



### Parent Education Network Hires Outreach Staff

We did it! We are excited to announce that we found the final two members of our outreach staff! We'd like to introduce to you:

**Kelly Rogers**—Riverton, Lander, Dubois and Wind River Reservation

**Tammy Goich**—Rock Springs, Green River, Kemmerer and Evanston

Don't hesitate to contact them for questions, assistance or for ideas!

See their full information at our [website!](#)

### Preparing for the PAWS—

It's that time of year again—time for the PAWS! Not to worry, here are a few tips on how to help your students perform well.

- Let your child know that testing is important and that he/she should do the best he/she can on the test.
- Be sure your child gets plenty of sleep during the testing days.
- Provide your child with nourishing meals, especially during the testing days.
- Be sure your child is to school on time.
- Visit with your child about the testing at the end of the day.
- Do something calming and fun with your child to help him/her relax.
- When test results come back, talk about the results with your child.

Visit [Internet 4 Classrooms](#) for practice activities needed for online PAWS assessment.

### News You Can Use....

#### Family Involvement in Elementary School Children's Education

Caspe, Lopez, Wolos

During their elementary school years, children undergo important developmental changes. Their reasoning becomes more logical, their attention gets more adaptable, their perspective taking grows more sophisticated, and their reading and math skills blossom. With entry into formal schooling, children spend more time away from their families. [more](#)

#### Productive Parent Teacher Conferences

PEN Note

From time to time, parents and teachers like to meet to discuss a child's progress in school, what parents can do to help their child perform at his/her best, and other issues of concern.

[more](#)

#### Glossary of Educational Terms

School Wise Publications

Education has its own lexicon, and much of it is a foreign language to parents. Here we present some of the most commonly used education terms, along with the most parent-friendly definitions we could find. [more](#)

#### 11 Midyear Problems and Solutions

Craig Bystrynski

From low turnout to conflicts with the principal, our PTO answer guide will help make your whole year great. [more](#)



### Good Apple Spotlight

It doesn't matter the size of the parent group, or the number of the students involved, what matters is the collaboration and engagement of all involved, with the goal being student achievement. Parents were the driving force behind the activity, that focused on Map Skills. Congratulations to Vickie and the great parents at Valley Elementary!



### Activity Ideas

#### Math + Families = Fun

Take the opportunity to learn the new math techniques from other parents. Parents saw examples of the math standards at each center!

---Douglas Primary School, Douglas

#### Rendezvous Art Blast

This activity brought art standards front and center, with a focus on educating attendees on the value of art in educational curriculum.

---Colter & Jackson Elem, Jackson

#### Come in from the Cold

Bringing in members of the community to reinforce the importance of reading to students and families is what makes this a special activity.

---North Elementary,