

GCDMS Board Report

August 18, 2008



Upcoming Events

- 8/22 - First Day of Football
- 8/25 – First Day of Volleyball
- 8/26 – First Day of Cheer
- 8/25 – Superintendents’ Day
- 8/25- Welcome Back BBQ @ Center
- 8/26 – First Day of School
- 8/29 – LID Day
- 9/1 – No School Labor Day
- 9/2 – After School Programs begin
- 9/11 – FB vs. Okanogan 5:30
- 9/16 – Picture Day
- 9/18 – VB vs. Okanogan

LID Day

On August 29th Flint Simonson will be joining us to continue our work with the PBIS programs we are continuing to build this year. We are excited to work with him and hope to really refine our PBIS program.



Welcome New Staff



We are happy to welcome 3 new members to our staff this year.

- **Pam Johnson** is coming from the HS staff. She will be teaching 7th grade Language Arts and Social Studies
- **Nate Piturachsattit** who lives locally and has been teaching in Wilbur will be working with our 6th grade class teaching Language Arts, Social studies, and PE
- **Steve McMannis** come to us from the Spokane area to teach 5th grade. He is an avid fisherman

Principal Goals for 2008-2009

- ✓ 2 Days a week in classrooms
- ✓ Highly functioning PLC teams
 - Power standards, pacing guides, and assessments
- ✓ Recognize every student
- ✓ Update School Improvement Plan

Classroom Changes help increase student safety and security

Due to our smaller enrollment we have the opportunity to move the 5th grade in to the main building for the 2008-2009 school year. There are many advantages to this change. The main advantage is directly related to student safety. Students will no longer have to go out and around the building to enter their classrooms. We will also not have classrooms with direct access to the outside with unlocked doors. Some other advantages are that the 7th and 8th grade classrooms will be contained on the bottom floor and 5th and 6th grade on the main level making transitions between classes quicker, with more adult supervision and less student movement through out the building reducing discipline incidents. The new complex will still be used for Art and band as well as the after school programs.