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Beaumont Newsletter for November 23, 2019



*Conferences are Monday and Tuesday!
Be sure to read below for all the information you need
to make it a successful and productive visit*



November is Native American Heritage Month. The Portland metro area rests on traditional village sites of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Chinook, Tualatin Kalapuya, Molalla and many other tribes and bands. These groups created communities and summer encampments along the Columbia and Willamette rivers and harvested and used the plentiful natural resources of the area for thousands of years. [Learn more](#) about Portland's Native American Community and find events around town this month!

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SCHOOL NEWS



*At this time of year when we take stock of all we have to be grateful for, the Beaumont PTA would like to give a huge shout out to all the wonderful volunteers who do so much for our school and our students. Whether you volunteer in the classroom, at recess, for Foundation or PTA events - we appreciate you! This work could not be done without every one of you.
Thank you!*

Beaumont "Pop-Up" School Store

The Beaumont "Pop-Up" School Store hosted by the Beaumont PTA will be selling Beaumont spirit gear and kettle korn to support the school during Parent-Teacher Conferences. **Store hours will be 1:30-7:00 PM on Monday and Tuesday.**

We are looking for parents and students to help take shifts at the table. Students can earn [Sparrow Club](#) hours and business skills! Please sign up* on [SignUpGenius](#) if you can help. **we need lots of volunteers!*

Check out our Spirit Gear for great gift ideas and grab some snacks while at the Parent-Teacher Conferences:

- **Beaumont spirit gear - Sweatshirts and t-shirts**
- **[Humdinger Kettle Korn](#) - Sweet and salty or caramel flavors**
- **Sparkling water and bottled water available**
- **Last Chance to join the Beaumont PTA for the year**

Cash, Venmo, check to Beaumont PTA, or credit card all accepted.

Parent-Teacher Conferences This Coming Week!

Conferences will be held on **November 25th and November 26th**. There will be no appointments for conferences, so please be prepared to see teachers on a first-come, first-served basis. Teachers are limited to 10 minutes or less for each student conference to ensure all families are accommodated. Teachers will be located in the cafeteria and the new gym.



If you plan to visit all 7 of your student's teachers, you will need to allocate approximately 70-90 minutes of time (including wait time). Additionally, Monday and evening sessions are usually busier, so if you want to avoid longer lines, please plan accordingly.

Conference schedule for both days:

8:30-10:20 Arena Conferences

10:20-10:30 Teacher Break

10:30 -12:30 PM Arena Conferences

12:30PM to 1:30 Teacher Lunch Break

1:30 PM to 3:30 PM Arena Conferences

3:30 to 3:40 PM Teacher Break

3:40 PM to 5:30 PM Arena Conferences

5:30 PM to 6:30 PM Teacher Dinner Break

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Arena Conferences

Other things to look for:

- Join the PTA if you haven't already
- Donate to the Beaumont Foundation
- Bring canned or dried food for the Beaumont Food Pantry
- Contribute new socks, gently used mittens, hats, jackets or other clothing in all sizes (infant to adult) for our Beaumont community closet
- Order a yearbook

Teacher Potluck - Can You Help?

Beaumont teachers work long days during conferences and the Beaumont PTA would like to provide dinner for them one night. Can you help by bringing something? [Please sign up](#) if you can contribute something to the potluck.

Thank you!

GOING, GOING....

GONE! Parents are reminded to check the Lost and Found for clothing and lunch bags when they come to Parent-Teacher **conferences on November 25th**

and 26th. The Lost and Found is located in the southwest corner of the Cafeteria. Currently there are more than 4 dozen coats, jackets and hoodies and over a dozen lunch bags. In early December, all items remaining in the Lost and Found will be cleared out and donated to PPS's Clothes Closet at the Marshall campus.



Parents:

While you are waiting to meet with your student's teachers on Monday, 11/25, stop by the Friends of Beaumont School table in the cafeteria. Please let YOUR PARENTS know about volunteer opportunities listed [on our website](#).

A dark grey flyer for Friends of Beaumont School. At the top, it says "Friends of Beaumont School" and "A community group supporting all students, faculty and staff". Below that, it lists "Our Goals" as "Recruit School Volunteers" and "Enhance the Library via Honor With Books". The "Next Meeting" is on "Wednesday, 12/11/19" at "10:00 a.m. School Office". The flyer includes a row of colorful icons: a red mug, a blue pencil holder with pencils, a yellow chair, a globe, and a red apple. At the bottom, the website "www.friendsofbeaumontschool.org" is displayed.

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Enhance the Library via Honor With Books

Next Meeting

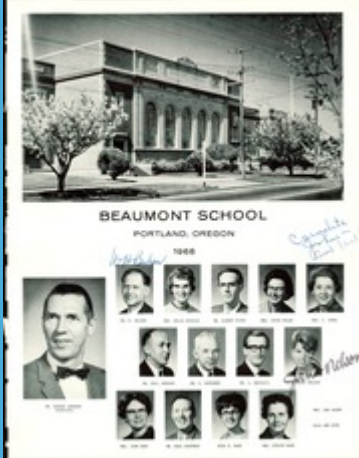
Wednesday, 12/11/19
10:00 a.m. School Office
Please join us!

www.friendsofbeaumontschool.org

YEARBOOK NEWS

Yearbook staff will be at conferences, so stop by our table, check out some previous yearbooks and pick up an order form. If you prefer to pay via check or cash, we can take your orders at conferences. We also have a list of who has already bought a yearbook if you are unsure.

Our award winning, student created, hard-cover Yearbooks are on sale for \$22 until Spring Break then the price will increase to \$25.



Not able to stop by at conferences? Yearbook order forms in the office or you can pay online through your [SchoolPay](#) account.

Beaumont SUN Girls on the Run

We are launching the Girls on the Run program at Beaumont and the team is looking for volunteer coaches! Girls on the Run is a program for 3rd- to 5th-grade girls and **Heart & Sole** is for 6th- to 8th-grade girls. We plan to launch the middle school girls. **Practices start in March and go until May 18**, meeting 2x per week.

(There are no practices over spring break and practice days have not been determined yet). You do not have to be a runner, and no prior coaching experience is required! We are looking for individuals who are simply passionate about encouraging girls to find their limitless potential. Please reach out to [Deb Pleva](#) if you have questions and/or [check out the link](#).



Trail Blazers and 2 Beaumont Community Nights This Season

Come join fellow Beaumont Middle School supporters at the Moda Center for our Beaumont Middle School Community Nights! We have two game options this season:

- Tuesday, **December 10th vs. New York Knicks** - Purchase Deadline: December 6th
- Tuesday, **April 7th vs. Cleveland Cavaliers** - Purchase Deadline: March 6th

Tickets start at \$24

All ticket holders are invited to enter the arena 30 minutes early to watch warm ups before doors open! A portion of the ticket sales will be donated to the Beaumont Middle School PTA. To buy tickets or for more information, check out [Beaumont's Blazers link](#).



December 16 is Beaumont's Day

Volunteers are needed to help at the [PTA Clothes Closet](#) at Madison High School's Marshall campus (SE 91st Avenue) on **Monday, December 16 from 9 am to 1 pm**. [Please sign up](#) to help PPS students find winter jackets, shoes, warm clothes and other necessities. **we still need several volunteers*



BottleDrop

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Beaumont BottleDrop Update

Last year we kicked off the Beaumont BottleDrop fundraiser. To date this has earned Beaumont \$1,325 with an additional \$400.30 and counting for this fall season. Collecting bottles and cans really does add up! Thanks to everyone who has participated.

As this is an ongoing fundraiser, please email [Marty Stockton](#) if you would like Beaumont PTA BottleDrop blue bags delivered to you. There is also a supply in the school's main office.

8th Grade Families Only - **BABY ADS!**

It's time to place your BABY AD for the 2020 Yearbook.

The deadline to place a baby ad in the yearbook is February 15. Please follow the link below to get your baby ad in the yearbook:

1. Find an adorable photo of your child as a baby / toddler
2. Pay \$15 for the ad on [SchoolPay](#)
3. Use the [following link](#) to upload the photo

RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES



Do You or Your Student Need a Laptop or Internet Service?

Internet Essentials from Comcast brings affordable, high-speed Internet to your home so you can have greater access to homework, job opportunities, healthcare and benefits, education resources, and more. Check to see if you meet [eligibility requirements \(en espanol\)](#)



LatinoNetwork

Conexiones, through [Latino Network](#), is a program offered at Beaumont supporting 7th and 8th Grade students to develop self-confidence as Latins/as and to achieve academically and socially. Register through [SUN School](#).

BPDx

The Black Parent Initiative (BPI) provides a parent group supporting parents of black students, to strengthen family and school communications, increase child advocacy, and build a cultural presence within the school. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Beaumont Library at 6 pm. Dinner is provided.

Contact Stephanie Harvey for more information.

COMMUNITY NEWS



In the dark days of Portland winters, we need to adjust our driving and walking habits to keep everyone safe. Depth perception, color recognition and peripheral vision can be compromised in the dark, and the glare of headlights from oncoming vehicles can temporarily blind drivers and pedestrians.

Here are some tips to improve road safety:

- **Slow down** near all crosswalks, intersections and stops. Cyclists and pedestrians will be harder to see.
- **Adjust your speed** according to weather conditions.
- **Maintain a safe distance** between the vehicles in front of you. Changes in weather and lighting require additional space in between vehicles to react appropriately.
- **Keep your windshield, windows and mirrors clean.** Fill up your windshield wiper fluid.

- **Check your defrosters and windshield wipers** to make sure they are working properly.
- **Minimize distractions.** It doesn't matter whether the road is familiar or not, driving and walking during dark is always more dangerous.
- **Pay attention to your surroundings and look up at intersections.** As a pedestrian, make eye contact with drivers and keep volume down on earbuds if you must wear them.

WINTER TRAVEL ONE-STOP SHOP

At three Fix-It Fair events

bit.ly/fixitfair



BLING YOUR THING

Bring an item to decorate with reflective stickers from CeerAid. Stay safe traveling in the dark while looking fly with your custom bling. Items can be a personal item like a jacket or bag, or a mobility device like a bike, wheelchair, or skateboard.



FREE BIKE REPAIR

Free bike repair provided by Bikes for Humanity PDX.



ALL-SEASON CYCLING CLASS

Join us for an interactive session to learn tips and techniques for staying dry, comfortable and safe while riding all year round.



ADVICE AND INFO ON GETTING AROUND

Talk to a PBOT staff about a travel challenge and get connected to resources.



TIPS FOR A HAPPY BIKE

Learn how to give your bike a 5-minute tune-up to keep your bike happy when the weather is gloomy.

SEE YOU AT FIX-IT-FAIR!



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FREE family events: Winter Fix-It Fairs

Embrace the rain and learn how to stay safe and comfortable while getting around Portland on foot, by bike or by transit all winter long.

Fix-It Fairs are **FREE** events that teach you easy ways to save money and keep your family healthy.

Join us for Fix-It Fairs at:

- [Ockley Green Middle School on Saturday, January 25](#)
- [Floyd Light Middle School on Saturday, February 29](#)

Reminder: Newsletter Deadline

If you have an announcement that would be of interest to the school community,

please email to the [Beaumont Newsletter Coordinator](#) for inclusion in the newsletter.
Submissions by 10 pm on Thursdays will be included in that week's newsletter.



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