

## PRESTON UPDATE! 2/4/2019

### ACTIVITY NIGHT!

Mark your calendar... Preston's next Activity Night is Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm. Watch for details.

### SPRING CONFERENCES

Thursday, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 3:30-7:30pm. Details to follow.

### CONGRATULATIONS PRESTON SCIENCE BOWL TEAMS!

The science bowl teams have worked very hard this year and did a great job competing on Saturday!

#### **Team 1- 1st place, will be going to Nationals in April!**

Sophie Wang

Jackson Dryg

Colin Magelky

Christian Groendyk

Kary Fang

#### **Team 2 - 10th place**

Olivia Spanring

Bryn Erickson

Natalie Lin

Kerem Gurkan

Jason Born

#### **Team 3- 8th place**

Benito Esposti

Jacob Burczyk

Logan Bowers

Quentin Perez-Wahl

Lily Siple

### AMAZING RESULTS FOR PRESTON IN THE AMC 8 MATH COMPETITION

Many of our 7th and 8th grade students participated in a math competition earlier in November of this school year. We recently received results and learned that **Jackson Dryg** was a high scorer in the state of Colorado! Jackson tied with a student from Highlands Ranch, with 24 problems answered correctly out of 25. His percentile ranking in the nation is 99.96%

We also had some other students do very well:

- Charles Zhang 94 percentile in nation
- Henry Xiao 94 percentile in nation
- Benito Esposti 87 percentile in nation
- Jacob Burczyk 81 percentile in nation
- Natalie Lin 81 percentile in nation
- Sophie Wang 81 percentile in nation

The following students also received participation certificates.

- Kenadie Glasgow
- Katelyn Hays
- Bryn Erickson
- Kary Fang
- Henry Wilson
- Kerem Gurkan
- Colin Magelky
- Connor Reed
- Samantha DeVivo
- Allison Miller

**Based on the results, Preston Middle School received a Certificate of Merit for having a school score of 50 or higher. We were one of 10 middle schools in Colorado who received this distinction.**

Students across the nation chose to participate in this competition. We are very proud of our Preston Pumas and their performance. Thank you Ms. Stern for supporting students with this amazing opportunity.

## VISION AND HEARING VOLUNTEERS

A special thank you to our volunteers. We couldn't have done it without you!

## FRHS PEACE LITERACY EVENT

Peace Literacy is a growing movement of educators and concerned citizens who want to empower people with the training, skills, and understanding needed to heal the root causes of our problems, rather than merely addressing surface symptoms.

We will have a kickoff event for school teams on February 12<sup>th</sup> during the day and then the author of the program will speak to parents and interested staff on the evening of the 12<sup>th</sup>. Please see attachment for details.

Although this is a FRHS feeder system pilot program, anyone is welcome to attend. It is a free event. [Fossil Ridge High School Peace Literacy event.5.pdf](#)

## POSITIVE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR STUDENTS

Please see the attachment for info on the upcoming TeenSelfCareFair. This should be a good day with positive opportunities for our students.

## PRESTON'S MULTI-DAY WHITEWATER RAFTING TRIP

### Informational Meeting

Thursday, February 28 at 6pm at Preston in Mrs. Benton's room (S202)

**Trip Location:** Upper Colorado, Class II and Class III whitewater

Put in at Pump House near Kremmling, CO

Take out at State Bridge

**Dates:** June 11, 12, 13

**Approximate trip cost:** \$400-500; we will keep the cost as low as possible

The cost is dependent on number of duckies, wetsuits, students, etc.

**For more information please speak with:**

Mr. Lowndes [dlowndes@psdschools.org](mailto:dlowndes@psdschools.org)

## ROCKETRY WORKSHOP

Are you interested in becoming a Rocket Scientist? Would you like to work for NASA, United Launch Alliance (ULA), Scaled Composites, Sierra Nevada, or SpaceX? Do you just love building really, really fast things? This workshop is for you! Come learn how to build and launch your own rocket. Gain knowledge from visiting rocketeers and learn about different opportunities to fly and compete. There are rocketry contests and activities for ALL ages. Rocket launch weather permitting. All activities are guided by NAR Safety Code.

- Saturday, March 30, 2019
- Preston Middle School
- 9am-12pm
- \$60 including rocket
- For students in grades 5-9 and accompanying.
- Information and Registration: <http://steminstitutes.org/additional-stem-opportunities/>

## PARENTING SUPPORT GROUP

Please join Mrs. Simpson for Preston's Parenting Support Group. The 2<sup>nd</sup> semester schedule is attached above. [Parenting Support Group Schedule 2019.pdf](#)

## Teen Self Care Fair

**See attached flyer:** [TeenSelfCareFair\\_Artery\\_register.pdf](#)