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wide events by visiting our
School Calendar at
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Athletics

Please see the attached Athletic
Calendar for this week's athletic
events.

Flex Schedule This Week

Wednesday April 24th

A-Flex Schedule will be from
2:23 to 3:15pm

Thursday April 25th

Morning Assembly Schedule

Benson's Talent Show

11:09am-11:51am

No Flex Day

April 22nd 2019

Site Council

Benson's Site Council team will be meeting on Thursday April 25th from 3:30pm to 5:00pm in the Library Classroom. Please come and support the Site Council team.

Principal Wilson

Congratulations

Kudos to sophomore, Mitchell Kenny who won his division at the State Chess Tournament last week at Seaside. Mitchell also participated in the Portland Area Chess League this past winter that took place on Wednesday's after school at Lincoln High School.

Principal Wilson

2019-2020 Associated Student Body Officers

For students interested in running for an officer position packets are now available to apply. Once the completed packet is turned in and approved students may begin campaigning. Applications close April 29th. Voting begins May 3. If you have a Benson Student that is interested in running for student government next year they can get a packet in the VP office or in room G201. For any questions please feel free to reach out to Jessica Murchison

jmurchis@pps.net

Jessica Murchison

Important Reminder:

Seniors Last Day is now May 31st and the Last Day of School for all students is now June 12th.

Seniors Graduation date and time has not changed!!

Principal Wilson

A Message from the Benson Tech Pride Volunteer Community Group

TECH PRIDE VOLUNTEERS - Upcoming Events!

Teacher Appreciation Week!

Let's extend our warmest appreciation to Benson's amazing staff during the week of May 6-10th. Send in a non-perishable snack for teachers and staff any day of the week...just drop it off in the office! *And*, on Friday, May 10th, help us provide a satisfying lunch! You could have a pizza delivered, or see what Uber Eats has to offer...or, empower your kid to give you a hand and drop something off in the office in the morning! Click on the link and sign up to contribute! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4da8a72ca2fb6-tech>

Friday Food Distribution

Sign up to hand out free healthy snacks on Fridays. The Hopscotch Foundation donates weekly, but we need help getting that food into the hands of our kids. Click on the link and sign up to give an hour of time on a Friday afternoon! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b084aa4aa2ea75-friday>

Monthly Meeting!

Our next meeting is **Wednesday, May 15th from 6:00-7:30**, held in Benson's Library Classroom. Join us to learn more about supporting athletics, teachers, students, and advocacy efforts!

Email techpridevolunteers@gmail.com or check out our Facebook page for more information!

Tech Pride Committee Group

A Message from Benson's Digital Media Program

Benson's Yearbook staff has been working hard to capture the spirit of the 2018-19 school year! If you're interested in ordering the Benson Yearbook, please stop by the bookkeeper's office to place your order. The cost is \$50 this year.

Thank you,

Benson Yearbook Staff

PPS 60-Day Rule for Senior Students

Remember the “**60 Day Rule**” (*beginning April 1st*). Commencement disqualification: Requiring that seniors be disqualified from participation in commencement exercises and related activities if within 60 school days of the last senior school day they are found to be in violation of district Alcohol or Drug policy or any violation resulting in a three or more days of suspension or more serious disciplinary action. (Reference 4.30.020-AD) Be aware that all school pranks resulting in vandalism or disruption of the school day could also be a violation of this rule, and may result in not being allowed to participate in prom and/or graduation ceremony.

A Message from Benson’s Prom Advisor Regarding the Upcoming Prom

(Please See Attached Flyers As Well)

Message from Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT): Prom season 2019 is here. We would like to inform you that members of the City of Portland's Private for-Hire Transportation (PFHT) Program will be on duty at prom to ensure that any vehicles hired by or for your students is operating legally. The purpose of the PFHT program is to regulate the safe, legal and efficient operation of private for-hire transportation services. Services include taxi cabs, transportation network companies like Uber and Lyft, limousines and party buses, executive sedans, town cars, tour vehicles, non-emergency medical transportation vehicles, pedicabs and quadracycles, and horse drawn carriages. Our goal in this endeavor is to ensure the safety of your students on this special evening. In the event that an illegally operating company/vehicle is discovered at your event, we are prepared to provide vouchers for free return rides with a permitted taxi company for those occupants if the illegally operated vehicle. Attached are what to look for when confirming that the vehicle is permitted along with a list of legally permitted transportation services and their contact information.

Thank you,

Irynne Padua

Health Science Instructor

Class of 2019 Advisor

Asian Cultural Club Advisor

Scholarship Award Winners

As Benson Tech senior students begin to win scholarships we will try and post them in the Parent/Guardian Newsletter as well. The first scholarship winners of the spring season will be receiving a scholarship from Kaiser Permanente.

Please help me congratulate the following students.

Chiza Baleke: \$5000

Citlaly Vazquez: \$5000

Kenia Alfaro-Jovel: \$10000

Melissa Davila: \$2000

Shayla Zhen: \$10000

Please help us celebrate these scholarship award winners at the **Scholarship Program Awards Ceremony** on Saturday, May 11, 2019. The ceremony will be held at the OHSU Collaborative Life Sciences Building, beginning with a reception at 1:00 p.m.

Saturday **May 11, 2019**

1 p.m. - Student check-in
1 to 2 p.m. - Reception
2 to 3:30 p.m. - Ceremony

Oregon Health & Science University
Collaborative Life Sciences Building

2730 SW Moody Ave.
Portland, OR 97201

Parking in the adjacent Schnitzer lot is **free**. Parking in the building's parking garage is pay-only and expensive, so we do not recommend parking there.

The reception at 1 p.m. is an opportunity for students, teachers, and parents to meet Kaiser Permanente professionals from a variety of health care fields.

Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP to Aisha Adedeji at Olawunmi.A.Adedeji@kp.org or 503-813-4438.

Principal Wilson

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

College Visits/Events

4/22 PCC: Future Connect Scholarship Reception (Counseling Center 10 AM-11 AM)

4/24 AVID 11/12 Visit Concordia University

4/24 Scholarship Committee Meeting (Counseling Center 3:30-5:00 PM)

4/25 **Benson's Spring College and Career Fair for Juniors and Sophomores** Don't miss this opportunity to get a jump start on your future! (5:30-8:00 PM)

4/22-4/26 Senior Close-Out Week (Stop by the Counseling Center to Complete CRL's, Exit Surveys, FAFSA/ORSAA, Oregon Promise, and more)

Financial Aid Workshops

If you have not applied for financial aid (grants) for college yet and need assistance, please stop by the Counseling Center to schedule an appointment. Get one-to-one help with FAFSA/ORSAA, the Oregon Promise, and more.

Oregon Student Aid

To learn more about Oregon's grants and scholarships visit: <https://oregonstudentaid.gov/scholarships-timeline-deadlines.aspx>

Testing

Official ACT Test **June 8th** (Deadline to register May 3rd): To register visit: <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration.html>

Official SAT Test **May 4th** (Late Registration online April 24th): To register visit: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/dates-deadlines>

Note: ACT scores are expected to return within 5-8 weeks. Students who provided an active email address and bubbled correctly should receive their scores via email within 4-6 weeks.

More Information from our AVID/College Coordinator Sherree Thomas-Coleman

Test Prep

SAT preparation workshops:

Oregon Episcopal School is hosting SAT Test Prep classes for the March 9, May 4, and June 1 SAT exams. To register, please follow this [LINK](#).

ACT vs SAT: Which test is right for you?

To learn more visit: <https://www.princetonreview.com/college/sat-act>

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/learningexpress-library> and/or [Number2.com](http://www.number2.com/) website at <http://www.number2.com/>

Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) Schedule

Math: May 2nd

Science: May 20th - 21st

Get College and Scholarship Information on Your Phone!

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