



THE GRANT WEEKLY

*Grant High School
Newsletter/Bulletin Combined
June 11, 2020*



Dear Grant Community,

The month of June is Pride Month, designated in 1999 to commemorate the Stonewall riots, which occurred at the end of June 1969. Typically, pride events are held during the month of June to recognize the impact LGBTQ+ people have had in the world. Here is a link to the message from HRC (Human Rights Campaign) President, Alphonso David, titled [Pride Month and Anti-Racism](#). The image above was taken from the [The Trevor Project](#) website. Grant has a very active and supportive QSA (Queer Straight Alliance) that meets weekly and is open to all students and staff. The QSA has advocated for an inclusive community and plans an assembly each year.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Diploma Day last Monday. I especially want to thank the Class of 2020 for your support and leadership. The event was not the typical graduation, but it was celebratory and an opportunity for the graduates to be recognized for their hard work. Thanks also to the staff who planned the event and helped out during the event. We will send out the link to the virtual speeches and other recognition when the video is ready.

This is the last formal newsletter for the school year. However, we will continue to communicate with you via school messenger as information becomes available.

I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to the Grant Community for your support these past seven years. I will be officially retired on June 30th. Even though I won't be at Grant, I will always feel connected to this community. The best memories of my career took place at Grant and I hope to drop by for events in the future. I have missed everyone these past several weeks and regret not being able to say goodbye in person. It has been my pleasure to serve as the Grant Principal and I have learned a lot. I especially miss the opportunity to say thank you to Grant students who have challenged

me to see their experiences and to make changes that make Grant more inclusive and welcoming. I am confident that Grant students will be active in the profound changes that need to happen in our schools and communities to make the world a better place for everyone.

Take care,
Carol

- **9th-11th GRADE LOCKER PICK UP/TEXTBOOK DROP OFF - JUNE 15th & 16th**

GRADES 9-11

DRIVE THROUGH LOCKER CONTENT PICK UP & MATERIALS RETURN

WHEN
June 15th & 16th

Last Name	Time
A-M	9am-12pm
Lunch Break	12:00-12:30pm
N-Z	12:30-3pm

WHERE
Grant HS Parking Lot
2245 NE 36th AVE, Portland OR, 97212



Grant HS Locker Cleanout/Pickup

Step 1 = Enter parking lot
Step 2 = At turnaround, provide name, SSID #, locker # & return any PPS property.
Step 3 = **Right** turn only out of parking lot.
Step 4 = Pick up contents from locker.
Step 5 = Thank you for coming. Have a great summer!

★ = Denotes the location of CSA, Admin or Support Staff



PICK UP:
ITEMS IN YOUR LOCKER

RETURN:
TEXTBOOKS, SCHOOL SUPPLIES, INSTRUMENTS, PPS CAMERAS/ TECH, PERFORMANCE ROBES, ATHLETIC UNIFORMS
*PLEASE BAG ITEMS IF POSSIBLE

YOU *DO NOT* NEED TO RETURN YOUR CHROMEBOOK AT THIS TIME!

REMINDEES:

- **ADHERE TO SOCIAL DISTANCE EXPECTATIONS**
- **WEAR A MASK**
- **FOLLOW ALL POSTED SIGNS & DIRECTIONS FROM PPS STAFF**

- **DIPLOMA DAY GRADUATION PICTURES**

Congratulations to the Class of 2020. This past Monday our Seniors graduated with the pick up of their diploma and a graduation picture. Here is the link to our photographer's website.

<https://www.foreyesphotos.com/>

- **YEARBOOK UPDATE**

Dear Grant Community,

I'm sure you are wondering about the status of the yearbook. I'm happy to say we are able to work remotely and it will be finished! We are doing the best we can given the circumstances, however we do not know when we will be able to distribute it. At this time, all we can say is that we're working hard and committed to finishing it. We will let you know when we can get them to you in the safest way possible. Thank you for your support and understanding. - Sophia Carlson, Editor-in-Chief

For more information visit our website at <https://www.pps.net/domain/2620>

- **UPDATED 2019-20 DISTRICT CALENDAR**

The [2019-20 District Calendar](#) has been updated to reflect the furlough as well as changes to the end of the school year. It is also posted on the [district website](#)

- **COMPUTERS AND HOT SPOTS UPDATE FOR SUMMER**

Students who currently have a PPS issued computer and/or hotspot may keep them over the summer.

Graduating seniors and students who know they will not be returning to PPS in the fall are asked to return their PPS computer and/or wireless hotspot.

- When: Mondays and Thursdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Where: PPS district office (501 N. Dixon St). Please go to the lower level parking lot, which has an entrance on N. Larrabee Ave.
- Please bring: The PPS computer and/or wireless hotspot, along with any charging cables, that you are returning.
- Please be aware: We are asking everyone to use recommended physical distancing practices, keeping at least 6 feet of space between groups and wearing a facemask or face covering, if possible.

For more information, please visit: <https://www.pps.net/devices>.

- **CAREER CENTER HAPPENINGS**

1. Looking for Summer opportunities? Volunteer positions? Paying jobs? Check out the Career Center portion of the GHS Website (under Quick Links) for summer, college and career related resources and activities for students of all levels: <https://www.pps.net/Page/7308>. Email Ms. Kokes if you have questions or need help.

2. Follow the Career Center on Instagram for the latest and most up-to-date news on all things college and career: @ghscollegeandcareercentral

3. Virtual Career Talks are happening all summer and covering Graphic Design, Engineering, Sports, City Government, Hospitality, Construction and much more. Check this link for the "Future You 2 Go" career talk schedule: <https://www.pps.net/Page/15327>

4. Have a good summer - be safe, re-charge and we look forward to working with all of you in the Fall.

- **COUNSELING OFFICE UPDATES**

Do you need to recover credits for graduation? Summer School information has just been released and registration has begun! Email your counselor with questions, to set up a virtual conversation or to complete the registration.

Check out the summer school offerings first:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rZOx7Md4zwF9yjxpJuidOwgCM3qlp5IECx2n7s40IJK/e#heading=h.97y8mvcestwz>

- **LIBRARY NEWS**

BOOK RETURN - MONDAY, JUNE 15th - TUESDAY, JUNE 16th

Place all library and textbooks in a bag labeled Return to GHS Library.

Return times are:

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. = Last names A - N

12:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. = Last names O - Z

Me and White Supremacy: Combat Racism, Change the World, and Become A Good Ancestor by Layla F. Saad is the Multnomah County Library's Featured Book on Libby this month. They have purchased a limited term UNIVERSAL ACCESS license in both ebook and audiobook formats for this title.

SYNC Audiobooks for Teens - This week's free downloadable audiobooks are Easy Prey by Catherine Lo and Mark of the Raven by Morgan L. Busse

REGISTRATION IS OaPEN! Sign up [here](#) to participate in Multnomah County Library's Summer Reading Program. Do NOT use a restricted school email address to create your online account. A phone number or alternative email is best.

GHS students who participate in MCL's program are eligible to be entered for a Grant Library drawing for a Powell's gift card.

MCL Library Advisory Board Openings: If you are a rising 7th-12th grade student who loves libraries, apply for a position on the Library Advisory Board (see attached flyer) by June 22nd. LAB members give input on policies and budget. More info and application [HERE](#).

● **STATE PROGRAM OFFERS FAMILIES HELP TO PAY FOR FOOD**

As our community deals with fallout of the coronavirus pandemic, we want to make Portland Public Schools families aware of a state benefit to help pay for food. The Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer program, or P-EBT, is available to help families offset the cost of meals that would have been consumed at school. It is administered by the Oregon Department of Human Services.

The P-EBT benefit is available to families with a student who qualifies for free or reduced-price meals and any student enrolled in a Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) school. For those families:

- Households who qualify for the Supplemental Nutrition Association Program (SNAP), which offers food benefits to eligible, low-income individuals and families, will have benefits automatically deposited to their existing EBT accounts. There is no additional paperwork to submit to receive P-EBT benefits.
- Households who currently qualify for free or reduced-price meals or attend a CEP school will receive an Oregon Trail Card in the mail along with instructions on how to activate or refuse benefits. There is no additional paperwork to submit to receive P-EBT benefits.

For families not currently eligible and seeking benefits:

- Households financially impacted by COVID-19 may qualify for SNAP. See the program's website to learn more.
- Families who have experienced income loss may now be eligible for free or reduced-price school meals. Apply online at pps.net/nutrition.

For assistance with submitting a meal application, please contact the PPS Meal Benefits Office: mealbenefits@pps.net or 503-916-3402.

For Pandemic-EBT questions, please contact the Oregon Department of Human Services.

- **NEW STUDENT ONLINE REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN**

Online Registration opened May 18 for all new students in grades K-12 enrolling in PPS.

Online registration allows parents to enroll new students in their neighborhood schools throughout the district. Students can only be enrolled in their neighborhood school at this time. Transfers or enrollment in one of the charters or CBOs will continue to follow the paper enrollment process. Information about online registration enrollment is on the district webpage. Parents can still complete the paper enrollment form if they choose.

Go to <https://www.pps.net/Page/2899> for more information.

- **HEALTH REMINDERS FROM OUR SCHOOL NURSE**

A convenient way to keep updated on regional COVID 19 news is through Twitter. Oregon Health Authority posts updates [@OHAOregon](#) and Multnomah County Health Dept posts updates [@MultCoHealth](#).

- **GHS RESOURCE CENTER SUMMER INFORMATION**

[Parkrose Student Health Center](#) is open all summer for all Multnomah County youth

Fliers available to distribute to your school community:

[English](#) [Chinese](#) [Russian](#) [Spanish](#) [Somali](#) [Vietnamese](#)

[Benson Wellness Center](#) has telehealth options for students throughout the summer!

Crisis Resource List

Students or Families with phones can enter the following numbers;

- Call to Safety: If you are an adult and worried about your safety at home, 888-235-5333. Interpretation line available.
- [Proyecto Unica](#): Spanish version of Call to Safety, 503-232-4448
- Multnomah County Crisis Services: Call Center/Crisis Line, 503-988-4888 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week). Interpretation services are available.
- Kaiser Crisis Line: Available if you have Kaiser insurance, 503-331-6425
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: English, 800-273-8255; Spanish, 800-628-9454 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week). Interpretation services are available.
- Oregon Youthline: For youth to connect with other youth, text "Teen2Teen" to 839863 to instantly text with another person. Interpretation services are available.
- Trevor Project: Supporting LGBTQiA+ youth. Text "START" to 678678 or call TrevorLifeLine, 1-866-488-7386
- Trans Lifeline: Supporting trans community members, call 877-565-8860
- DHS Hotline (Oregon Department of Human Services) If you are worried about the safety of a child, 855-503-7233. Interpretation services are available.

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.**

- **GUN SAFETY FOR STUDENTS AND TEEN SUICIDE PREVENTION**

Encouraging families to securely store their guns can save a student's life, especially during times of social isolation. Parents can get free gun locks from the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office and the Portland Police Department.

Information about gun safety:

<https://besmartforkids.org/>

[https://projectchildsafeparents-and-gun-owners](https://projectchildsafeparents-and-gun-owners.org/)

Information about teen suicide;

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/PreventionWellness/SafeLiving/SuicidePrevention/Pages/plan.aspx>

<https://www.hsph.harvard.edu/means-matter/>

- **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

- A list of urgent resources for families can be found on the PPS website [here](#), including in translation in the five supported languages.
- Multnomah County has a large number of resources specific to the current crisis posted [on their COVID-19 community resources page](#). Multilingual page for health info is [here](#) (this is only stay healthy/transmission prevention information, not community resources).
- APANO (Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon) has a list of resources [here](#).
- Latino Network has a list of resources in [Spanish](#) or [English](#).
- NAYA Family Center has a list of resources [here](#).
- SEI (Self-Enhancement Inc.) has Community Food Resources listed [here](#).

There are Oregon Food Bank partnerships at the following PPS locations:

Franklin HS, 5405 SE Woodward, (Friday, 11:30 - 1:30)

Lent K-8, 5105 SE 97th Ave (Monday, 11:30 - 1:30)

Rosa Parks Elementary, 8960 N Woolsey Ave (Thursday, 12:00 - 2:00)

Scott Elementary, 6700 NE Prescott St (Tuesday, 11:00 - 1:00)

Woodmere Elementary, 7900 SE Duke St (Wednesday, 11:00 - 1:00)

Sitton Elementary, 9930 N Smith St (Monday, 11:00 - 1:00)

Dr.King Elementary, 4906 NE 6th Ave (Thursday, 11:00 - 1:00)

Here's the link to the [food resources from Oregon Food Bank](#).

- **MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES**

- > [Urgent Walk-In Clinic](#) 4212 SE Division (503) 963-2575 (Like Zoom Care for Mental Health) DAILY 7am-10:30pm - OHP, insurance not a barrier
- > Kaiser Crisis Line: (503) 331-6425
- > [My3-Support Network App](#)
- > [Mental Health Resources for COVID-19](#)

- **COMMUNITY CRISIS RESOURCES**

Child Safety Concerns?

[DHS](#): If you suspect a child is being abused or a person has abused a child. 855-503-7233 (translation services available)

Family Safety Concerns?

[Call to Safety](#): supports domestic violence survivors, friends and family 1-888-235-5333 (translation services available)

Food/Housing/Utility Concerns?

[Emergency Community Resources](#)

- **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 and click on the “Mobile First” button.