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# Beaumont Newsletter

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NO SCHOOL Monday, October 29

This week is WEB Spirit Week!

Tuesday: Pajama Day

Wednesday: Halloween Costumes - no weapons or masks please

Thursday: Disco Day/ 70's theme

Friday: Character Day - favorite book or movie character

The Beaumont Foundation Happy Hour is this Friday, November 2nd. It's not too late to offer connections for food or wine donations or to buy tickets for the event. Please see articles below for ways you can support Beaumont!

## The PTA Clothes Closet Needs Your Help on November 1

Every school takes a couple of days in the school year to help PPS students choose gently used, seasonally appropriate clothing. Currently,

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Beaumont only has **2 out of 6** volunteer positions filled. If you can spare a couple of hours between 9:30 am to 1:30 pm this Thursday, it would help a great deal. The more volunteers we have the more students we can serve. [Please sign up](#) and come help Beaumont give back at PPS' Clothes Closet at the Grant/Marshall High School campus.

### Politics and Public Education

The Beaumont PTA has pulled together a list of important dates and resources for both students and adults to support conversations and decisions in this year's political season. Students are naturally curious – especially if their parents are preoccupied with the upcoming election. From PBS Parents, let these helpful ideas and resources guide your election discussion at home at [Helping Kids Understand the Election](#).

- \* You can track your ballot and make sure your vote is counted by visiting the [Oregon's My Vote website](#)
- \* November 6 – General Election Day for Oregon
- \* Please read up and consider joining the Oregon PTA in voting NO on Measures [103](#), [104](#) and [105](#).
- \* For more information on allowed activities during an election for the Oregon PTA, Portland Council PTA or Beaumont PTA, please review this [National PTA Checklist](#).

### Ping Pong for PE!

The PE department is looking for 8 ft. long folding tables. We've obtained 8 sets of ping pong table tops. We could use the tables as bases. Please email [Mr. Eltagonde](#) with any questions or information on how you can help. Thanks!

### FUNDRAISING



### Cheer on the Winterhawks for Beaumont

Come support Beaumont on **Friday, November 2nd** as the Hawks take on the Royals in the Moda

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Hour  
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Petitions Due  
11/5 OMSI TAG Night  
11/6 Last Day to Turn in  
Ballots - Vote!  
11/7 Picture Retake Day  
11/16 Benson Shadow  
Day

Center. [Discounted tickets](#) are available for \$17. For every ticket sold **\$5 goes back** to our school!  
GO Hawks!



### **HELP! We Need Your Connections**

The Beaumont Foundation is gearing up to host our Annual Happy Hour on Friday, **November 2nd** and cannot wait to get the party started! Do you or does someone you know have a connection to a

Portland restaurant

Distributor or brewer

Chef or anyone that may be willing to make a donation of goods to support this fundraiser.

100% of the proceeds from this event go back into the Beaumont Foundation which raises funds for Beaumont staffing positions **BUT** we can only do that when delicious bites to eat and good beverages to drink are donated for the event.

If you have any leads or hookups you'd be willing to tap - email [us!](#)

See below for Happy Hour ticket information and why the Foundation is so important to our school.

### **Beaumont Happy Hour**

The Beaumont Foundation invites you to join Beaumont teachers, staff and fellow parents for a festive evening on **November 2nd**. This is a great opportunity to meet other families while giving you the ability to make a donation to benefit Beaumont Middle School.

[Purchase](#) \$25 tickets in advance or \$35 day of event (both include all food and beverage)

Please also consider signing up for a monthly donation to the Beaumont Middle School Foundation by heading over to the [All Hands Raised website](#) and selecting Beaumont as your recipient. If

you sign up before November 5th, you will be entered into a drawing for Nike gear for your kiddo!  
(see *Fall Appeal article below for more details*)

Why donate to the Beaumont Foundation? Over the past several years, donations have helped fund programs like Academic Support, Art, Drama, Foreign languages, Health, and Music/Band.

Thank you! Together, we make a huge difference.

### **Fall Foundation Fundraising Appeal**

Did you know of the 553 Beaumont families only 20 contribute monthly to the Beaumont Foundation? Help us reach our goal of increasing that to 100 families by the fall Happy Hour on November 2nd. Families who sign up to give at least \$5 monthly will be entered to win 1 of 3 Nike gift certificates!\* The drawing will be held on campus the first week of November.

#### [Donate Online](#)

1. Enter \$5 or more under Donation Type
2. Select Recipient "Select a PPS School"
3. Select "Beaumont MS" from the Select a School drop down menu.
4. Select 'Recurring Gift' under Donation Type
5. Don't forget to ask your employer to match your contribution!

What is the Foundation and why do we need one? The Beaumont Foundation is a parent-led organization with a simple mission: Raise money to pay for teachers and specialists above the level allocated by the school district. We help pay for needed educators when public funding falls short. While the PTA and other organizations raise money and contribute greatly to the success of Beaumont, the Foundation is the only parent organization that can directly fund additional staffing.

**\*Fine print:** Drawing will be for three (3) \$120 gift cards and a pass to the Nike Employee store to purchase \$200 worth of Nike items (The store provides a 40% discount to shoppers). Each pass must be used by the end of the year and scheduled in a 3-day window at the winner's convenience.



**Do You Drink Canned or Bottled Beverages?**

Did you know Oregon Bottle Drop centers offer an easy way to donate your 10 cent beverage deposits to charitable organizations? There are [2 easy ways to donate](#): 1) sign up for your own account and link it to Beaumont or contact the Beaumont PTA and we can pick them up and get them counted. All money raised through this program will support Beaumont staff and students.

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## **SCHOOL NEWS**

### **Student Backstage Pass Program**

Encourage your students to apply for a Backstage Pass! Backstage Pass is a positive behavior incentive program for Beaumont students. To qualify students must have all C's or better on their report card and no recent referrals (within 1 month of applying). Students have from **October 22 to November 2** to get all of the needed signatures before turning their Backstage Pass Petition in to their School Counselor. Once students turn it in, they will receive a bracelet that will get them occasional random prizes in the hallway, \$1 off school dances, two field trips a year, among other incentives. Petitions can be found [here](#), in the office or with Core teachers.

### **Thank You, Beaumont Families!**

Thanks so much to everyone who donated to my DonorsChoose project "Immersed in Spanish". Because of your generosity the project has been funded and we will be getting 32 new books in Spanish for the Beaumont Library! Thank you, Jennifer Middelstadt, Library Assistant

### **Family Night at OMSI**

Monday, **November 5th** is family night at OMSI. You and your kiddos can see the new King Tut exhibit for a reduced price. This event is sponsored by the Department of Talented and Gifted Education/PPS. More details are available [here](#)

### **Community Agent Available for Vietnamese Families**

My name is Anh and I am a PPS community agent for the Vietnamese community. Please find the Vietnamese CA Menu of Services [here](#). If you need me, please call (503) 320-5354. I'm looking forward to working with our Vietnamese students and families at Beaumont!

PPS Community Agents are also available in Spanish, Somali, Maay-Maay, Russian, Chinese

and Arabic. If needed, call the Beaumont office at (503) 916-5610.

### **Madison and Benson at Beaumont**

Representatives from Madison High School and Benson High School will visit Beaumont 8th graders during 1st period on **November 1st** to share information about their schools. On November 16th, Benson High will host its 8th Grade Shadow Day. Information and permission slips are available from [PPS](#)

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## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Recess Monitors Needed**

The fall weather is upon us and it may not be as pleasant to be outdoors some days but teachers still need help during lunch recesses. Please consider sharing 20 minutes of your time to help staff monitor students at either recess period. ***There are only 2 slots filled between now and winter break.*** [Sign up](#) for a spot or many spots! Staff really, really appreciate it!

### **The Morning Mile - Volunteers Needed!**

Beaumont is launching an internationally acclaimed walking/running program called The Morning Mile. Mr. Eltagonde is seeking a few parents willing to spend about 30 minutes before school on Friday mornings supervising students as they walk or run. It's an easy job (play music, pass out straws, record some numbers on a spread sheet) which provides fresh air, happy faces, a blast of energy each morning and a bunch of amazing kids destined to live better and longer. Please [sign up!](#)

### **Beautifying Beaumont**

The school grounds require volunteer help a couple of times a year to keep things looking spiffy. If you are interested in helping maintain the grounds, we are looking for volunteers to help out again one Saturday morning in the winter and the spring. Please contact our [volunteer coordinators](#) if you are interested in helping out.

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## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **Dance with the Grant Gendrills!**

The Grant Gendrills dance team invites all K-8 students to Grant High School for a day of dance and fun on Saturday, December 1st. Dancers will be

divided into age groups and will learn a dance routine. There will be a showcase for parents later in the day. Cost is \$35 (scholarships available). You can pre-register by [email](#) or fill out the [registration form](#) and pay at the door. [Email](#) Coach Kali or check out [the flyer](#) for more information.

## **Madison Cluster Portland Interscholastic League**

[PIL Youth Sports](#) have many benefits. Children learn to be confident on the field, and it positively impacts their self-esteem. When they achieve their goals in a contest it influences goal-setting later in life. Working as a team helps them achieve a common goal and develop communication and problem solving skills that will benefit them on and off the field. The memories made playing youth sports last a lifetime.

All students must turn in the appropriate [paperwork](#) (student participation form and student physical) to participate. Students must play in the High School Cluster where they reside and provide proof of enrollment. If you don't know which Cluster you live in, please [click here](#) and type in your address. Fees are \$150 or \$60 for free/reduced lunch families for the season. For more information, call the PIL District Office, (503) 916-3223

Practice and tryout information (all held at Madison High School)

### **Boys Basketball**

**11/4** 10am (6th); 11am (7th); 12pm (8th)

Cluster Coordinator: [Ellis Mathews](#)

### **Girls Basketball**

**11/4**, 2-5pm (all grades)

Cluster Coordinator: [Cliff Vogl](#)

### **Wrestling**

Practices begin **11/12** on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays (Madison Mat Room)

Cluster Coordinator: [Sarah Holmes](#)

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### **Boys Basketball**

**11/3** 11-12:30pm (7th); 12:45-2:15pm (6th); 12:45pm (8th)

**11/4** 8:30-10am (6th); 10:15-11:45am (7th); 12:00-1:30pm (8th) Cluster Coordinator: [Jennifer Zamora](#)

### **Girls Basketball**

**11/3 and 11/4** 3:30-5:30pm (6th), 5:30-7:30pm (7th & 8th) Cluster Coordinator: [Jean Marshburn](#)

### **Wrestling**

Practices begin **11/13** on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:15-7:30pm Cluster Coordinator: [John Taylor](#)

### **Safe Routes to School**

Fresh air and exercise in your child's day are great reasons to add in a walk or roll but there are other benefits too. Take a look at PBOT's [Safe Routes website](#) to learn more. You can find out about bike safety community rides and tune-up sessions, where to report safety concerns and a calendar of active, family-friendly events.

### **Idling Gets You Nowhere**

Vehicle idling means running the engine when you're not going anywhere. Unnecessary vehicle idling is bad for our air, wallets, car, and especially our kids.

School pick-up and drop-off times are key opportunities to reduce the amount of idling that happens near children, who are the most vulnerable to idling's health hazards.



### ***What Can You Do?***



\* Turn your vehicle off after 10 seconds - If you are waiting for your student for more than 10 seconds, turn off your engine.

\* Park and Walk – Help reduce idling and get some exercise by parking a few blocks from school and walking to drop-off or pick-up your child.

\* Spread the word - Talk to your family, friends & neighbors about the health and environmental benefits of reducing idling.

Beaumont Bobcats want to be idle free!

### **In-Home Guitar Lessons**

Playing guitar can be more fun than playing video games! [Guitar lessons](#) for kids 6-18 years old.



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