



BBS is hiring a Facilities & Grounds Specialist by Paisley Ann (grade 7)

We're hiring! Black Butte School is looking for a handyman or handywoman to keep this old school going. Working at BBS is fun because you work alongside all the kids at BBS. In this job you can help build and do projects at the school. For example, this fall we made bat houses, and the former handyman, helped us make them. They are now up in our field and we are waiting for a bat family to move in.

What will you be doing for our school? Mowing the lawn, fixing things, raking pine needles, De-icing the sidewalk when it is cold outside, plowing the snow, making sure the generator works when the power goes out, and more! The school is old so you will have to fix things that break. We are looking for someone who is reliable and good with kids and someone who can come at anytime if stuff breaks. If you or your friends know somebody that wants to work at the school, come on down or go on our website to learn more. www.blackbutte.k12.or.us/employment



2023 Ski&Ride program

50 years of BBS Skiing & Riding at Hoodoo by Cade (grade 7)

On March 10th, BBS is hosting 50th anniversary party to celebrate 50 years of students skiing at Hoodoo. The celebration will include a silent auction where you can buy awesome unique things. We will also have a raffle where you can win fantastic ski gear. You could also come to see a slideshow about the program's history and what has changed over all of the years. There will be a food table if anyone gets hungry and it's free too. For the event, Black Butte School made sweatshirts to celebrate 50 years of ski and ride.

For 50 years, every Friday for 8-11 weeks the bus takes the students up to hoodoo and then ski and snowboard instructors teach us kids. Usually there are 3 groups in each section: beginner, Intermediate and advanced. But this year Hoodoo was short on snowboard instructors so we only had an intermediate and a beginner. It's amazing to watch how fast the students progress, even kindergarteners can go down the slopes! Hoodoo provides the school with reduced cost tickets, rentals, and lessons.

Current student, Brennan says of the program, "everyone has fun when they are on the slopes!" It's amazing how long BBS has been skiing and riding with Hoodoo, and it is fun to take some time to reflect on how far we have come.

America's Rich History by Adrian (grade 7)

There have been many things that have happened in America's rich history. It was not always pretty, but our country had a start. At BBS, the older students have been learning about our interesting history.

Here is some of what we learned about. Ancient people traveled across a land bridge between Russia and Alaska, becoming the first native Americans. But when the land was covered with the rapidly raising water level, it disconnected America from the rest of the world. In 1492 Columbus accidentally landed in the Caribbean, thinking he was in Asia. Unknown to him and his crew, this discovery changed the world forever. He told the royals who employed him that there was tons of gold, then enslaved the natives of the islands. Other explorers followed him. Some time later, Britain sent over some settlers and others such as the puritans ran away to this land so they could freely practice their religions. The French had colonies too. Then France and England fought in the French Indian War. Britain won and expanded territory to the South. Cash crops were planted in the South, using slaves to do most of the work. Slavery was complicated and might offend some people, but the upper graders of BBS learned about slavery and some of its history in our country.