

About our School:

The Idaho State Department of Education

Standards are taught through a collaborative, interdisciplinary approach that integrates visual arts, music, and kinesthetic movement into classroom instruction.

Pioneer is proud to be a recipient of the :

Idaho State Board of Education “Additional yearly growth award” (one of fifteen schools in Idaho) the National Association of Year-round Educators School of Excellence award and the Idaho Board of Education Distinguished School Award (Pioneer is in the top five percent of schools that closed the achievement gap in Reading for Special Education Students)

Pioneer is one of four schools in Meridian with a modified calendar. We offer a one-track modified school calendar with three weeks off in November and March. Students attend school through the month of June.

**A Magnet School for
students in Kindergarten through
Fifth grade.**

For additional information go to:

[Meridianschools.org/Schools/Magnet/
Arts & Leadership/Participating
Schools/Pioneer](http://Meridianschools.org/Schools/Magnet/Arts%20&%20Leadership/Participating%20Schools/Pioneer)



**Preparing Today's Students
For
Tomorrow's Challenges**

**Pioneer School
of the Arts-
Magnet School**



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What's going on..

Features:

- Partnership with Boise State University.
- Art taught by certified teachers.
- Yamaha Music in Education keyboarding lab (CPAL)
- Student Involved Assessments, authentic, performance, presentation and written.
- Rigorous Academic Curriculum
- Pioneer Pals– cross grade collaboration throughout the school to promote friendship and reading
- PACE , DMA, DWA, ISAT's, IRI , History Bee, "We the People",
- A very active PTA that helps fund all teachers and departments during the year. The members also volunteer and support other school activities and Specialists programs.
- 39% of the Pioneer teachers have Master's degree.
- High degree of parental involvement-over 700 volunteer hours per month (the equivalent of 5.4 people working full time.)
- Learning Resources website for parents

IN MARCH OF 2005, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELIMINATED THE PREVIOUS BOUNDARIES AND CREATED A MAGNET SCHOOL WHICH ALLOWS STUDENTS FROM SIX AREA SCHOOLS–



Meeting the educational needs of students and providing parental choice.

**SUMMERWIND
DISCOVERY,
USTICK,
JOPLIN,
FRONTIER,
MCMILLAN
AND PARTS OF
ANDRUS TO
ATTEND
PIONEER.**

PARENTS FROM ANY SCHOOL IN OUR DISTRICT MAY APPLY; THE INITIAL LOTTERY IS FOR STUDENTS FROM THE ABOVE SIX SCHOOLS.

**INTERESTED PARENTS MAY COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM AT:
WWW.MERIDIANSCHOOLS.ORG
AND RETURN IT TO THE SCHOOL. THE APPLICATION FORM WILL BE ON-LINE ON JANUARY 12. THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS FEBRUARY 29. THE LOTTERY WILL BE HELD IN MARCH. PARENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THEIR CHILD'S STANDING BY APRIL 3.**

* Pioneer is pleased with our academic success but strive for improvement. In addition to our regular instruction, which is integrated with art, our students have additional offerings.

*The Yamaha Music keyboarding education lab (CPAL) offers keyboarding to students in Kindergarten through Fifth grade. Students in 4th and 5th grade may choose to take Orchestra. Students in 5th grade may also participate in Band.

*Our school has an art room and offers art instruction by certified teachers. Art teachers collaborate with classroom teachers to integrate the arts on a daily basis.

*Students take computer classes in a fully equipped IBM lab. Each classroom has five computers all with web access for instruction and research.

*Students receive one hour of instruction in Physical Education and Music each week.

