

February 2025

Dear Ulm Families,

Here we go. We have already completed our first month of the new school year.

Students have been challenged by all the testing in Montana this month but studies show that students who eat properly, stay active and get lots of rest outperform students who do not. If you can help ensure that happens, we will take care of the rest.

FYI: We have moved our Handicapped parking spot beside the gate by where the bus parks. There is a sign hanging on the fence signifying Handicap Parking. The parking space is used every day. Thank you all for respecting this spot.

Please see Climate Survey results (flyer attached) Thank You, Everyone who submitted the survey. It provides valuable feedback and helps us see areas we can improve our school.

Big Thank you's this month...

Charlie & Barb Byrne and Carl & Terri Rutherford for taking advantage of the Montana Innovative Program Tax Credit with their generous donations of a total \$41,000. If anyone is interested in hearing about the Montana Innovative Education Program Tax Credit, please call the Office and visit with Candice San Miguel.

Bluehawk Booster Club for the movie night as well as the donation that allows us the opportunity to have "Shakespeare In The Park" come visit our school on February 20th.

Kaitlin Kolka for wrangling the rodeo queens to come to our assembly during the Circuit Finals.

Melissa Bogner for all the great treats provided to our staff.

Mountain View Co-op for all the support you give Ulm School and our community. Thanks again for coming to our assembly and having fun with students and staff playing Trivia.

Cold/ Flu Season Absences

We recognize we are in full swing of the cold and flu season and we appreciate you keeping your kids home when they are not feeling well. We ask, when requesting homework for an absent student, please allow 24 hours for it to be ready to be sent home.

Also, please make sure your child's name is written on the tag of their winter gear. We do not have a "lost and found" so when we do find lost gear we can look at the tag, see who the gear belongs to, and get it back to them.

Thank a Board Member

In the spirit of School Board Recognition Month (January), we would like to express our appreciation for our School Board's dedication to Ulm School and the student achievement focused services provided.

School boards are tasked with making decisions that can often be challenging and may necessitate the careful evaluation of extensive information. We acknowledge the significant amount of time dedicated annually to Ulm Public Schools. Ulm School would not be successful without our devoted Board.

This month, we invite all community members to express their gratitude to a board member. This is an excellent opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of these dedicated leaders and to gain a deeper insight into how local trustees collaborate to equip today's students to become the leaders of tomorrow.

Again, thank you Ulm School Board for being educational leaders for our community and making our school a great place for all our students, educators, and stakeholders.

Russ McDaniel

Your Board Members:

Kyle Martz – Chair
Foster Sensibaugh – Vice Chair
Will Waldner – Trustee
Clint Young – Trustee
Nikki Phillips - Trustee

Dates to Remember:

02/05/2025 ABC meeting 6:00 p.m. @ the school
02/06/2025 Book Swap and Snack
02/11/2025 4:30 School Board Meeting
02/14/2025 Valentine's Day
02/17/2025 A week of Kindness. (flyer attached)
02/17/2025 Presidents' Day, We DO have school on this day.
02/17/2025 100th Day of school
02/20/2025 Shakespeare In The Park, Thank you Bluehawk Booster Club
02/24/2025 Start of Bookmark contest (see flyer)
02/25/2025 End of Trimester Two
03/26/2025 2nd, 3rd, 4th Grade Ski Trip
03/27/2025 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Ski Trip

January 2025
Bluehawk Recognition

The Ulm School "Bluehawk Recognition" is a way to showcase student accomplishment and recognize those students with the exemplary character traits that demonstrate Ulm School Bluehawk pride. These attributes are taught and modeled at Ulm Schools and promote success in and out of the classroom.

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| -All work turned in on time | -Kindness and Generosity |
| -Prepared for class | -Respectfulness |
| -Follow school rules | -Good Attitude |
| -Effort, work hard without redirection | -On time 80% of the time and at school 85% of the time |

Early Kindergarten: Clayton Gould, Everly Jacobs, Henry Muir

Kindergarten: Ashton Dees, Myla Madison, Avery Merritt, Bryliy Mertz, Dally Murphy, Mayzie Riggan, Evelyn Robinson, Arlington Taylor, Ruby Taylor

1st Grade: Paxton Basinger, Kyler Baum, Elaina Bogner, Anabelle Coburn, Havana Dellen, Abigail Gillis, Adeline Taecker, Christian Thom

2nd Grade: Alina Eagleman, Wyatt Gillis, Farrah Grissel, Chayse Seilstad, Shayley Young

3rd Grade: Kinslee Doughty, Brayden Keller, Penelope Kennerson, Travis Koch, Liliana Lopez, Clara Smith, Riley Lodmell

4th Grade: Emma Landa, Garrett Dubray, Tedy Gaines, Alikay Eagleman, Eliahs Bogner, Timmy Phillips, Letty Minogue, Calleigh Orr, Ashlyn Hagen, Mason Minogue, Lawsen Dozier, Callen Lodmell,

5th Grade: Adyson Thom

6th Grade: Casey Berner, Corbin Riggan, John Pearson, Kallie Olson, Logan Laue, Emma Jacobs

7th Grade: Carmyn Rydalch, December Kennerson, Logan Hawn, Luke Hawn

8th Grade: none

Bluehawk Every Day Counts Recognition

The Ulm School's "Everyday Counts Recognition" is a way to showcase student attendance for the month. There is a direct correlation between attendance and success. The following students have been here this month every day, all day, and on time.

Early Kindergarten: Brody Hersey, Everly Jacobs, Henry Muir

Kindergarten: Ashton Dees, Mayzie Riggan, Arlington & Ruby Taylor

1st Grade: Elaina Bogner, Havana Dellen, Brooke Madison, Kane Smith, Christian Thom

2nd Grade: Farrah Grissel, Chayse Seilstad, Shayley Young

3rd Grade: Brayden Keller, Riley Lodmell

4th Grade: Talmadge Adkins, Eliahs Bogner, Kit Calvert, Garrett BuBray, Tedy Gaines, Ashlyn Hagen, Callen Lodmell, Letty & Mason Minogue, Calleigh Orr, Harper Spurzem

5th Grade: Dylan Keller, Adyson Thom

Junior High: Logan Hawn, Maverick Johnson, Alias Johnston, Lane McWilliams, Kallie Olson, Corbin Riggan

Student Climate Survey Results

	strongly agree	agree	neutral	disagree	strongly disagree	Participants	strongly agree	agree	neutral	disagree	strongly disagree
My school has clear rules for behavior for all students	24	9	5	5	1	38	63%	24%	13%	0%	0%
Staff at my school take action when any type of bullying is reported	8	14	14	4	1	39	44%	21%	36%	0%	0%
Students at my school try to stop bullying	9	14	10	4	1	38	24%	37%	26%	11%	3%
At my school cyberbullying is a problem among students	1	3	3	6	6	38	0%	3%	8%	16%	74%
I feel safe at my school	5	8	8	2	2	38	61%	13%	21%	5%	0%
My teachers care about me	12	12	1	1	1	37	42%	32%	3%	3%	0%
There is an adult at my school I can talk to if I have a worry about safety	11	11	8	2	1	38	42%	29%	21%	5%	3%
I feel welcome and accepted at my school	7	7	4	2	2	37	65%	19%	11%	5%	0%
At my school, all students are treated respectfully regardless of who they are or where they come from	14	14	4	1	1	38	50%	37%	11%	3%	0%
My teachers encourage me to take responsibility for my learning	3	3	5	1	1	31	74%	10%	16%	0%	0%
I like my school building	4	4	7	2	2	37	65%	11%	19%	5%	0%
My school is kept clean	11	11	6	6	6	38	36%	29%	16%	16%	0%
I feel comfortable asking questions in my classes	10	10	3	4	4	36	53%	28%	8%	11%	0%
My teachers make learning interesting	9	9	6	3	3	37	51%	24%	16%	8%	0%
My teachers are good at explaining things that are hard to understand	11	11	11	3	3	37	35%	35%	30%	0%	0%
My teachers explain what we are learning and why	10	10	6	2	2	37	51%	27%	16%	5%	0%
What I'm learning in my classes is preparing me for my future	7	7	4	5	5	36	56%	19%	11%	14%	0%
My school and classrooms are places where I can learn	10	10	1	1	1	36	67%	28%	3%	3%	0%

Parent Climate Survey Results

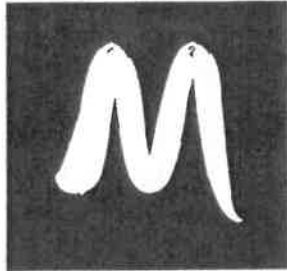
	strongly agree	agree	neutral	disagree	strongly disagree	Participants	strongly agree	agree	neutral	disagree	strongly disagree
My child has clear rules and expectations for behavior	6	41	4	1	1	108	57%	38%	4%	1%	0%
School rules are equally implemented for all students	5	43	11	1	1	106	48%	41%	10%	0%	1%
Staff at my school take action when any type of bullying is reported	42	3	14	3	33	104	40%	3%	13%	3%	0%
At my child's school, cyberbullying is a problem among students	2	3	11	32	33	104	2%	3%	13%	31%	32%
School staff communicate effectively with me about my child's wellbeing	6	39	8	3	1	104	51%	38%	8%	3%	1%
I feel safe at my child's school	7	20	6	2	1	103	72%	19%	6%	2%	1%
Teachers care about my child	2	23	1	2	1	104	74%	22%	1%	0%	1%
I feel welcome at my child's school	10	31	3	2	1	103	64%	30%	3%	2%	1%
School staff works to ensure my child's school is free from harassment and prejudice of any kind	6	34	8	2	1	106	58%	32%	8%	2%	1%
At my child's school, all students are treated respectfully regardless of who they are or where they come from	7	39	3	3	1	106	58%	37%	3%	3%	0%
At my child's school, every student is given the opportunity to pursue their academic interests	10	47	11	3	1	104	44%	45%	11%	0%	0%
My child's school provides instructional materials that accurately reflect students' cultural background, ethnicity, and identity and are free from bias	20	31	19	3	1	103	19%	30%	18%	3%	0%
Teachers encourage my child to take responsibility for his/her own learning	60	4	4	3	1	103	58%	38%	4%	0%	0%
Caregivers are given the opportunity to take part in decision-making at school	36	10	24	3	1	104	35%	38%	23%	3%	1%
I like my child's school building	1	36	10	4	2	105	50%	34%	10%	4%	2%
My child's school is kept clean	3	35	2	4	1	96	60%	36%	2%	0%	1%
The school campus provides teachers with adequate supplies, facilities, classroom space, and materials to support teaching and learning	1	34	18	2	1	105	49%	32%	17%	2%	0%
I am able to help shape what my child is learning in his/her classes so that he/she is prepared for the future	4	33	19	2	1	102	47%	32%	19%	2%	0%
I feel comfortable asking questions and making recommendations about my child's educational experience	3	34	12	4	1	104	51%	33%	12%	4%	1%

A WEEK OF KINDNESS

FEBRUARY 14 - 20

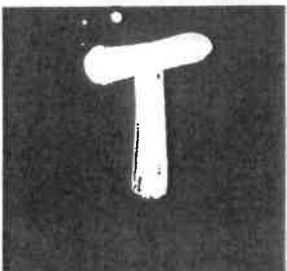
A little bit of kindness can go a long way.

Brought to you by Alliance for Youth



Be KIND to your Family

Help a family member with a chore, make them a card, tell them how much they mean to you.



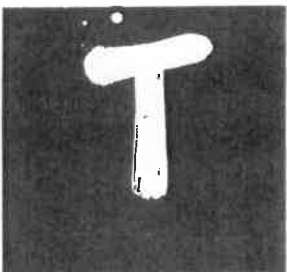
Be KIND to your others

Give a compliment to a new person, help a classmate with a problem, smile at everyone you pass by.



Be KIND to Yourself

Say self-affirmations in the mirror, make a list of reasons why you are special, eat your favorite snack.



Be KIND to your Teacher

Send a message, make a video or write a note to your teacher to say how much you appreciate them.



Be KIND to the Earth

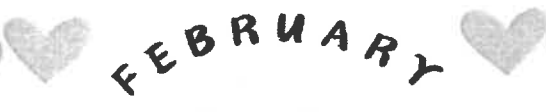

Go for a walk and pick up trash, add some plants to your home, upcycle something old into something new.





Bluehawk Booster Club Meeting

When: Weds, February 5th at 6pm
where: Ulm School Gym
New parents welcome. Kid friendly
meetings.



FEBRUARY

Book Swap

If your student will participate in this month book swap, please send your student to school on Thursday, February 7th with a gently used or newer book to trade and \$.50 for a snack. Book swap is held on the first Thursday of every month. This event is brought to you by the Bluehawk Booster Club.



We're celebrating **Dr. Seuss' Birthday** with a



BOOKMARK CONTEST



The bookmark contest
begins *Monday, Feb 24th.*

Submissions can be
collected anytime before
Thursday, March 6th by
your teacher. The winners
of *each* classrooms

bookmark contest will be
announced on *March 10th.*

Winners get to pick out a
book of their choosing from
Scholastic!

