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Weeks of November 25-29 and December 2-7, 2019



The deciduous Dawn Redwood at Grant HS

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please be sure to attend Parent/Teacher Conferences scheduled for November 25th and 26th. Conferences will be held in our Commons areas, the library, and assigned classrooms. Each family will have a brief opportunity with each teacher to discuss your child's performance in class. There will be a sign in sheet for each teacher in their assigned area. We encourage you to visit the teachers where you have questions and/or are looking for support to help your child improve in a particular class. Students are welcome and encouraged to attend conferences with parents.

Monday, November 25th	Tuesday, November 26th
8:30 - 11:30	8:30 - 11:30
12:15 – 4:30	12:15 - 4:30
5:30 - 8:00	5:30 - 8:00

SITE COUNCIL 2019-20

Are you interested in being a part of the development of school improvement? Please consider joining this year's Site Council. I have attached an application, as well as information on Site Council. Please return the application to the main office. Teacher Invite / Student Invite / Parent Invite

 BELL SCHEDULE

 11/25-26 No School / 2nd - B / 3rd - A / 4th - B / 5th - A Flex / 6th - B Race Forward
Go to https://www.pps.net/Page/6982 Or get the Grant Bell Schedule App for your Iphone or Android

REMINDERS

> Be mindful of where you park in the neighborhood. Your car can be towed

if blocking a driveway, or ticketed if in a no parking zone.

- No eating on 2nd floor or stairwells. Students should eat in the Upper and Lower Commons.
- \succ The main office will not accept food deliveries for students.
- > Please be respectful of our neighborhood by picking up your trash.
- Doors to the building unlock at 7:30am and lock at 8:30am (one door at front entrance remains open all day) / Inner front doors open at 7:45am and lock at 8:30am. All students arriving before 7:45am, and after 8:30am, must enter through the main office.
- ➤ All exterior building doors close at 4:00pm.
- Late students need to check in at the attendance window in hallway outside the main office. Parents can check students in and out in the main office or send a note with specific instructions.
- \succ The parking lot is for staff only.

ACTIVITIES

GHS Screen Printers will be selling hand-printed, activist-themed tote bags at Next Up's Art + Activism Marketplace on November 23, 2019. Come support student screen printers, activism inspiration, and our studio.

This event will highlight voices from people of color, women, youth, and artists behind bars. Come find out what these artists are creating while also being able to purchase their work! Come do your holiday shopping while supporting artists for social change.

What: Art + Activism Marketplace (<u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/art-activism-marketplace-tickets-78526854937</u>)

When: Sat, Nov. 23rd. 4pm-7pm PST Where: The Village Ballroom 704 Northeast Dalum Street

704 Northeast Dekum Street Portland, OR 97211 **Cost:** Free **About Next Up:** https://nextuporegon.org/

You're invited to a showing of the film *Intelligent Lives* at Grant High School!

This is a film that changes the perceptions that people and society has of people with disabilities. *Dinner provided!*

We will have a panel discussion following the film that will include parents, administrators, teachers, and international speaker on inclusion <u>Lucy Meyer</u>!

Grant High School 2245 NE 36th Ave, Portland, OR 97212 12/6/19 6:00pm-8:00pm <u>Click here to RSVP!</u>

Student Clubs:

- We have 57 clubs currently registered and approved for the school year.
- It is not too late to add a club applications can be found in the main office.

- Student Leadership is working to update the Clubs web page and will be setting up a wall dedicated to advertising the various clubs on campus.
- All clubs must get approval from Mr. Taylor (main office) prior to hanging flyers in the school.
- Fundraising Forms must be completed and approved prior to holding any fundraisers on/off campus. These can also be found on the Clubs web page.
- American Sign Language (ASL) Club- come and learn a new way to communicate. Mondays at lunch in Room 255.

ATHLETICS

For upcoming game/competition schedules visit our Grant Athletics website at: <u>https://www.grantathletics.com/</u>

CAREER CENTER

The Career Center, with help from our partner the Portland Workforce Alliance, is preparing to celebrate all things Computer Science during International Computer Science Education week – December 9 through December 15. Watch this video and get inspired:

https://csedweek.org/

Then sign up for one of these Career Days where you get out of the building and into a workplace doing tech work:

- December 10th, 9:15AM-1:00PM <u>– Girls in Tech at Zapproved</u> meet inspiring women from several of Portland's most innovative companies: Zapproved, Vacasa, Alchemy, Learning.com and Simple, go behind-the-scenes, engage in a hands on activity and get career advice. Sign up online at <u>http://bit.ly/GirlsinTech-2</u>.
- December 11, 9:00AM-12:00PM <u>Cyber Security and Tech Project Management at Multnomah</u> <u>County IT Department</u> – learn how our local government uses core technology to fend off hackers (LOTS!), manage sensitive information and develop apps to help its citizens. Sign up at <u>http://bit.ly/Multnomah-IT</u>
- December 11, 2:45PM-5:30PM <u>Another Girls in Tech but at a different location and a different time</u>

 we are trying to make this work for you! This event takes place at the office of <u>Instrument</u> a digital ad agency located on N. Williams Ave. Again, as above, you'll meet accomplished women from local tech companies such as TAO, New Relic, Cozy and of course host, Instrument. Then you'll walk over to Treehouse Software to do some coding. As you can tell, tech companies are trying to encourage women and people of color to explore the tech industry where there is LOTS of opportunity. Sign up for this event at http://bit.ly/GirlsinTech-3
- December 12, 9:00AM-12 noon <u>AWS Elemental</u> an Amazon web services company specializing in video processing, storage and monetization if that's a mystery to you, the more reason to join the Career Day. And you know

Amazon, it's had a success or two! Sign up at <u>http://bit.ly/AWS-Elemental</u>

FUNDRAISERS

CITRUS FUNDRAISER for the 2020 All Night Party...



Love grapefruit and sugar sweet oranges? Perhaps cooking and baking with pecans for the holidays? Then we have just what you need! These items also make perfect holiday gifts ~ great for fresh-squeezed juice, mimosas, citrus salads, or just eat them right out of the box! We are selling 20 lb. boxes of grapefruit, oranges (juice and navel) and mixed grapefruit/oranges, as well as 16 oz. bags of pecan halves and pieces. **Fruit is expected to be available for pick up the weekend of December 7-8th**

Ordering information: order online <u>https://grantboosters.schoolauction.net/citrus2019/catalog</u> You can also contact the fundraiser chair, Michael Wood, at <u>thefam@easystreet.net</u> or 503-281-5406. All proceeds go to the Class of 2020 Grant All-Night Party!!

ORDERS DUE BY 3PM ON NOVEMBER 25TH!!

LIBRARY NEWS

9th Grade Career Fair - Wednesday - December 4th

The Library will be closed during 5th and 6th periods in order to host the St. John's Bridge community's career fair.

POETRY OUT LOUD info meeting - December 6th

Poetry Out Loud is a recitation contest open to all Oregon high school students. Interested in participating in this contest? Come to an information meeting Friday, December 6th @ lunch in the South Forum.

Deadline to apply is **Friday, December 20th**.

NEWS FROM THE NURSE

It is the time of year when illnesses and communicable diseases tend to increase. The best prevention methods to keep yourself and others safe is to be current on all vaccinations; plus, practice good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette. Washing your hands and covering your cough and sneeze makes a difference. Also, stay home if you are experiencing signs of illness.

If your student is not "up-to-date" on vaccinations you will be getting a letter from MESD (Multnomah Education Service District) this month.

PARENT PRESENTATIONS / SUPPORT

Parent Support Groups

For parents/caregivers of children/adolescents with mental health barriers.

Third Tuesday of every month 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

NAMI Multnomah

522 NE 52nd Ave. Portland, OR 97213

Third Thursday of every month at 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

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Buy tickets here: https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?show=108402

AUDITIONS for The Wizard of Oz!

Auditions for the Grant Performing Arts Department production of *The Wizard of Oz* will be Monday, December 2nd through the 4th. Pick up an audition form from Murray or Eisemann ahead of time, or just show up. All are welcome! Monday is the singing audition in the Choir Room at 3:45, followed by the dance audition in the Auditorium on Tuesday at 3:45. Acting and callbacks on Wednesday, with singing callbacks on Thursday. The cast list will be posted Friday the 6th. Rehearsals will be 3:45-6:30 M-F January through February, with the musical performing March 4-8.

PTA NEEDS YOUR HELP

The PTA is seeking Teacher Appreciation Snack Donations for Conferences

The PTA welcomes your donation of snack items to provide to staff during breaks on the upcoming conference days - Nov. 25th and 26th. These are very long and busy days for our teachers, and we hope to make the days seem a little brighter with some TLC from the parent community. Single serve items such as granola bars, fruit, nuts, and so forth can be brought to the office during the morning for delivery to staff during break times. Thanks in advance for your support.



SCHOOL NEEDS

We are in need of wheelchairs. Do you have a wheelchair, in good condition, which you'd like to donate? Please contact April Martin at <u>amartin1@pps.net</u> Sniffles are back! We can always use donations of Kleenex.

SENIORS

FAFSA/ORSAA completion support on **Monday**, **November 25th 5:30-7:30pm**, **room 128**. Documents needed to help with completion: <u>https://www.ecmc.org/students/documents/2020-2021-FinAid-Application-Worksheet-English.pdf</u>

https://www.ecmc.org/students/documents/2020-2021-FinAid-Application-Worksheet-Spanish.pdf

And a link to an explanation of how to get an FSA ID: <u>https://www.ecmc.org/students/documents/signing-your-FAFSA-english.pdf</u>

https://www.ecmc.org/students/documents/signing-your-FAFSA-spanish.pdf

Contact your student's school counselor with any questions.

Attention parents of seniors, The ANP needs your support

The All Night Party committee is working hard to put together a wonderful graduation night event for your seniors. Can you help? We are looking for sponsors to donate money or in kind donations to the Grant All Night Party. The All Night Party is part of the Grant Boosters, a 501c3 organization. Donated funds help offset the costs of the event and offer scholarships to students who couldn't otherwise afford to attend. To support the event, please donate directly on the ANP website:

https://grantallnightparty.wordpress.com/financial-scholarships-donations-2/

Or, contact Dana Eaton at <u>danaeaton@gmail.com</u>.

Our thanks to our newest 2020 party sponsors - The Irvington Community Association, and Kidd Panoscha Architecture and Design LLC! We appreciate your support! THANK YOU!

Diploma orders are under way and you need to have yours submitted by December 20, 2019. This form can only be filled out by seniors with their Google log in. Go to <u>https://www.pps.net/domain/2618</u> and click on the link for ordering your Diploma. If you have any questions please see Ms. Martin in the main office.

STUDENT I.D./HOP PASS INFORMATION

This year your Grant High School student ID card is a magnetized HOP pass that works with the new HOP pass machines on the busses. Students are required to have an active, working Student ID/HOP Card to ride the bus. Your regular bus driver may let you ride for free, but don't wait until a new bus driver decides to charge you to ride. If any of the following happens please see Ms. Martin in the main office:

- 1. Your card has stopped working.
- 2. You have bent, cracked, broken, or punched a hole in your card.
- 3. Lost your card (1st replacement is \$10.00; 2nd replacement is \$50.00).
- 4. Issues of any kind with your card.
- 5.

TESTING INFORMATION

SAT Test - Grant 11th graders will be taking the SAT this year **NOT** the ACT. The test will take place on Wednesday March 4, 2020. The test will include the essay and it will not be optional.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Pay it forward for the Grant All Night Party!

Parents of freshmen, sophomores and juniors, please consider "paying it forward" and volunteering to help plan and execute the Senior All Night party. This Grant tradition is a wonderful way for students to celebrate their accomplishments in a drug and alcohol free setting. Food, prizes, swimming, casino and fun are all part of this fantastic event. We are looking for parents to help in the following areas: Party co-chair, volunteer coordination, logistics and transportation, registration, and prizes. Can you help out? Please contact Beth Shiffman at <u>beshiffman@gmail.com</u>. THANK YOU!