



## St. Maries Joint School District No. 41 “Committed to Quality Education”

### NEW!

#### Online Registration

All Grades – Returning Students ONLY

See inside for more information.

#### St. Maries High School | CEC

Grades 9–12

John Cordell, Principal  
Office Hours: 7:30AM to 4:00PM  
424 Hells Gulch Road  
St. Maries, Idaho 83861  
Phone: (208) 245-2142  
Fax: (208) 245-5650

#### REGISTRATION FOR RETURNING STUDENTS (previously enrolled)

August 23, 2018  
12th Grade » 8:00AM to NOON  
11th Grade » NOON to 4:00PM

August 24, 2018  
10th Grade » 8:00AM to NOON  
9th Grade » NOON to 4:00PM

#### REGISTRATION FOR CEC STUDENTS August 23, 2018 » 8:00AM to 4:00PM

#### REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS (previously not enrolled)

August 27, 2018  
8:00AM to 4:00PM

#### St. Maries Middle School

Grades 6–8

Jeffrey Andersen, Principal  
Office Hours: 7:30AM to 4:00PM  
1315 Jefferson Avenue  
St. Maries, Idaho 83861  
Phone: (208) 245-3495  
Fax: (208) 245-0506

#### REGISTRATION FOR RETURNING STUDENTS (previously enrolled)

August 22, 2018 » 8th Grade  
August 22, 2018 » 7th Grade  
August 23, 2018 » 6th Grade  
8:00AM to 4:00PM

#### REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS (previously not enrolled)

August 23, 2018  
8:00AM to 4:00PM

#### Heyburn Elementary School

Grades Pre-School–5

Tammi Masters, Principal  
Office Hours: 7:30AM to 4:00PM  
1405 Main Avenue  
St. Maries, Idaho 83861  
Phone: (208) 245-2025  
Fax: (208) 245-5418

#### REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS August 16, 2018 & August 17, 2018 8:00AM to 4:00PM

#### REGISTRATION FOR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS August 13, 2018 & August 14, 2018 Call to schedule appointment.

All new students must register and must present their state certified birth certificate and proof of immunization at the time of registration.

#### UpRiver School

Grades K–6

Liesa Anderson, Principal  
Office Hours: 7:30AM to 4:00PM  
75 Fern Street (P.O. Box 249)  
Fernwood, Idaho 83830  
Phone: (208) 245-3650  
Fax: (208) 245-3066

#### REGISTRATION August 16, 2018 & August 17, 2018 8:00AM to 4:00PM

All new students must register and must present their state certified birth certificate and proof of immunization at the time of registration.

## A Message from Alica M. Holthaus Superintendent

It seems only a few days ago that I was tasked with writing my first Message from the Superintendent and now, a year later, I begin the process of writing my second message. In reflecting on the past year, I am proud of the progress of the District, and will continue to work with the administrative team to identify and plan further improvements for the 2018-2019 school year.



During the last year, it was a District goal to increase communication with our parents, guardians, and community. Working toward that goal, we instituted a mass communication program, Skylert, to better communicate with our patrons in the event of a weather-related emergency school closure as well as provide an efficient avenue for news releases. Skylert allows us to efficiently send recorded phone messages as well as email messages to parents and guardians. We believe that

this program has helped us improve our communication. Another step towards our improved communications goal was to increase the number of parent contact efforts. Our staff made and documented more than 6000 parent contacts during the last school year as we believe that working together with the parents/guardians is the best way to help our students learn and achieve.

A second focus was to review and adjust school policy so that it matched the needs of our students, parents, community, and insurance providers as well as state and federal mandates. The Board has adopted amendments to our teacher and administrator evaluation process, co-curricular athletic code, co-curricular drug testing, facility use, and attendance policies. These policy changes improve safety, clarify our expectations and will help us develop students that will be college and career ready.

Over the summer, we have completed two projects that I feel will best promote school safety as well as make our

schools more welcoming to our families and patrons. The first one was to move the office entrance of Heyburn Elementary School to the main floor and the second one was to create a direct school office entry at St. Maries Middle School. Visitors to both buildings will now be identified by staff as they enter the building and will be provided with appropriate access. Visitors will no longer be asked to climb an additional set of stairs or have direct access to students as they pass through the halls making their way to the school offices in these two buildings.

In the upcoming year, we plan to continue to grow and refine our school system to meet the demands of educating our children as we are “Committed to Quality Education.” Please join us in making the schools in St. Maries Joint School District No. 41 the best place possible for our children to learn and grow.

Alica M. Holthaus  
Superintendent  
St. Maries Joint School District #41

### All day kindergarten new for 2018-19

The phrase “Everything I needed to know I learned in Kindergarten” is well known by many of us as the poem about lifelong lessons absorbed through our journey in kindergarten. What is not written in that poem is the academic requirements that continue to increase each year for our students as they move up through the grade levels. Our students are required earlier and earlier to show mastery of concepts that are foundational to the rest of their educational career.

At St. Maries School District we recognize the increased demands on our students and strive to provide them with the skills for a successful educational career. The staff and administration feel that offering a full day kindergarten program to our students will enhance their social interactions, expand their exposure to key concepts, allow them the time to experience learning while at play, and extend the time given to important necessary subjects allowing them to excel in future grades.

During their time in a full day classroom experience, they will receive enrichment and exposure to language, a

rich environment of manipulatives and hands on, sensory experiences, as well as extended opportunities to interact with other students and staff which will assist in their readiness for the higher demands of first grade.

As a District we feel that the previous half day classroom was not aiding our students with understanding the needed learning in letter naming and sounds, number concepts and naming, recognition of self and community, ideas of citizenship, and concepts of social interaction in learning play. Instead, we were sending students into the future grades without the true mastery needed for a strong foundation of skills to be built upon.

St. Maries School District is excited to provide full day Kindergarten to our students at the beginning of the upcoming year, 2018-2019. We will be expanding the programs at both the Heyburn Elementary and UpRiver Elementary to support the full day curriculum. We look forward to watching our students grow and flourish with the additional enrichment this addition will provide!

### Kindergarten registration & screening

Heyburn Elementary will hold its registration and screening for incoming kindergarten students for the 2018-2019 school year on August 13 and 14, 2018. UpRiver School will hold its registration for kindergarten students on August 16 and 17, 2018.

Registration and student screening will take place at Heyburn Elementary School. Parents should call the District Office at (208) 245-2579 or Heyburn Elementary School at (208) 245-2025 to make an appointment to

complete the registration and screening processes.

Children must be five years of age as of September 1, 2018 to be eligible for enrollment in the 2018-2019 school year.

All new students must present their state certified birth certificate and proof of immunization at the time of registration.

For additional information, please contact Heyburn Elementary Principal Tammi Masters at (208) 245-2025 or the UpRiver Principal Liesa Anderson at (208) 245-3650.

### Schools are ready Sept. 4, 2018

School starts Tuesday, September 4, 2018. Principals and secretaries will be in their offices on August 15, 2018.

ALL NEW STUDENTS from another school district (Pre-school-12) must present their state certified birth certificate and proof of immunization

at the time of registration. Students must be five before Sept. 1, 2018 to attend kindergarten, and six before Sept. 1, 2018 to attend first grade.

For more information, parents should contact their student’s school two weeks prior to the start of school.

## A Message from Jody Hendrickx Board Chair

The Board of Trustees would like to welcome each and every student, District 41 employee, and parent to the 2018-2019 school year. To our new students and staff, we want to let you know that we are excited to have you as a part of the Lumberjack family.



The Board continues to focus on our mission statement of “Committed to Quality Education,” and we are proud of the incredible staff who put that mission in action including our Superintendent, our administrative staff, and our certificated and classified personnel. School District 41 has a dedicated group of some of the best professionals anywhere.

This year sees the first year of our expanded kindergarten program. We are excited to have the opportunity to help with the education and development of our young students.

The Board is committed to supporting the safety of our students and staff in our governance role. You will notice changes to our facilities this year that are examples of this ideal. We have supported the move of the Heyburn office from upstairs to downstairs as well as the relocation of the entrance door at St. Maries Middle School. We know these are only beginning steps to improving student and staff safety, but we are excited to continue supporting the work of our team in advancing school safety.

As we welcome you to the upcoming school year, we want to remind you that our District is here to help support our students in their pursuit of academic excellence, whether that is pursuing industry certification or working toward admission to some of the top universities in the country. St. Maries School District is proud of all of our students as we continually work to provide the best opportunities for them.

Thank you again to everyone – students, staff, parents, and stakeholders for your partnership in making our schools the best they can be. As a former Lumberjack, I can tell you that we are a family, we are all in it together, and “Once a Lumberjack, Always a Lumberjack.” Have a great year. Go Lumberjacks!

Jody Hendrickx  
Board Chair  
ISBA Region 1 Chairman  
St. Maries Joint School District #41