



***Please be sure to follow me on Twitter***

***@BensonTechPride***

***Please be sure to go to the BHS Website at [www.bensonhs.net](http://www.bensonhs.net) for school information as it becomes relevant.***

### **Athletics**

***Please be sure to download our Trivory App for up to the minute dates and game times regarding athletics.***

**January 10th 2022**

### **A Message From Benson's Social Media Coordinator Joshua Reddy**

Hey Tech family, senior photos and quotes are due January 21st, 2022, senior quotes must be school appropriate and you can submit your photos by using this link <https://forms.gle/rjcSN4RTu2usi349A> please email [jreddy1201@student.pps.net](mailto:jreddy1201@student.pps.net) if you have any questions or any problems submitting photos and quotes.

**Joshua Reddy (he/him)  
Social Media Coordinator  
[jreddy1201@student.pps.net](mailto:jreddy1201@student.pps.net)**

### **Rose Festival informational meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> in the Library during lunch.**

To Apply:

Please complete the [Online Application Form](#) and submit the three supporting documents to begin the application process to join the 2022 Rose Festival Court. Those documents include an acknowledgement form from your school, a completed recommendation form or letter from a qualifying contact, and an official transcript (emailed) directly to the Rose Festival office. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure all elements of the application are submitted **by the deadline: January 12, 2022.** If you have any questions, please see Ms. Eva in the Main Office.

Thank you!

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*Eva Martinez Mercado  
Vice Principal Secretary*

*Benson Polytechnic High School/Marshall Campus  
Main: (503) 916-5100 ext. 86407*

## A Message from Benson's Athletic Director Mat Clark

Attention All Benson Students,

Do you plan on attending PIL League games when Benson is playing at other PIL league schools? Do you want to make the vaccination card check station easier for yourself?

PPS and the PIL have developed a program to make going to PIL league games across the district easier for you. Here is how you do that:

--Bring your vaccination card AND your Student ID to Mr. Clark in Room A-32  
--After showing him this he will give you a PIL sticker that you put on the back of your ID card

If you have this sticker and you show your ID card and this sticker at other PIL schools you will be able to get in as quickly as you do at Benson home games.

Without this sticker you have to show your ID and vaccination card/proof of a negative test within 72 of the event you are attending.

This sticker will only work for away games at Cleveland, Franklin, McDaniel, Grant, Lincoln, Wells, Jefferson, and Roosevelt

### Spectators That Are Not PPS Students

For all PIL/PPS Events you are required to provide the following when you arrive:

--Proof of Vaccination (12 and Up)

OR

--Proof of Negative COVID Test within 72 hours of the attending (12 and Up)

--A ID that matches with the name on the vaccination card/negative test

--Masks are required at all times unless actively eating or drinking

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Mat Clark

Athletic Director

Benson High School--PPS/PIL

## A Message from Benson's Career Coordinator Miranda Ryan

### Career Corner Communication

#### **SENIORS-Personal Learning Requirements:**

This is a reminder to get your Personal Learning Requirements in as soon as possible.

- My Plan Response is due by January 28, 2022
- Resumes are due February 18, 2022
- Career Learning Reflections 1 and 2 are due by March 18, 2022

Please go [here](#) to learn more about each requirement and how to submit it. If you have any questions, feel free to make an appointment (virtual or in-person) with Mrs. Ryan [here](#) or stop by the career center. The center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00-4:30.

#### Career Learning Opportunities:

##### **Enterprise Academy:**

This is a program where students can network with local CEOs and business leaders, learn leadership and team collaboration skills, as well as add to their resumes.

##### **When and Where?**

This weekend-long event starts ON FRIDAY MARCH 4TH, 2022, AND ENDS ON SUNDAY MARCH 6TH, 2022 at CAMP KURATLI (24751 OR-224, BORING, OR 97009). Transportation to and from Camp Kuratli will be provided.

##### **WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?**

Over the course of one weekend, you will work in a team with other local high school students to:

- Create a product
  - Get advice from local business leaders
  - Write a business plan
- Learn how to pitch your plan and product

##### **HOW TO REGISTER?**

Go to this link to register NOW! <https://bit.ly/EnterpriseAc-2022>

##### **DEADLINE TO REGISTER?**

**THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS JANUARY 30, 2022.**

## A Message from Benson's Career Coordinator Miranda Ryan

### ZAP Program:

Paid internship at the **Oregon Zoo**. The ZAP program, Zoo Animal Presenters, is a three-year internship for youth ages **15-16** with a focus on recruiting teens of color and marginalized teens. ZAP members create and provide programming on zoo grounds for community-based organizations, explore zoo careers through informational sessions and job shadows, explore local natural areas, and learn about animals, the outdoors, and conservation.

The ZAP program provides training and mentoring with a positive youth development approach. This is a great opportunity for youth who have an interest in conservation, working with children and/or animals. We are especially looking for the youth of color and bilingual applicants.

**ALL applications are due by January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5 pm Applications can be mailed to the zoo, scanned, and emailed or youth can complete an online application using these links.**

ZAP Program Application [bit.ly/ZAPApp2022](https://bit.ly/ZAPApp2022)

Reference <https://bit.ly/ZAPRef2022>

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### Paid Internship

PSU Eagles Program and Scholarship: EAGLES Scholarships are open to first-time freshmen students who meet the following criteria: A 3.0 GPA (GPA of 2.75-2.99 may be considered under certain circumstances)

PELL Grant eligible/low income Committed to majoring in one of the STEM studies areas

Aspire for a career in environmental science, management, or engineering

Apply [HERE](#)

### Contact Information:

Miranda Ryan

Work Cell: 503-312-2774

## **Modernization Update**

If you would like to see pictures of the Modernization Project happening on the Benson Tech Campus on 12th street please click on the link below.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/41430185@N08/sets/72157720108908045/>

Dan Malone

VP, Modernization

Benson Polytechnic HS at Marshall Campus

## **Math Tutoring Now Available**

Parents/Guardians please note that if your student needs support in Math that Benson Tech will now be offering Math support. Please click on the link below for specific details.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PjOOK-t7JZ-MgGb3ZDNC4g8R0RXfCbX3myGct73PIUI/edit?usp=sharing>

***BHS Math Department***

## **AP Tutor Support**

Here is a support video - a [quick overview of Tutor.Com](#) for students & families. This is a free, personal tutoring 24/7 service in all AP classes with experienced, professional tutors!

***Tara Harding***

***TOSA for AP at PPS***

## A Message from Benson's Kia Swain

Hello Benson Tech Students and Families,

If your student receives Special Education Services, you may be interested in attending a virtual conference to learn about resources, supports and services to assist your child transition out of high school.

Please check out the information below and review the attached flyer for further information. If you have any questions, please let me know.

### **Save the Date!**

Join us for the Transition to Adulthood Virtual Conference! January 29th  
from 8:30am to 1:30pm.

More information and registration coming soon!

***Mrs. Kia Swain***

***Youth Transition Program***

***Career/Transition Coordinator***

***Benson & Roosevelt High School***

***Work Cell- 971-413-9588***

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

Benson Students and Families,

Please click [HERE](#) for a copy of the most recent College Newsletter which includes up-to-date information on college applications, visits, financial aid, and scholarships.

Kathleen Reid (she/her)

College Counselor/AVID Coordinator/School Counselor

**Benson Tech High School/Jefferson High School**

[Benson College Info Webpage](#)

[kreid@pps.net](mailto:kreid@pps.net)

971-238-8322

BENSON STUDENTS set up an appointment with me [HERE](#)

## A Message from Benson's Kia Swain

Each below opportunity can support HS students with disabilities. You do not need to be on an IEP or 504 plan to participate.

Also, each below opportunity is a paid.

### [Climate Justice Digital StoryTelling- Full Virtual Cohort on Tuesdays 1/25- 3/15](#)

This cohort will focus on Developing Stories through Digital media: Stories about Us, Our Communities, Our love of the environment, and Our love of Justice. We use [ALL WE CAN SAVE](#), [Design as Protest](#), [Trauma Informed Care](#), [Black Space Manifesto](#) and Critical Race Theory as our foundations. Projects are youth determined, and youth developed, focusing on multimedia storytelling. Participants will learn about Audio, Video and Graphics as tools to share climate justice stories.

#### Digital StoryTelling Details:

When: Tuesdays 4-6pm in January - February 1/25 , 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8 & 3/15

Where: ZOOM Room

Who: BIPOC and LGBTQ+ centered youth ages 14-20

Compensation: Students receive a stipend of \$250 for 8 sessions

[APPLY For Digital Storytelling BY 1/15/2022](#)

***Mrs. Kia Swain***

***Youth Transition Program***

***Career/Transition Coordinator***

***Benson & Roosevelt High School***

***Work Cell- 971-413-9588***

## A Message from Benson's Kia Swain

### Urbanism NEXT COLLABORATION. Flying Taxis, Robots, and Cities of the Future

New technologies like sidewalk robots and self-driving cars are coming that will shape the cities of the future. What's exciting about these technologies and what's potentially concerning? In this 3 part studio, we will introduce these technologies and talk about the ways that you can shape outcomes to maximize their benefits.

Cities of The Future Details:

**When:** Wednesdays 4-6pm in January - February 1/19 (at White Stag) 1/26 (Virtual), 2/2 (Virtual),

**Where:** 1/19 In Person at White Stag Building 70 NW Couch St, Portland, OR 97209 1/26 & 2/2 ZOOM Room

**Who:** BIPOC and LGBTQ+ centered youth ages 14-20

**Compensation:** Students receive a stipend of \$90 for 3 sessions

[APPLY for Future Cities By 1/15/2022](#)

### Your Library Your Voice: People Over Collections

Want to Imagine Teen Spaces in your Library? Join us for 4 sessions in designing Holgate and Midland Library teen Spaces. This cohort will focus on The Multnomah County Libraries of Holgate and Midland, Using Design Justice as our foundation. Projects are youth determined, and youth developed, focusing on teen spaces.

Library Cohort Details:

**When:** Thursdays 4-6pm in January - February 1/20 ( at Midland Library) 1/27( At Midland Library), 2 /3(Virtual), 2/10 (Virtual)

**PUBLIC EVENT:** Your Street Your Voice **Vital Voices in the Built Environment:** 2/10

**Where:** 1/20 & 1/27 In Person at Midland Library 805 SE 122nd Avenue Portland, OR 97233: 2 /3 & 2/10 ZOOM Room

**Who:** BIPOC and LGBTQ+ centered youth ages 14-20

**Compensation:** Students receive a stipend of \$120 for 4 sessions

[APPLY For Library Teen Spaces By 1/15/2022](#)



## A Message from the Benson Tech Counselors

Hey Benson Techsters: Do you speak, read, and write fluently in another language and need world language credit? The STAMP test is a world language assessment in which native speakers can earn up to four (4) world language credits. STAMP test registration is now open. Please come down to the counseling department to register.

Dates and times are on the PPS STAMP website <https://www.pps.net/Page/2338>

***Christy Wheeler***

***School Counselor***

***Students with last name P-Z***

***She/Her***

***503-916-5100***

***<https://bensonhs.net/>***

***<https://sites.google.com/pps.net/bensontechcounseling/home>***

### **Pre-Order of Yearbooks**

It's time to pre-order a yearbook! A yearbook is the perfect way to commemorate your high schooler's experience! Pre-order your yearbook now starting at \$45 by using the link below.

***<https://pps.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Benson----Yearbook-for-2021----2022/Sel3EZE>***

For questions please contact Ike Prahl at [iprahl@pps.net](mailto:iprahl@pps.net)

***Ike Prahl***

***Yearbook Advisor***

**A Message from Caroline Bleckmann/Benson's Social Worker & Wellness Center  
Coordinator**

**Wellness Center resources to help with COVID-19**

[COVID relief for youth in Foster Care](#)

[PGE Bill help](#)

[NW Natural Bill help](#)

[Pacific Power](#)

[Benson Drug and Alcohol counselor Ashley Cohen](#)

[Culturally specific \(Latine/x & Black\) Drug and Alcohol services/support](#)

Sincerely,

[Caroline Bleckmann, LCSW](#), She/her

School Social worker, Benson Polytechnic High School

**For all meeting requests [click here](#) or use google calendar for PPS employees**

[Benson Wellness Center](#)

Cell/Non-urgent texting: 503-729-3486

**Monday-Friday, 8-4:00**

[How can the School Social Worker help me?](#)

**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.**

[Check out the Youth Resource App!](#)

## **A Message from Nutrition Services**

### **New for the 2021-22 School Year**

All PPS students eat breakfast and lunch for FREE. Students will receive 1 breakfast and 1 lunch per day. Menu information, along with allergy and carbohydrate counts can be found at [www.pps.net/nutrition](http://www.pps.net/nutrition)

Benson is a CEP school for the 2021-22 school year and we are not allowed to process lunch applications for CEP sites because all students enrolled at CEP sites automatically qualify for free meals and are eligible for a letter they can use for discounts such as sports fee waivers, bus passes, etc without an application. If a family has students at other schools that are NOT CEP or if your student transfers to a NON-CEP school you can apply here: <https://www.schoolcafe.com/pps>, if you want a copy of a letter for your Benson students you can request one here: [mealbenefits@pps.net](mailto:mealbenefits@pps.net).

Households financially impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19) may be able to qualify for The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). SNAP offers food benefits to eligible, low-income individuals and families. Find out if you are eligible and how to apply for food benefits by clicking [here](#). For more information or support, please contact the Nutrition Services department at [503-916-3399](tel:503-916-3399) or [nutritionservices@pps.net](mailto:nutritionservices@pps.net)

### ***PPS Nutrition Services***