Did you know?

Hello Grant Community,

Thanks to all families who came to conferences. I hope you were able to communicate with teachers. If you missed anyone or have additional questions, please e-mail or call teachers. Progress reports for 2nd quarter will be available next week.

We have an annual celebration of the arts in December called Grantasia. This event began five years ago and is an event that is well supported by students, staff and the community. To accommodate as many guests as possible, we will have the event for two nights. Our new auditorium seats approximately 900 and we expect to sell out for both nights. Ticket sales will begin soon and we will notify the community with the exact date. When purchasing tickets, please be considerate in the number of tickets purchased to allow as many families to attend as possible. The shows are identical so there is no need to attend both nights which will also help ensure we can accommodate all families.

Have a good week,

Carol
• **SCREENING OF FILM ON INCLUSION**
On Friday night, Grant hosted a screening of the film Intelligent Lives. This film highlights the lives of young adults with intellectual disabilities. We also had a special guest, Lucy Meyer, who is the spokesperson for UnicefUSA/Special Olympics. Lucy is a Special Olympics gold medalist who travels the world spreading a message of acceptance and inclusion.

• **GRANT WINTER FORMAL DANCE**
Saturday 12/14, 7 to 10pm
Mittleman Jewish Community Center
6651 SW Capitol Hwy
Tickets = $15 (cash or check only)

Volunteers needed for coat check! Please sign up if you can help for an early/late shift or both - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c45aca829a2fd0-winter

FAQ's:

1. When can I buy a ticket? Tickets will be sold (to students with a current Dance Permission form on file) at lunch and after school Tues-Fri leading up to the dance.
2. What's the Dance Permission form about and how do I know if we have one on file? Students are required to have a 2019-20 Dance Permission form on file before they can buy a ticket. This is signed by the parent/guardian and returned to the main office. We have about 900 students with these on file already - a list of ID #'s that are cleared to purchase tickets is posted near center hall.
3. Where are Dance Permission forms found? They are in the main office and on the website's https://www.pps.net/Page/13306
4. Can I bring a guest from another school? Guest Pass Applications are required if a Grant student would like to bring another high school student to this dance. Forms are in the main office and on the website. All Guest Pass Applications are due Monday 12/9. These require the guest's family and school to complete sections and then be returned and approved before the Grant student may purchase a guest ticket.
5. Can I pay for dance tickets through School Pay or with a credit card in person? Unfortunately, this is not a current option. We are exploring for the future, but at this time students must have cash or check when they purchase tickets.
6. Can parents/guardians help in any way? Yes! We appreciate people who are willing to assist in the coat check area as well as monitoring exit points, please sign up here for a shift if you can - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c45aca829a2fd0-winter

- WINTER SPIRIT WEEK – DECEMBER 9TH TO 13TH
• **WINTER SPORTS ARE STARTING**

**Excited For Winter Sports?**
So are we! Please note that tickets will be sold for all JV and Varsity Basketball games ($6 for adults, $2 for students - cash only), as well as Varsity Wrestling Matches. Spectators should plan to enter through the SOUTHEAST GYMNASIUM doors - all other doors will be locked and only used for exiting the building at the end of the night.

• **THE SAFEOREGON TIP LINE**

In keeping with our commitment to student safety, last October PPS joined school districts across the state in using the SafeOregon Tip Line. We want to remind you about this important resource.

SafeOregon was funded by the Oregon Legislature as part of a statewide effort to improve school safety. **It provides a secure means for anyone to anonymously report suspicious or imminently unsafe situations, such as threats of violence, fights, drugs and alcohol, weapons, bullying, harassment, intimidation or self-harm.**

Anyone, from students to parents to community members, can access the system in a variety of ways, including:

• The “Report unsafe behavior” button found on every PPS school’s website
• The SafeOregon website [https://www.safeoregon.com/](https://www.safeoregon.com/)
• A live call/text (844-472-3367)
• An email to tip@safeoregon.com
• The mobile app that can be downloaded from your Smart Phone via iTunes or Google Play

Trained staff are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to respond.

Please be sure to share this information with your friends and family. Remind your students: **If you see or hear something, say something – immediately.**

• **GET CONNECTED TO GRANT VIA SOCIAL MEDIA**

There are several Grant High School Facebook pages. I manage a page that can be found at: **PPS Grant High School.** I post pictures and news related to events at the high school.

I also send information via Twitter at: **@ccampbellGHS**

• **ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATION TOOL**
PPS has shifted family, student and staff communication to a new tool that gives schools the ability to send texts about emergencies, closures, delays and other important news. To receive text notifications, you must opt in to the service. **You opt in by texting YES to 68453.** Parents and students should confirm their cell numbers listed in the student information system. Staff should confirm their cell numbers are the “primary” number in the PeopleSoft system. For more information about texting, go to [www.pps.net](http://www.pps.net) and click on the “Mobile First” button.