



# American Heritage Charter School

*An Idaho Public Charter School Opening in September 2013*

Date: Thursday, February 7th, 2013

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Riverbend Ranch- 2880 N. 5th W. Idaho Falls, ID

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## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

A. Roll Call

B. Approval of Agenda

C. Approval of Minutes

D. Chairperson Notes

1. Announcements for the Good of the Order
  - a. Visit with Hillsdale College
2. Open Enrollment
  - a. Numbers and explanation of Lottery by Sara Schofield
  - b. Update on marketing by Tony Lima
3. Establish the Corporate Seal
4. Update on New Sweden building by Trent VanderSloot

E. New Business

1. Strategic Plan
2. Hiring Process

F. Financials

1. Bills and Payroll

G. Executive Session

1. Personnel; Employment Applications

H. Adjournment

Persons wishing to appear on the agenda must contact  
Chairman Deby Infanger at 539-7271 or  
Secretary Sara Schofield at 821-4978  
by 10:00am on the day before the meeting is scheduled.  
Any notice received thereafter will be addressed  
at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

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STRATEGIC PLAN OUTLINE

NVA needs to focus and place emphasis on several areas of education. At least some of those are following with the subareas of focus listed.

**STUDENTS:** Mission statement here: create educated citizenry  
 ISAT growth and competency to work toward becoming a 5 star school  
 End of course assessments created and filed in a binder in the principal's office  
 Portfolios completed for every grade including Hero projects for the year  
 Senior Project including paper, product, and presentation as well as business development  
 Plus curriculum completed upon graduation with 10<sup>th</sup> grade completion desired and blazer or pins being awarded

**CURRICULUM:**

| Grade level | Curriculum to be Taught   |
|-------------|---|
| <b>K-3</b>  | Learn to read<br>Shurley English (IRI, and ISAT)<br>Mathematics (Include MTI) (ISAT growth)<br>Science: taught weekly at minimum<br>Core Knowledge<br>Social Studies (Pearson)<br>Art<br>Music (in classroom and Rise and Shine)<br>P. E.<br>Computer Skills<br>Hero Projects and Portfolio<br>HIGH EXPECTATIONS AND ESSENTIAL 55 |
| <b>4-6</b>  | Read<br>Shurley English (ISAT growth)<br>Mathematics (Include MTI) (ISAT growth)<br>Core Knowledge<br>Social Studies (Pearson)<br>Science: taught daily from FOSS Science curriculum<br>Orchestra<br>Art<br>P. E<br>Computer skills<br>Hero Projects and Portfolio<br>HIGH EXPECTATIONS AND ESSENTIAL 55                          |
| <b>7-8</b>  | Literature: Realms of Gold and more<br>Shurley English (ISAT growth)<br>Mathematics: Pre-Algebra and Algebra for some (ISAT growth)<br>FOSS Science daily (General and Earth)<br>Core Knowledge<br>Pearson Social Studies   |

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|              | <p>Computer and Technology use (keyboarding, formatting, program use)</p> <p>Orchestra elective</p> <p>Art</p> <p>P. E.</p> <p>Advisory (Portfolio, Heroes, Above and Beyond)</p> <p>HIGH EXPECTATIONS AND ESSENTIAL 55</p>  |
| <b>9-10</b>  | <p>English: daily writing, weekly composition, research project each grade (ISAT)</p> <p>Mathematics: Algebra I, II, Geometry</p> <p>Social Studies: American History, History of Civilization</p> <p>Science: Physical and Biology</p> <p>Computer and Technology: Beyond keyboarding and programs</p> <p>Orchestra elective</p> <p>Art</p> <p>P. E.</p> <p>Speech</p> <p>Spanish</p> <p>Advisory: (Portfolio w/Heroes, projects, Above and Beyond}</p> <p>HIGH EXPECTATIONS AND ESSENTIAL 55 and Cowboy Ethics</p> <p>End of 10<sup>th</sup> grade take Compass Test for dual credit</p>   |
| <b>11-12</b> | <p>English (11, 12, 101, 102) Write daily, complete weekly essay, do yearly research paper with 12<sup>th</sup> grade paper being Senior Paper)</p> <p>Senior Project: Lead by English preferably w/other faculty assisting</p> <p>Mathematics (Algebra II, Personal Finance, Calculus, Trigonometry, College Alg.)</p> <p>Science (Environmental Science, Physics)</p> <p>Social Studies (American History, Economics, Governmental)</p> <p>Orchestra</p> <p>Art</p> <p>Technology</p> <p>P. E.</p> <p>Spanish</p> <p>Dual Credit</p> <p>Advisory: (Portfolio w/Heroes, projects, Above and Beyond}</p> <p>HIGH EXPECTATIONS AND ESSENTIAL 55 and Cowboy Ethics</p> <p>Take ACT/SAT</p> |

**EDUCATION GOALS:**

- IRI
- ISAT scores
- Portfolio
- Heroes
- Academic Gain (Fair)
- Orchestra concert
- Art Project Show
- Keyboarding and Technology Projects
- Plus Curriculum
- Senior Trip
- Project Displays

**TEACHER EXPECTATIONS:**

Teach curriculum for grade level for grade level  
Plan by Year, Semester, Quarter, Week, Day or Plan by Unit and week/day  
Grades 7-12, P. E., Art post classes on BrainHoney  
Arrive 7:45 a.m.  
Prepare 8-8:30 a.m.  
Do extra duties as assigned: bus, morning, recess, noon, after school  
Monitor students in room, hall, school, and school grounds  
Grades 4-12 expected to use PBL for each "standard" with that documentation made in binder  
in principal's office  
Parent-Teacher Conferences four times a year  
Prepare syllabus grades 7-12 and file syllabi in binder in Principal's office yearly  
Advisory with Above and Beyond with High Expectations, Essentials 55, Portfolio, Cowboy Ethics,  
Student led Conferences

**PARENTS:**

PTA involvement  
Introduction meeting (August)  
Parent-Teacher Conferences four times a year: Instruction to happen at each conference either  
in person or electronically

**PRINCIPAL:**

Evaluate the Strategic Plan implementation and hold those in charge responsible  
Discipline children in such a way the education is most important  
Manage ALL employees and hold them responsible for assignments with failure gaining a write  
up noted in their evaluation  
Conduct 2 teacher evaluations a year  
Plans of Improvement must be started with the teacher by November 1  
Manage staff with organized meetings with agendas  
Manage collaboration in a collaborative manner  
Prepare building for school every day from day 1 to the last day  
Work to insure a safe environment

**WHAT IS EXPECTED IS EVALUATED**



## **NORTH VALLEY ACADEMY**


















Dear NVA Patriot Family,

The years fly by and once again it is Open Enrollment time! If your child is currently attending, you do not need to re-enroll. BUT if you have a Kindergarten student coming up this fall, PLEASE remember, you must fill out the Intent to Enroll form before March 30<sup>th</sup> to have your child in the lottery for fall enrollment.

If you know of parents that have expressed interest in the past, encourage them to fill out the Intent to Enroll form. It is available on our website at [www.NorthValleyAcademy.com](http://www.NorthValleyAcademy.com) or in the office at the school.

Our staff and students worked extra hard this past year and we earned 4 STARS in the State of Idaho's Department of Education rating system. This is a BIG deal! We also made AYP, also a BIG deal!

Beyond these measurements of academic excellence, let me recap for you some of the wonderful things that are unique to NVA:

-  World Renowned Core Knowledge K-8 Curriculum
-  Great Expectations Character Education (Stand and Deliver classroom response model, Life Principles taught, True Heroes education)
-  Student dress code and Teacher dress code
-  Patriotic American History Lessons taught K-12
-  Money Management lessons/projects being taught K-12
-  Rigorous homework standards being enforced
-  Technology being used effectively K-12 via Innovative teaching/ flipped delivery/ ipads/ blended learning/Khan academy
-  Respect being shown between staff and students AND for property
-  Students being taught good old fashioned manners
-  Leadership being taught and modeled
-  High Expectations being the norm
-  Strings Orchestra!
-  **All Day Kindergarten!**
-  Experienced Teachers and support staff
-  Daily Military Science at the National Guard Armory (HS elective)
-  Art, Music, and PE are still part of our curriculum!
-  Cowboy Ethics at HS (Ride for the Brand, Keep your Word, Talk Less-Do More)

Parents around the State of Idaho are beginning to take notice. We get calls asking if there are other charter schools like ours that their children can attend. The answer is YES! We are opening a sister school in Idaho Falls this fall. You can learn more about that school at [www.AmericanHeritageCharterSchool.com](http://www.AmericanHeritageCharterSchool.com). We have a group in Boise that are talking about starting a school there. We assist these parents in whatever way we can and allow them to adopt our charter.

North Valley Academy is a model that works!

Thank you for being a part of our NVA Family! We are here to serve you as we  
"Strive to create patriotic and educated leaders!"