





Traverse Mountain Elementary



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THIS MONTH AT A GLANCE

Jan 1-2	No School/Christmas Break
Jan 9	SCC 3:45pm
Jan 10	PTA Meeting 9:30am
Jan 16-18	Jersey Mike's Spirit Week
Jan 23	SWIG Day

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Traverse Mountain Community

Thank you so much for the warm welcome I've felt since I joined the Traverse Mountain Team in November. There are so many wonderful things going on here at Traverse Mountain Elementary that it is difficult to keep track of everything. I see students working hard every day. I come into the school in the morning and see dedicated students dancing on our Ballroom Team. As I leave the school there are students and teachers practicing for the school production of Beauty and the Beast (coming in March!). I am impressed by the dedication and grit of the Traverse Mountain students and teachers.

Tiger Times

Did you set a New Year's resolution? Many people take this time of year to improve something about their character. Every Monday students at Traverse Mountain take part in a House Meeting where character strengths such as grit, confidence, creativity, and kindness are explicitly taught. I love this time of school when students commit to a renewed focus on something they can improve. I'm excited to be back from a long break and ready to work hard and focus on student learning here at the school.

I am so pleased with my opportunity to be the Assistant Principal at Traverse Mountain. If you have not yet done so, stop by my office, say hello, and introduce yourself. I look forward to working with you as we work together to give students the best educational experience possible.

Lewis Young Assistant Principal

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Jan 4	Boundary Input Meeting
Jan 9	Chick-Fil-A Night
Jan 15	No School
Jan 22-26	White Ribbon Week
Jan 30	Pizza Studio Night

Other School News



Reflections

Carston Hadlock is moving on to the next level in

Reflections. Congratulations!!!

Checking In

When visitng the school, whether in the building or on the playground, it is required that you check in at the office and state your reason for a visit and location you will be going.

Student Handbook Highlight

Track Time: Students should attend their assigned track time only. Students are not allowed to randomly switch track times.

Classroom visits: Parents are welcome to visit their child's classroom. For the safety of our students, please check in at the office first. Please make arrangements with the teacher in advance if you wish to visit. Llimit the visit to 30 minutes or less, and do not interrupt the teacher or students during the visit. Occasionally, out-of-town friends or cousins come to visit family during the school year. Because of liability issues, these guests are not to accompany students to school.

Inside Days

We keep students inside if the temperature outside is 20 degrees or less. This includes wind chill. We also keep children inside if the air quality is in the "unhealthy" range according to air.utah.gov. We include in our monitoring the air quality reading of an independent unit installed at a home in Traverse Mountain. Students who are tagged in Skyward as having respiratory problems, or asthma, are kept inside when the air quality is "unhealthy for sensitive groups." Parents who wish for students to be kept inside outside these guidelines will need to write a daily note to their child's teacher.

New Assistant Principal

Brian Ridge has been appointed as principal of River Rock Elementary. He replaces Jason Benson who resigned on Tuesday. Lewis Young will now serve as assistant principal at Traverse Mountain Elementary. Prior to today's appointment, Mr. Young served as a partnership facilitator and teacher on administrative assignment at Sharon Elementary. His experience in education includes teaching at Saratoga Shores and Riverview Elementary.

********Meet our AMAZING teachers!!*********



Lauren Featherston 2nd Grade

What is your favorite restaurant?	Jimmy Johns
What is your favorite store?	Old Navy
What is your favorite scent?	Vanilla
What is your favorite candy/treat?	Twix and Swig sugar cookies
What is your favorite hobby?	Camping
What is your favorite flower?	Pink Roses
What is your favorite drink?	Dr. Pepper
What is your favorite color?	Pink
What is your favorite school supply?	Colored dry erase markers
What is your favorite thing about being a teacher?	I love watching students grown and progress in their skills.
Where is your favorite place you have lived?	Illinois
What is your favorite quote?	"Never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game." - Babe Ruth
Tell us about your family.	My husband and I have been married for over a year. We have a perfect little girl named Hadley that was just born in September. We love to hike and camp together and are always going on trips.

Vhat is your favorite color? Blue



Chelsea Jones 3rd Grade

What is your favorite restaurant?	Texas Roadhouse
Favorite store?	Called to Surf
Favorite scent?	Volcano
What is your favorite candy/treat?	Swig cookies, RX bars, and pumpkin cookies
What is your favorite hobby?	Crossfit and boating
What is your favorite flower?	Peony or Gerber Daisy
What is your favorite drink?	Dirty Dr. Pepper
What is your favorite color?	Mint or Teal Green (sometimes pink)
What is your favorite school supply?	White board markers and Clorox wipes
What is your favorite thing about being a teacher?	The Ah! moment
Favorite place you have lived?	Denver, CO
Favorite quote?	"Stay patient and trust your journey."
ν Tell us about your family. ν	I have 8 siblings and they are wonderful! They are living all over the country right now which is a bummer. I also have two nephews and 5 nieces! They are so much fun.

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McKenzie Clement

What is your favorite restaurant?	Cubby's, Costa Vida, Olive Garden
What is your favorite store?	Target
What is your favorite scent?	Vanilla, Eucalyptus
What is your favorite candy/treat?	Peanut butter M&Ms
What is your favorite hobby?	Hiking, Off-Roading
What is your favorite flower?	Roses
What is your favorite drink?	Diet Coke
What is your favorite color?	Pink, Maroon, White
What is your favorite school supply?	Expo markers, colorful pens
What is your favorite TV show/movie?	Grey's Anatomy
What is your favorite thing about being a teacher?	Learning each one of my student's individual personalities and watching how much they grow throughout the year from where they started.
Favorite place you have lived?	Hawaii
Favorite quote?	"You is kind, you is smart, you is important." my mom always tells me this.
Tell us about your family.	My parents currently live in Chicago along with my 2 younger sisters, 16 and 11. My older brother lives in Florida. I consider my 2 year old puppy Wrangler my kid.



Ryan Radebaugh 6th Grade

What is your favorite restaurant?	Five Guys
What is your favorite store?	Target
What is your favorite scent?	When you walk through the doors of Pirates of the Caribbean
What is your favorite candy/treat?	Dove dark chocolate and Gobstoppers
What is your favorite drink?	Bai Clementine
What is your favorite TV show?	Scrubs and Parks and Rec
What is your favorite movie?	The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring
What is your favorite thing about being a teacher?	Reading books to students and telling stories.
What is your favorite Disney movie?	The Lion King
What is your favorite book?	Stargirl and The Passage series



Box Tops

We are SO excited for Box Tops this year! There are so many fun things that will be happening this year, including being entered into drawings for turning box tops in each week, competitions

between each of the grades with Pizza Parties and Ice Cream parties as rewards. Keep an eye out for emails and fliers to explain more information about our competitions and the fun ways you can get involved! It is amazing how much 10¢ can add up!! Please get all your family and friends involved in this fundraiser. Our goal this year is to raise \$2,400 dollars throughout the entire school. The best part is, EVERY penny will go back into your child's grade to help them to get the things they are in need of!

If you have any questions feel free to Email me, Ashlee Gibby, at: Ashleeagibby@gmail.com

PTA Presidents Message

Hello Traverse Mountain Parents!

The PTA has a lot going on this month including; White Ribbon Week to educate our children on good internet safety habits, weekly restaurant spirit nights (Chick-Fil-A, Jersey Mike's Subs, Swig, and Pizza Studio), and the kick off to our annual Spell-A-Thon fundraiser. We love to promote goodness for our school, help the teachers, and provide the best for our kids!

We appreciate your support in these endeavors by

volunteering your time, attending activities, asking your student what's happening during their day, reading emails, and/or being apart of the PTA. It's a fun place to be.

We look forward to finding out the results of the boundaries for the new school in the Edge Home neighborhood.

Sarah Bennett-PTA President





	Lool	king ahead to February
	2/5-2/9	Book Fair
	2/6	SCC 3:45pm
	2/6	Chick-Fil-A Night
	2/7-2/8	Parent Teacher Confer.
	2/9	Spell-A-Thon Test Given
	2/10	Mother/Son Dance
[2/12	Spell-A-Thon Results
	2/12	School Spelling Bee
	2/14	PTA Meeting 9:30am
	2/17	Ballroom 10am
	2/19	No School

Spell-A-Thon Money due

collection sheet here: