

Academics

Active Learning

STUDENTS WORK ON INNOVATIVE PROJECTS DURING THE FIRST SEMESTER AT PONDEROSA



MURDER MYSTERY In Mrs. Bellair's Biology class, Ella Landry (10) & Ashlee Taylor (10) were trying to find a murderer through science. "It was overwhelming before the project started, but as we went it got easier and was really fun," Landry said. They eventually found out who the murderer was. PHOTO BY RAELEEN DAVISON

2. SOME HELP Getting needed help, Audrey Hollman (10) reviews her final essay with her teacher, Mrs. Chihoski, in Honors English II. Checking in with the teacher was a great way to get ideas on what to do better to get a better grade on the big final for first semester. "I like having in depth discussions with my teacher and my classmates, it helps me to do my best work possible," Hollman said. Finals were very stressful but having a teacher's support helped with that stress. PHOTO BY CAMI WRIGHT

3. ENGLISH WORK Ellie Bringhurst (9) is in her English class working on some of her daily work. "I like reading all the different books in that class and being able to learn new things during projects," Bringhurst said about her first English class of the year and what she likes about it. English isn't Bringhurst's favorite class, but being with friends makes it much easier. PHOTO BY CAMI WRIGHT

4. AS A TEAM Closely conducting an experiment with living organisms, Payton Long (10) and her fellow classmates are working on a lab in biology at the beginning of the year. "I like biology because that type of science is the most interesting to learn for me," Long said. Biology was a great way to learn about living organisms in an exciting way. PHOTO BY ASHLEE TAYLOR

5. SCIENCE CAN BE FUN Looking for a reaction, Riley Standifird (10) is working on a titration lab in his science class, chemistry. Chemistry was a hands on learning class, as were many other science classes at Ponderosa. "The lab was a huge success because the results closely matched those of the expected results," Standifird said. He looked back on one of his first labs of his sophomore year and said he learned a lot. PHOTO BY ISABELLA MCCOURE

6. COPY DOWN With a ton of mental focus, Hannah Wallace (9) is working on her lab in her class earth and environmental science with Mrs. Bellairs. "I like how we get to do hands on activities because I learn better when we do," Wallace said. Her experience with her first high school science class so far was enjoyable. PHOTO BY PRICE GOLDSMITH

Collaboration

DEFINED

STUDENTS WORK TOGETHER TO SOLVE PROBLEMS IN THEIR ALGEBRA 1 CLASS



TEAM WORK Wyatt Mamula (9), Barret Brown (10) and Monica Robinette (9) are enjoying their team test in Algebra 1 with Mrs. Austin. "I like doing team work and socializing with my group," Mamula said. "I like that we get some time to socialize. The class is also challenging but Mrs. Austin is a good teacher," Robinette said. PHOTO BY PRICE GOLDSMITH

Social Studies

GETTING CREATIVE

STUDENTS MAKE COLORED MAPS IN WORLD GEOGRAPHY



MAPPIN' IT OUT Alexa Goettling (9) and Kylee Krone (9) are working on a history project in their class U.S History 1865-1945 with Mrs. Heaton. "I like doing class discussions and hands on fun projects in that class," Krone said. PHOTO BY BROOKE COPLEY

