IMPORTANT DATES:

May 3rd  
Freaky Friday Carnival, **TONIGHT** 5:00pm-8:00pm

May 8th  
NO SCHOOL

May 9th  
2nd Kindergarten Connect Tour, 8:15am, Cafeteria

May 13th  
Staff Appreciation Week

May 14th  
PTA General Meeting, 6:30pm

May 14th – 17th  
Passport Club, Grades 1-5, Library, Lunch Recess

May 20th – 24th  
Used Book Collection-Outside of the Classrooms

May 22nd  
Safety Patrol Picnic

May 24th  
Bike Fest, 2:30-4:30pm, Playground

May 27th  
NO SCHOOL-Memorial Day

May 28th- 31st  
USED BOOK SALE, GYM

May 30th  
Passport Club End of Year Party

May 31st  
Field Day

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MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT

Dear PPS Families and Staff,

Last month, we shared with you in a message that the Oregon Education Association designated May 8 as a statewide “Day of Action.” From our communications with Portland Association of Teachers and our principals, we now have an estimate of how many teachers intend to be absent on that date in order to advocate for full funding of K-12 public schools. We have a clear indication that the number of teacher
absences will exceed our ability to safely open and operate our schools. Because student safety is our highest priority, **all PPS schools will be closed on May 8, 2019.**

A few exceptions will apply:

- Outdoor School will remain open and uninterrupted the entire week of May 6-10.
- Night classes will continue as regularly scheduled on May 8.
- Previously scheduled A.P. and I.B. testing will continue as planned on May 8.

To make up the instructional hours lost on May 8, **the last day of school for PPS students will now be June 12.**

We will need to utilize the third and final designated makeup day identified on the 2018-19 district calendar. For grade 12 students, the last instructional day for seniors will move from May 30 to May 31. In addition, we plan to ask the PPS Board of Education to approve an exception this year for seniors. This exception will enable PPS to meet the total mandated instructional hours required by the State of Oregon for grade 12 students.

We are currently confirming that athletic competitions, arts performances and other events scheduled in the late afternoon or evening of May 8 will continue as planned. Should we need to cancel events, we will follow up with affected school communities and participants. Additionally, we will share the Board’s decision on the exception for seniors.

Finally, a note for families who currently use child care services in PPS buildings: Please contact your child care provider to determine whether they will be offering services on May 8.

We thank you for your flexibility as we work to minimize any impact on students due to the cancelation of classes on May 8.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Curtis, D.Ed.
Deputy Superintendent, Instruction & School Communities

**FROM THE OFFICE**

- **Moving??** If you are moving or will be attending a different school next year, please let the office know as soon as possible; staff are currently working hard on class placements for next year and it helps the process to know of any changes in advance. Thank you!

- **REMINDER:** If you have a younger kiddo coming to Kindergarten next fall, please be sure to get your registration in as soon as possible! **Registrations are due by June 1st** but we encourage everyone to register as early as possible- it greatly helps with forecasting and staffing! Thanks!
Welcome to the Counselor Corner!

Week of 4/29/19: **Theme – Career Development**

**Activities** – During our last week implementing career guidance lessons, we are encouraging students to continue these conversations at school and at home. Next week, we will be starting our Safety Lessons in K-5 classrooms; your child(ren) will be bringing home an informational letter today!

**Books** we are reading:
- [Amelia Who Could Fly](http://example.com) (Corso & Volpari, Kane Miller Publishing)
- [Ada Twist, Scientist](http://example.com) (Beaty)

**Videos** we are watching:
- [Occupations Song](http://example.com)

**Professional Development** we are doing:
- Check out our [website](http://example.com)! It is under construction. :)
- Listening (on the Libby app! Check it out!) to [Masterminds & Wingmen](http://example.com) (Wiseman)
- Watching the [social animals](http://example.com) documentary -- FREE streaming on Netflix!

**Resources** to Explore:
- [Books About Girls with ADHD](http://example.com)
- [Best Children’s Books About Mental Health](http://example.com)
- “[Skipping School for Vacations: Good for Families, or Bad for Students?](http://example.com)”
- [Oregon Career Awareness I](http://example.com)
- [Oregon Career Awareness II](http://example.com)

**Up-Coming Community Events**:
- [Camp Erin](http://example.com) - A free, weekend-long overnight Summer camp for children and teens who are grieving the death of someone close to them
- [The International Dyslexia Association Conference](http://example.com) is coming to Portland! Nov. 7-10th, 2019
- [Camp Yakety Yak](http://example.com) -- Special Needs Summer Day Camp in Lake Oswego, OR
- [Portland Social Service Fair](http://example.com) - Friday, May 10th: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

**Important Info for 5th Graders:**
- [West Sylvan Middle School 6th Grade forecasting information](http://example.com)
- [5th Grade Transition to Robert Gray Middle School Information](http://example.com)
MESSAGE FROM TAG

Dear Bridlemile Families,

Please know that Dr. RubyDawn Lyman will be presenting her third session surrounding the meaning of giftedness at the BESC (501 N. Dixon Avenue) on Tuesday, May 7th. Because each and every child possesses a unique talent and gift, this session is open to one and all. *Please see the attached flyer.*

I’d like to thank you, the Bridlemile learning community, for the opportunity to serve as your building TAG facilitator over the course of the 2018-2019 school year.

Best regards,
Tom Finch
Third Grade Teacher and Bridlemile Building TAG Facilitator

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Portland Social Service Fair

When: Friday, May 10, 2019
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Where: DHS
11826 NE Glisan St.
Portland, OR 97220

Offerings include:
- Lunch
- Gift card raffle (need not be present to win)
- Fresh produce pickup
- Dental and acupuncture (limited appointments)
- Blood pressure checks
- Oregon Health Plan enrollment
- TANF enrollment
- Haircuts
- Sign up for TriMet Honored Citizen passes
- Employment assistance
- And many more resources!

Sponsored by
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Questions? Visit www.csnpdx.org
FROM THE PTA
Come shop Sunday at Hoot-n-Annie in the Hillsdale area and proceeds go to our school! They have gently used and new clothes from newborn to size 16 kids! Thanks for supporting your kiddos!!

Calling volunteers!! Our PTA is a very active and vital part of Bridlemile elementary. We have many volunteer positions open for next year. Please take a look at the email sent earlier this week for all available positions available. A “sign up” email will be sent on Tuesday morning to allow people to sign up for the positions they wish to chair. This is a first to sign up first one to chair! If you have any questions about what the volunteer position chairs/Board Member chairs entail before the sign up is sent, please email Jen Moylan moylanjk@gmail.com.

Again, there are many positions and many opportunities to get involved in Bridlemile PTA!

Thank you!

USED BOOK SALE
The annual Used Book Sale is coming soon! We will be collecting used books outside teachers classrooms from May 20th-May 24th. The class that brings the most books in will get early access to the book sale as well as each student will be able to choose a free book! We will be collecting ADULT and CHILDREN’s books as well as games, DVDs/Blue-rays, and the CDs. Start looking through your collections and preparing for this fun and popular fundraiser! The book sale will take place during the week of May 27th-31st in the Bridlemile gym. Questions? Contact Kelly Gillespie kelanngillespie@gmail.com.

WALK & ROLL TO SCHOOL
Walk & Roll Month is off to a great start! Challenge yourself to find as many days in May that you can walk, bike, or roll to school. Park in the surrounding neighborhoods and walk in! Pop by the office to collect prizes for participating. And you never know when the bike fairy may fly by and leave you a prize at the bike rack! Use the tracking sheets to keep tabs on the various ways you get to school this month, then turn them into the basket in the office at the end of May.
WHAT’S HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL CLUSTER (Gray/Wilson & West Sylvan/Lincoln)

West Sylvan
West Sylvan Drama Presents the play: 1001 Arabian Nights

Travel to far lands and share the fun adventures of a genie, a princess, a fisherman, princes, sultans, and a cast of lively characters in the classic stories of *1001 Arabian Nights.*

When:  May 9, 10, 16, and 17 at 7:00 pm May 11 at 2:00 pm
Where:  West Sylvan Lower Gym
Tickets on sale now:  [tickets.westsylvandrama.com](http://tickets.westsylvandrama.com)

Wilson HS
Girls Soccer Camp
August 5th - 8th
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Ages: 7-13
Lincoln High School
Summer Youth Basketball Camp
June 24th -27th
9 AM-Noon
Ages: 5th Grade-Incoming Freshman

Lincoln HS Youth Baseball
Lincoln Youth Baseball is looking for more Kids to play AA Baseball!

This is for 2nd graders OR 3rd graders who haven't played before.

In AA ball there is a mixture of pitching machines, coach pitch, and player pitch. As always, the emphasis is on fundamental skills, including pitching, and the players begin to develop the ability to hit competitive pitching from an opposing player. Typically the season begins with machine pitch with a transition to player pitch as the season progresses. The season starts in April and goes through mid-June. AA Teams usually start with 2 practices per week and then as games get into full swing, practices may be just once per week. Games are typically played 2x per week.

Register now! www.LincolnYouthBaseball.com

Questions? email: LincolnYouthBaseballSoftball@gmail.com

Thank you,
Communications
Lincoln Youth Baseball & Softball

SPRING AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday
• Soccer by Soccer Shots- Outside field
  https://www.soccershots.org/pdx/

Tuesday
• Math Gamers, Faculty Lounge outside Portable
  www.mathgamers.net
Wednesday

- Spanish by Kids Like Languages, Faculty Lounge outside Portable
  
  [Kids Like Languages](https://kids-like-languages.myshopify.com/products/spanish-after-school-program-at-bridlemile)

Thursday

- My Masterpiece Art Faculty Lounge outside Portable
  

**Attachments:**

- Walk and Roll Challenge Month Poster
- Walk and Roll Student Tracking Sheet
- Characteristics of Giftedness
- Portland Social Services Fair

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**School Website**

503-916-6292

[Archived Friday Flyer Newsletters](https://example.com)

[PTA/Foundation website](https://example.com)