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Caption: Students from Westside Village Magnet at Kingston School's School of Rock group will perform two shows at the Tower Theatre in downtown Bend May 10. (Photo is from last year's School of Rock showcase.)

Events and Story Ideas for May 2018

NOTE: The following items are potential feature story ideas for the month of May. Events are open to members of the media, but closed to the public unless otherwise noted. Items that are open to the public are relevant for event calendars.

May 1, noon

Decision Day at Mountain View High School

More than 80 seniors at Mountain View will participate in the school's first-ever decision day event. The students will share which college, university, trade school or military branch they have committed to attend post-graduation. Local businesses donated food for the event, which will take place in the school's media center.

May 1, 5 to 7 p.m.

Author Night and Musical at William E. Miller Elementary School

Second-graders will share stories and songs during this event for families.

May 1, 6 p.m.

Parenting with Confidence at Pacific Crest Middle School

Parent workshop focuses on how to raise resilient, independent children and will include topics including safety, bullying, technology, academics and more. [Learn more about the event](#) Free and open to the public.

May 2, 4 p.m.

Excellence in Education at Mountain View High School

More than 60 staff members representing teachers, nurses, custodians, office managers and more from throughout Bend-La Pine Schools will be honored during this annual staff appreciation event.

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May 2, 5 p.m.

Science, Art and Technology Night at High Lakes Elementary School

All High Lakes families and students are invited to dive into science, art and technology during this school-wide evening event.

May 3, 11:30 a.m.

Community Celebration at Westside Village Magnet at Kingston School

The school will host a school community celebration and barbecue.

May 3, 5:30 p.m.

Family Night at Juniper Elementary School

Families are invited to take part in reading and math games, learn about nutrition and technology and join in some yoga. Light dinner provided.

May 3-5, 7 p.m.

“Game of Tiaras” at Bend Senior High School

Bend Senior High School students will perform this comedy that’s a mash-up of genres with references to Disney princesses, “King Lear” and “Game of Thrones.” Not intended for young children. Tickets are \$5. Showtimes are 7 p.m. May 3-5.

May 4, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Job Fair at Mountain View High School

More than 30 local businesses will take part in the first job fair at Mountain View to help connect students with local businesses that are hiring. In order to participate in the fair, students must have a current resume. More than 50 Mountain View students took part in a recent resume-writing workshop to prepare.

May 4, noon

Preschool Story Hour at Juniper Elementary School

Deschutes Public Library will offer a story time for preschool students at Juniper. Lunch is served at noon; stories begin at 12:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.

May 5, noon to 4 p.m.

Japanese Festival at Summit High School

Summit students invite the public to their annual Japanese Festival, which includes a musical performance by Bill Keale. The event will also include a silent auction and raffle to benefit Ashinaga Kikin orphanage in Japan, Japanese food, a cos play costume contest, a ramen eating contest and more. Free and open to the public.

May 5, noon and 2:30 p.m.

“Cinderella” at R.E. Jewell Elementary School

Students will perform “Cinderella” as a culmination of a weeklong residency by Missoula Children’s Theater. Students will be working with staff from the theater troop all week before the performances May 5.

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May 7-11

Teacher Appreciation Week

Our schools will be celebrating and honoring teachers during National Teacher Appreciation Week.

May 7-18

Artist in Residence at Elk Meadow Elementary School — African Drumming

Elk Meadow, Bend-La Pine School's Art Focus school, will host musician Dale Largent as an artist in residence. He will teach African drumming to students in the school. Contact Elk Meadow for details: 541-355-1500.

May 7-11, 3 to 5 p.m.

Flower Basket Sales for Life Skills at Bend Senior High School

The Life Skills program at Bend Senior High School is hosting a flower baskets fundraiser for the program. Each student was responsible for taking care of a specific number of plants, and every basket they cared for is labeled with their name. Baskets cost \$25 and can be purchased at the greenhouse, located on the south side of campus on Alden Street between the technology building and the baseball field. Contact: 541-355-3846.

May 9, all day

National Walk and Bike to School Day

Students and staff will bike or walk to school in honor of this national day. Many schools throughout the district will partner with Commute Options to plan bike, walk and ride events.

May 9, all day

National School Nurse Day

Bend-La Pine Schools honors the school nurses who play a key role in keeping our students safe and healthy. Please take the time to thank your school nurse for all of their hard work and dedication to our school community.

May 10, 1 and 7 p.m.

Westside Village Magnet Schools' School of Rock Performance at Tower Theatre

Westside School of Rock is part of a class and these two shows at the Tower Theatre mark a culmination for the musical group. Tickets are \$2 for 1 p.m. show or \$12 for 7 p.m. show. Open to the public. Students have participated in every level of the play including acting, writing, set building, costumes and technical support. The students train and prepare for months in advance. "The hands-on experience of running an entire performance on the big stage will be an unforgettable journey of learning and an opportunity for each child to discover their voice," said Principal Wendy Winchel.

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May 10, 6:30 p.m.

American Revolution Performance at Juniper Elementary School

Fifth-graders perform in the gym.

May 10-12

“Pride and Prejudice” at Mountain View High School

Mountain View High School students will perform this classic romantic comedy set in Jane Austen’s English countryside featuring Mr. Darcy and Elizabeth Bennett. Tickets are \$5. Showtimes are 7 p.m. May 10-12 and 2 p.m. May 12.

May 16, 5 p.m.

Perseverance Awards at the Loft

Bend-La Pine Schools honors seniors from local high schools who have persevered and overcome a challenge or obstacle on their way to graduation.

May 18, 5:30 p.m.

Art in the Meadow at Elk Meadow Elementary School

Families are invited to the evening of fun including a barbecue dinner, a silent auction, activities for students, singing by the student choir and an art walk showcasing a piece of artwork from every student at the school.

May 21-25, all day

Artist in Residence at Elk Meadow Elementary School — Circus Arts

Elk Meadow, Bend-La Pine Schools’ Art Focus school, will host a week-long residence for the We Care Sports Program. Students will learn to develop performing arts skills through juggling and other circus arts equipment. Contact Elk Meadow for details: 541-355-1500.

May 22, times vary

Fifth Grade Move Up Day

Fifth-graders throughout Bend-La Pine Schools will visit area middle schools to learn more about what life will be like as sixth-graders. Contact schools for details on timing.

May 22, 5:30 p.m.

Mental Health Focus School Board Meeting at Sky View Middle School

Bend-La Pine Schools’ Board of Directors invites members of the community, parents and students to dive deep into mental health issues affecting students. The event will include an overview as well as numerous breakout sessions with calls to action for those in attendance. Free and open to the public.

May 22, 6 p.m.

Art Night at William E. Miller Elementary School

Families are invited to view student artwork, which will be on display throughout the school.

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May 23, 3:45 p.m.

Fun Run for William E. Miller Elementary School

Students will take part in this annual fun run at the track at Pacific Crest Middle School.

May 24, 6:30 p.m.

Oregon Trail Performance at Juniper Elementary School

Fourth-graders perform in the gym.

May 24, 7 p.m.

Summit High School Spring Choir Concert and Awards

Free and open to the public.

May 25, noon

Preschool Story Hour at Juniper Elementary School

Deschutes Public Library will offer a story time for preschool students at Juniper. Lunch is served at noon; stories begin at 12:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.

May 30, 5:30 p.m.

STEM Night at Buckingham Elementary School

Families are invited to engage in design challenges at Buckingham, Bend-La Pine School's Science Technology Engineering and Math focus school. The event will include interactive tables where STEM professionals from the community share their craft and inspirations. Buckingham students will be showcasing their STEM learning along with high school and middle school robotics and engineering teams. It is a celebration of STEM learning for all family members. Food carts will be available for snacks or dinner. Free and open to the public.

May 31, 6:30 p.m.

Summit High School Band Spring Concert

Free and open to the public.

Other story ideas:

• **Bike Helmet Program:** The Center Foundation hosts many helmet clinics at our schools for elementary age students. Many are taking place this spring.

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