The Best. Year. Ever!

The staff at White Swan High School and Mount Adams Middle School are pleased to welcome our students back to school! 2014-15 is going to be the BEST. YEAR. EVER!

Big things are in store for the coming year. We have new teachers and administrators to get to know, new activities to participate in, new curriculum to learn from, and new memories to make!

Crew & Cougar / Charger Time

This year the first day of school was designed to get students acquainted with classes and teachers. All students traveled with their “CREW” classes throughout the day to expose them to Mount Adams School District expectations and offerings. The day ended with fun activities organized and led by the High School ASB.

CREW & Cougar / Charger Time is part of our day:

- To provide all students with a meaningful relationship with a staff member whose goal is to keep them in school and on track to graduation and beyond.
- To improve school culture and climate by engaging in common protocols, rituals, and building bonds with peers.
- To support all students with goal setting, reflection, and gathering evidence of learning.

Featured Staff:

Cheree Williams, English Teacher

With Mt Adams School District Since 2014

If a book were written about my life the title would be:

“The Overcomer”

What I want to be when I grow up:

Mom, Teacher, and Professional Musician (I have achieved two out of three which is pretty cool!)

One thing you might not know about me is:

I am pretty much an open book and allow people to know who I am, but most people don’t know that I can wiggle my nose like a bunny.

First day of school activities foreshadow an exciting 2014-15!
Fall Sports are Working Hard

Fall sports are underway at both White Swan High School and Mount Adams Middle School. All of our student-athletes have been working hard at practice on a daily basis in preparation of their upcoming games. All of our teams are already showing great improvement in the short times they have been practicing.

White Swan High School

Our high school volleyball team started practice on Monday, August 25 and currently has 35 students that have turned out to play this season. Our high school football team kicked off their practices on Wednesday, August 20 and currently have over 50 student-athletes participating. Our first home football game is Friday, September 5 at 7:00 pm against Oroville. Our first home volleyball match is Thursday, September 11 at 5:30 pm against Lyle. Also, our high school volleyball team is running a two-day skills camp for 3rd-6th graders at Harrah Elementary. The camp is September 16th and 17th from 2:45 to 5:00pm at Harrah Elementary. For more info on the camp please contact Coach Sanchez at 848-5729.

Mt. Adams Middle School

Our middle school athletic teams have also started their practices for this season. Both of these teams started their practices on Tuesday, August 26 and both are off to a good start. Our football team currently has over 30 student-athletes that have turned out for practice. The coaches are seeing tremendous improvement and really enjoying the time at practice with the student-athletes. Our volleyball team also has over 30 student-athletes that have turned out this season. Our coaches have been very impressed with the hard work and dedication that the student-athletes have already demonstrated this season. The Mount Adams Middle School Athletic department is selling sweatshirts and sweatpants this fall to support our athletic programs. If you are interested in purchasing an item please contact the HS/MS office at 874-8601. Orders must be in by Friday, September 12.

Featured Student:

Bethany Ramsey, 12th Grader

Describe yourself in three words

Athletic, Fun, Outgoing

If you could visit with anyone for one hour, who would you choose?

Kobe Bryant

I dream that someday I will...

Be able to travel to Spain and watch basketball.

September Words of the Month:

Respect

Tma’áakni

Respeto
Did you know that being in band makes kids smart!?  

Studies have shown repeatedly that kids that learn to play an instrument perform better academically. One example of this has been called the "Mozart Effect"; a phenomenon where kids that play musical instruments often show an improvement in spatial reasoning.

Scientists have learned that playing a musical instrument actually changes the physical structure of a child’s brain. It has been observed that parts of the brain actually get bigger when children learn to play an instrument!

All of this science aside, music is a skill that will last a lifetime, and is a great investment for people at any age to make!

Mount Adams School District believes in the arts in our schools and thanks you for your support of the arts in our schools and community.

Band Camp 2014

The White Swan High School and Mount Adams Middle School Band members just finished their first year of Band Camp last week. The camp was both fun and a great success! Mr. Pendon (music teacher) is ecstatic about the experience and extremely thankful for all the students who showed up this year. Both Mr. Pendon and the student-musicians are hoping that this new event will become a tradition.

The group consisted of both Middle School and High School students. The multi-aged group came together to work on new pep band music for the year, get to know each other with team building games, and put on a performance with a BBQ! The students showed a tremendous amount of initiative and leadership. Their performance is something our community should be proud of. Everyone involved is extremely excited to start the 2014-2015 school year as band members.

The Pep Band has already been sighted in the community! In August the band made a special performance at the Mount Adams School District Staff Kick-off event. A busy year is in store for the Pep Band. The next performances include performances at the Harrah Fall Festival, and at the home Football games this season. Please come show your support!

Go Cougars!
Mount Adams is About Community

Being a student in a small town comes with a lot of advantages. In fact, small schools are known for achieving big things. This is due in large part to the big hearts of our community members.

Our staff, students, and administrators recognize that one of our best assets is the talent and commitment of our community members. For this reason we want to put out an invitation!

Do you have a talent you would like to share? Maybe you are a musician or dancer with a performance to give, or maybe you have a profession that would be of interest to our kids. It is important that we remember that kids become inspired and motivated by positive experiences, and it is you, the community members that have the most to offer our kids in this area.

Please, if you have a talent, story, or experience to share, come forward and volunteer. Your community and children will be delighted to have you!

How to Volunteer

Contact the school office with your idea, and we will guide the process from there!

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Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about becoming a volunteer in our schools!

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