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# **Pioneer Pride Newsletter**

Pioneer PRIDE: Positivity, Respect, Integrity, Determination, Engagement

#### Meet the Committee:

Mt. Whitney High School



Tori Johnson

Tori has many jobs at Mt. Whitney. She is the Accountability Center Teacher and has the opportunity to work with kids that are class suspended as well as In School Suspended. She works as the PBIS Coach to coordinate the events for Pioneer PRIDE, as well as the Head Varsity Volleyball Coach and JV softball Coach. She has been a teacher at Mt. Whitney for three years, a Coach 4 years, and on the PRIDE committee for 3 years. Tori is truly excited PBIS has transformed to Pioneer PRIDE. This is what the students are comfortable with and they know and understand PIONEER PRIDE!!! Her vision is to help change the culture at our school. We are working hard to improve the Positive culture on campus with all staff and students! Your Pioneer Pride team is here to listen to suggestions and support staff on having the BEST students Visalia has to offer! She suggests that creating relationships with our students is one of the best ways to implement PRIDE. Let them know that we want to be part of their journey at Mt Whitney High School and we are here to listen and give them tools to be successful. Pioneer PRIDE team is working hard to create an environment that is predictable, consistent, positive and safe! Thank you all for being patient and investing in the Positive Culture here at Mt. Whitney! Together we are STRONGER!

### **Data** As we begin to hit the home stretch we once again see a decrease in suspensions. The P.R.I.D.E team is very greatful and understands

the sacrifices and hard work that each staff member has put into supporting our student body along with supporting fellow staff. We encourage staff to continue to communicate issues they may be having so proper and appropriate

where we have been and appropriate with the set of the

support can be arranged.

## **Spotlight**

#### **Read** Across America

Total Suspensions Per Month



We all love Dr. Seuss and his birthday not only is a day to celebrate, but a day to read! On March 2, a group of Mt. Whitney students, Nate Perez, Kayleah Santos, Kaitlyn Coffman, Sadie Perez, and Alex Cheney ventured over to Conyer Elementary to celebrate Read Across America with future Pioneers. They went into 1<sup>st</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes and read Dr. Seuss books and talked about what it is like to be a Pioneer. They answered questions about sports, activities on campus, and PRIDE. When asked about how they showed Pioneer PRIDE through this activity. Nate Perez said. "It was so fun to talk about Mt. Whitney and the great things we have and to see how excited the little kids were to see big kids on their campus." The "big kids" didn't realize what sort of impact they have on future Pioneers and what an important job is it being a role model to them. If you see any of these Pioneers on campus, thank them for representing Mt. Whitney well and inspiring our future. Go Pioneers!

### What's New?

### Updates:

Would you like to join the PRIDE Committee? Talk to Tori Johnson in B-24!

The PRIDE Committee participated in a share-out with other schools in VUSD on March 9<sup>th</sup>. It was a great thing to be able to see what other schools are doing and how we can improve our system.

The Committee got student input for the new PRIDE signs for the entire campus.

Congratulations to staff nominated for Staff of the Month.

The Newsletter is now available on the new Mt. Whitney High School website!

