



# Bulldog Bites

Great News From  
Nampa High School

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## NHS Honor Society Provides Meals to Needy!

On November 21<sup>st</sup>, many of our students were sleeping in, but a select group got up early to help make Thanksgiving a reality for disadvantaged families in the Nampa School District. Nampa High School's National Honor Society arrived at the cafeteria at 7:30 a.m. to put together Thanksgiving meal boxes. Working with a liaison at the district office, the students were able to provide meals for 72 families who otherwise might not have enjoyed a holiday meal with their families. Among other significant donations, a special thanks is in order for large donations from Tastevin LLC, Albertson's, Blue Cross of Idaho, Sara Lee, and the Hilton Hotel in Eagle.



### PREP Program Gives Back

Nampa PREP 18-21 year old Special Education Students participated in **#GivingTuesday** on November 29 by creating and sewing quilts to donate to the Autism Society of Treasure Valley. The quilts are made from old Autism t-shirts and donated fabric. Way to go PREPSTERS!



### Coming Up:

Dec. 19-30 –NO SCHOOL (Christmas Break)



Jan. 2 – NO SCHOOL (Christmas Break)

Jan. 3 – School Resumes

Jan. 11 – Parent & Community Advisory Committee Meeting, (Cafeteria Conference Room, 7:00 p.m.)

Jan. 16 – NO SCHOOL (Human Rights/ ML King Day)

Jan. 17-20 – First Semester Final Exams

Jan. 19-20 – Early Release for Final Exams at 12:39 p.m.

Jan. 20 – Yearbook Purchase Deadline and Senior Ads Deadline

Jan. 20 – End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter/1<sup>st</sup> Semester

Jan. 23 – Beginning of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter/2<sup>nd</sup> Sem.

Jan. 24 – Ladies Bunco Night sponsored by Project Grad at Cap Ed, 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 25 – ASVAB Testing (Little Theater, 8:00 a.m.)

Jan. 26 – CTE Elective Open House, 6-8 pm



& Happy New Year  
From Nampa High!

## Congratulations!

NHS Senior, Taetyn Hansen, was selected as an Idaho High School Activities Association (IHSAA)/UDA Interscholastic Star award 5A finalist. We extend our congratulations to Taetyn for earning this distinction as an outstanding member of our student body.

NHS Jazz Band 1 was chosen to perform at the Idaho Music Educators Conference on November 19, 2016, at NNU's Little Theater. Jazz 1 was selected out of all the bands throughout the state, so it was quite an honor to be able to perform at this event.

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## Drama Goes to State!

On November 19, NHS drama attended the district drama competition at Kuna High School. NHS received 7 excellent ratings and 2 superior ratings, in addition to qualifying two students, Hali Higgins and Ashton Peterson, to the State Drama Competition. Hali Higgins and Ashton Peterson both received a Superior rating at the State Drama competition in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on December 3. They did an amazing job.

## New NHS Athletic Website:

The new and improved NHS athletic website, [nampabulldogs.org](http://nampabulldogs.org) is up and running! Please check it out for any sports related information, sports schedules, and game results.

### FACTOID:

#### Did you know?

Even though Senior Project Presentations have only been a State of Idaho graduation requirement for the past 5 years (since 2012), Nampa High School has actually been doing senior projects for 28 years and had it as a requirement since 1988.



## Bulldog Block Update

We are continually increasing our efforts on campus to encourage more students to use our Bulldog Block Intervention time in a meaningful and useful way. This 30-minute period each day is set aside for students to receive the additional time and help they need from teachers in order to improve their grades. We recently changed Wednesdays to an 'advisory' time in which students who are failing or have incompletes stay with their second period teacher in order to complete a plan for improvement and define for themselves how they will succeed. This process is still in the beginning stages and we will continue to monitor it in order to make improvements as needed. NHS faculty and staff care to much about our students to let them fail!

## Attendance & Credits

If your student has missed more than six class periods in any given class, they are in danger of losing their credit for that class. Unfortunately, this could result in your child needing to make-up credits via online classes or summer school, or may even delay your child's graduation date. Please log into PowerSchool via the parent portal <https://ps.nsd131.org/public/> and check your child's attendance numbers. If they are missing more than six class periods, we will be holding make-up sessions for students from 3:00-6:00pm on January 9, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 prior to the end of the semester. These attendance make-up/tutoring sessions will allow your child to 'make up' parent excused absence periods (60 minutes = 1 class period) and will be held by content area teachers who can assist your child in completing assignments and preparing for their semester final exams. We will be announcing these sessions to students upon returning from Christmas break on January 3, 2017, so please encourage your child to attend these sessions in order to ensure earning credits, passing grades, and on-time graduation!

## Alumni News:

Send your news and photos to [swarren@nsd131.org](mailto:swarren@nsd131.org). Please include the year of graduation from NHS.

