

The Black and Gold



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Superintendent's Section

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Greetings Highland Community,

First of all, I want to thank you for your continued support for Highland School. The five-year plant facilities levy passed with 74% support. This levy will let us continue to make needed repairs and upgrades to an aging building. This will allow Highland School to offer a safe, clean and comfortable place that is optimized for learning. The one-year supplemental levy passed with 73% support. This levy allows us to purchase materials, staff full day kindergarten and supports the general operation of the school. This levy is key to continuing to provide quality education to all of our Highland students.

Secondly I would like to highlight some of the wonderful things that are happening with our extra-curricular clubs at Highland. We have students competing at regional science fairs, Business Professionals of America competitions, local area regional music performances and Future Farmers of America events and competitions. To keep updated on all of the great things happening at Highland please follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/highlandjsd305>.

Jacob Gion



Science Fair



The Science classes were able to attend the North Idaho Science and Engineering Fair on March 10-11th

Payton Crow and Emalissa Espinosa won 2nd place in the Behavioral Science Division

Adam Langner received a certificate of outstanding achievement from the American Meteorological Society

Congratulations to all of our students who worked hard on their projects



Valedictorian Spotlight

Chani Brammer

A word of advice for underclassmen

Don't be afraid to fail and never let that hold you back. Failing is going to be a part of your high school success.

What or who motivated you the most during high school and why??

A part of my motivation in High School was becoming Valedictorian, but I owe most of my motivation to my parents, Scotty and Marcia Brammer. Becoming Valedictorian is a goal that I have had set for myself since elementary school and it felt amazing to achieve that honor.

Your Senior Quote

"There is no passion to be found playing small - in settling for a life that is less than the one you are capable of living."

Would you like to thank anyone? Final words?

I would like to thank my Mom and Dad, Marcia and Scotty, for always giving me the best support and encouragement. My high school success was driven by them and I appreciate them both greatly. Deep gratitude goes to every teacher who has ever taught me. Thank you for providing me with a great education and pushing me to do my best. A huge thank you to Shannan Randall for taking great care of Highland and the best boss ever! I have learned so much the last two years as one of your office aides and I will miss it dearly. I know high school will be a large memory that I will look back on and cherish for the rest of my life.

Caristae Robinson

A word of advice for underclassmen

Set goals and work hard for them, your small achievements may not seem like much now but they will follow you. Keep your head up and do your own thing, don't let anyone tell you how to be yourself.

What or who motivated you the most during high school and why??

My mom motivated me during high school because she has always been a hard worker and she has always set goals and strived to achieve them. I hope to be like my mom one day.

Your Senior Quote

"Don't take life so seriously, nobody makes it out alive. - Unknown

Would you like to thank anyone? Final words?

I'd like to thank my mom and Mrs. Davis for always pushing me to be the best version of myself.



Payton Crow

A word of advice for underclassmen

Keep up on your school work. It only gets worse if you get behind.

What or who motivated you the most during high school and why??

I was motivated by my parents. They have always pushed me to do my best. They support me in every way possible and I can not thank them enough for that.

Your Senior Quote

60% of the time it works every time.

Would you like to thank anyone? Final words?

I want to thank everyone who has helped me on the way. My mom and dad have always been there for me. I have an amazing family who love to support me.

Emily Dau

A word of advice for underclassmen

A word of advice that I have for younger classmen would be to push yourself. I got where I am today by challenging myself to do things to my full potential. It will not always be easy but it will be worth it in the end. Keep your head up, stay humble, but practice confidence. Be the best you that you can be. Most importantly though, find joy in what you are accomplishing. Having a positive mindset will help you succeed.

What or who motivated you the most during high school and why??

I would have to say that my parents and my peers motivated me the most during high school. It is important to me to make my parents proud. This gave me the motivation to do my best and strive for good outcomes. My peers motivated me as well because we always push each other to be the best versions of ourselves that we can be.

Your Senior Quote

"I've learned from the bad times and was humbled by the good. Thank you for all of the great life lessons"

Would you like to thank anyone? Final words?

I would like to thank my parents and my siblings. They have been my greatest supporters and I would not be where I am today without them. They always encourage me to step out of my comfort zone because they know this will help me accomplish great things.



Salutatorian Spotlight

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Katherine Goeckner

A word of advice for underclassmen

I want to tell the underclassmen to try hard in school. It helps you when you become a senior and you want to go to college. Also, to be nice to your teachers and to enjoy high school. It is a good experience and the easiest thing you will do in life.

What or who motivated you the most during high school and why??

My class has motivated me to be the best in school. They are competitive and that has driven me to do better in school.

Your Senior Quote

Go. Live your dream. -Tangled.

Would you like to thank anyone? Final words?

I would like to thank my parents for always helping me in school and being my biggest supporters. They have done so much for me and I could not have done this without them. I want to thank my brothers for always being there for me.

Kalei Smith

A word of advice for underclassmen

Do not procrastinate all of your work because then you will get really behind.

What or who motivated you the most during high school and why??

My friends and family.

Your Senior Quote

“There are no regrets in life, just lessons.” - Jennifer Aniston

Would you like to thank anyone? Final words?

I'd like to thank my classmates for being there all these years. I'd also like to thank all my teachers for helping me grow into a better person.



Emily Dau



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