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Starting Wednesday, October 12th and continuing every 2nd Wednesday of the month, from 8:45am to 9:15am, you are invited to join Principal McGee for coffee and conversation, featuring a monthly school update.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

You are invited to our *in-person* **Back to School Night**, on Wednesday, September 21st, from 6:00pm to 8:50pm. This evening's event is an opportunity for our teachers to present their curriculum and classroom expectations with parents and guardians. Due to the limited passing time, teachers will not have an opportunity to meet with parents or guardians individually.

For interested parents or guardians of senior students, there will be a presentation by our school counselors at 5:30pm in the auditorium on "The Grant College Application Process".

There will also be a TAG presentation in the Library starting at 5:30pm.

We strongly encourage you to follow your student's schedule in ParentVue. You may also have your student fill out the form shown below (printable version) to help guide you.

Period	Time	Class	Room	Teacher
	5:30-6:00 pm	Senior Parent Meeting	Auditorium	Counselors
	5:30-6:00 pm	TAG Presentation	Library	Paige Battle
	6:05 - 6:35	Principal Greeting & Student presentations	Gymnasium	James McGee
A Block 1	6:45 - 7:55		Rm	
2	7:02 - 7:12		Rm	
3	7:19 - 7:29		Rm	
4	7:36 - 7:46		Rm	
5	7:53 - 8:03		Rm	
6	8:10 - 8:20		Rm	
7	8:27 - 8:37		Rm	
8	8:44 - 8:51		Rm	

You will have ten minutes in each of your student's classes with a seven minute passing time. A bell will sound at the beginning, and end, of each class.

We would like to take this opportunity to highlight several evening events happening this fall. Remember, the Grant HS website is the go-to place for all things Grant.

• Club Fair - Sept. 28th & 29th during lunch

- Homecoming Football Game vs. Lincoln @ Marshall Sept 30th @ 7:00 pm
- Homecoming Dance Oct 1st @ Grant @ 7:00 pm
- Fall Band Concert Oct. 11th @ 7:00 pm
- Fall Choir Concert Oct. 12th @ 7:00 pm
- PSAT Testing Day Oct 12th
- Teacher PD Day / No School Oct 14th
- Fall Dance Showcase Oct 18th @ 7:00 pm
- Picture Retake Day Oct 19th
- Fall Theater Production "Middletown" -

Teacher/Parent Conferences will be Monday, November 21st & Tuesday, November 22, 2022 more information to follow.



NATIONAL MERIT SEMI FINALISTS

Principal McGee would like to congratulate this year's National Merit Semi Finalists: Jasmine Erringer, Dylan Jacobs, Eva Lieberman, and Athena Wooters

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

All things Student Activities:

We are excited to announce several upcoming Student Activities available for our GHS student body!

- 1. **Blood Drive** September 20th at GHS. Check your student emails for the link to sign up if you'd like to donate, limited appointments available. We will have another drive in the spring.
- 2. Clubs Student run clubs are a great way to get involved and make connections at school. All clubs (new or returning) are required to submit a charter (more info <u>HERE</u> and in your student email) yearly. The deadline for clubs wishing to participate in Club Fair is 9/16, but charters can be submitted at any time throughout the year. Club Fair will happen during the last week of September and is a great opportunity for students to connect with club leaders. More details to come as it approaches.
- 3. Spirit Week & Homecoming Grant will be celebrating Spirit/Homecoming Week September 26th-30th. Spirit Days, Club Fair, a Spirit Assembly, and much more will be happening throughout the week. We are excited to announce this week will include a Homecoming Dance! The dance is open to all Grant students (no guests). It will take place at Grant on Saturday, October 1st from 7-10pm. Tickets will be on sale during Spirit Week for \$15 cash only, no tickets sold at the door, and a dance permission slip is required before you can buy a ticket! Permission slips will be available in the main office and online soon. We will need some volunteers to assist at this dance (door monitors, coat check room, refreshments area, etc.) please contact Erin McNulty emcnulty@pps.net if you can help.

National Honors Society is an organization dedicated to recognizing outstanding upperclassmen for their leadership, scholarship, character, and service. If you are a junior or senior with a GPA of 3.3 or higher and are interested in joining, please fill out <u>this google form</u> before Friday, October 7th. Our first meeting will be during lunch on October 13.

If you were inducted as a junior last year, please do not fill out this form. You will receive an email with information about how to participate this year.

You can reach out to us at grantnhsmail@gmail.com if you have any questions, and follow our instagram @grantnhs_ for updates about this year's program.

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STUDENT REMINDERS

Bike riders: All bikes need to be parked and locked in bike rack areas only. The safety team is asking that U locks be used instead of cable locks.

• Student drivers: If you park your vehicle in the Grant neighborhood please do not block driveways. You risk being towed.

• The School front doors, art building doors, back sky bridge, and Hollyrood doors open at 8:00am.

• The Library is open for students who arrive early to school.

• Students who arrive late to school will need to enter through the front doors of Grant, and then through the main office doors to check in at the attendance window in the main hallway.

• Students arriving late to the Art Building or Hollyrood need to push the call box next to the entrance doors. To gain access they need to present their late pass or student ID card.

• Students leaving early need to check out through the main office, unless they have an open period at the end of the day.

- The parking lot is for staff use only.
- See Ms. Xochihua in the Library for StudentVue and password assistance.

• Parents can excuse their students with an email to our attendance office (grantattend@pps.net), a phone call to 503-916-5160, or come in person to the main office.

Unanswered questions? If you have not found the answers to your questions in this bulletin please call us at 503-916-5160 for more assistance.

PTA

The reviews are in! People are raving about their experience at our in-person PTA meeting this past Tuesday:

"Gee, I've never been in the library before...it's nice" – said one mom

"Principal McGee really did tell me interesting things I didn't know" -- said a dad who pays attention

"Those leadership students were so helpful and made me feel good about the future of our nation" -- Alison, PTA President

Did you miss it? Mark your calendar for our next meeting on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, 6:30-8:00 in the Grant Library. This is a revised date to avoid meeting on election night. Stay tuned for details about our meeting focus and speakers.

Have a topic you want to add to our agenda? Let us know at grantptaboard@gmail.com

You don't need to be a member to attend our meetings but we sure would like your help on the ROAD TO 500 MEMBERS[™]! Join today! <u>www.oregonpta.org/membership</u>

Big news! Grant PTA voted to endorse Measure 114, which is on the November ballot. More information can be found at <u>www.lifteveryvoiceoregon.com</u>. We also elected Melissa Sullivan as PTA Vice- President - congrats to her and us!

Time to shop! We've worked with the school office to make a spreadsheet listing all the supplies our students and teachers still need for a great year. https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KsrVWEC6F3Pg5ZuzB0Waf2UCU0CJLjplPRNdWh3A gC0/edit?usp=sharing

Check out this exhausting but not exhaustive list of Grant focused social media accounts:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vRwHcZFJPULPOOHMDPaa_MhQ5G4fSDFi7 kMVIfc7u3eqaq4P0ZJxpYX5YrZYBIGObCQ9OFtN7oEFevU/pub

Pastini Fundraiser

From September 12 through October 16, Grant PTA, along with Irvington Elementary and Tubman Middle School, will receive a portion of the profits from the Pastini restaurant on NE Broadway. Get your noodle on!

Even easier fundraiser

Please link your Fred Meyer Rewards and Amazon Smile programs to benefit Grant PTA - the money really adds up to make a big difference!

https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards Our nonprofit number is UR833 http://smile.amazon.com

ATHLETICS

Grant Women's Lacrosse Information

Yes, lacrosse season is still months away but planning is starting now! In fact, fall practices are just around the corner. They will be starting on **Oct. 2nd.** While these weekly practices are optional, they are a great way to meet teammates and have some fun. Beginners are welcome!

If you are interested in playing on Grant Womens Lacrosse team this year, please reach out to **Heather Whiteford at whitefordheather@yahoo.com** to make sure you are on the email list. This will insure you don't miss out on any important information like fall practices, registration, gear purchases, etc.

Eastside High Schools Ski Team - Information Meetings

Do you love to ski? Do you want to learn more about your high school ski team?!

High school students from Cleveland, Grant, Franklin, Benson, and other high schools or private schools on the eastside of Portland are eligible to ski on the club team and compete for their school. Racers will compete in 7 OISRA (<u>https://www.oisra.org/</u>) race events. The Eastside Ski

Team is open to skiers intermediate and above and has a strong tradition of supporting every member regardless of competitive placement.

We will be having our annual informational meeting on the following dates:

- Grant High School Thursday, September 22 at 7pm / Library
- Cleveland High School Tuesday, September 27 at 7pm / Library

All meetings are open to any student/parent in the eastside area school district within our league boundaries including Grant, Cleveland, Franklin, & Benson.

Come to whichever meeting best fits your schedule.

You can also check out the website <u>https://www.eastsideskiteam.com/</u> and follow us on Instagram @eastsidepdxskiteam.

Questions? Email : eastpdxskiteam@gmail.com

YEARBOOKS

Welcome back Generals! Yearbook is back in full swing, and we have already begun making this year's book. Some important information:

Senior Portrait and Quote Due Date: 10/31. It will be a hard deadline this year. Please schedule your photographers <u>now</u>, because if photos are submitted after this date, there is very little guarantee that we will be able to get them into the yearbook. Please note, students must be signed into their PPS Google account to fill out these forms.

Link for senior portrait submission Link for senior quote submission

Yearbooks are ON SALE NOW! Buy your yearbook on <u>SchoolPay</u> before January 1st and pay our early bird price of \$55. There will be a price increase, so order now! This is the only way to guarantee you get a yearbook this year, there will not be another print run.

We strive to be inclusive to all of our trans and nonbinary identifying students. If your student uses a name that is different from what the school has on record *please* reach out to us so we can make sure we use the correct name in our book. Email dgranias@pps.net and emartincollier7230@student.pps.net for name changes.

Lastly, we have room available on the Yearbook staff. If your student is interested in being a part of the yearbook, please encourage them to talk to their counselor to transfer in. We hold class during 8th period.

TRIVORY, GRANT'S OFFICIAL STUDENT APP!

Trivory is our **official app of Grant High School**, and although it is primarily for students, families should use it, too! This app will be used to help students stay in the know about upcoming school events and activities, school-wide announcements, weekly student video announcements, bell schedules, important dates, links to social media, and more! Download the free app through the Apple Store or Google Play. Watch <u>this helpful tutorial</u> created by our own Grant Leadership students.

On a side note, big shoutout to Terren Gurule, Roosevelt High School senior, who created the amazing app!

TESTING

CollegeBoard Advanced Placement Program

Advanced Placement test registration is now open for the 2022-2023 school year. Registration happens now in the fall for tests that will happen in May of 2023. The registration window for AP tests closes on November 1, 2022.

<u>Here</u> is a slideshow with detailed instructions for students about how to enroll in AP Classroom, register for the exam and apply for financial aid/pay for AP exams. Students should have completed steps 1-2 in their AP classes. Step 3 needs to be completed at home with parents.

PSAT/NMSQT[°]

On Wednesday, October 12, 2022 Grant will be administering the PSAT/NMSQT to all 10th graders. They do not need to register for this test as they are automatically registered. We will also be offering this test to our 11th graders who wish to sign up and pay the \$20 fee, payment is made on <u>School Pay</u>. There are limited PSAT tests available to 11th graders, so this is on a first come first serve sign up basis.

Once they have paid they need to see Ms. Martin in the main office to receive their Study Guide and be placed on the testing list. This test qualifies for Financial Aid through the Free and Reduced program. Any questions contact April Martin at amartin2@pps.net or Steven Benson at sbenson@pps.net.

GHS RESOURCE CENTER

September is Suicide Prevention Month

Each one of us can play a vital role in ensuring that young people of all identities are provided with safe, accepting and supportive environments at home, at school and in their communities. Now, more than ever we need to find ways to stay connected and offer support. As a parent/caregiver, you can be a lifeguard for your children by understanding the warning signs and risk factors of suicide and providing the youth in your life with support and access to resources. Though recognizing these waring signs and risk factors does not automatically mean that someone is considering suicide, but they may be helpful factors to keep in mind when concerns arise. If you recognize some of the warning signs of suicide in someone you know, or feel that someone you know is at risk for suicide, there are steps you can take to help. When you CARE (Connect, Accept, Respond, Empower), you can potentially save a life: Connect the person to resources and to a supportive, trusted adult. Accept and listen to the person's feelings and take them seriously. Respond if a person has a plan to attempt suicide get help immediately via 911, or the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 988 (call or text). Empower the person to ask for help. It is okay to talk about suicide, it can help others feel comfortable sharing their own experiences rather than hiding it all inside. If a student reports having suicidal thoughts or you have concerns about a student at risk, be sure to share this with your school counselor or school social worker, they are specially trained in crisis response and will help you know what to do next.



Parent resources:

We encourage you to visit <u>www.sossignsofsuicide.org/parent</u> for information on warning signs for youth suicide, useful resources, and some of the key messages students will learn. This is a evidence based program that Grant High School uses for suicide prevention.

A new resource activated nationwide this summer is the <u>988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline</u>. The Lifeline and its partners are working to change the conversation from suicide to suicide prevention, and to initiate actions that can promote healing, help, and hope. The Lifeline provides 24/7 free, confidential support to people in distress; prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones; and best practices for professionals. Call or text 988 or chat <u>988lifeline.org/chat</u>.

A state-level resource:

- <u>YouthLine</u>, which is a free, confidential teen-to-teen crisis and help line. Students can call 1-877-968-8491, text teen2teen to 839863 or email teen2teen@LinesforLife.org.
- Multnomah County Crisis Line 503-988-4888
- The Oregon Suicide Prevention website

Fentanyl Awareness/Substance Abuse

For those of you who were unable to attend the Substance Abuse and Fentanyl awareness event on April 19th, here is a link to the recording of the event: <u>http://bigvillagepdx.org/</u> For any behavioral health needs (including substance use treatment resources), consider calling the Multnomah County Crisis Line: 503-988-4888.

- State-wide substance use resources, please see this guide from the Oregon Health Authority.
- <u>Health Share/Care Oregon Searchable Directory</u>.
- <u>PPS REAHL page</u>.

<u>A FREE, interactive class</u> where parents and teens explore some of the most influential forces in young people's lives including substances, technology, vaping and brain development.



<u>NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)</u> offers several ongoing parent and family support groups. For more information visit the website: <u>https://www.namimultnomah.org/family-support-groups</u>.

In This Together is a program that supports children, teens, and families who have experienced the death of someone close to them. Our support groups are offered **at no cost to participants**. Experiencing the death of someone can be a lonely and confusing time in a child's life. When children and teens attend an **In This Together** group, they discover they are not alone in their grief. They are able to look at one another and realize "we are **In This Together**."



IN PERSON GROUP SCHEDULED OCT 25 - NOV 29

advanced registration is required for **In This Together** groups contact clinical coordinators below for registration and additional information



Grant High School now has Confidential Advocates on campus. What does an advocate do? Advocates provide 100% confidential support to PPS youth of all genders. This includes connecting you to resources and walking alongside you regardless of whether you choose to report to law enforcement or participate in a school-based investigation under Title IX. For more information please refer to <u>Title IX services</u>.

Students, families, and PPS affiliates are welcome to call or text our confidential advocacy hotline at (503) 809-HELP (4357). Operating hours are Monday-Friday 9am-5pm, but texts and voicemails received during off hours will be responded to promptly. We are thrilled to be offering this service as we want to make connecting with advocacy services more accessible for our whole community.

COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER

Upcoming Events:

Paying for College Webinars:

Tuesday, September 27th at 6:00 pm (in English) register at: <u>https://bit.ly/PFCOR2022</u> Thursday, September 29th at 6:00 pm (in Spanish) register at: <u>https://bit.ly/PFCS2022</u>

• Participants will be able to use the Q & A function to ask personal questions, which will be answered by some of Oregon's financial aid administrators. Questions may be asked anonymously, as we want families to feel comfortable asking those hard questions!

FAFSA/ORSAA Virtual Event - College Goal Oregon: October 19th at 6:30 pm

• The College Place Oregon will be teaming up with OSAC to provide a virtual College Goal Oregon event, a free event that helps students and families complete the FAFSA or ORSAA. Registration and additional information at: <u>https://bit.ly/CollegeGoalOregon</u>

COLLEGE VISITS: Students can view and register for all upcoming college visits on MaiaLearning -> Events

9/19: Dartmouth College @ 11:45 am in the College & Career Center

9/20: University of British Columbia - Okanagan @ 11:45 am in the College & Career Center

- 9/20: University of Puget Sound @ 3:00 pm in the South Forum
- 9/20: Emerson College @ 3:00 pm in the College & Career Center
- 9/21: Knox College @ 11:45 am in the College & Career Center
- 9/21: Seattle University 3:00 pm in the College & Career Center
- 9/22: Southern Oregon University @ 11:45 am in the College & Career Center
- 9/22: Whitman College @ 3:00 pm in the College & Career Center

9/22: Clark University @ 3:00 pm in the South Forum

<u>Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines</u>:

- **<u>Questbridge National College Match</u>**: Deadline September 28, 2022
- **NSHSS Foundation Business & Public Policy Scholarship**: September 30, 2022 at 11:59 pm ET
- **<u>NW Fire Diversity Council Scholarship</u>**: Deadline October 1, 2022
- <u>The Skanner Foundation Scholarship</u>: Deadline October 8, 2022
- **2023 National YoungArts Foundation Scholarship**: Deadline October 14, 2022 at

11:59 pm ET

- Western Golf Association Evans Scholarship: Deadline October 15, 2022
- NSHSS Foundation Stem Scholarship: Deadline October 15, 2022 by 11:59 pmEST
- U.S. Bank Student Scholarship: Deadline October 30, 2022 at 11:59:59 pm CT
- **VFW Voice of Democracy Scholarship**: Deadline October 30, 2022 at midnight
- <u>Coca-Cola Scholars Program</u>: Deadline October 31, 2022

Career Exploration

TAG

Are you curious about careers in the construction trades (carpenters, electricians, welders, plumbers, laborers)? <u>iUrban Teen</u> is hosting a really cool Career Fair THIS Saturday, September 17th. Here are the details:

• iUrban Teen is in partnership with OSPI and NECA-IBEW to present a fun-filled day with hands-on workshops from Skilled Trades for men and women. Students get CRLEs in workshops with carpenters, pipe-fitters, electricians, laborers, and heavy equipment operators. (And then you can fill out a CRLE Reflection here). Lunch and great prizes are provided.

• Advanced registration on Eventbrite is required and is filling up fast. The deadline to register is THIS Friday, September 16th, 5PM: <u>https://itradespdx2022.eventbrite.com</u>.

LIBRARY NEWS

There will be a TAG (Talented and Gifted) Information Session from 5:30 - 5:55 p.m. in the Grant Library on Back to School Night.

STUDENT STORE

The Student Store is open for students for the first 15 minutes of lunch. They also offer a limited selection of brand-new items online. There will be more items and specials posted soon. Thanks for your school-spirit and for supporting the Grant High School community. Start shopping now!

https://www.instagram.com/ghs.studentstore/

https://twitter.com/GHStudentstore

NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL NURSE

For more information from our School Nurse visit the Grant school nurse webpage

Grant has a health room near the front office, room 197. We have a web page with information at <u>Grant School Nurse</u>. We have a RN and SHA (School health assistant). Grant does not have a Student health center. We refer to several area high schools that do have health centers operated by Multnomah County, <u>Student health center locations and hours</u>

If your child needs medication during the school day there are consent forms on the nurse web page. Please notify the health room if your child will need medication at school.

Jennifer Makinster, BSN, RN Multnomah Education Service District-School Health Services (MESD-SHS) Serving Grant High School 2245 NE 36th Avenue, Portland, OR 97212 Click this PPS link <u>Grant High School Nurse</u> for information and resources

LOST AND FOUND ITEMS

The Campus Safety Team has 2 rather large items that are waiting to be claimed. If you have lost an item and can give an accurate description it can be returned. If you are locking your bikes on

campus we strongly encourage you to use a U Lock instead of a cable lock. If you see something that causes you concern, say something!

We have a lost and found area on the lower level next to room 33. If students have lost clothing items or water bottles, they should check this area. If students have lost smaller items of value, such as; keys, jewelry, phones, chargers, etc. they need to check at the main office.

NUTRITION SERVICES

With the start of school, the Nutrition Services department appreciates everyone's patience as students learn about the cafeteria and remember their student IDs and the procedures. Lunch lines may appear longer and slower during the first few weeks, but as students recall and practice the procedures, the lines should become more efficient.

Our menus for August and September are now posted on our website. Similar to last year, we are still facing challenges with the local and national supply chain, so our menus may be subject to change with substitutions. For this reason, we will be posting the menus monthly to reflect the most updated and current information about the foods that we serve.

Whitney Ellersick, Senior Director, wellersi@pps.net

SAFEOREGON TIP LINE

SafeOregon was funded by the Oregon Legislature as part of a statewide effort to improve school safety. It provides a secure means for anyone to anonymously report suspicious or imminently unsafe situations, such as threats of violence, fights, drugs and alcohol, weapons, bullying, harassment, intimidation or self-harm. Anyone, from students to parents to community members, can access the system in a variety of ways, including:

> The "Report unsafe behavior" button found on every PPS school's website

> The <u>SafeOregon website https://www.safeoregon.com/</u>

> A live call/text (844-472-3367)

> An email to tip@safeoregon.com

> The mobile app that can be downloaded from your Smart Phone via iTunes or Google Play

Trained staff are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to respond. Please be sure to share this information with your friends and family. Remind your students: **If you see or hear something, say something – immediately.**

PPS COMMUNICATION TOOL

PPS has shifted family, student and staff communication to a new tool that gives schools the ability to send texts about emergencies, closures, delays and other important news. To receive text notifications, you must opt in to the service. <u>You opt in by texting YES to 68453</u>. Parents and students should confirm their cell numbers listed in the student information system. Staff should confirm their cell numbers are the "primary" number in the PeopleSoft system. For more information about texting, go to <u>www.pps.net</u> and click on the "Mobile First" button.

<u>BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS</u> must be received no later than the end of the day each Thursday for review. Send your submission to <u>sdavis@pps.net</u>.