

Snow Horse Stampede!

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Introducing Ms. Slater

On January 6th, Ms. Slater will be taking over the best job – principal of Snow Horse Elementary. I've heard wonderful things about her! Last year she won a Best In Davis Award. She's going to do a fantastic job and is looking forward to working with the Snow Horse community. I will schedule a time to introduce her to the students before the break.



Life, like learning... is better with laughter. I am grateful to say, I enjoy both. My name is Joni Slater, M.Ed.

I was born in Ogden, UT and spent many of my childhood years there, but one pivotal moment in my youth presented me the opportunity to live outside of the States. As a sixth grade student, I moved to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and attended the Saudi Arabian International School- Riyadh (SAIS-R). It was during this time I was inspired to become an educator myself. I was motivated by master educators to learn, and was inspired to pursue higher education. Especially after seeing this privilege withheld from so many women in the country and globally.

LEARNING:

After returning to the United States, I graduated from Ben Lomond High School and enrolled in Weber State University. I graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelors of Science degree in Elementary Education with a minor in English as a Second Language (ESL). I was hired by Davis School District as a sixth grade teacher, and spent almost a decade in the classroom: teaching, laughing, and learning. For no degree can truly prepare you to shape the minds of thirty-two twelve year olds. I later pursued a Masters of Science in Educational Leadership & Administration, and took an administrative internship at Whitesides Elementary. I am passionate and excited about pursuing my doctoral degree in organizational leadership with an emphasis in women in leadership from Grand Canyon University. I truly am a life-long learner. I believe that all students are one caring adult from a success. Educational success is a collaborative effort amongst parents, teachers, and community that inspires student achievement and development.

LIFE:

I am married with three beautiful daughters. They are our world, and let's face it, our rulers too. We're only kidding ourselves when we say, "We're in charge!" We appreciate their individual personalities, talents, and tender-hearts. We learn from them, and certainly, with three girls in our home... it is filled with giggles. AND pink. Pink anything.

As a family, we enjoy the outdoors. We love to go camping, hiking, kayaking, horseback riding, doing yard-work and even watching football games. O.K., so mostly we "enjoy" all these things for daddy. We love anything we do together that makes memories.

LAUGHTER:

Dr. Seuss said, "From there to here, from here to there, funny things are everywhere." Truer words have never been spoken. In my learning, teaching, and in general living, I have tried to look for the humor. In the career of education, I adopted it as a personal philosophy, as well as for my life. "He who laughs- lasts." – *Mary Pettibone Poole*
Happy students happily learn within a joyful learning environment.

I am excited and honored to be appointed principal, and look forward to serving the students, faculty, and larger community of Snow Horse elementary.

Upcoming Events

December 13

1:30-2:30 Book Battle Mtg

December 18

8:30-9:00 6th Grade Orchestra Caroling in the Foyer

December 21—January 5

NO SCHOOL—WINTER BREAK

January 8

11:00-11:12 PTA Board Mtg.

January 21

3:30 Community Council

Lunch Menu

<https://davis.nutrislice.com/menu/snow-horse/lunch/2018-09-10>

Great Student Comment

One of the students gasped when the curtain opened to a colorful Shrek scene and said, "Oh, it's SO Magical!"

It WAS magical. Congratulations student performers and thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers who made the magic possible!

Congratulations To Our Shrek Performers! What a GREAT Performance!



Student Leadership Holiday Service Project

Each holiday season, our student leadership finds an organization in need of our service. This year we are focusing on helping The Utah Refugee Connection. These cleaning items are always in high need along with baby wipes. If you are able to donate any of the items, please send them to school with your child by

December 20th. Thank you!





