

WHO'S WHO IN ROBERTS SCHOOL

Our lovely staff here at Roberts needs just a little more recognition.

Mrs. Kennedee Blankenship

By: Colt Holdbrook

I interviewed Mrs. Blankenship in regard to her positions as the seven-twelfth grade history and geography teacher. She is still a pretty fresh teacher with only two years under her belt so far. Mrs. Blankenship enjoys making history fun and educational for students. Another thing she really enjoys about her job is that it never gets boring because "it is something new everyday." She has taught seven-twelfth grade history and geography along with helping coach basketball and she is the STUCO advisor. Her career goals are to eventually take on an administrative position. We are so glad to have her as a teacher and are very thankful for everything she contributes to our school.

Learn about Mrs. Herta

By: Molly Mitchell

Have you ever met Mrs. Ressa Herta? If so, then you know she is a kind person. If not, here are some facts about her. Mrs. Herta has been teaching for 23 years, twenty of which she was a k-12 paraprofessional. She has taught fifth through eighth grade, first, and as previously mentioned, special education. Her favorite part of the job is "being able to get to know the personalities and families of her kids." Mrs. Herta's future career goal is to become more fluent in teaching ELA. A fun fact about this wonderful lady is that she enjoys paddle boarding and bow hunting outside of school. Now you know a little more about Mrs. Ressa Herta, Robert's first grade teacher.

Mrs. Vanek

By: Maria Castro

Mrs. Vanek has been teaching for 8 years (12 including years of Para). Her favorite part of teaching is the excitement when the kids learn something new. She said "Kindergarten is just excited to be here and learn." Mrs. Vanek has taught Kindergarten, a Montessori for 3-7 year old's, second grade, and she was a Para for k-8. Her career goals are to just remain a teacher and continue learning new things.

Mingling with Mrs. Misty Pitts

By: Maria Castro

Our lovely staff here at Roberts needs just a little more recognition. We are interviewing the teachers, just to get to know them better not only in the teacher light, but also personally. Misty Pitts is the Librarian, MTDA, Journalism and Yearbook, and Preschool teacher here at Roberts. I asked four questions. First, how long have you been teaching? Mrs. Pitts said she received her certificate in 2000. Officially she's taught at Roberts, Lodge Grass, Custer, Billings District #2, Luther, Red Lodge, and Stanley ND. In total, she has about 14-15 years of teaching experience. Next, what is your favorite part of teaching? She said getting to see that "ah ha" moment when they finally realize what you're asking of them. Moving on, what grades/subjects have you taught? For the favorite it's Kindergarten and Preschool. And she's taught Preschool, Kindergarten, High School Title 1, First Grade, Special Ed Para, 2-3 Para, Art, MTDA, and Yearbook and Journalism. Lastly, what are your goals for your career? Mrs. Pitts' goal is to get back into a self-contained classroom at some point.

Lessons on Mrs. Jen Larson

By: Molly Mitchell

Mrs. Jen Larson is Roberts middle and high school's science teacher. She has been teaching for eight years and has taught Ag. and science for that time. Seventh through twelfth grade has had the opportunity to learn from her. Throughout the time she has passed on her knowledge, she has favored the ability to get her students excited about labs and science in general. Her career goals are "to get a masters degree and to have students take science fair to a higher level." Did you know Mrs. Larson teaches horses to sniff out lost people? Not only does she educate people, she teaches horses too. This has been an opportunity to learn more about Mrs. Jen Larson, Robert's science teacher.



ROBERTS SPORTS SCHEDULE

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Varsity Basketball Schedule

1/19/24 Home RPR
JVB/VG/VB
4:30/6:00/7:30

1/20/24 Away Absarokee
JVG/JVB/VG/VB
12:30/2:00/3:30/5:00

1/23/24 Away White Sulphur Springs
JVG/VG
4:00/5:30

1/26/24 Away Bridger
JVG/JVB/VG/VB
3:00/4:30/6:00/7:30

2/1/24 Home Plenty Coups
JVG/JVB/VG/VB
3:00/4:30/6:00/7:30

2/3/24 Home Fromberg
VB
5:00

2/9/24 Away Reed Point/Rapelje
JVB/VG/VB
4:30/6:00/7:30

2/10/24 Home Absarokee
JVG/JVB/VG/VB
12:30/2:00/3:30/5:00



The Junior Class and families are responsible for Concessions. The funds earned will go towards graduation and a senior trip.

Below is a list of concession items.

Junior Class Concessions

Burger Meal \$7.00

(With or without cheese, chips and drink)

Burger \$5.00

Walking Taco \$5.00

Pretzel w/cheese \$4.00

Bosco Stick \$2.00

Cup-O-Noodles \$1.00

Popcorn \$1.00

Pop \$2.00

Gatorade \$1.00

Water \$1.00

Icee \$1.00

Fudgesicle \$1.00

Chips \$1.00

Candy \$1.50

Caramel Apple Suckers 2/\$1.00

Coffee \$1.00

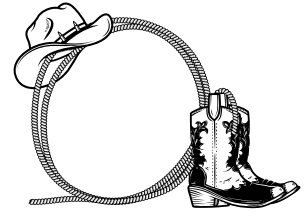





Rowdy Roberts Rockets Rodeo!

Round two

By: Molly Mitchell

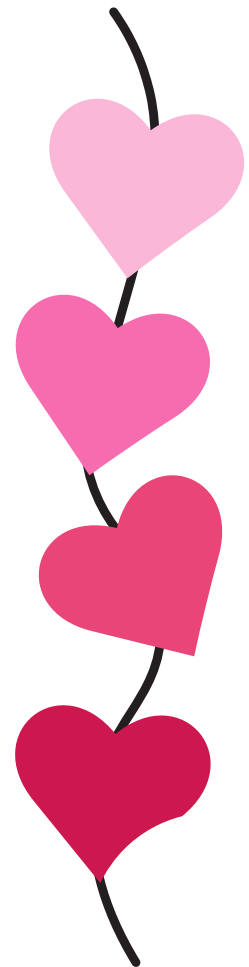


Rodeo is a thrilling event where a person can watch or take part in it. Well, if you haven't, there are a couple students who participate in events in Roberts school. These students are Colt Holdbrook and Taylor Koch. This month, we are featuring Colt! He started rodeoing with his family and participates in bull riding. This event consists of the rider trying to ride a bucking bull for eight seconds while holding onto a braided rope that is around the animal's stomach. Since he was little, he has been learning about multiple rodeo events. Colt's goal is to make it to the Montana High School Rodeo Association Nationals.



**National Honors
Society is doing a
Valentines Day
fundraiser where they
are selling
customizable
valentines. Look at the
front office or ask Mrs.
Baver for a form.**

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2023 Christmas Program



By: Maria Castro



5th Grade (Ms. Jessen):

5th grade sang the Jack Frost song, Winter Wonderland, and Frosty the snowman. Ms. Jessen said that she thinks 5th grade did a wonderful job, and worked together very well. She also said that she was very proud of them for learning their parts and dances in the limited 3 week rehearsal times. Ms. Jessen said that her favorite part of the Christmas Program was getting to see the parents reactions to their children singing and performing in front of a crowd.

Kindergarten (Mrs. Vanek):

Kindergarten sang Do You Want to Build a Snowman, and Silent Night. Mrs. Vanek said that her kids did very well. She said her favorite part was getting to see how excited the kids were to get to perform in front of their parents and friends.

2nd and 3rd Grade (Mrs. Clark):

2nd and 3rd sang Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer. Mrs. Clark said that considering most of the class was absent, the kids did an outstanding job. Her favorite part was watching the staged snowball fight!

Girl's Basketball Team:

Girls Varsity and Jr. Varsity Basketball sang several songs to usher Santa into the gym. Santa made an appearance, and treat bags were handed out.

Arianna Medina's Performance:

Arianna Medina sang a solo, "Santa Baby" from Urock Karaoke.



Quizzing the Assistant Coaches

Mrs. Rylee Lloyd

By: Molly Mitchell

This month, I had the opportunity to ask Mrs. Rylee Lloyd about her preparations, goals, and supporting factors as the assistant coach.

Molly: How are you going to prepare the Junior Varsity (JV) for Varsity?

Mrs. Lloyd: Doing the little things in the JV game is what is going to prepare the girls for varsity.

There is also a different level of mental toughness that must come into play for varsity. I believe running drills and pushing the girls outside of their comfort zone is one of the best ways to help prepare them. I also think you can run every drill in the world, but there is no better lesson than playing. I am super excited to get some JV games going for our season

Molly: As the JV coach, what are your goals?

Mrs. Lloyd: Some of the goals I have for the season are;

- clean up the fundamentals. Everything builds off them.
- build each player's confidence.
- have fun

Molly: How do you plan on supporting Ms. Wade as the head coach?

Mrs. Lloyd: Everyone brings something different to a team. Bringing my own skills and knowledge and working with her is the best support I can give.

Coach Blankenship

By: Colt Holdbrook

Today Coach Kennedee Blankenship was interviewed regarding her position as the assistant high school boys basketball coach. Here is how it went.

Colt: What roles have you played in being a high school basketball coach?

Mrs. Blankenship: I have played many roles in high school basketball, but I think my favorite is filling the role of a "bonus mom". I love to bring snacks and sandwiches, extra tape, tums, and anything else the boys could need!

Colt: What other roles have you taken besides coaching basketball?

Mrs. Blankenship: I am our school's STUCO advisor along with being our district advisor at the state level. I also coach junior high boys and girls basketball and junior high track, and I help coach the high school sprinters, hurdlers, and vaulters with my dad who is a volunteer coach for the track season!

Colt: What determines who plays at any given time?

Mrs. Blankenship: Many factors go into who plays at any given time. This can vary depending on injuries, school and practice attendance, attitude/behavior, skill level, the physicality of the game we are in, and what we need at that moment in the game. Our boys do a great job of making this particular decision very difficult on Coach Ator and myself because they all work extremely hard and are pushing themselves every day to not only be better basketball players, but better men in general.



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Roberts Christmas Tree Lighting

By: Colt Holdbrook

This year's Roberts Cultural Council outdid themselves once again with the annual Roberts Christmas Tree Lighting. Between the face paintings, raffle, and Santa with his elf handing out goodie bags, it was a blast. The big bang of the evening was the sixty foot Christmas tree lit with thousands of lights put up by Beartooth Electric and Phil Nardinger. Anyone was welcome to come to the festive event filled with holiday laughter and cheer. If you would like to help out with this spectacular event next year you can contact the Roberts Cultural Council at (406) 461-3191, mail to PO Box 184, Roberts, Montana 59070, or follow RCC on Facebook and Instagram.

