

June 12th, 2017

Parents/Guardians

Please note that this will be my last newsletter until mid August. This is the last week of school for our students and as such this will be the last week of my parent/guardian newsletter. The Benson Admin team will be reaching out to parents/guardians concerning registration dates later this summer. This has been a very involved school year and I look forward to connecting with the incoming freshman class as we bid farewell to our outgoing senior class. I wish nothing but the best for the class of 2017 and it has been my pleasure working with such a fine group of seniors.

Please be sure to have a safe and fun-filled summer.

Go Tech!! Principal Wilson

Finals Schedule

Tuesday, June 13th

8:15-9:47 Period 1 Final 9:52-11:24 Period 2 Final 11:24-12:01 Lunch 12:06-1:38 Period 3 Final 1:43-3:15 Tutorial

Wednesday, June 14th

8:15-9:47 Period 5 Final 9:52-11:24 Period 6 Final 11:24-12:01 Lunch 12:06-1:38 Period 7 Final 1:43-3:15 Tutorial

Thursday, June 15th (LAST DAY)

8:15-9:47 Period 4 Final 9:52-11:24 Period 8 Final 11:24-12:01 Lunch 12:06-3:15 Tutorial

Graduation 2017

DVD copies of PPS graduation ceremonies can be purchased for \$20.00 per copy. Please send checks or money orders to TV Services, 501 N. Dixon St., Portland OR 97227. Checks should be made out to TV Services and be sure to include your return address and phone number and indicate which year and which school's ceremony you wish to receive. Return postage is covered by PPS.

2017 PPS Graduation Ceremonies Playback Schedule:

Graduation ceremonies can be viewed on Comcast Portland Channel 28 and on the PPS 28 live page. Playback times for graduations start June 16 and end August 7.

Madison	Mondays 4:00pm, Saturdays 11:30am
Roosevelt	Mondays 10:00am, Sundays 9:00pm
Benson	Tuesdays 8:00am, Wednesdays 7:00pm
Cleveland	Tuesdays 10:00am, Thursdays 6:00pm
Franklin	Wednesdays 8:00am, Tuesdays 9:00pm
Grant	Wednesdays 10:30am, Thursdays 10:00pm
Jefferson	Saturdays 7:00pm, Sundays Noon
Lincoln	Thursdays 10:00am, Tuesdays 6:30pm
Wilson	Fridays 8:00am, Saturdays 9:00pm
(AllianceHS) Meek Pro-Tech	Saturdays 1:00pm, Sunday 3:00pm
(Alliance HS) Benson Night	Saturdays 2:30pm, Mondays 9:30pm
MLC	Thursdays 8:00pm, Fridays 6:00pm

<u>SUMMER SCHOLARS NOTICE to STUDENTS:</u> Pre-registration for the district's Summer Scholars program is now occurring for students who have failed a course and need to retake it. If you have not received a pre-registration form, make sure you check in with your counselor as soon as possible.

A Message from Benson's Counselor Steve Wren

Please consider hosting an exchange student next school year. AFS, an organization that sets up exchanges, knows Benson well. They have identified four students who are an excellent fit for Benson. The students are from Japan, Germany, Indonesia, and Egypt. More information is available from Steve Wren. swren@pps.net

Thank You, Steve Wren

A Message from PPS

Student meal accounts with positive or negative balances will carry over into next school vear.

Families can pay off negative account balances by cash or check in the cafeteria, or online at www.myschoolbucks.com by June 15, 2017.

Families with positive account balances have the following options:

- Do nothing -- leave the funds in the account to pay for future school meals
- Request the balance be transferred to a sibling meal account
- Request a refund via the Cafeteria Lead (check will be sent within 4-6 weeks)
- Request the funds be donated to help cover money owed on other student meal accounts

For more information, go to www.pps.net/nutrition, or call 503-916-3399. Gitta Grether-Sweeney, Sr. Director, Nutrition Services x63397 gsweeney@pps.net

<u>Parent and Students!!! Lets pay off those negative balances</u>, and start off the 2017-18 school year fresh. Please remember that every year Free & reduced applications need to be completed, and processed by October. If all families do their part it makes for quicker, safer lunch lines. Thank you.

Kim Barron Benson Cafeteria 503.916.2000 ext. 77123 Nutrition Services

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

Juniors

Summer College Prep Tips

Juniors it's time to plan for your Senior year! Here are a few tips to get you started.

- Prepare to take the official SAT/ACT (check dates for Fall 2017 and plan to study over the summer)
- Start narrowing your college choices (research admissions requirements and tuition costs)
- Create your academic resume (i.e., high school awards, honors, clubs, athletics, activities, community service, work experience)
- Begin framing your essay for possible scholarship requirements to include:
- your financial needs/hardships
- field of study/career path
- your community involvement
- the impact achieving your college degree may have on your family and community

For information about UO Summer Architecture Academy visit http://architecture.uoregon.edu/SAA

PSU: Summer Business Institute new application deadline June 13th and there are scholarships available. Camp is from July 31st- August 5th. For more info visit: https://www.pdx.edu/sba/summer-business-institute

Testing

For free test prep resources visit the Khan Academy website at https://www.khanacademy.org/sat, Multnomah County Library website at https://multcolib.org/resource/learning express-library and/or Number2.com

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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, and/or the Oregon Promise application.

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

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