

Skyline Eagle News

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Principal's Message:

Dear Parents:

Won't it be nice to have spring arrive? Fourth quarter arrives a day later—and that means graduation, prom, senior awards night, AP, IB, and CRT testing are just around the corner. The warmer weather also ushers in spring sports: boy's soccer, boy's tennis, softball, baseball and track. A high school is a very busy place--

- We hope to see you attend **Parent-Teacher Conferences** on February 28th and March 1st, and that you will vote in our Skyline Community Council elections. Sandy Straley, Mark Olson and Marilyn Taft are each running for a place on our council. Thank you to you three parents for volunteering! Staff elections to the council will also occur at the P/T Conferences.
- **Senior Awards Night**, normally scheduled for a Tuesday night at the end of May, will this year happen on a Monday night, May 21. Monday night may not be an ideal time to schedule our banquet but Tuesday evening, May 22, is the beginning of a major Jewish holiday, Shavuot. Wednesday and Thursday nights are reserved for elementary and junior high activities. We hope you will understand our scheduling difficulties this year.
- Congratulations to teacher and **Coach Syd Lott**. He was named Wrestling Coach of the Year for Region II. This is Syd's second year of coaching at Skyline.
- Congratulations to our women's basketball team for winning region.
- Congratulations to our State Champions men's and women's Swim teams. **Coach Joe Pereira** was named as 5A co-men's Swim Coach of the Year. **Sara Nicponski** and **Nate Swallow** were named swimmers of the year.

-- Kathy Clark

PTSA President's Message:

February has been a month filled with several exciting PTSA sponsored events. Jan Bradshaw chaired the Battle of the Bands Competition on February 7th.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

**Wednesday, February 28
& Thursday, March 1**



**4:30 – 7:30 p.m.
In the Cafeteria & Gym**

Congratulations to "The Eyes", **Nick Rosenberger, Bobby Clark, and Patrick Shrimpton**. They are Skyline's winner and will represent the school at the Regional Battle of the Bands.

Jennie Mangum was recognized as a regional winner in the Film/Video category on February 8th at the Council Reflections Awards Night.

Skyline sent several representatives to the Capitol on February 13th for the PTSA Day at the Legislature. Thanks to our legislative representative, Teri Lane, for keeping us informed with legislative alerts sent out on the member e-mail list.

Our "Take your Family to School" Activity occurred on February 16th. Elementary school students and their families were invited to the final boy's basketball game. It was great to see the gym filled with little future "Eagles."

The nominating committee will report with the slate of new officers for the coming year on March 6th at the annual Concerto Night at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested in serving on the PTSA board should contact Cynthia Bourne at 277-0624.

All PTSA members are invited to the monthly board meetings held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

Thanks again for the many volunteers and hours of service in all the activities at Skyline High.

Sandra Lehman & Barbara Chipman
PTSA Co-Presidents

AP TEST PAYMENT

The window for AP test payment is March 12-16. The fee is \$83.00 per exam. Payment needs to be made in the bookstore before school or at lunch during those five days only. No exams will be ordered without payment. Please have students see Mr. Eldracher if they have any questions.

FBLA

Some of the FBLA students participated in region competitions hosted by UVSC on January 26, 2007, and several students placed in multiple events and did a great job representing Skyline High. (Skyline had a phenomenal number of first place awards for this competition.) Approximately 12 high schools took part in these competitions, so congratulations guys – you did great!

Sarah Dupont -- 1st in Business Communications, International Business, Impromptu speaking, Job Interview, Business Law and 2nd in Entrepreneurship (team event)

Daniel Henshaw – 1st in Technology Concepts, Java Programming, Networking concepts and Computer Concepts.

Peter Tolman – 1st in Accounting II and Economics. 2nd in Business Calculations and Entrepreneurship (team event.)

Eli Pratt – 2nd in Accounting II and Entrepreneurship (team event) and 4th in Economics.

Ajay Giri – 4th in Intro to Business Communications and 5th in Business Law and Intro to Business.

Review Classes for

March 27th ACT Test

The last ACT Review Classes of the year for either the April 14th or June 9th ACT will begin on Tuesday, March 27th and run for 10 school days. Both English and Math classes will be offered. Classes are \$25 each. Math will be taught at 6:30 am and English will be right after school. To register, see Mrs. Croft in room 105 or Mr. Brown in room 124. Note: There will NOT be a review in May prior to the June ACT.

Registration for 2007/2008

Here are the 2007-2008 registration schedules for Wasatch, Churchill and Skyline:

Wasatch & Churchill

- Delivery of materials: Feb. 21 & 22
- Pick-up of materials: Feb. 28 & Mar. 1

Skyline Juniors


- Delivery: Feb. 26 & 27
- Pick-up: March 8 & 9

Skyline Sophomores

- Delivery: March 5 & 6
- Pick-up: March 13 & 24

Note: Counselors will work through English classes for registration. On pick-up dates, they will be at the back of the English classroom to quietly collect registration cards one-by-one. They will stay long enough to answer questions and check the completed cards for accuracy.

Skyline IB News



It is group 4 projects, investigational papers, portfolios, and workbook time for IB students. If you look at the calendar we gave you with all of the BIG deadlines on it, you will see that it is the season to be overloaded if you have been a procrastinator. Predicated grades and internal assessment scores are due soon. Teachers have been trying to get you to “do the work” early enough that you can handle the stress that comes with multiple HL and SL classes. We hope you are staying organized and are preparing for each of your IB classes.

The next deadline that is applicable to all IB and pre-IB students is the CAS hours and reflective essay. Each group should have the hours required for their level along with a reflective essay turned into Mrs. Davidson in the library by February 14th. Failure to do so will result in an IB citation being placed in your file and a \$10 fine. We know all students know of the deadlines because we have emailed many reminders along with suggestions for possible service projects. There is also a showcase just outside the library doors with each class, 2007, 2008, and 2009's number of hours and information. Please check the dates often. Currently we are working on getting funding from the legislature for the IB program statewide. We have 7 IB Diploma Programs in high schools throughout the state. House Bill 95 was written by Carol Spackman Moss. It is asking for equity for the IB program along with AP, concurrent enrollment and gifted and talented

programs K-12. All of the IB coordinators and high school principals have presented information to the Education subcommittee and are hopeful that it will pass.

With exams just around the corner in May, we hope that all the IB students are applying themselves in all coursework and are striving for excellence as they gain the in-depth knowledge required to pass the IB exams. To receive an IB diploma is a great reward for the effort put forth by the Skyline IB cohort of 2007.

Career Center

Sophomores have all been given an introduction to the Career Center. Each sophomore who attended this meeting was given access to a computer program called “Choices Planner” on the following web site www.bridges.com. This program offers information on colleges, careers, scholarships and more. Each student created a portfolio and has been encouraged to access this program at home with parents. Sophomores were also taken through a personality assessment called “Do What You Are.” This information will be shared with parents during their SEOP conference. Parents, please take a moment with your sophomore and assist the counseling staff as we encourage Skyline sophomores to begin thinking about post high school plans.

For those of you who have students interested in applying to out-of-state colleges, please don't forget about our **Out-of-State College Night** on Thursday, April 26 at 6:00 pm in the library. A panel of senior students who have gone through this process will share vital information that will help students as they make the transition from high school to college. Topics will include college entrance exams, the application process, early decision/early action, college money/scholarships, sample college essays, resumes and more.

Military Academy Day

On Saturday, March 17, Jim Matheson, Member of Congress, will host a Service Academy Information Session at Skyline High School. Students, with or without parents, who are interested in attending the Air Force Academy, the Coast Guard Academy, the Merchant Marine Academy, the US Military Academy (West Point), or the Naval academy are encouraged to attend as the Academy application process is very specific. Representatives from each academy will make a presentation followed

by a question and answer period. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet with academy representatives, learn about the application process, and learn the Congressional nomination process.

What will you do in the Future?

What does your future hold for you? So many of Skyline's students are asked this question from the moment they enter the hallways. Many of our fine students are planning to attend prestigious colleges around the nation and here in our beautiful state. An area that I believe is overlooked comes from the fine Career and Trades Education programs offered at Skyline. Do you watch all the cable speed and automotive channels? Did you know that in two short years you could receive training in the automotive field and a guaranteed job with starting wages of \$35,000-40,000 annually? Did you know that there are many individuals that graduated from Skyline working in the automotive industry making \$60,000 +? Did you know that by the year 2010, there will be over 1 million job openings in the automotive field and that job placement is guaranteed?

If these statements have peaked your interest, consider taking an automotive class here at Skyline. The automotive classes offered at Skyline will allow your student to check out this area to see if this might be the adventure of a lifetime. In addition, the automotive program gives good knowledge for the everyday driver in the maintaining and repairing their. Skyline offers a quality program where students will learn custom fabrication, painting, and general knowledge of all makes. Give Skyline's automotive class a chance to see if this might be a career choice for you. For more information contact Mr. Ballew at 801-646-5420. I look forward to seeing you there.

Choral Music News

Coming in March is the **Seventh Annual Skyline High School Barbershop Show** featuring the sweet harmonies of the Highlites and Troubadours. This year we **Remember When** many young groups from the 50's created what is affectionately known as Du-Wop. On **Friday, March 16th** at promptly 7:00 pm, the Utah based quintet The Cadillac's will join the Skyline choirs to wow and amaze individuals for only \$10.00 and \$25.00 for families. Don't miss out on this once in a lifetime experience.

Instrumental Music World

Times are very busy and very exciting for us! We have been working on a number of things. The Pep Band & Drumline have been busy supporting the basketball teams. The Jazz Band will play at the Crescent/ BYU Jazz festival on Feb. 17th. We are also rehearsing diligently to prepare for Concerto Night on March 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. Please come to that event! We have 10 extremely talented senior musicians whom we will showcase that night. Admission is free!!

Other upcoming events:

- March 8th – Region Solo & Ensemble Festival @ Brighton, 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- March 15th – Region Jazz Band Festival @ Alta, 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- March 28th-April 1st – Vocal & Instrumental Music Tour to San Diego

Yearbook

We will be adding full-colored business ads and sponsorships to Skyline's yearbook this year. If you or someone you know may be interested in having your business featured in or sponsoring the yearbook, please contact the yearbook advisor, Warren Hull, for information regarding the different ad sizes and packages. Mr. Hull may be reached at 646-5434 or at warren.hull@granite.k12.ut.us. This is a great opportunity to advertise your business locally, and a portion of each sponsorship or business ad will go toward helping students who otherwise wouldn't be able to purchase a yearbook.

Senior Parents: We have pushed back the deadline for the yearbook's senior baby ads to Thursday, March 1.



If you have not yet purchased a spot in the yearbook to honor or recognize your senior,

please pick up the information and order form in the Main Office ASAP.

Art Department News

"Souper" Art Night

Congratulations to **Cleo Ricks, Drew Carney, Brianna Jensen, Alexandria Cook,** and **Grayson Folcomer** who represented Skyline High School at the 4th Annual "Souper" Art Night January 29th at Cottonwood High School. **Drew Carney** and **Brianna Jensen** both took honorable mentions for their art. Thanks to all the Skyline Students who went to the event to support these students.

Art Club News

This Month the Art Club is working on a large mural to brighten up the drab Ceramics room. The mural shows the history of pottery styles and has the words "Skyline Pottery." Many Art Club members have participated in the design and painting of the mural but an extra big thanks goes to Madi Hajib, Junyang Wang, Alyx Karrington, Andrew Fox, and Alex Cook for all of their help.

Community of Caring

Congrats to the following students and faculty who are our 2007 Head, Heart and Hands recipients:

Megan Lee
Tony Colosimo
Lanee Aho
Daniel Eckhardt
Emilie Dearden
Mr. Shawn Kennedy

Up-Coming Service Activities:

- March 13 – 500 sandwiches @ 2:15 in room 156
- March 19th – **Teen Forum on Addictions** during 2nd period in the auditorium with Gary Fisher
- March 26th – **Mock Disaster @ LDS Hospital** 8:30-12:30. Bus leaves Skyline @ 8:30 am. Disaster scenario simulated. Get forms from Mrs. Daily/office. Space is limited!
- March 30th – **Women's Forum: Finding Your Soul-Worth** 7:30-12:30. Cost if \$5.00. We will be busing to the Jones Center. Lunch will be served. Jenny Harrop will lead a discussion/workshop. Get registration form from Mrs. Daily, room 156 or the front office. Registration is limited to first 150 who sign up.

LaNichee Drill Team Tryouts

All 9th, 10th, & 11th graders invited!

- March 27th at 6:00 p.m. Mandatory Parent Meeting in the library
- March 28th -29th from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Workshops in the main gym
- March 29th at 3:30 p.m. Tryouts in the main gym. \$5.00 fee
- April 4th at 6:00 p.m. GET-A-KICK LaNichee Showcase & New Team Announcement in the main gym.

Support your LaNichees!!!

For more information, contact Patti Clements, 277-1325.

Dance Company

The dance program is excited to welcome a new teacher to Skyline this month. Her name is **Erin Patrick** and she will be taking the dance classes for Michelle Strong. Due to some health issues Michelle will not be able to continue teaching at Skyline this year. She would like to say thank you to all the parents, faculty, and administration for all of their support and encouragement the past two years. She is especially grateful to her students for working so hard and being such great kids. She is sad to leave but wishes her classes the best of luck in all their endeavors.

Dance Company has been busy this past month performing at assemblies, basketball halftimes, and the Granite District Dance Concert at Granger. Congratulations dancers! You looked fantastic! Thanks for all of your hard work and dedication! March is devoted to getting ready for the Company's string concert, "**Artistically Speaking**." It will run April 19-20, so mark it on your calendars. It promises to be an exciting show with a variety of dance styles, including jazz, hip-hop, tap-lyrical, modern, and ballet. Come support these terrific dancers!

Skyline Wrestling

The wrestling team had one of its best years ever in 2006-2007. They team amassed a dual meet record of 17-7 while doing well at every tournament they attended. The team finished up the year with a great showing at the Region II tournament. They had 16 wrestlers place and took 10 wrestlers to the State Championships. Skyline had a respectable showing placing two wrestlers. **Brett Clapier** placed 6th at 103 pounds and **Sean Tage** placed 6th at 160 pounds.

Girls' Softball

The girls' softball team is off and running. Watch for exciting results from the "March Warm-up," a tournament held in St. George being played March 9th-10th. The first region game will be held March 29th at Brighton. Come out and enjoy the sunshine while cheering on the girl's softball team!



Skyline Swim Teams

SKYLINE SWIM TEAM TAKES 6TH & 7TH CONSECUTIVE STATE TITLES

2007 5A State Swimming Championships

February 9th-10th at BYU

Skyline girls are this year's Champions, making it 6 in a row. Winning the opening and closing relays with All-American Times. Sara Nicponski wins the 200 Individual Medley and the 100 Breaststroke. Sara broke her own state record by two seconds going 1:02.10. Sara also earned the female swimmer of the meet.

This year's female All-Americans:

Kristina Evans
Marnie Knoop
Sara Nicponski
Alyssa Woodliff

Academic All-State"

Teri Elliott

Top 5 Girls team scores:

Skyline 429
Brighton 326
Kearns 265
Lone Peak 187
American Fork 141

Skyline boys are this year's Champions, making it 7 in a row. The boys won 5 of the 11 event titles.

Nathan Swallow won the 200 Individual Medley and the 500 Freestyle. Nathan earned the male swimmer of the meet.

This year's All-Americans:

Mason Childs
Thomas Ekstrom
Nathan Swallow
Joshua Tanner

Academic All-State:

Nathan Swallow

Top 5 Boys team scores:

Skyline 396
West Jordan 250
Brighton 209
Bingham 167
Kearns 148

Coach Joe Pereira earned "Men's Coach of the Year."

Skyline Men's Soccer



The roster for the '07 Skyline Men's Soccer team will be set by the beginning of March. Tryouts will be held and the team selected during the last week of February. Thanks to everyone who plans to participate in tryouts. The level of play promises to be great and selecting the final team will be a real challenge for the coaches.

Congratulations to the '07 Skyline Soccer Team members, and a special nod to the freshmen that make the team.

Congratulations also to sophomores **James Madsen** and **Mazi Nourian** for being named the inaugural Skyline Soccer "Ironmen." James and Mazi have been the two hardest workers in our off-season weight training program and have set an excellent tone for the rest of the season. Great work guys!

Head coach Bryce Bunting has appointed Mike Blakesley as the junior varsity coach. Coach Blakesley and coach Bunting were teammates at Skyline during the 1999 season. Coach Blakesley is currently attending BYU and will make the daily commute to Skyline. Thanks to Mike for his commitment to the soccer program and the Skyline High School community.

Our team opens its home schedule on March 6th against rival Olympus. Home games will be held at 3:30 p.m. Fans and students should expect great entertainment with a fun tailgate atmosphere including concessions! Please come out and support our team. We are expecting to have a great season led by captains **Max Malmquist** and **Ricky Derrick**. See the calendar for other games.



Graduation

May 31, 2007

7:00 p.m.

Huntsman Center @ U of U

No tickets required.

Notice:

In order to make sure that all fees and fines are paid, seniors will not be allowed to walk at graduation without being cleared of all money owed to Skyline High School.

Skyline High School Attendance Policy

Absences: There are eight kinds of absences:

1. "E" indicates that a parent has called the school on the day of the absence (646-5433). Parents have one day to call after absence, no parent notes are accepted.
 2. "R" is a school released absence, i.e. field trips, tournaments, etc. Participation points are given.
 3. "A" indicates an un-excused absence; a parent has NOT notified the school or the absence is not justifiable. Non-justifiable absences include baby sitting jobs, "needed at home," "over-sleeping," and appointments that can be scheduled after school. No participation points awarded.
 4. "U" is a confirmed sluff. No participation points given.
 5. "S" is for a suspension. Participation points are given.
 6. "V" is for vacation. No participation points given.
 7. "F" is for funeral. Participation points are given.
 8. "M" is for medical. (Doctor's letter required.) Participation points are given.
- Students must have a street pass to leave campus during the day. Leaving campus without a street pass will be an "A" absence. Students involved in after-school activities must attend school the day of the activity in order to be eligible to participate.

The following is the standard for citizenship grades.

One "U" or "A" absence = 1

Two "U" or "A" absence = 0

8 or more class absences ("E"s, "A", and "U") in one quarter will result in a 0 in that class, unless absences are due to special circumstances. These will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

Tardies: The following is the standard for citizenship grades:

0-1 tardies = 4

2 tardies = 3

3 tardies = 2

4 tardies = 1

5 or more tardies = 0

Teachers are encouraged to allow some tardy make-up (for one or two tardies).

Please note that:

- 1 - Calls must be made on the day of the absence by 2:00 pm. at 646-5433.
- 2 - No absence will be retroactively excused after three days.
- 3 - Parents must call before their student arrives if they are coming in more than 20 minutes late (due to a justifiable reason), and the student must check in at the counseling center to be excused and receive a pass to class.
- 4 - Street passes must be called in the morning and the student must pick them up in the counseling center (blue basket) before the period they need them. They must check back in when they return or the parent must indicate, when they call for the street pass, that their student will not be returning.
- 5 - Please check the attendance policy on Skyline's web site.
- 6 - Parents can have their student's attendance e-mailed to them on a regular basis by going in to the grade book program on the website.

FOR ALL ATTENDANCE CALLS – 646-5433