Peninsula Family Post

November 4, 2022

Upcoming Events-November

11/9- PTA meeting 11/11- No school (Veteran's day) 11/21&11/22- No School (Conferences) 11/23-11/25- No School (fall break)

If you have topics you'd like me to address, please reach out to me: cskelly@pps.net. -Claire

Healthcare Insurance Open Enrollment

The open enrollment period for individual and family health coverage runs from **November 1 to January 15** in Oregon. Health insurance covers essential health benefits critical to maintaining individual health and treating illness and accidents. Health insurance helps to reduce medical and prescription drug costs, making health care more affordable and thus more accessible. Without insurance, people face considerable barriers in receiving health services. The <u>Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace</u> offers information, including types of coverage and links to free application assistance. Link to more information <u>here</u>.

ODE Communication on Child Tax Credit

You could be missing thousands of federal dollars, like stimulus payments or the Child Tax Credit (up to \$3600 per kid). Apply even if you have no or low income - or have never filed taxes before. Sign up by November 15: <u>GetCTC.org</u>

Did you know you could get thousands of dollars in federal money? Even if you do NOT have a Social Security Number, you can get payments for your children who have Social Security Numbers. Under current law, receiving the Child Tax Credit or other tax credits will not affect your immigration status, ability to get a Green Card, or future immigration plans. Learn more & find free help: GetCTC.org

TAG Nomination Information

The TAG nomination window has opened. Please <u>click here</u> for FAQs about TAG. <u>Here is a link</u> to the TAG nomination form.

From your PTA

Fall Fundraiser to Start Monday, November 7th. We are selling healthy and delicious citrus fruits - oranges and grapefruits. These California fresh oranges and grapefruits are sold by the box (\$40.00 for a box worth about 46 oranges or 26 grapefruits).

ORDER BY NOVEMBER 18, 2022

Orders can be made online via the PTA website or by using the order form (which is being sent home on Monday) While the fruit cannot be shipped, family members and friends can still participate from afar. The fresh fruit will all be delivered to the school in early December. For those not in town, boxes of fruit can be bought and we will donate them to local food banks and other community organizations and families.

Not sure you need a whole box? You can share with others or donate your extra citrus fruit back to the school and we will distribute them to other groups.

Sales begin: Monday, November 7th **Orders due:** Friday, November 18th

Pickup: December 1st or 2nd (exact delivery date to be determined) 2:00-4:00 pm at Peninsula Elementary. All items MUST be picked up on this day unless you chose to have them donated.

School Goal: 120 Boxes. If we reach our goal, all students will get to participate in an ORANGE PARTY with orange snacks, party favors, decorations and more!

Ockley Supporters

Do you have a sixth grader at Ockley Green this year (or will you next year)? If you would like to add yourself to the mailing list for the "Ockley Green Supporters," (the school's parent-led group supporting the needs of the school), you can <u>do that here</u>. General information about the OG Supporters can be found <u>on their website</u>.

Communicable Disease Self Screening

This is a friendly reminder to use this <u>Communicable Disease Self-Screener</u> when your student in under the weather and you are wondering whether it's safe to send them to school.

A Message from our School Social Worker

Are you wanting to better understand what fentanyl is and how to talk to our youth and adolescents about it? Trauma informed Oregon has a free training available. Register here: https://pdx.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtf-mspj4pEtltUYqrPloBQN7edlc_I56Z. Spanish and ASL interpretation available.

Please click <u>here</u> and check out the full list of past resources shared. Most of these are ongoing resources available. If you or your family needs access to additional resources (energy assistance, mental health, childcare, food boxes, clothing, etc.) please feel free to reach out via phone or text at my work cell 971.276.1759 - hablo español. I work part time and I'm in the school and available via phone Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.



