

## **Writer: Newspaper was right not to sugar-coat school's test results**

Written by Wauneta Breeze  
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**Dear Editor:**

I read Tony Cribelli's letter to the editor in the Oct. 24 edition of the Breeze about our school's 2012-13 not-so-great test scores, and I felt I must respond to his "stridently negative" comments.

I truly don't understand why he was so outraged. After all it is the paper's responsibility to report the facts, good and bad, and that's exactly what it did. It would have been flat-out wrong to sugar-coat the story. I agree with Dr. Phil who says, "You can't fix what you don't acknowledge."

I would suggest Mr. Cribelli do what I did when I read the headline about the test scores: Instead of attacking the paper for doing its job by reporting the facts, I called the superintendent and offered my services to help improve the scores since I worked for years at a junior college where I taught GED.

I agree with Mr. Cribelli that we have a tremendous staff at Wauneta-Palisade Schools.

All we need to do is tweak our test-taking skills with practice and be certain we cover the material on the tests. Then, everybody wins.

**Sincerely,**

**Patricia Holder**

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