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Please be sure to go to the BHS Website at www.bensonhs.net for school information as it becomes relevant.

Transportation

Please be sure to review the transportation attachments in order to get the latest information on how students can access transportation to and from the Benson Tech/ Marshall Campus through Portland Public Schools. **PPS Transportation**

September 7th 2021

Dropping Off and Picking Up Students

Parents/Guardians now that we have had our first week of school there are some things that we need to alert our community to regarding the dropping off and picking up of students during the school day. Please note that if you are dropping off your students in the morning there really shouldn't be an issue as the traffic flow into the school with the school buses and parent vehicles is very limited and doesn't cause a backflow of cars in the morning. It is the afternoon pick-up for the students who are getting out of school at 3:30pm that is causing the major traffic congestion between parent/guardian vehicles and PPS school buses.

Parents/Guardians please be aware that if you are arriving to the school in order to pick up your students at 3:30pm that you please park/idle your vehicles next to the construction fence that is in the turnabout area as you wait for your students to leave the building. We need to have the curb area that's nearest to the building in the turnabout area clear of all vehicles so that our yellow school buses can park in this area and wait to pick up kids after school. If we have the yellow school buses on one side of the turnabout area then we can have enough space for all vehicles to navigate the turnabout area safely.

Please note that you can also meet your child in the back (west end) of the school near the tennis courts for pickup as we will have all entrance gates unlocked and open for easy exit points after school. I would encourage parents/guardians to use the exit points located in the Northwest corner (back of school) and South end of the school (near the baseball field and track) and not just rely on the main exit point located in the front of the school. *Principal Wilson*

BPHSAA Alumni Newsletter

Please see the attached link to get the latest Newsletter from the Benson Tech Alumni Association. **BHS Alumni Association**

A Message from the Principal Secretary

Student ID Cards: Students that were unable to make it to registration can come to make up day on Wednesday, September 8th in the Auditorium to get their ID card. The sign up sheet is in the Main Office. If you have any questions please call Roi San at 503-916-5100 ext. 86406.

Roi San Anderson She/Her Pronouns Principal Secretary Benson Polytechnic High School/Marshall Campus 503-916-5100 ext. 86406

A Message from the Curriculum Vice Principal

The last day to make any schedule changes for students is Wednesday, September 22nd. If students have an open period, TA, or Late Arrival/Early Dismissal in their schedule and have not yet completed the appropriate form please have your students stop by Counseling office to pick up the paperwork ASAP.

Sara Callies (she/her/hers) Vice Principal Benson Polytechnic High School 503-916-5100

A Message from Kathleen Reid (College Counselor/AVID Coordinator)

Here is a link to the College Newsletter: <u>https://www.smore.com/fx801</u>

Kathleen Reid (she/her) College Counselor/AVID Coordinator Benson Polytechnic High School Benson College Info Webpage kreid@pps.net 971-238-8322 Set up an appointment with me <u>HERE</u>

Two Messages from Kristin Wallace-Knight (English Instructor)

1. AP Lit Students from 20-21: If you still have copies of *The Stranger* or *Sound and Sense*, please turn them into the library ASAP. There are only about a dozen of each in the bookroom, and I have 34 students this year. Thank you. Ms. Knight

2. AP Lit Student from 21-22: Beginning Wednesday 9/8, we will no longer be meeting in C-40. Please come to C-3 for 5th period instead. Ms. Knight *Ms. Kristin Wallace-Knight English Instructor*

A Message to our Seniors:

If you have signed up for **Early Release/Late Arrival** this semester/year <u>AND</u> you have turned in your parent permission form, please stop by the Counseling Office to pick up your student card(s).

Need a form? Forms are available for pick up in the Counseling Office.

BHS Counseling Team

A Message from the Benson Tech Counselors

1) Student schedules are now available on Student/Parent Vue. If you have a scheduling error (i.e. missing a class, level change, etc.), you can email your counselor. We will also be available before school, during lunch and after school.

Amy Henry, A to Go: <u>amyhenry@pps.net</u> Peg Schoettle: H to O: <u>pschoettle@pps.net</u> Christy Wheeler, P to Z: <u>cwheeler@pps.net</u>

2) Seniors: If you have a late arrival/early dismissal in your schedule, you are required to have your parent/guardian sign the attached (Late Arrival/Early Dismissal) paperwork. Please return this form to the counseling department ASAP.

3) Students please be sure to attend classes according to your schedule until official changes are made to that schedule if necessary. Please note that schedules are subject to change as adjustments are made throughout the first few weeks of school.

4) Students if you have a TA (Teacher's Assistant) period listed in your schedule you should stop by the Counseling Office during that period to pick up your TA form for that teachers signature.

Amy Henry (she/her) Counselor Benson Polytechnic High School at Marshall Campus Working with Students with the Last Names A-Gq 503-916-5100 x86434

A Message from the BHS Wellness Center

The Benson Wellness Center is hosting a COVID-19 vaccine clinic with Pfizer vaccine approved for ages 12+. All students and family members ages 12 and up are welcome.

When: Monday 8/30 and Tuesday 8/31 from 8-4

Where: OHSU Benson Wellness Center: Room A30, just outside the cafeteria where registration takes place. Follow the signs!

Sincerely, <u>Caroline Bleckmann, LCSW</u>, She/her <u>Schedule a meeting</u> School Social worker, Benson Polytechnic High School <u>Benson Wellness Center</u> Cell/Non-urgent texting: 503-729-3486 Monday-Friday, 8-4:00 <u>How can the School Social Worker help me</u>? Outside of office hours, if you or your loved one is expe

Outside of office hours, if you or your loved one is experiencing a mental health crisis, please call the Multnomah County Crisis line at 503-988-4888. <u>Check out the Youth Resource App!</u>

A Message from Outdoor School

We are reaching out to let you know that based on overwhelming interest in overnight programming from our districts, Outdoor School is planning to run overnight programs at our ODS sites this fall. We have been meeting and developing protocols for opening back up after almost a two year pause. We ran a successful 6 week, in-person summer day camp program and we had approximately 500 high school leaders sign up and help teach middle school students.

We will be adapting some of our past practices and we will be changing the way we provide student leader training. We will get you more information about that in the near future.

We are hoping to open our online registration soon.

The session will most likely run 6 weeks this fall Week 1- Sept. 26- Oct 1 Week 2- Oct. 3-8 Week 3- Oct 10-15 Week 4- Oct. 17-22 Week 5- Oct 24-29 Week 6- Oct. 31-Nov 5

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks!

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