

# Skyline Eagle News

## May 2014



**Counseling Center** 385-646-5421  
**Attendance Office** 385-646-5433



**Main Office** 385-646-5420  
**Registrar** 385-646-6809

Dear Patrons,

Recently, *U.S. News and World Report* identified Skyline High School as the top public school in the State of Utah in preparing students for college and career readiness. We were ranked 305 out of the top 2000 schools nationally. As I have reflected on this ranking and the many events and activities that taken place this year, I have felt an overwhelming feeling of appreciation for the many people who do so much to help make Skyline a success.

The **PTSA** organization provides so much support to Skyline High School -- always quietly and in the background, but always there planning, preparing and providing additional help and support that is needed. I can't say enough about the helping hands that provide supervision of activities, luncheons for faculty and staff, and monies to support teachers and kids at Skyline.

The **Community Council** is another group of committed individuals that spends many hours in service to Skyline. They discuss and make plans to help Skyline improve its efforts to help all students do their very best to be prepared for post high school training and preparation.

And perhaps most importantly are you, the **parents and guardians** of Skyline's amazing student body. There are countless activities and events that take place during a school year at Skyline. Many of you sacrifice much of your own time for the success of these programs and activities. It has long been known that involved, caring parents help create an environment of academic success at schools, and this is certainly the case with the Skyline community. Thank you for sending us such great students. They are amazing.

Finally, I have come to greatly appreciate the efforts of a highly committed **staff**. It is hard to describe how hard they work to provide excellent educational opportunities for your students. They are caring and

committed individuals that want your students to learn and grow in many ways.

A friend of mine once described Skyline High School as a huge battleship. The lights are almost always on, supporting activities and events on a non-stop basis. It takes a tremendous amount of support and effort to keep us afloat and moving in the right direction. The old Chinese adage that says it takes a community to raise a child is certainly true here at Skyline.

As principal I just want to say a resounding "thank you" to all. It couldn't and wouldn't happen without us all working together.

Sincerely,  
Doug Bingham, Principal

## Does your student owe fees?



**Go to**  
**[www.payskyline.com](http://www.payskyline.com) to find out!**

*Username: student #*  
*Password: first initial & last name*  
*Click on "Pay Debts"*

***Notice:*** In order to make sure that all fees and fines are paid, seniors will not be allowed to walk at graduation without being cleared of all money owed to Skyline High School.



## Graduation

June 5  
7:00 p.m.  
Huntsman Center

## Class of 2014 Graduation Party



June 5, 2014  
11:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.  
@ Hollywood Connection  
3217 Decker Lake Drive  
West Valley City, by Maverick Center

### ACTIVITIES:

Laser Tag~Mini Golf~Rides~Skating  
Bumper Cars~Dancing  
Arcade Games~Merry-go-Round  
Photo Booth & Green Screen  
Unlimited Pizza & Soda  
First-Run Movie

### COST:

- \$25/student if registered and paid by May 30
- \$30/student after May 30 or at the door

### REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

- Mail in form and money (watch for the form in your mail).
- Leave form and money in drop box in Skyline's Main Office.
- Don't forget: parent and student signatures required on waiver.

### QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS:

Contact Kay Ward at [kaysward@comcast.net](mailto:kaysward@comcast.net)



Reminder: All library materials (textbooks and library books) are due by Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure you have paid all your library and textbook fines.

## PTSA Presidents' Message

It's hard to believe the school year is almost over! It's been a year full of fun activities, great assemblies, fantastic sports and awesome academics. Students are gearing up for rigorous IB and AP tests, and the number of Skyline students taking these tests is staggering. We are fortunate to have such great students who take school seriously, yet can also have great fun in the process. Thanks to the teachers and administration who create such a great atmosphere where our students can be their best selves.

We are excited that both **Ms. Dierdra Farr** and **Mr. Hugh Rodman** have now been selected as winners of the **State PTA Golden Apple Outstanding Educator Awards!** Granite District put together a short **video** of each of them. You can view them at the following links:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u5shijg5A4E&list=UUN-g\\_PdEzAYdE3dz0zaBKvQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u5shijg5A4E&list=UUN-g_PdEzAYdE3dz0zaBKvQ)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E-fOfyxB47Y&list=UUN-g\\_PdEzAYdE3dz0zaBKvQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E-fOfyxB47Y&list=UUN-g_PdEzAYdE3dz0zaBKvQ)

May is **Teacher Appreciation Month** at Skyline. We are so grateful for the wonderful teachers, staff, and administration we have here. We have planned three events this month to honor our teachers: a picnic-type lunch on May 7, breakfast on May 14, and a lunch on May 27. Please watch for Eagle Alerts regarding volunteer donations and assistance with those activities.

Our **Class of 2014 Graduation Party** committee is in full swing. If you are a parent of a senior, please watch for a letter in the mail with details of the party. A waiver sheet will be enclosed that **MUST** be returned in order for the student to attend. You can purchase tickets by:

- ★ Paying the fee by credit card on the webstore ([www.payskyline.com](http://www.payskyline.com)). Print the online receipt and waiver, then drop them off in the box at school.
- ★ Mailing your check and completed waiver to the school.
- ★ Dropping your check and completed waiver in the box in the Main Office.

This will be a fun way for the Class of 2014 to end their high school experience!

We are appreciative of this year's PTSA Board, as well as the many parent volunteers who made our jobs so easy. Skyline is a great school due largely to the support of the fantastic parents. Thanks again for everything that has been done on behalf of our students. Have a safe and fun-filled summer!

Angela Folsom & Holly Brain  
PTSA Presidents

## Calendar Notes

- May 8 Jostens distributes caps & gowns
- May 20 Senior Awards Night, U of U Union Bldg.
- May 26 No School, Memorial Day
- May 30 Senior Dinner Dance
- June 3 Yearbook Stomp
- June 4 Yearbook Day  
Senior Breakfast 7:45 a.m.  
Grad. Practice @ Skyline, 9:00 a.m.
- June 5 Last day of school, \$10 refunds  
Graduation 7:00 p.m.  
Graduation Party 10:00 p.m.-4:00 a.m.
- August 25 School begins again!



## 2014-2015 Preschool

It's never too early to be a Skyline Eagle! Skyline's Eagles Nest Preschool is now registering for the school year 2014-2015. Registration forms are available in the Main Office or online through Skyline's homepage (click on webstore). Space is limited to 15 preschoolers, so register now!

The Eagles Nest Preschool is held Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-10:25 a.m. Preschoolers must be 3-5 years old before August 31, 2014 and potty trained. Preschool runs October 1, 2014 to May 5, 2015 and costs \$55/month. You must complete the 2014-2015 registration form, pay a \$25 registration fee (pay at Skyline's bookstore or online), and turn in a copy of the preschooler's current immunization records to obtain a spot on the list.



To pay and/or download the registration form, go to [www.payskyline.com](http://www.payskyline.com) and click on general, then click on the preschool icon. Join the fun!

If you have questions, contact Lisa McDermott, [ldmcdermott@graniteschools.org](mailto:ldmcdermott@graniteschools.org). Join the fun!

## Did you know you could check out an iPad from the Library?



Read downloaded books from Overdrive!

Ask anyone in the Library for details.

## Math Team Winners

Congratulations to the Skyline Math Team for a triumphant performance at the Utah State Math Contest! Our Senior Team was the champion, capturing four of the top six spots. **Wyatt Mackey**, **Steven Deng** and **Shravan Parthasarathy** placed first, second and third, respectively, and **Rajdeep Trilokekar** placed sixth.

Skyline's Junior Team also ranked number one with individual awards going to **William Li** for second place and **Ian Shen** for fifth place.

## Wow!

Four Skyline students placed at the Junior Freeride Championships in Big Sky, Montana in April, competing with 15-18 year-old athletes from all over the world. **Christian Kinnison** took 1<sup>st</sup> place in men's skiing, **Jackson Kelley** placed 4<sup>th</sup> in men's snowboard, **Olivia Olsen** placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in women's snowboarding, and **Sierra Swan** placed 5<sup>th</sup> in women's skiing and 1<sup>st</sup> overall for the U.S. Title!



## Be Prepared for College!

Sophomores, this is really, really your last chance to jump into Skyline's prestigious IB program, the only IB program in Granite School District. Got a ninth grader on the fence? Set up a meeting with our IB coordinator and go through a possible course schedule. You'll find that your sophomore schedule won't be much different than the one you were doing anyway.


Worldwide, students taking IB classes and/or completing the IB program in high school get through college faster, earn more college credit, and get better grades in college than their regular track and even AP track counterparts. In part, this is due to IB's emphasis on cross-curricula study, analysis over regurgitation, and out-of-class work as leaders and volunteers.



Students completing the IB program are getting into great colleges and doing very well. This fall, Skyline's 47 IB diploma students have been admitted to dozens of top 50 and many top 20 colleges across the nation and around the world.

Skyline IB students are also earning fantastic scholarships as well. Skyline's 2013 IB diploma graduates were awarded, on average, an 80% scholarship at the University of Utah, and several earned 125% scholarships. Great schools across the country like what they're getting from IB.

For additional information, check out the Skyline High School IB website at [www.skylineib.graniteschools.org](http://www.skylineib.graniteschools.org).



**Know any good books?**  
Give your recommendations  
to a member of the Library  
staff and get a TREAT!

## '14 – '15 Class Officers – Congratulations!

Sr. Class President	Micah Ballif
Sr. Class Vice President	Jaslyn Masina
Sr. Class Secretary	Annie Pugsley
Jr. Class President	Haley Hunsaker
Jr. Class Vice President	Jessica Webster
Jr. Class Secretary	Ivy Reid

## Recommended Debate Camp Opportunity!

Debate students are encouraged to participate in the summer debate program held at Weber State University July 13 - August 2, 2014. Participants in the Weber State Debate Institute (formerly known as the Sun Country Forensics Institute) will stay in brand new dorms and enjoy excellent food and reliable internet access. Clinics will be held on Policy Debate, Lincoln Douglas Debate, Public Forum Debate and Congressional Debate.

Interested debate students should register online at: <http://www.weberdebatecamp.com>. If you have any questions, contact Skyline's debate teacher, Mrs. Judie Roberts, [jjroberts@graniteschools.org](mailto:jjroberts@graniteschools.org).

## '14 – '15 Cheerleaders – Congratulations!

### Varsity

Sophie Ack  
Jadyn Butcher  
Madi Deus  
Ashley Epperson  
Noah Fox  
Hanna Giolas  
Annabelle Huntsman  
Aimee Johnson  
Austin Kennedy  
Erin Keyser  
Ali Larsen  
Michaela Madsen  
Alyssa Ogden  
Morgan Parent  
Stephanie Purcell  
Mallory Reynolds  
Megan Reynolds  
MaKenna Smith  
Samantha Sueoka  
Sophie Thom  
Talley Timms  
Sierra Wells  
Max Woolsey

### Junior Varsity


Baylee Atkinson  
Bella Barnard  
Olivia Colman  
Sarah Diener  
Melissa Ehlers  
Isabelle Furgeson  
McKenzie Gold  
Holly Hammer  
Kaili Hernandez  
Jaylee Johnson  
Haley Poch  
Hailey Ruesch  
Madison Timothy



## **The End is Near!**

- All library and textbook materials due by May 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Students with fines will no longer be allowed to check out materials after May 1<sup>st</sup>, or until the fines are paid.
- All fines (library and textbook) must be paid PRIOR to Yearbook Night and Graduation.
- Last day to check out library materials is May 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Textbooks will be returned during English classes on May 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Attendance Reporting: 385-646-5433

- Skyline does not accept written excuse notes from parents. Students who leave without a street pass will not be excused.
- You must call all absences in on the day of the absence on the attendance phone line by 2:00 p.m. Please have student number available. 
- No absence will be retroactively excused after three days. Medical excuse notes from a doctor must be submitted within three days. Fax: 385-646-5422.
- **PARENTS SHOULD CHECK THEIR STUDENT'S ATTENDANCE OFTEN FOR ANY ERRORS.**
- If student is going to be more than 10 minutes late, call before they arrive. They must check in to be excused.
- Your call will forward to voice mail if the Attendance Secretary is on another line.
- Go to <https://portal.graniteschools.org> to set up updates via e-mail.

## Athletic Summer Camps

To pre-register for any of these camps, go to:

- ✓ [www.activityreg.com](http://www.activityreg.com)
- ✓ Utah
- ✓ County Sports Office/SL County Recreation
- ✓ Register
- ✓ Camps & Clinics for Youth
- ✓ 2014 Camps & Clinics for Youth
- ✓ Scroll down to Skyline's offerings
- **Basketball (Boys):** June 16-19, Grades 3-8, 1:30-4:00 p.m. in the Skyline High School Main Gym. \$45 fee (includes camp t-shirt). Camp will emphasize teaching fundamental skills on both the offensive and defensive ends of the floor. Pre-register online or in person on the first day of camp. Questions? Contact Coach Derek Bunting, [dbunting@graniteschools.org](mailto:dbunting@graniteschools.org).
- **Basketball (Girls):** June 9-12, \$50. Grades 4-8, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Grades 9-12, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Spring Fling will run April 7-30 for grades 7-12. Contact coach for details on Spring Fling. Coach Lynette Schroeder, [lnschroeder.1221@gmail.com](mailto:lnschroeder.1221@gmail.com).
- **Football Competition Camp #1:** May 27-31 & June 2-7, \$50. Runs 3:30-6:30 p.m. on weekdays plus Saturday competitions. For incoming 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.
- **Football Competition Camp #2:** June 9-21, 6:00-9:00 a.m., \$50, for incoming 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.
- **Football Padded Camp:** July 14-23, 6:00-10:00 a.m., \$50, for incoming 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.
- **Football Power & Conditioning Camp:** June 23-July 3, 6:00-9:00 a.m. \$50, for incoming 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.
- **Soccer (Girls):** June 16-19, \$50, Skyline soccer field. Coached by Yamil Castillo and staff, includes t-shirt.  
*ELITE CLINIC:* Grades 9-12, 8:00-10:00 a.m.  
*JR. ELITE CLINIC:* Grades 4-8, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- **Tennis (Girls):** June 9-13, Skyline Tennis Court. T-shirts included. Grades 10-12 @ 9:00-11:00 a.m., \$50. Grades 7-9 @ 11:00-12:30, \$40.
- **Volleyball:** June 16-19, Skyline Auxiliary Gym.  
*SESSION I:* Grades 9-12 (younger with approval), \$50, 8:30-11:00 a.m. Includes camp t-shirt.  
*SESSION II:* Grades 4-8 (younger with approval), \$45, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Includes camp t-shirt.  
Questions? Contact Coach Jami Hutchins, [jlhutchins@graniteschools.org](mailto:jlhutchins@graniteschools.org).

**For an up-to-the-minute Skyline activity calendar, go to:**

[schools.graniteschools.org/skylinehigh/](http://schools.graniteschools.org/skylinehigh/)

## Summer Citizenship Classes

*Raise your citizenship average!  
Each completed class adds a "4"  
into your cumulative citizenship average!*

- Monday through Friday, June 9-20
- \$10/day, payable at beginning of class or pay online and bring receipt
- 8:00 a.m. – noon each day
- Room 128

## Summer Credit Recovery

- Monday through Friday, June 9-20
- \$35 or \$45 depending on class
- 8:00 a.m. – noon each day
- Room 128

*For more information, contact  
[jodriscoll@graniteschools.org](mailto:jodriscoll@graniteschools.org).*

## Summer Driver Education

June 9 – July 2  
(classes held Monday through Friday)



- Students must be 16 years of age on or before October 30, 2014 to be eligible.
- Applications available in Main Office.
- Fee of \$140 must be paid at the time of registration.
- There are no fee waivers for summer school.
- Need learner's permit before class begins.

**Want to read over the summer?**



**OverDrive**

Over 2310 titles to enjoy over the break!  
Download from any app store or go to  
<http://granite.lib.overdrive.com>

Show a member of the Library staff your Overdrive app and get a TREAT!

## **Community Council**

### **Minutes of 4/8/14 Meeting**

#### In Attendance:

Emily Allison, Douglas Bingham, Diane Bunker, Ian Collison, Mary Draper, Kim Paulding

#### Excused:

Jami Hutchins, Joe Pereira, Karianne Prince

#### Visitors:

Allison Arunski (Shmoop Representative), Sara Schneider (Skyline Math Teacher)

#### Minutes:

1. This month's meeting was rescheduled to accommodate the presence of our Shmoop representative, Allison Arunski.
2. The basic Shmoop program is currently available free of charge to all Utah high school students to prep for the ACT test.
3. Skyline is considering using some Trust Land money to purchase access to additional Shmoop products. Ms. Arunski presented an online overview of the Shmoop products.
  - a. With the upgraded Shmoop subscription, our students could access review sessions for SAT testing, AP testing, and various subject areas.
  - b. Skyline's main focus would be on the math review resources. *NOTE:* Shmoop covers Common Core math subjects, but does not use the Integrated Common Core approach.
4. Community Council members and Sara Schneider (Skyline Math Teacher) were impressed with the Shmoop product, but had some questions about its application at Skyline.
  - a. Will Shmoop math reviews meet the needs of our struggling students?
  - b. Will the reviews cover the concepts that we are required to teach in the Integrated Common Core?
  - c. Will teachers have the time and resources to prepare individualized review sessions for struggling math students?
  - d. Will computers be available for students to complete the review sessions?
5. Council members agreed that we need to try new interventions for struggling math students, and Shmoop may be the answer for some students. Council is willing to fund expanded Shmoop access for the coming school year.
6. Next Community Council meeting will be May 8, 2014 at 6:45 a.m. in the Skyline Conference Room.