



January 3rd 2017

### Parents/Guardians

On behalf of the Benson Tech Staff and Administration I would just like to say "Welcome Back" to all my vibrant and exuberant Benson Tech students. I hope that your students had a restful and relaxing two weeks off and are excited about the rest of the school year. There are many things that will be happening here at Benson Tech during the remainder of the school year so please be sure to keep a lookout for my newsletters, emails, voicemails and text messages as we head towards the second half of the school year.

**Principal Wilson**

### A Message from Skye Firestone: Benson Math Instructor

Students who are struggling in math may take advantage of the math department tutoring hours held by Benson math teachers. The schedule is:

***Monday 7:30 - 8:00 am in room 228***

***Tuesday 3:30 - 4:30 pm in room 212***

***Wednesday 3:30 - 4:30 pm in room 212***

***Thursday 7:30 - 8:00 am in room 228 and 3:30 - 4:30 pm in room 206***

Please bring your homework or any work you are struggling with!

Thank you, Benson Math Department

### PPS Successful School Survey (Please Open Attached Survey)

PPS invites all families to share their experience in our schools through the Successful Schools Survey Nov.7-Jan. 17. The Successful Schools Survey is attached to this newsletter in all supported languages. Please open up the link and complete the survey prior to Jan. 17th. Your voice matters in helping to shape Portland Public Schools.

### A Message from Dave Mylet: English Instructor and Yearbook Advisor

Get your copy of Benson's Centennial Yearbook! Online sales are now available at [tinyurl.com/BensonYB](http://tinyurl.com/BensonYB). You can also place your order using cash or check through the Benson bookkeeper.

Contact Dave Mylet ([dmylet@pps.net](mailto:dmylet@pps.net)) with any questions.

Senior parents, the yearbook is now accepting your student's senior portraits! You can e-mail high resolution digital copies to [bensoneyearbook2017@gmail.com](mailto:bensoneyearbook2017@gmail.com). You can also include your student's senior quote if they have one. Contact Dave Mylet ([dmylet@pps.net](mailto:dmylet@pps.net)) with any questions.

### Benson's Site Council

Benson's Site Council team will be meeting on Wednesday January 11th from 3:30pm to 5:00pm in the Library Classroom. Please come and support the Site Council team and it's mission for Benson Tech.

### Flex Schedule:

No Flex Schedule This Week

### Tuesday, January 3rd

Girls Basketball @ Home vs

Lincoln: JV2 4:15/ JV 5:45

Varsity 7:30pm

Boys Basketball @ Lincoln:

Frosh 4:15/JV 5:45

Varsity 7:30pm

### Wednesday January 4th

Wrestling @ Home vs Cleveland:

JV 6:30pm/ Varsity 7:30pm

### Thursday January 5th

Girls Basketball @ Roosevelt:

JV2 4:15/JV 5:45pm

Varsity 7:30pm

Boys Basketball @ Home vs

Roosevelt: Frosh 4:15/JV 5:45

Varsity 7:30pm

### Friday January 6th

Boys Basketball @ Home vs

Cleveland: Frosh 5:45/JV 7:30pm

Girls Basketball @ Grant:

JV2 5:45/ JV 7:30pm

Wrestling @ Cleveland

Don York Tourney - TBA

### Saturday January 7th

Boys Varsity Basketball vs

Cleveland @ Franklin at Marshall

Campus 2:30pm

Girls Varsity Basketball vs Grant

@ Madison 4:15pm

Wrestling @ Cleveland

Don York Tourney - TBA

**Portland Public Schools 5th Annual International Youth Leadership Conference**

**Thursday, February 23, 2017**

**Portland State University**

**8:00 am – 2:30 pm**

The conference is an opportunity for students to learn and network with fellow students, educators and language minority leaders in the Portland area.

In the morning, students will partake in a general assembly and presentation by a keynote speaker. Students will then break into groups for three separate workshops focusing on leadership, our multicultural future, and preparation for college/career. The conference concludes with a fashion show and talent show in which students represent their culture through their fashion and talents. Students will also have opportunities to meet with college and business recruiters. PSU will also be providing campus tours and workshops with currently enrolled students who represent the Emergent Bilingual experience.

We will have an info session for students on Tuesday, December 6th during lunch in Room 122. Permission slips are available in the Main Office.

**Cesar E. Chavez Leadership Conference**

**March 3, 2017 8:00 am, all day**

**Monmouth, Oregon**

**Western Oregon University**

Today, the CECLC is the largest high school student event for Latino high school students in Oregon. Each year, nearly 1800 students and staff attend leadership workshops, visit college/career exhibitor fair and listen to distinguished keynote speakers. Students from participating schools are eligible to compete in an art, essay, poetry, video, Outstanding Leader, and college scholarship competition. Breakfast and lunch are provided and there will be a dance party at the end of the conference. Permission slips available in the Main Office or Lampara Room (122).

## **A Message from the AVID/College Coordinator Sherree Thomas-Coleman**

### **Upcoming College Visits/Events**

**\*\*George Fox University Priority Decision application deadline - January 15th**

**\*\*University of Oregon application deadline - February 15th**

**\*\*Oregon State University Priority Application deadline - February 1st**

### **Testing**

PSAT Scores: Students who took the PSAT in October will receive an email on Monday (if they bubbled in an accurate email address) with their Score Report and info about how to log in to the Khan Academy test prep site. Paper "score reports" for each tester are expected to arrive at Benson in "mid-December" and will be distributed after the winter break.

01/21 SAT (Register by December 21st - visit [collegeboard.org](http://collegeboard.org))

02/11 ACT (Register by January 13th - visit [act.org](http://act.org))

### **FAFSA/ORSAA(Financial Aid)/Scholarship Events**

Students: If you missed the FAFSA/ORSAA workshop - there's still time and help available. Stop by the Counseling Center to schedule a time for you to get personalized assistance with your FAFSA/ORSAA, Oregon Promise and/or OSAC application.

Reminder: In Oregon, students must complete either the FAFSA or the ORSAA to be considered for state-funded grants, including the Oregon Opportunity Grant and Oregon Promise.

### **Get College and Scholarship Information on Your Phone!**

Parents and students, don't miss out on important scholarship deadlines and college information. Subscribe to "Remind" today! Simply send a text from your mobile device today to start receiving up-to-date information.

Text the following:

To: 81010

Message: @urcollege

### **Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines**

SENIORS several scholarship deadlines are approaching. Visit the Counseling Center TODAY!

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