Katie at 801-567-8500 to RSVP.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

This month, we would like to highlight classroom 211. Jenny and her team of Debbie, Linda, and Shirley work hard to provide students with quality experiences each day they come to school. They work on goals for their students to increase communication through a variety of means (pic symbols, switches, iPad, voice output devices), to learn something new each day, and to have fun!

This class has done a lot of fun and interesting activities involving music. They have learned about fast and slow tempos, listened to a variety of music to determine what their students like and dislike, and even used new technology to turn bananas into an accessible keyboard!

This team loves coming to work every day to watch their students learn and grow. They enjoy watching their students laugh with friends, try difficult things, and celebrate every achievement. They love teaching and working with their amazing students!





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https://funandfunction.com



Explore New Places



Hello everyone! We have recently had amazing opportunities getting to know the staff and students of Kauri Sue Hamilton School. Here at Extreme Motus, we believe that everyone, regardless of their abilities, should be able to spend time doing what they love with whom they love—including exploring the outdoors.

We have worked hard to create off-road wheelchairs that can go places no other wheelchair like it can. More importantly, it can provide freedom and make memories like no other wheelchair can.

If you are interested in purchasing a wheelchair, please reach out to us at <u>info@extrememotus.com</u>. You can also find more information on our website ExtremeMotus.com.





EASIEST FUNDRAISER EVER

Please send in a check for \$20 as your donation to our school fundraiser this year. We are raising funds in part to help provide community-based experiences for our students. In return, we will send you a copy of <u>*This Land*</u>. And, the first 100 people to reply will get a copy signed by the author, Ramona Merrill.

This Land is a book that was created in celebration of Utah and the grand opening of the new Mountain View Village shopping center in Riverton. The project was funded by CenterCal, the properties company developing Mountain View Village. The books were donated to our school thanks to Mayor Staggs suggesting us as a benefactor of this endeavor. It is a beautiful book and any money received is 100% profit for our school!

We have tried hard to sell this book... at the grand opening of the Mountain View Village shopping center, at the Riverton Town Days, in our main office, and throughout the district. Unfortunately, we have only sold a few copies. I'm hoping this new approach will help us raise money for our school and get this beautiful book into the hands of some appreciative readers.



Speech News-- Around the Great Salt Lake!

The Speech Team will talk about cars and motorcycles and the races that happen at the Salt Flats and Utah Motor Speedway in February. Vocabulary addressed will be car, motorcycle, stop and go, fast and slow, same and different, numbers, and colors.

The second week we will focus on Valentine's Day. Targeted vocabulary will include love, friends, hearts, pink, red, purple, card, flowers, chocolate, big, small, you, mine, in, please, and thank you. We will be making a card and putting it in a mailbox and sending it to our friends.

The third and fourth week we will talk about The Great Salt Lake including Antelope Island and the animals on it, the Spiral Jetty, and brine shrimp. Vocabulary addressed will include wet, dry, big, good, bad, on, in.





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Special Enrollment Period (SEP)

The 2019 Marketplace Open Enrollment Period is over, but you may still qualify to **enroll in or change** your Health Insurance plan, otherwise known as a **Special Enrollment Period (SEP).** You may qualify for SEP if you've experienced certain life events, such as the following:

- 1. Loss of qualifying health coverage (you or anyone in your household):
- Through a job, or through another person's job.
- Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage (including pregnancyrelated coverage and medically needy coverage).
- Medicare.
- Individual or group health plan coverage that ends during the year.
- Coverage under your parent's health plan (if you turn 26 and lose coverage).
 - 2. Change in household size:
- Got married.
- Had a baby, adopted a child, or placed a child for foster care.
- Gained or became a dependent due to a child support or other court order.

3. Change in primary place of living:

- Moved to a new home in a new ZIP code or county.
- A student moved to or from the place he/she attends school.
- Moved to the U.S. from a foreign country or U.S. territory.
- Moved to or from a shelter or other transitional housing.
 - 4. Other situations:

- You became a U.S. citizen.
- Incarceration time completed.

If you qualify for an SEP, you usually have up to **60 days** following the event to enroll in a plan. If you miss that window, you have to wait until the next Open Enrollment Period to apply.

You can enroll in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP) at **any time** of year, whether you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period or not.

If you would like more information or have any questions, please **come visit us** in Health Services on the 2nd floor of KSHS **or call** 801-567-8515.

NOTES FROM NURSING

Dear Parents:

We realize that many of our students suffer with constipation problems and are often on medications intended to help. We also realize that we do have some students who regularly experience diarrhea-like or very loose stools.

However, if your child receives a medication to induce a bowel movement they need to stay home until they have shown results. Many children will experience cramping and significant diarrhea following the use of these medications.

Diarrhea that is induced is still considered diarrhea. Our guideline is that if a child has diarrhea more than once during the school day, they need to be picked up and remain home for 24 hours, diarrhea free. The bus will be cancelled for the following day, and will not be reinstated until a parent calls and states the child is diarrhea free (for 24 hours from the last episode). Thank you for your attention to this matter. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact the nurses or our Principal, Rita Bouillon at 567-8500.

Hand Washing

Absenteeism as a result of illness from transmissible infections is a major problem in schools. Among students in kindergarten through 12th at public schools, the transmission of communicable diseases such as viral and bacterial infections is responsible for more than 164 million lost school days per school year. At the elementary school level, the major contributor to absenteeism is illness caused by the spread of microorganisms, including upper respiratory infections (URI) and gastroenteritis (stomach flu). Such illnesses may interfere with class attendance, which may, in turn, affect academic performance.

Hands are the primary mode of transmission of many infectious diseases, particularly among those in close proximity to one another. Close environments, doorknobs, toilets and other inanimate objects (such as toys) serving as resting grounds for microbes, and contaminated hands serving as vehicles of transmission all contribute to increased infection rates.

According to the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology, <u>simple handwashing is the single</u> <u>most important and effective method of preventing the spread of transmissible</u> <u>diseases</u>. Teaching appropriate hand-hygiene practices can promote wellness and have numerous benefits. Appropriate hand-hygiene practices such as handwashing and hand sanitization can potentially result in the reduction of the spread of infection and the resulting lost days because of absenteeism.

