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Monte Cristo Elementary

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Our Accomplishments

- Miner Pride Ticket Winner Pizza Lunches with the Principal and Fire Chief.
- Go Miner's Recognition Assemblies: We celebrated over 140 students at each assembly this year!
- Our Monte Cristo Parent Group is outstanding and amazing at allowing our students incredible supports and experiences!
- Members of our staff received the Staff Success in Education award every quarter this school year- that is Amazing!
- Safety Patrol Program allowed for our students to take on leadership responsibilities that created safety for students and adults.
- We started our first ever Monte Cristo Student Leadership Team of Students!
- Many extracurricular, after school activities were provided for our students including: Band, Choir, Girls on the Run, Masterminds Game Club, Safety Patrol and Student Leadership.
- Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon appreciated our incredible volunteers who dedicate time and service to our students and staff.
- Our WatchDog program continues to bring into our school terrific male role models.
- Our District Mentoring Program consistently provides our students with mentors who make a difference in their lives.
- Recipients of the Snohomish County Healthy Schools Award for our lunch before recess schedule.

Survey Results

An educational reform bill passed by the Washington State Legislature in 2010 required that school district seek feedback from parents and community members and summarize the responses in the annual performance reports. The survey was conducted in November 2017 and provided the following results: The District scored highest (based on a five point scale) in parent-teacher partnerships, safety, positive district image, and positive district culture. The District scored average or below grade level in college and career readiness for students, communication that is informing, intentional encouraging and collaborative, as well as engaging instruction in the classroom. Full survey results can be obtained by calling Melanie Freeman at 360.691.7717.



About Our School

Named for a local landmark mining community, Monte Cristo Elementary serves students in third through fifth grade while also supporting a number of sixth graders within our multi-age program. Our current enrollment is approximately 465 students. We have an incredible staff of 60 certificated and classified professionals who work with amazing passion, love and intentionality to support our students and meet the needs of each and every student.

Monte Cristo provides a solid foundation for core instruction in all of the comprehensive core areas as well as including physical education, general music, library and health. Support programs and enrichment opportunities are also available within our school for students who may qualify for those services and programs.

A whole-child, multi-tiered approach to students and their success allow for students to excel and reach their full capacity! We have a highly aligned, standards-based assessment system that provides both students and staff with timely feedback on student learning and allows us to lean in on the data to utilize it to make a difference for our students in the classroom.

We have a deep passion for student learning and huge hearts for our students. We lean in on acceptance, inclusion and provide a positive learning environment where each student can find his or her place and thrive.

Our Vision

At Monte Cristo our students come first! We make our decisions on what is best for kids and we are committed to ongoing, continuous and focused efforts and persistence to close the opportunity gap for all students. Through an intentional, positive climate and strengths based approach we work to ensure every student feels safe, cared for and supported. Our work is critical to allowing students opportunities to become successful, contributing adults who are open to diverse opinions and perspectives and are provided experiences to develop a wide world awareness. We are a school that responds to the needs of individual students and are committed to providing the very best possible education for the students we care for each and every day.

Our Learning Improvement Plan

The purpose of Monte Cristo Elementary is to inspire and encourage lifelong learners and responsible citizens through quality instruction. Monte Cristo Elementary and the Granite Falls School District is charged with the responsibility to improve programs and levels of student achievement as determined by the goals established at the end of previous year as well as on-going data analysis and in-depth understandings about who are students are and what they need to grow, develop and meet high expectations. Our 2017-2018 goals:

- Raise math achievement as evidenced by increases in the number of all 3rd-6th graders meeting mathematics standards on the 2017 SBA
- Raise reading ELA standards as evidenced by increases in the number of all 3rd-6th graders meeting reading standards on the 2017 SBA
- Raise writing ELA standards as evidenced by increases in the number of all 4th graders meeting writing standard on the 2017 SBA
- Raise science ELA Standards as evidenced by increases in the number of 5th graders meeting science standard on the 2017 WCAS

In order to meet and achieve these goals, staff will:

- Use classroom and district and state supported assessments (STAR and Interim Assessments) to measure achievement and design instruction to support learning needs
- Engage in professional learning focused on aligning standards-based instruction along with our Engage NY literacy materials.
- Collaborate as professional learning communities to align curriculum, instruction and assessments.
- Collaborate with families to discuss strategies that can be used at home to support students' learning at school.
- Utilize grade level teams to dig deep into the standards, align materials, and participate in coaching opportunities with an instructional coach with an emphasis on literacy practices.
- PLC Teams working for improvement on their Student Growth Goals aimed at student learning improvement within mathematics and science.

Learning Support

In support of our school vision to prepare all students to become successful and contributing adults, the Learning Support Center (LSC) offers a variety of instructional options to students in need of alternative or supplemental academic support. Small group instruction in reading, writing and math is conducted by our LSC paraprofessional staff on a daily basis. Students are also supported within the classroom setting, where our paraprofessionals assist students with regular classroom assignments, conduct small group lessons or work alongside the classroom teacher to help ensure success for students at every level.

Supporting Each Students Success

Monte Cristo offers many students recognition programs and positive behavior interventions! These programs include: Miner's Gold Tickets, Go Miners Recognition Assemblies, Miner Pride Pizza Lunches with the Principal and Granite Falls Fire Chief, Student to Student Magnificent Miner Awards, and a Student leadership team. In addition to these school-wide programs, we also have classroom based recognition systems in place across each of our classrooms. Recognizing our students here at Monte Cristo is one of our top priorities. We believe in a strengths based approach to building relationships with our students and ensuring their overall academic as well as social and emotional success.



School Data

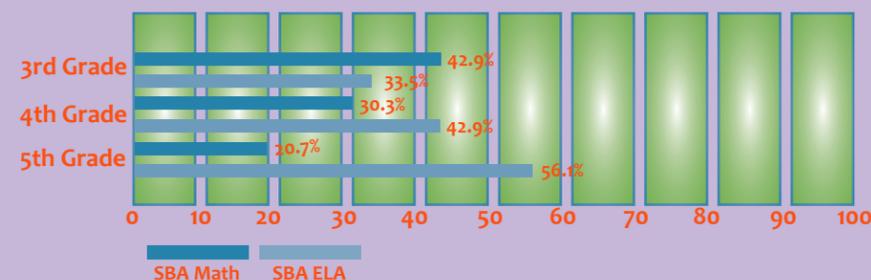
Enrollment by Grade	
Kindergarten	0
1st	0
2nd	2
3rd	134
4th	155
5th	128
6th	10
TOTAL	429

Ethnic Enrollment	
Asian	2
American Indian	9
Hispanic	39
Black	11
Multi	18
Pacific Islander	0
White	350

Attendance

The average daily attendance for the 2017-18 school year was 94%.

State Test Scores (Grade 4) To obtain results in all grade levels, visit the OSPI website at: <http://reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us/>



Condition and Use of Our Building

Monte Cristo Elementary School opened in September 1995. It houses 24 classrooms, five portable classrooms, a multipurpose room, library/media center, music classroom, two conference rooms, office space for support staff, and four portable classrooms. The parent group adds equipment annually for recess and PE, as well as field trip monies and support to classroom teachers as needed. Our playground provides a space for both wet and dry days and includes the following equipment: swings, climbing equipment, a slide, tetherball, four square, basketball hoops, two playfields and lots of space for movement.

Report to the Community

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), also known as No Child Left Behind Legislation, requires school districts to annually report on progress outlining specific information and include state assessment results.

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) has compiled all the data required by the ESEA law including schools identified for improvement. Information on the Granite Falls School District can be found at <http://reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us/>

If you cannot access the report online, contact Melanie Freeman at 360.691.7717, for a hard copy.

Participate

Partner with Us... We Need You!
An open invitation for parents and community members to be involved:

- School Improvement Team
- Monte Cristo Parent Group
- Open House
- Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences
- Classroom, Library, Office, Playground Volunteers
- Musical Presentations
- Veterans Day Assemblies
- Tutoring
- Community Service Projects
- Mentor Program
- Year-end field day and talent show

Monte Cristo Parent Group

Our Parent Group is AMAZING! Parent Group meets monthly to connect, plan and provide incredible supports for student learning, field trips, resources and school events. Please consider joining us, we would love to have you! Highlights from the 2017-2018 school year include book fairs, science fair, assemblies, fundraising activities, TOUCANS steel drum band, yearbook design and the planning of family fun nights. We care about our kids, our school and the greater Granite Falls Community.

About our Financial Resources

Monte Cristo Elementary Budget 2016-17*	
Salaries	68.3%
Benefits	28.0%
Contract Services	0.8%
Travel	0.0%
Supplies	2.9%
Granite Falls School District Budget 2016-17*	
Salaries	55.8%
Benefits	22.2%
Contract Services	18.2%
Supplies	3.5%
Travel	0.2%
Equipment	0%
*All numbers approximate.	