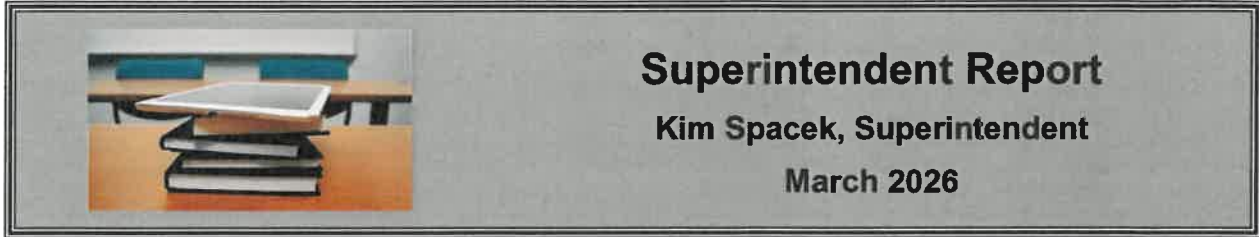


WEST BONNER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #83



Board Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 18, 2026

Who should be recognized for their contribution to student growth and achievement?

- Charity Hinshaw - *The district received a grant from the DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) to replace two school buses. Charity worked diligently to ensure the buses qualified. Through her effort, two school buses have been ordered with grant funds and depreciation to get the district back on the Depreciation Schedule for ordering school buses.*

What has the superintendent been working on this past month?

- 2024 Fiscal Audit - *Hayden Ross received all information needed from the district for the 2024 Fiscal Audit. It has paused our audit until late next week because it is completing several Single Audits. When it returns to our audit, it will take up a single audit to complete the audit by the end of March.*
- Forestry Building - *A monthly report is attached. Excavation has begun to construct the foundation of the building. A Geotechnical Report was conducted and found more soil to be removed than the design called for. This led to the first Change Order, a cost of \$18,000.*

Jared Hughes, Kendra Salesky, and I attended a City Council Meeting and asked the Council to reduce Impact Fees. Jared did an excellent job on behalf in presenting the case of a reduction. You will find confirmation of a reduction approved by the City Council of Priest River.

- District Office Repairs - *The week after the Regular Board Meeting in February, the staff moved back to 134 Main Street. Repairs were completed the week of the board meeting. District-level staff is happy to be back where all supplies and files are easily accessible.*

What tasks need focus for the upcoming month?

- Visit by U.S. Department of Education and Debbie Critchfield, Superintendent of Public Instruction - Friday, April 24, 2026 - The State Department of Education called this past week. A representative from the U.S. Department of Education and Debbie Critchfield would like to visit West Bonner County School District to see the good
- Board Policy 5100 - Hiring and Criteria - I will work with Tracy Rusho, Human Resources Director/Special Services Administrative Assistant, updating the policy. Then, the AdTeam will provide feedback to the Board Policy before bringing it to the board for a reading. It may be necessary to create a policy for hiring classified staff and extra curricular staff. I hope to begin work soon.
- Rural Alliance - The Rural Alliance continues to offer a principal network. Tommy Hansen will be attending in March.
- Job Descriptions - Several job descriptions are in the process of being updated. These have been put on hold for the month. I hope to be back on this project for at least one job description to review in April.:

Are there any other items of significance to report?

- Grins on the Go Program, Delta Dental of Idaho - The district received the attached letter from Cami Sindon, Manager of Community Outreach. The Mobile Dental Sealant Clinic serves students within the district. The letter and Sealant Report is attached to this report.
- 5-year Strategic Plan -. I contacted Randy Russell of RLR Leadership Consulting. He was Principal at Coeur d'Alene High School until becoming Superintendent at Freeman. Rany is involved with leadership in Idaho through Project Leadership. Eric Bolz works with Randy, who I met when I was Superintendent in Pomeroy, He MTSS. After Richland, Eric moved to Pasco and implemented MTSS in both the Richland and Pasco school districts.

RLR works with rural districts to develop a strategic plan that meets community aspirations. Hardin, Montana, and Neah Bay, Washington, are two examples. These two districts have a two-sided page for a strategic plan focused on action. This is accomplished through focus groups, collecting survey data, and working with stakeholders to take action in educating students. Their work is with a district for three years. In my initial meeting a few weeks ago, both Randy and Eric believe the district has a lot of positive initiatives. The two are committed to assist in getting the district 'across the finish line. Finance should be completed first.

- Idaho SIF Worker's Comp - The current mod rate is 1.28. In the upcoming year the District's mod rate will be 0.94. This is a result of implementing a safety program. Last year, the district purchased online safety training through Vector Solutions. Annual trainings include the list below:
 - Youth Suicide Awareness
 - Student's Experiencing Homelessness
 - Bullying
 - Cybersecurity
 - Mandatory Reporting

In addition, the Walk Like a Penguin video and flyer were sent out to remind staff about accident prevention during the winter snow and ice months.

- Principals to Action: Ensuring Mathematical Success for All - Kathy Prummer, Region 1 Mathematics Center Coach, provided this book to me as a part of the class that I am taking called Teaching Mathematical Thinking. This the last of two courses that I am to take go become recertified as a superintendent. There are eight mathematical practices the State Department of Education is promoting to improve math instruction around the state. The book gave great insight to how the district can implement practices that will assist students in learning math.

How many corrective actions have resulted in a Temporary Suspension this past month? This information is provided based upon Board Policy 3340 - Corrective Actions and Punishment. The chart below outlines actions taken since the last board meeting:

<i># of Temporary Suspensions</i>	<i>Reason for Action</i>	<i>Response</i>
3	Use/Possession of ATOD	3-days
2	Disorderly Conduct	1-day
4	Bullying/Harassment	3-days
1	Fighting	1-day
1	Insubordination	2-days
1	Insubordination	4-days
3	Truancy	3-days

How many Attendance Letters have been processed this month since the last board meeting?

<i>Grade Band</i>	<i># of Students</i>
<i># of Students in Kindergarten through Grade 6</i>	0
<i>St# of Students in Grades 7 through Grade 12</i>	0

How many Open Enrollment Applications have been processed since the last board meeting:

<i># of Students Entering the District through Open Enrollment</i>	<i># of Students Exiting the District through Open Enrollment</i>	<i># of Students Changing Schools in the District through Open Enrollment</i>
0	0	1

How many Requests for Public Records have been processed? The chart below requests made and/or completed since the last board meeting:

<i>James Kennedy</i>	<i>Brandon Durst Salary & Benefits</i>	1-26-2026	<i>In Process</i>
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Other Items of Interest

I read the following documents to keep up with current issues in the field of education: (Reading is done during each mealtime when at the house in Oldtown.)

- *ASCA Ethical Standards for School Counselors - Julie Lilienkamp, Counselor at the junior-senior high school asked me to read information on the School Counselor as a professional. This document was a thorough description of the School Counselor. A Glossary of Terms defined terms common to the work of the School Counselor.*
- *Region One Citizen Review Panel, Panhandle Health District - This report was sent out by the Child Protection Legislative Oversight Committee. The health district does a lot of work to keep children safe and families intact. Like education, funding hinders the good work it continues to do on behalf of families impacted by mental health.*

Acronyms:

Education has terminology formed from the initial letters of other words and pronounced as a phrase of letters or word. (This list will expand as acronyms are used in this report.)

- *ASVAB = Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery*
- *CTE = Career Technical Education*
- *CTSO = Career Technical Student Organization*
- *IHSAA = Idaho High School Activities Association*
- *ICRMP = Idaho County Risk Management Program*
- *IRI = Idaho Reading Indicator*
- *ISEE = Idaho System of Educational Excellence*
- *MTSS = Multi-Tiered System of Supports*
- *PLC = Professional Learning Community*
- *STEAM = Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics*
- *STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics*
- *TAC = Technical Advisory Committee (CTE Program Requirement)*

Kim Spack

25-37 Priest River Lamanna HS Forestry Bldg

PROJECT PROGRESS



Continued Demolition



Continued Excavation



Prepping for Footings & Foundation Walls



Prepping for Footings & Foundation Walls

UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION

- Continued Excavation
- Form and Pour Footings & Foundation Walls
- Pour Slab on Grade
- Commence Framing



Kim Spacek <kimspacek@sd83.org>

Request for Connection Fee Waiver

5 messages

Laurel Thomas <lthomas@priestriver-id.gov>

Tue, Mar 3, 2026 at 1:26 PM

To: Kendra Salesky <kendrasalesky@sd83.org>, Kim Spacek <kimspacek@sd83.org>

Good afternoon,

The City Council unanimously approved to waive the water and sewer connection fee for Building Permit #8008-028-25 at their meeting last night. A refund check will be prepared and mailed out later this week.

Thank you,

Laurel Thomas, CMC

City Clerk/Treasurer

208-448-2123, Ext 100

www.priestriver-id.gov

Priest River is updating our Comprehensive Plan. You're invited to take the public survey now!

[Priest River Comprehensive Plan Public Survey](#)

Kim Spacek <kimspacek@sd83.org>

Tue, Mar 3, 2026 at 4:11 PM

To: Laurel Thomas <lthomas@priestriver-id.gov>

Cc: Jared Hughes <jaredhughes@sd83.org>, Kendra Salesky <kendrasalesky@sd83.org>

Laurel,

Thank you for this update. The School District appreciates this good news!

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Kim Spacek

Superintendent

West Bonner County School District #83

208-946-7909

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Kendra Salesky <kendrasalesky@sd83.org>

Wed, Mar 4, 2026 at 8:10 AM

To: Kim Spacek <kimspacek@sd83.org>

Cc: Laurel Thomas <lthomas@priestriver-id.gov>, Jared Hughes <jaredhughes@sd83.org>

Thank you for the hard work on this, I know you had to do a lot of research.

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Kendra Salesky
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Jared Hughes <jaredhughes@sd83.org>
To: Kendra Salesky <kendrasalesky@sd83.org>
Cc: Kim Spacek <kimspacek@sd83.org>, Laurel Thomas <lthomas@priestriver-id.gov>

Wed, Mar 4, 2026 at 8:13 AM

Thank you! Looking forward to the completion of the project!
Jared

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CTE - Natural Resources
Head Coach - Track and Field
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Cc: Jared Hughes <jaredhughes@sd83.org>

Wed, Mar 4, 2026 at 9:42 AM

No problem, have a great day!

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January 13, 2026

Kim Spacek
West Bonner County District #83
134 Main Street
Priest River, ID 83856

Dear Superintendent:

Since 2007, Delta Dental of Idaho's Grins on the Go program has provided free dental sealants, fluoride varnish and oral health education to students in qualifying Idaho schools. We work in over 60 school districts throughout the state and have served over 200,000 Idaho students.

This last semester, the Grins on the Go dental sealant team conducted clinics at school(s) in your district that qualify based on the free or reduced lunch report. Please see attached the summary report(s) that include the services provided, to share with your school district's board.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

Thanks and Grin Well!



Cami Sindon, RDH-EA, CDHC
Manager, Community Outreach
(208) 489-3538
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Encl.



Mobile Dental Sealant Clinic Sealant Report

School: Idaho Hill Elementary

Date of Clinic: October 2025

18 Students Seen & Received Oral Hygiene Instruction

49% Permission Form Return Rate (of eligible grades)
% Yes 59% % No 41%
(may not equal exactly 100% due to rounding)

9 Students Received One or More Sealants

32 Sealants on molars 32 Premolars: 0

17 Students Received Fluoride Varnish

0 Students Needing to see a Dentist Immediately

If we could not place a sealant, it was because:

3 Students Had Existing Sealants on One or More Teeth

7 Students Had Suspected Decay on One or More Teeth

\$ 3,300.00 Total Cost if Sealants & Fluoride Placed in Dental Office

If you have any questions,
please don't hesitate to contact:
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WEST BONNER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #83
APPLE AWARD

IS AWARDED TO

Charity Finshaw

CONGRATULATIONS FOR

THE DISTRICT RECEIVING A GRANT FROM THE DEQ TO REPLACE TWO
SCHOOL BUSES. YOUR DILIGENT WORK TO ENSURE THE BUSES
QUALIFIED THROUGH YOUR EFFORT TO PURCHASE TWO SCHOOL
BUSES

MARCH 18, 2026

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Delbert Pound
Trustee, Zone 3

Robert Bauer
Trustee, Zone 2

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