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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 150 students at each assembly this year with Principal Award, Miner Gold, and Miner Pride!
- Classified staff members received Success in Education Awards.
- Safety Patrol Program allowed for our students to take on leadership responsibilities that created safety for students and adults.
- Student Council Members meet monthly and judge at the Science Fair, the Door Decorating contest, and they made Mr. Post Man Grahams at lunch for students who wanted to send a note to a friend.
- Watch DOGS volunteers worked at our school during recess and at special events bringing in terrific male role models.
- Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon recognized our incredible volunteers who dedicate time and service to our students and staff.
- Our District Mentoring Program consistently provides our students with mentors who make a difference in their lives.
- Literacy Night and Book Fairs were well attended by over 400 families during the school year.

## 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 2018 and provided the following results: The District scored highest (based on a five point scale) in parent-teacher partnerships, positive culture, student preparation and positive image. The District scored average or below grade level in communication that is informing, intentional, encouraging, and collaborative, Safety in which we provide safe facilities/classrooms and follow safety procedures, as well as innovative instruction in the classroom. Full survey results can be obtained by calling Melanie Freeman at 360.691.7717.

Granite Falls School District  
2018-19 Performance Report

## 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 75 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 2018-2019 goals:

- **Math Achievement:** Students will increase Student Growth Percentile Scores by 5% as measured by STAR 360 by May 31, 2019.
  - We will look at our individual students in 6th grade for growth from 5th grade.
- **English Language Arts Achievement:** Students will increase Student Growth Percentile scores by 5% as measured by STAR 360 by May 31, 2019.
  - We will look at our individual students in 6th grade for growth from 5th grade.
- **At Monte Cristo we will implement a Positive Behavior System, student recognition system, use common language, and behavior flowchart for student discipline. Using SWISS data, MCE will decrease number of the top 3 minor behavior referrals from 2017-2018 by 25% by May 2019.**
  - We will monitor monthly to assist in determining Tier I planning and individual student interventions: Disruption, Defiance, and Disrespect.

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

- Focused professional learning aligning standards. Engage NY materials and instructional practices.
- Pacing Guides will be followed and tracked.
- Instruction differentiated based on data and student goals.
- Curriculum/ELA/Math night for families to view curriculum.
- Collect and analyze data using the SWIS system for data collection
- Implement a Tiered Behavior Management System.
- Implement student recognition assemblies, Miner Pride Tickets for lunches, Spirit Days, and VIP lunches.

## 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

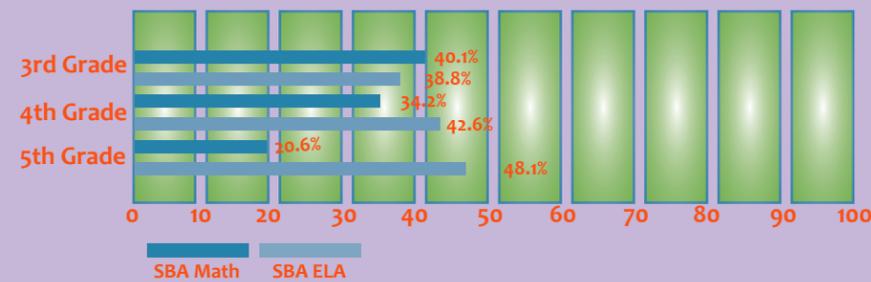
Enrollment by Grade	
Kindergarten	0
1st	0
2nd	0
3rd	148
4th	151
5th	141
6th	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>455</b>

Ethnic Enrollment	
Asian	0.9%
American Indian	1.8%
Hispanic	12.3%
Black	0.4%
Multi	7.9%
Pacific Islander	0.2%
White	76.5%

## Attendance

The average daily attendance for the 2018-19 school year was 87.9%.

**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 2018-2019 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 2018-19\*

Salaries	64.5%
Benefits	28.6%
Contract Services	4.7%
Travel	0.0%
Supplies	2.2%

### Granite Falls School District Budget 2018-19\*

Salaries	55.9%
Benefits	23.4%
Contract Services	17.6%
Supplies	3.0%
Travel	0.1%
Equipment	0%

\*All numbers approximate.