



Please be sure to follow me on Twitter @BensonTechPride

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

Parents/Guardians please be sure to download the Trivory App for up to date information regarding Benson Tech. This is a great communication tool for Benson Tech and we highly encourage all parents/guardians to stay connected with the school by downloading the app. <https://trivory.com/>

Principal Wilson

April 11th 2022

Senior Assembly: Wednesday, April 13th 9:40-10:30

A mandatory senior assembly will be held this Wednesday in the auditorium. There will be important announcements regarding graduation and senior festivities. We will take a senior class picture and hold a Bubble Suit Sumo Tournament. If seniors are interested in participating in the tournament bracket, please fill out this Google Form to be considered: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSejnFGAS2ndT1YfVQWj_eHAlAy-nXbdDxgug_xx9QDPcRF6EA/viewform

First place prize will be lunch of your choice and a Benson Tech hoodie, second place will receive a Tech beanie and t-shirt. Let's have some fun, seniors!

Wednesday April 13th Special Schedule: SEL/SAT Day

Parents/Guardians: Please click on the link below to access our Special Wednesday April 13th SEL/SAT schedule.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DLU7wiz-slj10A4Shz3kaneN9F-NjvTPptB-9HIhGT8/edit?usp=sharing>

BHS Track and Field Event

114 years and 13 state championships later, and Benson Track and Field will be hosting its FIRST EVER home track meet this Wednesday, 4/13 at the Marshall Campus. We encourage all of our Tech Supporters to come out to witness this historic event. If you are interested in volunteering at any of Benson's home track meets this season, email head coach Jay Miles at jmiles@pps.net for more information.

SAT Day for Juniors

Wednesday is SAT day for Juniors! Don't forget to get a good night's sleep!

Testing is at Benson in the gym. Please go there to check-in.

Check-in time is at 8:15am.

Once official testing has started students will not be allowed to enter. If your student arrives after testing has begun they will not be allowed to enter and will need to schedule another time to test on their own.

What you need to bring with you:

- Valid school or state ID.
- Two - No. 2 pencils (we will have extras)
- An approved calculator (we have extras if you need one)
- An EpiPen if needed (these are permitted without the need for accommodations. Any other medications or medical devices may need an accommodation please contact me)
- a water bottle.

Not allowed during testing

- Cell phones - these will be collected during check-in if they are brought with you.
- Backpacks/bags - Please leave these at home, in your car, or in your locker. You will not be permitted to bring them into the gym with you.
- Food (snacks will be provided during breaks)

[SAT score access](#)

[SAT practice & preparation](#)

[A parent's guide: how to get your teen ready for the SAT](#)

[Guia para padres: como preparar su adolescente para tomar el SAT](#)

Jessica Murchison

She/Her/Hers

Interim Instructional Specialist

Teacher & Testing Coordinator

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Graduation Update

Graduation is set for 5:00 pm June 8th at Providence Park. Each student/family will receive 12 tickets. All tickets will be received via email through PPS stub hub system. There will be no paper tickets available per the Park. When tickets are available we will let you know where to send your email and will share more directions on how to send tickets to other family members. Also, caps & gowns will be distributed here at school Wednesday, May 4th. If you have not ordered a cap & gown yet, you can do so at jostens.com. If you need assistance with that, please contact Eva Martinez Mercado at emartinezmercado@pps.net.

Dan Malone

VP of Modernization

Seniors 60-Day Rule

Seniors 60 DAY RULE began April 3rd. Seniors shall be disqualified from participation in commencement exercises and related activities if they are found to be in violation of PPS District Alcohol or Drug policy or any violation resulting in three or more days of suspension or more serious disciplinary action up to and including their last day of school. Seniors last day of school is Wednesday June 1st.

Benson Tech Admin

BHS Senior Letter

Parents/Guardians please be sure to click on the link to open up the BHS Senior Letter that has important information and dates regarding Seniors last two months of school.

Thanks

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-kT6Uhc4nR2UfNfzZkbbREd2RI-Xm6i2zWpx7xBuQt8/edit?usp=sharing>

Benson Tech Admin

A Message for Students Taking AP Exams:

AP Exams will be taking place May 2- May 13. Please note, this year ALL exams are being taken at the **Portland Expo Center**, (2060 N Marine Dr, Portland, OR 97217). Students are responsible for their own transportation to exams and being on time is extremely important. [THIS](#) slideshow has information about how to prepare for the exam day, as well as a full schedule of exams being offered this year. In the coming weeks each student who is registered for an exam should receive an individualized email with their testing schedule and other important information. If you have any questions you may either reach out to the district AP folks, AdvancedPlacement@pps.net or Ilsa Bruer ibruer@pps.net, Benson's AP Coordinator.

Ilsa N. Bruer [[she/her](#)]

English Language Arts/AP coordinator

Benson High School @ Marshall campus

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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

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

A Message to our Senior Families

Senior Families: During the month of April, we will be giving out weekly prizes (prom tickets, yearbook, etc.) to encourage seniors to attend and participate in their senior classes. Here is the information below:

- a) It will be from **Monday, April 4 to Friday, April 29th**
- b) Senior English and Economic teachers will give one raffle ticket to every senior each day who attends their class for 75% or more of the period and is engaged in the class.
- c) Seniors will be responsible for writing their name/phone number on their ticket and turning their ticket into counseling
- d) Once a week, we will have a drawing for a "prize." The prizes will be prom tickets and yearbooks.

Congratulations to Cirrus Fuller and Victor Huynh! They each received free prom ticket in this week's senior attendance raffle.

Amy Henry (she/her)

Counselor

Benson Polytechnic High School at Marshall Campus

Working with Students with the Last Names A-Gq

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Free Urgent Dental Care (Attached Flyer)

Parents/Guardians please be sure to open up the attached flyer to read about free dental care opportunities that are available for BHS students throughout the month of April.

Nurse Patty Locke

MESD

Writers In The Schools Anthology:

Here is a poem from BHS student Kimanh N. Nguyen that was posted in the Literary Arts newsletter:

https://literary-arts.org/2022/03/wits-anthology-the-key-to-happiness-by-kimanh-n-nguyen/?utm_source=Literary+Arts&utm_campaign=a6a159ab1e-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_07_02_06_09_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_95cf0ed8bf-a6a159ab1e-375552149&mc_cid=a6a159ab1e&mc_eid=1a3175d799

A Message from Benson's Digital Media Design Instructor Steve Curley

We're having an Art Show!

Benson's Media Design 4 class has been invited to show their design work at [Extracto Coffee Roasters](#), located at 2921 NE Killingsworth St. in Portland.

The work will be on display for the entire month of April so you have plenty of time to stop by and support our students and show some gratitude to a great local company who also happens to be part of the Benson Tech family.

Posters are for sale with proceeds benefiting Benson's Digital Media Production program.

Steve Curley

BHS Digital Media Design

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

Please check out Benson's [College Newsletter](#) which is full of information on upcoming events, scholarships, and other information related to college and planning for life after Benson.

Kathleen Reid (she/her)

College Counselor/AVID Coordinator

[Benson Tech High School](#)

[Benson College Info Webpage](#)

Call/Text 971-238-8322

Set up an appointment with me [HERE](#)

A Message from Benson's Yearbook Advisor Ike Prah!

Dear Parents and Students,

If you have not yet placed an order for the Yearbook, you may still do so while supplies last. Now that the pre-order window is closed, the Yearbook will be \$50.00. The order form is found here: <https://forms.gle/UwH5K6G7fnmimP5x5>

Please submit your senior photo and quote to: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScCLpJNiy_hV-h_kZMF5Vbz0UQYVSQF0FutPh2KEYD8Byr6HA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0 by January 21st. If you do not want to have a custom senior picture your school portrait will be used, but it is asked that you still submit a quote.

Ike Prah!

Yearbook Advisor

A Message from the Benson Tech Boosters

Hello Benson Tech Community,

We finally have confirmed the spring sports season and are opening our first ever spring sports concessions. Since our usually lucrative winter season concessions were cancelled, we have a lot to make up and NEED YOUR HELP!

Please [follow this link to sign up](#) to work a concessions shift for a baseball game or one of our first ever home track meets! No experience necessary, the stand will be stocked, instructions and an experienced volunteer will be at each shift.

If we are getting enough volunteers, we might expand for the softball games (which are off site at Lents Park, so will be more involved).

Each hour worked earns Tech Pride Points to earn money for your favorite Benson Tech Team!

Please donate a few hours of your time to support our kids!

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Go Tech!

Benson TechBoosters

Building Community

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www.bensontechboosters.org

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Benson Tech Earthquake Drill

Hello Benson Polytechnic Families,

Benson Tech will hold an **Earthquake drill on Wednesday 04/20/2022.**

The earthquake drill is designed to help all staff and students know what to do in the case of an actual earthquake.

Benson Building students and staff will Drop, Cover, and Hold-on for 2 minute. By practicing the drill and sharing information with students, we are complying with Oregon legislative requirements mandating Oregon schools participate in earthquake drills every year.

We invite families to follow the guidance included in this email to discuss the information and practice with your families at home.

I have included a "Creating a Family Plan" activity that you can complete with your family members.

Creating a Family Plan

Have you created a [family plan](#)? (note: we have these plans translated in [Spanish](#), [Japanese](#), [Chinese](#), [Vietnamese](#), [Somali](#), and [Russian](#)).

Remember, discussions should also be talking in an age appropriate way with students about the school's, or a family emergency response plan. Please remember to [Grounding Technique Practice in Trauma-Informed Emergency Drills](#) when discussing or practicing an emergency drill.

Benson Tech Earthquake Drill

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PREPARING FOR APRIL'S MANDATORY DRILL "DUCK, COVER, HOLD ON"

When the ground begins to shake, everyone must duck, cover, and hold on.

If indoors, staff and students get under their desk or table, wrap one arm around the table or chair leg and clasp one hand behind their head covering their neck as well.

If you are unable to get under a desk, it is important to stand next to an inside wall and get away from any windows or heavy objects which may fall on or near where you are standing.

Drop to your knees with your back to windows, clasp one hand behind your head covering your neck, bury your face and use your arms to protect your head, close your eyes and hold on until the shaking stops.

If you are outside, move away from falling hazards like poles and trees.

Once the shaking stops, check yourself for injury first and then check students.

Do not automatically rush students outside. Maintain situational awareness and use ***option based decision making*** to assess the situation and potentially evacuate.

Take rosters, emergency supplies, and personal belongings if they can be reached safely.

Please keep in mind that following an emergency event like an earthquake that electricity, gas, water, and phones may not work.

Assemble at your designated evacuation location and take attendance. Use the green "All Clear" card for students who are all accounted for or the red card to identify that there are missing students and you require assistance.

Staff should be prepared to stay with students until the reunification process has begun.

Vice Principal

Barry Phillips

**A Message from Benson's Youth Transition Program Career/Transition
Coordinator Mrs. Kia Swain**

Hello PPS Special Education Students & Families,

Portland Public Schools, Youth Transition Program (YTP) in collaboration with Easter Seals of Oregon, Meadowlark and Community Services Network (CSN), are pleased to announce our **2nd Annual Virtual Special Education Transition Resource Fair is open for registration!**

This event will take place on April 26th & 27th, 6-8pm. This year the event will focus on post-secondary community and social services agencies that support transition into adulthood.

Employment, Social Security, Special Needs Planning, Supported Decision Making, Training Programs, College Programs and SO MUCH MORE!

We look forward to hosting you and we are excited to offer this amazing 2 night informational event.

Please select the flyer that corresponds to your language:

Kind Regards,

***Mrs. Kia Swain
Youth Transition Program
Career/Transition Coordinator
Benson & Roosevelt High School
Work Cell- 971-413-9588***

**A Message from Benson's Youth Transition Program Career/Transition
Coordinator Mrs. Kia Swain**

April 27th & April 29th, 2022 - Journey to Advocacy

When

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 9:00 AM PDT

-to-

Friday, April 29, 2022 at 12:00 PM PDT

Add to Calendar

Where

This is an online event.

~ You are Invited ~

Journey to Advocacy

Personal stories can be remarkable tools for self-empowerment, stigma reduction, and informing action. Stories capture attention in a way that facts, figures, and other forms of data cannot. They can shape opinion and challenge the status quo. This workshop-style training is designed for family members and caregivers of children living with behavioral health challenges who wish to develop their lived experience into focused advocacy stories to elevate the family voice and motivate systemic change.

Join us!

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

and

Friday, April 29, 2022

Please plan on attending both sessions

Check out our flyer.

Thank you,

Sara McNinch

OFSN Training Program

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A Message from Benson's Career Coordinator Miranda Ryan

Career Learning Opportunities:

For more Career Information, see the [Career Newsletter](#)

Summer Jobs 16 and up: <http://www.summerworkspdx.org/>

Paid Summer Internships: [Link to the C2C website to apply](#)

Nicholas Restaurant - Buser and Hosts Needed-**15 and up** 503-780-2645 1109 SE Madison Steet
Portland, OR 97214

Youth Force Job Programs 16 and up:

This program helps teens get paid opportunities. **Sign up here:** tinyurl.com/BGCPYF

there is a place for all! Here is a link to our online application portal -[https://
www.oakspark.com/employment](https://www.oakspark.com/employment)

Hiring local students to help work summer camps- 16 and up. Apply at [https://
pedalheads.com/join-the-team](https://pedalheads.com/join-the-team).

A Message from Benson's Career Coordinator Miranda Ryan

Summer camp job or volunteer opportunity:

B'nai B'rith Camp is a large Jewish organization with many different camps, which means we are looking to fill many different positions. We have day camps across Oregon and an overnight camp in Lincoln City. We are looking for students who have a passion for working with children, creating meaningful relationships, and having fun! Check out the [BB Camp Website](#) for more information and how to apply. Email Abby Evonuk at aevonuk@bbcamp.org for more information about day camps and/or Nathan Schloss at nschloss@bbcamp.org for more details about overnight camps!

Camp Fire before and after Program Aide Position: The BAS Program Aide will increase their experience and expertise by providing programming support to Program Specialists and Site Supervisors. This position will support growth and training in areas of youth development and culturally-responsive programming, including best practices in racial equity, social justice, mentoring, academic enrichment, behavior management, youth-adult partnerships, life skills, and leadership development. For more information, please visit <http://campfirecolumbia.org/>

Oaks Park (hiring 14 and up) is Looking to hire youth passionate about performing. Examples would be theater kids, physical comedians, puppeteers, balloon artists, hula hoopers, singers, tap dancers, and youth who are playful, outgoing, and willing to delight the crowds and invite people to play the midway games. However, all of our departments (concessions, roller rink, rides, gift shop, etc.) are hiring, so there is a place for all! Here is a link to our online application portal - <https://www.oakspark.com/employment>