



Idaho Day
March 4, 2015

Idaho Day in Schools

Boise School District

Adams Elementary School: March 4, 2015 at 12, Noon

Adams 4th grade students sing at Capitol Building: participate in the noon program at the Capitol, including a “Selfie” with the Governor

Amity Elementary: March 4, 2015, all day event

Amity 4th grade students have been researching a famous Idahoan. They will have an Idaho Day Fair where they will be dressed up as their famous Idahoan person. There will be an Idaho Potato Bar for lunch.

Hidden Springs Elementary: March 4, 2015 at 10:00 – 11:45 am & 1:00 – 2:30 pm

Hidden Springs 4th grade students are having pioneer stations for the entire school to visit. Stations will include square dancing, candle making, embroidery, and etc.

Morley Nelson Elementary: March 4, 2014 at 1:15 – 3:30 pm

Morley Nelson 4th grade students are putting on an Idaho Day Museum that displays everything they created and learned about the history of Idaho. The entire school will visit the Idaho Day Museum.

Mountain View Elementary: March 5, 2015 at 10:00 am

Mountain View 4-6th grade students will be having their music program for the school, parents, and patrons. Music Program: Lewis and Clark Musical

Owyhee Elementary: March 4, 2015 at 12:30 pm

Owyhee 4th grade students will be having an Idaho Native American Pow-Wow celebrating the history of Idaho with focus on Native Americans.

Riverside Elementary: March 4, 2015 at 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Riverside 4th grade will be having an Idaho Day Rendezvous. Students will be presenting research projects about the Corps of Discovery with music and food.

Roosevelt Elementary: March 4, 2015 at 11:00 am

Roosevelt 4th grade students sing in the House Chambers to legislature at the Capitol Building

Shadow Hills Elementary: March 4, 2015 at 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Shadow Hills 4th grade students will be having an Idaho Day Rendezvous with real life fur trappers and covered wagons for everyone to enjoy

Whitney Elementary

Whitney 4th grade students are incorporating Idaho Day with their PAT event (parents will be there). Students will be teaching their parents through stations about cultures, history, and lifestyles in Idaho.



West Ada School District

Discovery

We are planning to do a few activities which will include the fourth grade and the whole school. We have created a short Idaho treasure hunt type activity in which we will give students the opportunity to search for answers at recess time on the playground. We have included our Preschool by doing a picture search. We are asking our student leadership fourth graders to create posters to put around the building in the hallways and we would also like to have a few fourth graders share a few Idaho facts over announcements and share what Idaho Day is all about. In our classrooms, we plan to do a jeopardy game with Idaho facts, a Kahoot, and an art activity with the Monarch butterfly.

Eagle Hills

We are studying westward movement through an interactive simulation where students take on pioneer roles while traveling to Idaho. The students find it to be an engaging activity as we explore the interactions of Native American culture and the economic reasons for westward movement.

Joplin

Students will be watching video clips from Discovery Education. We are focusing on geography, the importance of ranching, agriculture, and the historical figure of Polly Bemis. We are also going to discuss and celebrate all the fun activities available (family orientated) there is to do in Idaho. They will be collecting information learned from the video clips on a graphic organizer that will be handed in to the teacher.

Mary McPherson

We will be working on our class musical "Behold Idaho: A Musical Journey Through Idaho History". This musical features Lewis and Clark, Fur Trappers and Traders, Pioneers, Miners, and many other people with ties to Idaho's history. We will be performing this play for our parents later on in the month of March.

Meridian Elementary

We will be making bread in a bag from the Wheat Commission, making big stuffed symbols of Idaho to display in the front of the school, working on our Idaho ABC book, math word problems that we created from facts about Idaho, making fries from our famous Idaho potatoes to be enjoyed in class, making a flip book about where we are in the world from our planet to our bedroom, looking at and working with maps that show different aspects of Idaho from national parks to geographic features to counties, and whatever else we can come up with between now and then. We have a lot planned and will probably need to extend our school day to get it all in!!

Lake Hazel

4th graders will celebrate Idaho Day by doing activities with the state symbols, writing letters to senior citizens about Idaho and how it has changed, and doing a math activity with Idaho maps.

Paramount

Students will learn how Idaho got its name, which was made up by a politician. The resource I will use for this lesson comes from the Education Series from the Idaho State Historical Society. The document is titled, How Idaho Got Its Name. I have several older texts that teachers have used to teach Idaho History from the 1940s to current that have in print as truth that Idaho is a Shoshone word meaning "sun

coming over the mountains”. My major objective is to teach students to question research and the printed word. “Just because it is in print, does not mean it is true.” Also to debate whether or not Lincoln made a mistake signing Idaho Territory into law? Did he have the truth? How did this happen?

Pepper Ridge: Wednesday, March 4, 2015

In honor of Idaho Day, we are going to design an Idaho T-shirt. Students will be encouraged to draw/label favorite places, landforms, events, and etc. that they have learned about in Idaho History so far this year. Should be fun and we will have some interesting results as well.

Peregrine

Creating projects showcasing what they have learned so far in Idaho History. They will be on display at Broadview University in their library.

Pioneer Elementary: Thursday, March 5, 2015

The fourth grade will be celebrating Idaho Day in a culminating project on Westward Expansion, which is a Lewis and Clark musical theatre performance at CPAC. The performance is Thursday, March 5th. There will be classroom time to consider "What happened next?" after the Corps of Discovery opened up the west to others as progress happened quickly. Before the end of the century, we had the fur trade, missionaries, Oregon Trail and the Idaho Gold Rush--which prompted Lincoln to create the Idaho Territory shortly before his assassination. We will take a broad view of these key events on our Idaho history timelines. We will be reinforcing (and making the connection to our program) that the period between Thomas Jefferson's project to explore the West and Abraham Lincoln's acknowledgement that Idaho was well-populated and valuable to our nation which led to Lincoln's decision and eventually our statehood.

Star

We made Idaho bag books and will be sharing them with other classes. We are also making potatoes and decorating them to represent aspects of Idaho and including facts on the potato then placing them around the school to be “noticed” on Idaho day.