



GRANT HIGH SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

November 8, 2019

Did you know?



Hello Grant Community,

We are beginning the second quarter and approaching conferences. If you have questions about first quarter grades, please contact the teacher(s). Counselors can also support students and families who have questions about grades and/or classes. Conferences are a good time to check-in with teachers, especially classes in which your student is struggling or needs additional support. Please see information about conferences in the bulletin.

November is Native American Heritage Month. Grant's Indigenous Peoples' Student Union is planning events to commemorate and pay tribute to the rich ancestry and traditions of Native Americans. The Portland metro area rests on traditional village sites of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Chinook, Tualatin Kalapuya, Molalla and many other tribes and bands. These groups created communities and summer encampments along the Columbia and Willamette rivers and harvested and used the plentiful natural resources of the area for thousands of years. Here is a link to learn more about Portland's Native American Community:
<https://www.travelportland.com/culture/native-american/native-american-culture/>

Monday, November 11th is Veteran's Day and schools and offices are closed. Thanks to all who have served and are currently serving our country.

Have a good week,

Carol

- **ATHLETICS UPDATE**

The Grant HS Water Polo teams both earned state tournament berths this season. The boys won 21 games and their first league title with seven players named to the all-conference team. Graham Beaver first team; Henry Sothern and Grant Conklin second team; Abe Cain, Dom Yost, Evan Medich, and Max Brunak were honorable mention. On the girl's side, Elliot Peterson was second team; Molly Rettell, Thomasina Yost, and Caroline Ballard were honorable mention.

Women's soccer lost to West Linn this week in a second round playoff game. Congratulations on a great season.

Men's soccer plays Franklin on Saturday, November 9th at Delta Park at 6:00 p.m.

Football plays Liberty at Marshall on Friday, November 8th at 7:00 p.m.

Cross Country- Annelies Quinton qualified for Cross Country State Meet and will compete Saturday 11/9 @ Lane Community College at 2:55 p.m.

- **NOVEMBER IS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**



- **UNIFIED SOCCER WINS SECOND PLACE AT WILSONVILLE TOURNAMENT**



- **STUDENTS ATTEND ALBERTA STORIES EVENT**

Students from Julia Kirkpatrick's Language Arts class attended the Alberta Stories Dedication on Tuesday. The project includes several interactive portraits in the Alberta Arts District that recognize business-women, athletes, authors and other African American Portlanders who cultivated the rich history of Alberta Street.



- **MASTER PLANNING FOR GRANT BOWL**

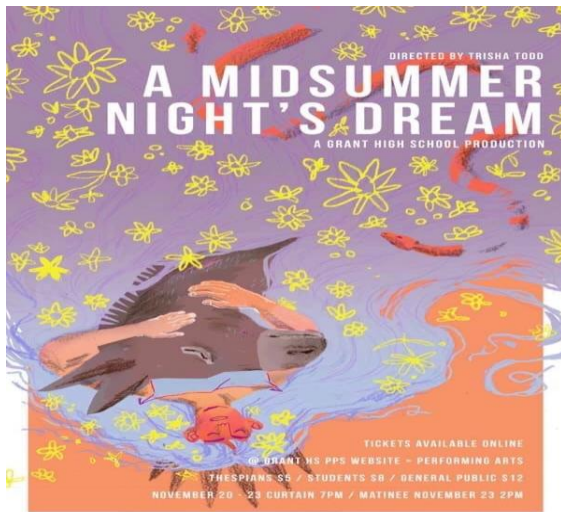
We have begun the master planning process for the Grant Bowl. In an effort to support all of Grant's athletic teams on the Grant Park campus, Portland Public Schools is funding this initial Master Planning phase so that we can define the work ahead. We have contracted BORA architects to lead the Master Plan for Grant Bowl. Our task at hand is to work with BORA to provide feedback and clarity in developing a Master Plan addressing;

- Project Scope
- Priorities
- User needs
- Neighbor concerns
- Funding and partnership opportunities

The next planning meeting and time for community input is:

Tuesday, December 3 6:00-8:00 p.m. Grant High School Library

- **FALL PLAY**



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