



# Knightline

## Monthly Newsletter for the Hellgate Community

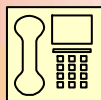
### Hellgate Numbers

**Attendance Hot Line 728-2444**

**Main Office 728-2402**

### From the Attendance Office

Parents, remember that the school is legally responsible for your students; therefore it is necessary for you to call when they are absent. Please call the attendance hotline as soon as possible. A doctor's note is advisable when your student is gone for more than three days with an illness.



### **Have you changed your contact information recently?**

It's important that we have accurate **contact information** in our system for you. Call us at 728-2402 if you have recently moved or changed your phone number. Thank you for helping us keep our records up-to-date.

### Homework Requests

When a student is absent, the protocol for requesting homework is as follows: You can access it on the new **Q ParentConnection**, or call the attendance hotline at 728-2444 and make the request. This request will then be forwarded to each teacher of the student. There is a 24 hour turn-around to receive the homework in the main office. The box is marked "HOMEWORK" and is located in the main office.

Missoula County Public Schools is pleased to make **Q ParentConnection** available to our students' parents and guardians. **Q ParentConnection** provides parents/guardians direct access to their student's data via the Internet. Each **Q ParentConnection** user will be assigned a unique PIN number and password that will enable them to view their student's information, such as assignments, attendance, grades, transcripts and more.

Parents/guardians will need a computer with Internet access and a web browser. Recommended requirements are Internet Explorer 8, Firefox 11.0, or Safari 5.1.5.

**Q ParentConnection** will work on a computer running either Windows or Macintosh operating systems.

♦ **See Logon Instructions on the last page of this issue.**

## Congratulations to Hellgate's Journalists

These young writers took high honors in the Montana Journalism Education Association State Newspaper Competition. Here's how they placed.

- **1st: Website The Gate (hhsgate.com) Isaiah Hanson** editor
- **1st: Opinion Writing Annie Zavitz**
- **2nd: Sports Feature Chase Koenig**
- **2nd: Advertising Design Isaiah Hanson**
- **3rd: Feature Writing Zach Strauch**
- **3rd Infographic Design Isaiah Hanson**

**Hellgate Cares** is a non-profit organization providing financial assistance to Hellgate High students to help them be successful in school. Since the organization's creation years ago, students' needs have continued to grow and change. As of January 2015 42.9% of Hellgate students were reported as low income, and currently twenty six of our students qualify as homeless, double the number from one year ago.

Hellgate Cares is funded solely by donations and grants. We serve students through a referral process. Last year over \$5000 went directly to students in need. We are hoping to reach this goal again. Your generous donations are always greatly appreciated. Cash, checks, and gift cards are welcome and may be dropped off at the Hellgate High School office in care of our bookkeeper, Jeanie Hughes. All donations to Hellgate Cares go to students--not to teachers or programs.

Any HHS teacher or staff member is encouraged to make a referral to the Hellgate Cares team comprised of:

- Linda Cordial [lcordial@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:lcordial@mcps.k12.mt.us)
- Tracy Ledyard [taledyard@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:taledyard@mcps.k12.mt.us)
- Julie Burckhard [jburckhard@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:jburckhard@mcps.k12.mt.us)

Thank you for helping Hellgate take care of its own.

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If you have a question or would like to submit an item to the Knightline, contact Val Murray:

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# Family Resource Room News

Tracy Ledyard  
Room 236A

This has been a busy year for the FRC!

We have been incredibly lucky to have received tons of amazing donations that have kept our room full of needed supplies, clothing, toiletries, and food.

## CLOTHING

Campus Drive donated about 25 boxes of brand new college hoodies, track jackets, and pullovers. These are high quality items that fly off our shelves! We just received our last shipment so stop by if you need one!

## SUPPLIES

We just received a new supply of fabulous backpacks and school supplies from "Feed the Children." These came at the perfect time for the start of 2<sup>nd</sup> semester as kids are ready to re-organize and replace torn backpacks.

## FOOD

Our Food Pantry is a huge success and is utilized more and more as students and families learn about it. We have distributed close to **1000 lbs** of food so far this school year. That puts us on track to surpass the 1700 lbs distributed during the 2014-2015 school year.

The pantry is stocked with non-perishable pantry basics such as pasta, sauce, beans, canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, macaroni and cheese, chili, crackers, rice, chili, etc. Students and families in need of more food at home are welcome to take what they need.

## TOILETRIES

We try to keep the following items stocked: Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, lotion, laundry and dish soap, toilet paper, etc.

**Thank you to everyone who has filled the room with their generous donations!**

**THE FRC IS 100% STOCKED BY DONATIONS!** If you would like to donate funds, we are a 501-c3. We also accept new toiletry items and food donations. We can always use athletic shoes and shorts as well!

Southwest Montana Regional Science Fair  
Intermountain Junior Science & Humanities Symposium  
Montana State Science Fair  
**Awards Summary**  
**2015-2016**

## HELLGATE APS TEAM SUMMARY

### FIRST-PLACE DIVISION I SCIENCE TEAM MONTANA STATE SCIENCE FAIR

### FIRST-PLACE DIVISION I SCIENCE TEAM SW MONTANA REGIONAL SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR

### THREE OF FIVE FINALISTS

for the **National JSHS** competition in Dayton, Ohio are Hellgate APS students (from a multi-state regional competition)

### FIVE OF SEVEN

Hellgate APS students were **awarded trips** to national or international competitions!

**ISEF** The International Science & Engineering Fair is the largest science fair in the world. Sponsored by Intel, it awards all-expenses paid trips to compete against approximately **1700 students from over 70 countries** in May. It will be held in Phoenix this year. The Southwest Montana Regional Science & Engineering Fair and the Montana State Science Fair are qualifying fairs for ISEF.

**JSHS** The Junior Science & Humanities Symposium is a national STEM (science, technology, engineering, & mathematics) competition. Sponsored by the Departments of Army, Navy, and Air Force, it awards all-expenses paid trips to compete against 230 other qualifying students at the National Junior Science & Humanities Symposium. It will be held in Dayton this year. The Intermountain Junior Science & Humanities Symposium is a qualifying fair for JSHS.

### RORY ANDERSON (senior)

*The Effect of Environmental Complexity on the Evolution of Pseudomonas fluorescens*

*SW Montana Regional Science & Engineering Fair* (poster competition)

Best Visual Communication Award from Montana Tech Professionals and Technical Communications  
Red Ribbon

*Montana State Science Fair* (poster competition)

Silver ribbon

### KIT FIELDHOUSE (senior)

*Investigating Undecomposable Prime Matrices In The Special Linear Group And Uses In Information Theory*

*SW Montana Regional Science & Engineering Fair* (poster competition)

**ISEF Finalist; GRAND AWARD** (top project overall)(!) and an **expenses-paid trip to ISEF** in Phoenix this year

Top 12<sup>th</sup>-grade project

*Mu Alpha Theta* Award for Best Use of Mathematics In A Project

Best Project Related to Electrical Engineering

Gold Medalist (of top-tier projects)

Blue Ribbon (top-tier project)

*Montana State Science Fair* (poster competition)

**Grand Award – SECOND PLACE** (overall!)

Intel Excellence in Computer Science Award

*Mu Alpha Theta* Award for Best Use of Mathematics In A Project

UM Davidson Honors College Emerging Scholar Award

*Special recognition to an exhibit directly and meaningfully addressing real world challenges*

UM Foundation Marie Wallace Scholarship

*Outstanding exhibit from an incoming UM freshman*

UM Computer Science Award, Outstanding exhibit in computer science

UM Mathematical Sciences Award, Outstanding exhibit in mathematical sciences

Gold ribbon (top-tier project)

### **JEREMY HENG (senior)**

*Analysis of Long-Term Mixed Cultures of Bdellovibrio bacteriovorus and Escherichia coli: An Investigation of Resistance to Predatory Bacteria*

*SW Montana Regional Science & Engineering Fair* (poster competition)

Biological Sciences **BEST OF SHOW** Award, Montana Tech

Silver Medalist (of top-tier projects)

Blue Ribbon (top-tier project)

*Intermountain Junior Science & Humanities Symposium* (12-minute oral presentation)

**JSHS Finalist**, fourth-place overall, including an **expenses-paid trip** to the National JSHS competition in Dayton

*Montana State Science Fair* (poster competition)

Silver ribbon

### **MOLLY KAUFFMAN (junior)**

*Effects of Toxins On Neurological Function and Structure: The Role in Parkinson's Disease*

*SW Montana Regional Science & Engineering Fair* (poster competition)

**ISEF Finalist**; third-place overall and an **expenses-paid trip to ISEF** in Phoenix this year

Top 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Project

Yale Science & Engineering Association Award for Most Outstanding Exhibit in Computer Science, Engineering, Physics, or Chemistry

Certificate of Outstanding Achievement for *In Vitro* Biology, from The Society for *In Vitro* Biology

Gold Medalist (of top-tier projects)

Blue Ribbon (top-tier project)

*Montana State Science Fair* (poster competition)

Silver ribbon

### **SHELBY KINCH (sophomore)**

*The Disruption of SFKs in Neuroblastoma Cells Leads To Decreased Cell Migration*

*SW Montana Regional Science & Engineering Fair* (poster competition)

**ISEF Finalist Alternate**; fourth-place overall (alternate for an expenses-paid trip to ISEF in Phoenix this year)

U.S. Metric Association Award for Best Use of SI International System Units

Gold Medalist (of top-tier projects)

Blue Ribbon (top-tier project)

*Intermountain Junior Science & Humanities Symposium* (12-minute oral presentation)

**JSHS Finalist**, second-place overall, \$1500 scholarship and an **expenses-paid trip to the National JSHS competition** in Dayton, Ohio this April

*Montana State Science Fair* (poster competition)

**ISEF Finalist; GRAND AWARD** (top project overall)(!) and an **expenses-paid trip to ISEF** in Phoenix this year

Gold ribbon (top-tier project)



### NIEL MONDAVA (sophomore)

#### *Isolation and Identification of Compounds from an Acid-Mine-Waste Extremophilic Fungus that Target Pathways Associated with Cancer*

##### **SW Montana Regional Science & Engineering Fair** (poster competition)

Best Division I Environmental Project, Clark Fork Watershed  
 Best Mining-Related Project, Montana Tech Mining Department  
 Outstanding Division I Berkeley Pit Project, Berkeley Pit Education Project citizen Advisory Committee  
 Second-Place, Division I Extractive Metallurgy Award, MT Tech and Newmont Mining Corporation  
 Silver Medalist (of top-tier projects)  
 Blue Ribbon (top-tier project)

##### **Montana State Science Fair** (poster competition)

UM College of Health Professions & Biomedical Science Award, Division I  
*Best exhibit pertaining to pharmaceutical sciences, medicine, or health-related issues*  
 UM Davidson Honors College Emerging Scholar Award  
*Special recognition to an exhibit directly and meaningfully addressing real world challenges*  
 Gold ribbon (top-tier project)

### DOUGLAS YODER (sophomore)

#### *The Relationship Between Habitat Characteristics and Urban Deer Distribution in the Lower Rattlesnake Drainage, Missoula, Montana*

##### **SW Montana Regional Science & Engineering Fair** (poster competition)

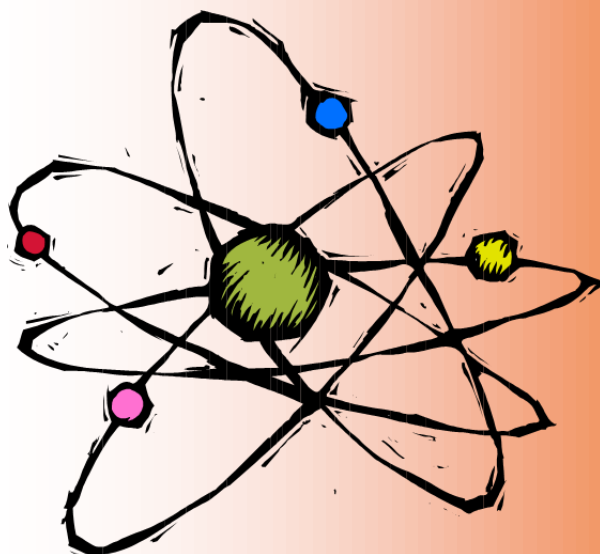
Silver Ribbon

##### **Intermountain Junior Science & Humanities Symposium** (12-minute oral presentation)

**JSHS Finalist**, fifth-place overall, including an expenses-paid trip to the National JSHS competition in Dayton, Ohio this April

##### **Montana State Science Fair** (poster competition)

UM Davidson Honors College Emerging Scholar Award  
*Special recognition to an exhibit directly and meaningfully addressing real world challenges*  
 Montana Fish, Wildlife, & Parks Division I Award  
*Best project relating to fish, wildlife, or water quality*  
 Gold ribbon (top-tier project)





## Montana BPA State Leadership Conference



Every year the competition at BPA State grows more ferocious, and the Hellgate Chapter arises to the challenge. Below are this year's student results:

### NATIONAL QUALIFIERS:

Maddie Keiper—Banking and Finance, 3rd Place

Max Grimmsmann—Java Programming, 4<sup>th</sup> Place; Computer Programming Concepts, 5<sup>th</sup> Place

### STATE TOP 10 FINALISTS:

Max Grimmsmann—Information Technology Concepts, 10<sup>th</sup> Place

Nate Smith—Fundamental Word Processing, 10<sup>th</sup> Place

Kinsey Smith—Intermediate Word Processing, 6<sup>th</sup> Place

Ari Jaffe—Fundamental Accounting, 8<sup>th</sup> Place

All the Hellgate BPA Chapter attendees (those above and Miranda Foster, Carly Meyers, Courtney Smith, and Francie Lorenzen) made us proud by acting professionally and respectfully during the four conference sectionals and the various workshops, as well as during their respective competitive events. Courtney Smith and Francie Lorenzen were voting delegates and had to attend an additional three campaign meetings.





## Parent Information Night

**Wednesday,  
May 4, 2016**

**7:00-8:00pm**

**University  
Center  
Alumni Board-  
room  
3rd floor**

Have a question now???

Contact Alysia Kelly:

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*TRIO-Upward Bound is funded by the US Department of Education to provide the requisite academic skills and motivation that qualifying students will need for success in post-secondary education.*

\*Are you looking for an engaging summer experience for your student?

\*Are you looking for ways your student can be involved at school and in the community?

\*Are you unsure about how to get your student to college?

Join us for an informational presentation and find out if TRIO-Upward Bound is right for your family. Bring your questions!

Visit our website: [www.umt.edu/trioub](http://www.umt.edu/trioub)



**The Flagship Program** has over **700 volunteer instructors** and collaborates with over **100 community partners** annually who give over **11,000 hours of service**. Through teaching and being positive role models to students, the instructors are the sails that keep this ship sailing. Their commitment and consistency each week as positive adult role models for Flagship students is what impacts the lives of so many Missoula youth. Both Flagship instructors and students benefit from this experience through teaching and learning, navigating the community together, and making meaningful connections. Instructors learn what it means to give back to their community while providing Flagship students the opportunity to learn new skills, how to make new friends and build self-confidence. Through participation in Flagship, students are exposed to these new experiences in a safe school environment. The impact is deep and heartfelt.

When you **donate** to The Flagship Program your money stays in Missoula and is put toward enriching the lives of Missoula youth via Flagship programs.

**Our ask is simple. Give what you can-** whether that is \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50, or more, your gift helps Missoula youth stay engaged, active, and safe.

### **How do you participate?**

Go to The Flagship Program website: [WWW.FLAGSHIPPROGRAM.ORG](http://WWW.FLAGSHIPPROGRAM.ORG) to find a Flagship school captain to support, make a secure donation at your comfort level, and be proud of your investment in Missoula!

Our most sincere **THANK YOU** for your partnership and support!

*\*Any online gift of \$25 or more is eligible for daily prize drawings. All donations are tax deductible.*



# News From the Counseling Department

## Classes of 2016 & 2018

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 Jessica Buboltz                Last Names L—Z  
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## Classes of 2017 & 2019

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## Unsure of life after High School?

### CAREER AND COLLEGE WEBSITE – MCIS

#### (Montana Career Information System) Website

Look at this great website for college and career information. It also has good interest inventories – the O'NET Interest Profiler, and Micro Skills.

Mtcis.intocareers.org/login\_noip.asp

User name-----hellgatehs  
 Password-----plan7ing

## College Entrance Tests: ACT & SAT

You can register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) or  
[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).

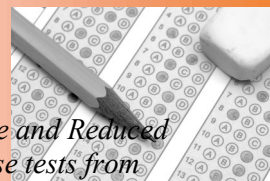
### **SAT TEST DATES:**

Dec. 5    (register by Nov. 5)  
 Jan. 23   (register by Dec. 28)  
 March 5 (register by February 5)  
 May 7    (register by April 8)\*  
                  *State Solo and Ensemble Festival*  
 June 4    (register by May 5)\*  
                  *Hellgate High School Graduation*

### **ACT TEST DATES:**

Sept. 12 (register by August 7)  
 Oct. 24 (register by Sept. 18)  
 Dec. 12 (register by Nov. 6)  
 Feb. 6 (register by Jan. 8)  
 April 9 (register by March 4)  
 June 11 (register by May 6)

*Reminder: Students who qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program can get a fee waiver for these tests from their counselors.*



**College bound seniors should be taking either the ACT or SAT early in the fall for college applications if they did not do so in the spring. Be sure to check for deadlines on college applications!! College bound Juniors should consider taking one of these by the end of their Junior year. Remember, the SAT is changing in the spring. Read up on it before signing up!**

## How do you contact us?



If you need to contact us please do so by e-mail whenever possible. If you need an appointment with us, please stop in and fill out an appointment request form. They are green and located outside the counseling area, as well as inside.

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @HHSCounselorsMT

# Senior Information!!!

Scholarships are posted online!! The google website was developed with all Missoula County High Schools working together to provide the best scholarship information we have available. The webpage lists yearly scholarships under the month of the application deadline. It never hurts to check this website weekly:

[Click here to go directly to website.](https://sites.google.com/a/mcpsmt.org/mcps-high-school-scholarships/)

If not working, here's the direct address:

<https://sites.google.com/a/mcpsmt.org/mcps-high-school-scholarships/>

## Deadlines, deadlines, deadlines...

Each school or scholarship has it's own definitive deadline. Please monitor each website or application to keep track of those important deadlines. Keeping a binder or an electronic spreadsheet will assist with this process.

**UM/MSU:** Get the applications in to UM and MSU ASAP! Remember that UM includes consideration of scholarships in it's general app, but MSU has a separate scholarship form. This MSU Premier Scholarship application is due 2/1, however money is first-come first-serve so get it in now!

**ACT/SAT:** Monitor the testing dates so you don't end up paying a late registration fee! Test twice whenever possible as we know that scores do rise on the second attempt.

**FAFSA:** If you haven't already register for your FSA ID: <https://fsaid.ed.gov> You will need: SS #s, 2015 tax returns, W-2's, any other income documentation and asset info. Complete this Federal Form for Grants/Loans as soon as possible in the new year.

## Got Scholarships?

In an effort to create an accurate list of scholarships for the Graduation Program and the Missoulain, we are asking our Seniors to start letting us know about scholarships they have received. This Scholarship Notification Form is available on the Hellgate High School Counseling website and students can fill one out for each scholarship they have received. Deadline is set for May 1, 2016.

## Selective Service

HHS males: Make sure you have registered for selective service: <https://www.sss.gov/regver/wfregistration.aspx> This requirement must be met in order to receive financial aid from the federal govt.





**Visit the Hellgate  
Counselor's Page at:**



<http://mcpsmt.schoolwires.net//Domain/334>





# Missoula County Public Schools Indian Education Department 2015-26



Name	Title	Phone	Email	Assigned Schools
		728-2400		
Karen Allen	Region 3 Executive Director/Indian Ed. Dept. Supervisor	Ext. 1074	<a href="mailto:kallen@mcps.k12.mt.us">kallen@mcps.k12.mt.us</a>	
Jake Arrowtop	Native American Specialist	Ext. 1049	<a href="mailto:jarrowtop@mcps.k12.mt.us">jarrowtop@mcps.k12.mt.us</a>	Big Sky High School Lowell Elementary Lewis & Clark Elementary Paxson Elementary
Kate Beals	IEFA Cultural Liaison	Ext. 1068	<a href="mailto:kkbeals@mcps.k12.mt.us">kkbeals@mcps.k12.mt.us</a>	All elementary schools for read-aloud program
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Cathie Cichosz	Native American Community Specialist	Ext. 1064	<a href="mailto:ccichosz@mcps.k12.mt.us">ccichosz@mcps.k12.mt.us</a>	Cold Springs Elementary Hawthorne Elementary Jefferson Pre-school
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Glenda Weasel	Title VII/Native American Specialist/Data Support Staff	Ext. 1063	<a href="mailto:gweasel@mcps.k12.mt.us">gweasel@mcps.k12.mt.us</a>	Franklin Elementary Rattlesnake Elementary Russell Elementary

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Senior Dinner	Thursday, May 26, 2016	6:00-8:00 PM	-DoubleTree Inn





## Mon, Tues, Wed 3:00-4:45pm Thurs 2:00-3:45pm Library

All Subjects: All Days  
YES, Math Tutoring Everyday  
Mondays: ASL Interpreter Available  
Spanish Tutoring on Tues & Thurs

### To logon to Q Parent Connection:

Open your Internet browser and type the following URL.

<http://www.mcpsmt.org>



Click the Web Connect Icon on the top Right of the home page

Scroll down the page until you can see the **Parents** header.



**Q (formerly Zangle) Parent Portal**

Click the Link.

Enter your Pin and Password

Click Login.

You're done!

For more information on how to navigate and use Q Parent Connection Click the [Help](#) Link on the top right hand corner of the screen. Remember that you can **change your password on the My Account link**. This is recommended for users that are logging in for the first time.



**ParentConnection**

Your window into your students day at school.