Beaumont Newsletter for May 4, 2019



May is Walk and Bike Challenge month!

Take the challenge and make a trip you'd usually take in the car by some other means: on foot, bike, scooter (electric or otherwise!), skateboard, or public transportation, etc. Check out Bike Month for activities and fun ways to get around on 2 wheels! See how many car-free trips you can make this month.

You and our planet will be healthier for it!

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SCHOOL NEWS



Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week: May 6-10

The Beaumont PTA is working to coordinate events during the week of May 6- May 10 for Teacher and Staff Appreciation. *Let's show our gratitude* for the adults at Beaumont Middle School by treating them to a much anticipated and deserved week of tasty meals and treats!

Please sign up to contribute time or items for breakfast, lunch, and snacks.

Thank you to the Latino Families for providing lunch on Thursday May 9th!

Questions? Email Leah

Backstage Pass Field Trip - Popeye's in the Park



It is the final quarter of the 2018-2019 year, and we've planned our final celebratory event for our Backstage Pass participants, "Popeye's in the Park." On *Friday, May 31st at 1:30 pm*, we will meet in the cafeteria and walk to Wilshire Park for a picnic. Our students will have lunch – either Popeye's chicken (two pieces of Popeye's chicken, biscuit, and a cold dessert), or a Subway (hoagie sandwich, chips, and a cold dessert). Everyone is free to play soccer/kickball, ultimate Frisbee, etc., throughout periods 6-7. We'll also have a tug-of-war competition available to any interested students, and a water balloon fight for those wanting to participate. The cost of the field trip is \$5 (you can also pay online). Permission slips are due to your child's School Counselor *no later than Friday, May 24 at 4:00 pm. Late forms will not be accepted.*



THANK YOU!

Dear Beaumont Friends:

Huge thanks to all who were able to make the debut of the Silent Marching Band and for mobilizing community support so that all Beaumont students have access to a complete education. For years parents in the Rigler community have been advocating for an elective choice, often in isolation. It was incredibly moving to feel your coordinated support during the performance this evening. One Beaumont/Rigler father said he teared up when the cars honked. This would not have been nearly as effective without you. We're also thrilled that together we mobilized to write 130 postcards to PPS officials and board members today. It's not over yet, but we look forward to having a big celebration with you when we finally succeed in this campaign.

In solidarity,

Families, students & teachers from the Silent Marching Band



Announcing Honor With Books!

Are you looking for a special way to thank a Beaumont teacher or to honor a relative or friend on a special occasion? Consider a donation to *the Honor with Books program*, sponsored by Beaumont Grandparents. Your donation of \$25 will purchase a hardback, high-interest book for the Beaumont School Library. A commemorative bookplate with the Honoree and Donor names will be placed in each book. As a Donor, you will receive an

email confirming your gift and a hand-written notification will be sent to your Honoree. Best of all, your gift will support Beaumont students and strengthen the library. Donate online to participate in Honor With Books! (Please allow two weeks after completing your transaction for notification to be sent to your Honoree).

For information about Beaumont Grandparents, a new community group supporting the school, check out the website



Have Lunch Outdoors - Volunteer for Recess Duty!

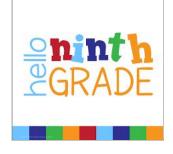
The weather is amazing! Need a good reason to skip out of the office and take a longer lunch break to soak up some rays? (you deserve it after a long winter!) Come volunteer at Beaumont as a recess monitor!

Our teachers can really use some help outside during recess (or indoors if the weather is really bad). Please consider sharing 45 minutes of your time to help staff monitor students at either recess period. Sign up for a spot or many spots! Staff really, really appreciate it!

8th Grade Promotion Schedule of Activities

Beaumont's 8th Grade Promotion will be held at 5:30 pm at Benson High School Auditorium on *Friday, June 7th.* Students will need to arrive between 5:00 pm and 5:15 pm. The program will begin promptly at 5:30 pm. Rehearsals will be held at Beaumont on June 6th in the afternoon and June 7th in the morning, so each student will know the expectations, the progression of the ceremony, and seating order in which they will be recognized on stage. All students should attend school the morning of June 7th. *On Monday June 3rd*, *each student will receive five tickets.* Students do not need a ticket. If you would like to request an unused or returned ticket, please contact the Main Office starting on June 4th. We will distribute additional tickets as they are available through the

morning of June 7th. Admission is by ticket only. For more information, see <u>the official flyer</u> from PPS.



Ninth Grade Counts

Ninth Grade Counts is a summer program for students entering 9th grade in fall 2019. It gives students an opportunity to get a jump on their journey through high school. This no cost program runs from July 8-August 1. Students meet Monday- Thursday to review high school requirements, explore college and career possibilities, and gain new academic skills all while learning about Native American art and teachings. Students will go on field trips to various locations on Tuesdays and Thursdays including an overnight trip at the end of the program to a University. Students may receive .5 high school elective credit and may complete one Career Related Learning Experience (a graduation requirement for many students) during the summer program. If you would like your child to participate please complete the application and turn it in by May 30th.

PTA NEWS





Get Your Questions Answered
Beaumont Middle School Town Hall - A PTA Sponsored Event
Reunión en la Escuela Secundaria Beaumont

Come to a question and answer session about the future of Beaumont Middle School.

Wednesday, May 8 7:00-8:00pm Beaumont Library

There will be several featured panelists:

Scott Bailey, our zone's school board member

Oscar Gilson, our area assistant superintendent

Tonya Arnold and Harriette Vimegnon, Beaumont's administration
This is your chance to hear what's going on in our school, ask questions & be involved. **Cookies and refreshments will be served. Spanish interpretation will be provided.**

Reunión en la Escuela Secundaria Beaumont Patrocinado por la Asociación de Padres y Maestros (PTA)

7:00-8:00 pm 8 de mayo en la biblioteca

Se realizará una sesión de preguntas y respuestas acerca del futuro de la Escuela Beaumont. Asistirán destacado panelistas:

Scott Bailey, Miembro de la Junta Directiva que atiende nuestra escuela Oscar Gilson, Asistente del superintendente que atiende nuestra escuela Harriette Vimegnon y Tonya Arnold, Dirección de Beaumont

Se ofrecerán bebidas y galletas. Esta es una oportunidad para conocer lo que sucede en nuestra escuela, hacer preguntas y participar. Tendremos disponible interpretación en español.

2019-2020 PTA Officer Position Openings La PTA tiene abierta la posición de coordinador de voluntarios

There is an opening on the PTA for the volunteer coordinator position. We are also looking for a parent from the Rigler immersion program to sit on the board either in an official roll or as a voice for the immersion families. PTA officer meetings typically happen the 2nd Wednesday of the month. The position is a two year term starting this summer. The volunteer coordinator helps to gather volunteers for school events and fundraisers. For more information on the position or interest in being on the board, please email Kelli Rosenquist

La PTA tiene abierta la posición de coordinador de voluntarios. Nosotros también deseamos tener un padre del programa de inmersión de Rigler en nuestra junta directiva de PTA, ya sea en un miembro oficial o como voz para las familias de inmersión. Las reuniones de los miembros de la PTA ocurren típicamente el segundo miércoles del mes. La posición es por un término de dos años comenzando este verano. El coordinador de voluntarios ayuda a reunir voluntarios para los eventos de la escuela y a recaudar fondos. Para más información sobre la posición o interés en ser parte de la junta directiva, por favor envíe un correo electrónico a Kelli Rosenquist

May 8: Day of Action for Education

The mission of the PTA is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. We hope you will join us so that together we can transform public education in Oregon!

Wear #RedforED and come downtown to the rally which begins at 11 am with the march at 12 pm. Catch a Tri-Met bus to downtown bus mall then walk 1/3 mile to Gov. Tom McCall Waterfront Park for the Rally. Bus fares are \$2.50 (adult), \$1.25 (youth), \$1.25 (Honored Citizen). Please bring exact change or your bus pass.

If you aren't able to join us at the rally and march, but would like to show your support we encourage you to wear #RedforED that day to promote the message that fully funding education is about the future of Oregon.

Time to Vote!



Voter pamphlets have been delivered and ballots are arriving in the mail. A special election will be held on May 21 to *elect new members of the Portland Public Schools***Board.** Members of the School Board make decisions about how district money will be spent and on policies that affect our children and their experiences at school. Please be sure to vote and get those ballots turned in by **May 21st! To find more information on the upcoming election check out Multnomah County Elections website.



School Funding Update: Student Success Act Passes in the House!

On Wednesday, after hours of floor debate the Oregon State House of Representatives voted to approve the Student Success Act (H.B. 3427). Barbara Smith Warner, the legislator representing parts of NE Portland:

"Yesterday, the Oregon House took a historic step toward reversing almost 30 years of disinvestment in education by passing the Student Success Act. The days of pitting funding for our most vulnerable students against funding for foster children, seniors, housing, and health care for low-income Oregonians can soon be over. This legislation will establish a dedicated, stable source of revenue to fundamentally transform the way we fund our education system. This bill can change the lives of thousands of Oregonians for the better, and I'm proud to have been a leader in this effort."

CALL TO ACTION:

The bill now moves to the Senate with a possible floor vote as soon as *Tuesday, May 7*. Please consider calling your Senator and urging them to support the Student Success Act. Then call on your friends and family around Oregon to do the same. If you're not sure who your senator is, you may look that up online.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Grant High School Trivia Night

Got a Beaumont student headed to Grant High School in the next year or so? Get a head start on becoming involved with the community in a very fun way! Bring your smarts to Trivia Night on *May 11 at 6:30 pm* at the Madeleine School! Proceeds benefit Grant Boosters which helps students explore the world beyond the classroom by funding sports teams, arts, sciences, social justice programs, student government, and dozens of student-led clubs that explore diversity, climate and environment, cooking, fashion, film and so much more! Check out the flyer for all the details!

Join the Fun Run and Get Yourself Some Doughnuts!





Earthquake Ready Schools

Come learn how to prepare your family and your school for the Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake. We'll cover the basics of earthquake retrofits, non-structural hazard mitigation (reducing risks in classrooms), effective earthquake drills, parent/child reunification drills, and emergency supply storage. We'll also discuss how to talk to children before and after a disaster, and how to engage neighbors to make your community safer and more resilient.

Wednesday, May 15th, 6:30 - 8:00 pm Creston School, 4701 SE Bush St. Portland OR 97206

Light snacks will be provided. There is no childcare provided, but children are welcome to attend with you. Feel free to bring dinner with you so you don't miss this amazing presentation by Laura Hall, creator of PortlandPrepares.org and co-chair of Parents4Preparedness, a group of parents helping other parents advocate for seismic safety in schools.

Reminder: Newsletter Deadline

If you have an announcement that would be of interest to the school community, please email to the <u>Beaumont Newsletter Coordinator</u> for inclusion in the newsletter. Submissions by 10 pm on Thursdays will be included in that week's newsletter.





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