

Bridlemile Friday Flyer



12/17/2021

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 20th- Jan 2nd	NO SCHOOL -Winter Break
Jan 3rd	School Resumes
Jan 11th	PTA Board Meeting Virtual 6:00pm-7:00pm meet.google.com/pgz-shde-hef
Jan 17th	NO SCHOOL - MLK Holiday

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MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL TOWNSEND

Hello Bridlemile Family,

As we head into the winter break and Holiday Season, I would like to wish you all well. It's hard to believe that we are approaching the halfway mark to the 2021-22 school year.

I am extremely grateful for each of you; students, staff, and parents. You all play an important role in the overall success of this school year. I hope that each of you enjoy yourselves and are able to relax, rest and spend time with family and friends.

I am looking forward to returning in the New Year as we all continue to work together to make the best of the remainder of this school year.

Thank you all for your continued support, resilience, patience and perseverance during these difficult times. I hope that you are all showered with love, hope and kindness!

Sincerely,

Jerome Townsend- Principal

FROM THE OFFICE



We want to wish you all a wonderful winter break!! Whatever holiday you are celebrating, hope you are warm, safe, healthy, and surrounded by friends, family and good cheer!! See you in 2022!!

***Best,
Sonja, Dana, & Vickie***

FROM THE DISTRICT

[PPS COVID-19 Monitoring Dashboard](#)

Bus Route Check Tool: pps.net/routecheck

ONGOING FAMILY IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

The Multnomah County Health Department is offering twice-weekly Immunization Clinics for families and children to obtain COVID-19 and school-required vaccines. Clinics will be held on Wednesdays from 11 am - 2 pm & 3 pm - 6 pm at the Gateway WIC Building, 131 NE 102nd Ave., Portland; and on Saturdays from 9 am - 12 pm & 1 pm - at the NE Health Clinic, 5329 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd. #322, Portland.

Appointments are required for children aged 5 - 11. No appointment is required for family members to receive the COVID-19 vaccine and flu shots.

Call 503-988-8939 to make an appointment. More info is available at: multco.us/vaccineclinics.

MS/HS TRANSFER CYCLE EXTENDED TO DECEMBER 22

Parents and students getting ready for middle school or high school will have a few extra days to make a transfer choice. The transfer deadline for middle and high school applications has been extended to 5pm December 22. The original deadline was December 17, the last day of school before winter break. The extension gives families more time to explore virtual school tours and other online information before making their choice. The new date applies for 8th graders declaring their dual assignment high school and hardship petition transfers as well.

The schools open for middle and high school lottery applications are:

- Benson Polytechnic HS
- Jefferson Middle College
- Metropolitan Learning Center
- Creative Science K-8 School
- Odyssey K-8 School
- Sunnyside Environmental K-8 School

Winterhaven STEAM K-8 School
Applications are available at www.pps.net/schoolchoice
Learn more at pps.net/Page/1024

Results will be sent to families in mid-January. The lottery for elementary schools opens on February 17, 2022.

Test to Stay

As part of our ongoing commitment to increase in-person learning for all students, we are pleased to announce that in partnership with OHA/ODE we will start the Test to Stay program the first week of January of 2022.

Benefits of Test to Stay: Given the lower level of COVID-19 in schools, students exposed at school will have the opportunity to stay in in-person learning and minimize the impact quarantine has had on their education. This is called a modified quarantine and requires students to continue to wear masks during any activity that does not require its use, for example band, athletics, etc., until day eight (8). Students must remain symptom free and will be provided two tests during their quarantine period. **You can help expedite the process by signing and returning the consent form for the BinaxNOW rapid nasal swab test, unless you already did it this year.** Here is a link to the form:

[General Consent Form English](#)
[General Consent Form Spanish](#)

For students who were exposed outside of the school day (at home, extracurricular activities, etc), we will have available the Test to Return process. This process will allow students to return on Day 8 after an exposure with any negative antigen or pcr COVID-19 test performed between days 5-7.

As always, vaccinated students who do not have symptoms do not have to quarantine or Test to Stay. We will share more specifics about this program in early January. [5-Step Process for Parents and Families](#)

Remember, symptomatic students and staff should always stay home.

PORTLAND PARKS AND RECREATION EARLY REGISTRATION FOR PPS FAMILIES

You're invited to sign up for Portland Parks & Recreation activities that start Jan 3! Call 503-823-2525 or visit your local arts or community center. portland.gov/parks

How to register:

BY PHONE: Call 503-823-2525 (Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm) or any PP&R community or art center

IN PERSON: Visit any PP&R community or art center

Winter 2021 Activity Guides -If you would like to receive printed copies, please email parksrecreation@portlandoregon.gov.

PP&R has programs for everyone including people with disabilities (Adaptive & Inclusive Recreation), people aged 60 and older (Lifelong Recreation), youth, teens, and adults. Learn more about PP&R activities: www.portland.gov/parks/register. We also have new discount options for City of Portland

residents, thanks to the Parks Local Option Levy (Parks Levy):

PAY WHAT YOU CAN for Registered Classes

Choose discounts up to 75% for all registered classes.

ACCESS DISCOUNTS at Community Centers

Get up to 90% off admission fees at community centers for drop-in activities (including group exercise classes, fitness rooms, and swimming pools).

Learn more about these discounts: portland.gov/parks/discount

FROM THE NURSE

[Daily Illness Self Screening Checklist](#)

[Guidelines for Illness](#)

PEDIATRIC VACCINATIONS

As you may be aware, fully-vaccinated students and staff are able to stay at school if asymptomatic, even if they have been exposed to a COVID-19 positive individual. Now that a pediatric COVID-19 vaccination is available for children ages 5-11 years, you can locate pediatric vaccinations by:

1. Check with your child's pediatrician; or
2. Log into Multnomah County Health Department's [vaccine locator website](#) and:
 1. Enter your address or zip code under "Location."
 2. Click "Search"
 3. Click "Filter Your Results"
 4. Click "Pfizer age 5-11" under Vaccine Type.
 5. Click "Apply Filters" under Date Range.
 6. View the list of Pediatric Vaccine Clinics under Provider Information.
 7. Contact the Pediatric Vaccine Clinic provider for appointment information.

TECHNOLOGY NEWS FROM MS. DAHINDEN

Having trouble logging into your student's account?

Please refer here: [My PPS & Quickcard Instruction Flyer](#). This flyer provides the step by step instructions to login and how to use the QR badge. Your student's classroom teacher can reset his or her account if needed.

For more information click here: [Student Accounts](#)

PTA/FOUNDATION NEWS

PTA and Foundation [Newsletter](#)

From the Foundation

EASY Donation Opportunities:

- **Circle of Giving:** Please sign up if you haven't already <https://bridlemileschool.org/donate> (you can donate as little as \$5 per month)
- **Bridlemile Bottledrop:** Email us to get signed up bridlemilebottledrop@gmail.com
- **Amazon Smiles:** Great way to donate! <https://bridlemileschool.org/pta-pay-online>

Important Dates:

- **Week of March 7th** - Online Auction begins - we will be sending out more information as we get closer to the date.
- **March 11th** - Online Game Night - Double Your Dollars - we will be sending out more information as we get closer to the date.

COMMUNITY NEWS

- Portland Parks & Recreation [Winter Break Camps](#)
- [Multnomah Early Childhood Program Flier](#) (Spanish)
- Free Lacrosse Clinic- [Register here for the Try It Winter Clinic](#) This clinic will be centered around introducing new players to the game of lacrosse. For 3 hours players will be instructed on the fundamentals of the games, play fun games, and learn from some of the region's best coaches. No need to bring gear, sticks will be provided for the clinic!

Who: New or First Year Players, 2031 (3rd Grade) - 2026 (8th Grade)

When: January 16th, 12:00 - 3:00 PM

Where: Rieke Elementary School -1405 S Vermont St, Portland, OR 97219



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