



# FRIDAY NEWS NOTES



Friday, October 11, 2019

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 14-18:**  
Missoula Week

**October 15:**  
Site Council, 3:00pm

**October 17:**  
The Great Oregon Shake  
Earthquake Drill-10:17am

**October 18:**  
Missoula Performances,  
12:30pm and 7:00pm

**October 21:**  
RFTA Collection of  
Funds DUE

**October 24:**  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade TAG NNAT3  
Testing, 12:15pm-2:00pm

**October 25:**  
5<sup>th</sup> grade FT to MHCC  
Planetarium, 8:30am-  
12:30pm

Fall Fun Night,  
6:00pm-8:00pm

**October 28:**  
K Music Open Class,  
Bussey: 9:50am  
Evans: 10:25am

**October 29:**  
Picture Retake Day – AM  
  
1<sup>st</sup> grade Music Open Class  
Pawol: 9:45am

K Music Open Class,  
Graham: 12:35pm

**October 30:**  
1<sup>st</sup> grade Music Open Class  
Batty: 12:00pm  
Soulas: 12:35pm

## From Principal Galindo...

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503-916-6318

Dear Stephenson Learning Community,  
**Missoula Week Begins October 14th-18th**

This will be a busy week for 60 K-5 Stephenson students as they begin an incredible week of participating in Missoula Children's Theatre Residency of **The Tortoise Versus the Hare**. The final performances are scheduled for Friday, October 18. Student body performance begins at 12:30pm and evening performance is at 7:00pm. All tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased at the front doors prior to the performance. Please direct all questions to Jessica or Tamala at [stephenson.missoula@gmail.com](mailto:stephenson.missoula@gmail.com)

**RFTA Pledge Forms and \$\$\$ Due Monday, October 21st**

Please return ALL Pledge Forms and Funds to the main office by Monday, October 21st. If you would like your child to have a RFTA T-Shirt, please submit an additional \$9.00. All checks are payable to Young Audiences. Please contact Principal Galindo with any Questions regarding Pledge Forms, t-shirts or \$\$\$.

**The Great Oregon Shake Out Earthquake Drill Thursday, October 18th**

Stephenson will participate in the statewide Earthquake Drill on Thursday, October 18th at 10:17am. We will practice the full drill and review Duck, Cover and Hold On as well as evacuate the building (weather permitting).

**2nd grade NNAT3 (Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test, 3rd Edition) TAG Testing Thursday, October 24th**

2nd grade students will be tested by a district TAG proctor. The schedule is Jacobs from 12:15pm-1:00pm and Saunders from 1:10pm-1:55pm. Please contact our TAG coordinator, Courtney Pawol [cpawol@pps.net](mailto:cpawol@pps.net) or your child's teacher with any questions.

**Fall Fun Night-Volunteers Needed**

We are still looking for a few more **volunteers at Fall Fun Night**. We have a couple of slots open for **game set-up starting at 3PM day of** and break down after the event wraps up. We also still need parents to help **set up and sell at our bake sale**, and to **hand out pizza** and soda. If you are able to help with in anyway, you can sign up on Konstella or contact Ashley Geltosky ([geltosky.ashley@gmail.com](mailto:geltosky.ashley@gmail.com))

Thank you for your support and dedication to students and staff of Stephenson Elementary.

Respectfully,

Carlos

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District Title VI & Title IX Contact: (503) 916-3963

District 504 Contact: Student Services (503) 916-2000 x 71016



# Run for the Arts 2019









# FALL FUN NIGHT

Friday, October 25, 2019  
6 PM - 8 PM

Games! Pizza! Candy! Baked goods! Prizes!  
*(Don't forget to bring a bag to carry your treats)*

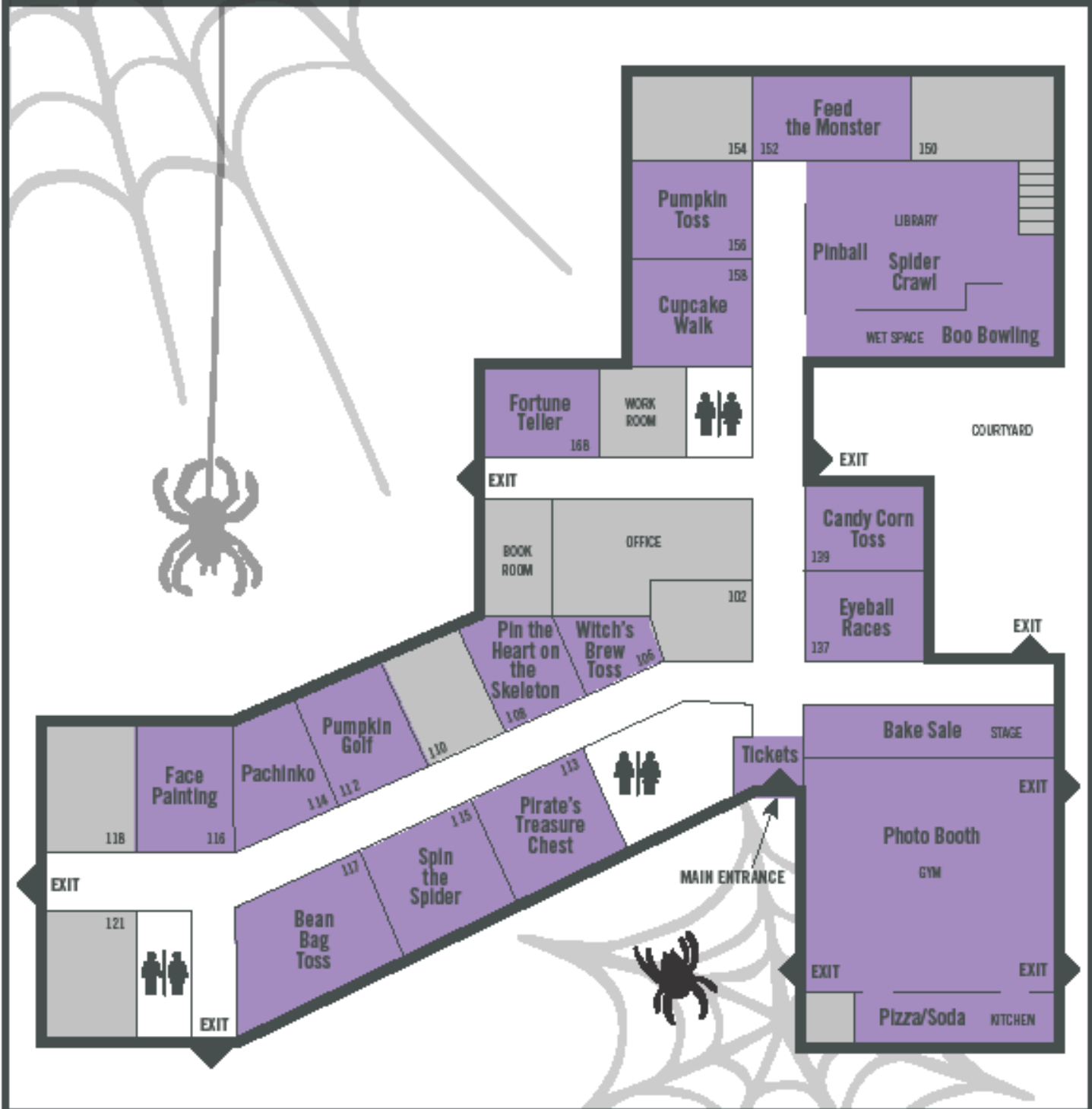
## PRE-ORDER WITH KONSTELLA

Use the Konstella app with your tablet or phone or online at [konstella.com](http://konstella.com).

Take the guesswork out of Fall Fun Night and pre-order your game passes! Pre-order ends October 23.

\$10 10-game pass  
\$20 unlimited games pass  
\$5 slice of pizza /soda CASH ONLY

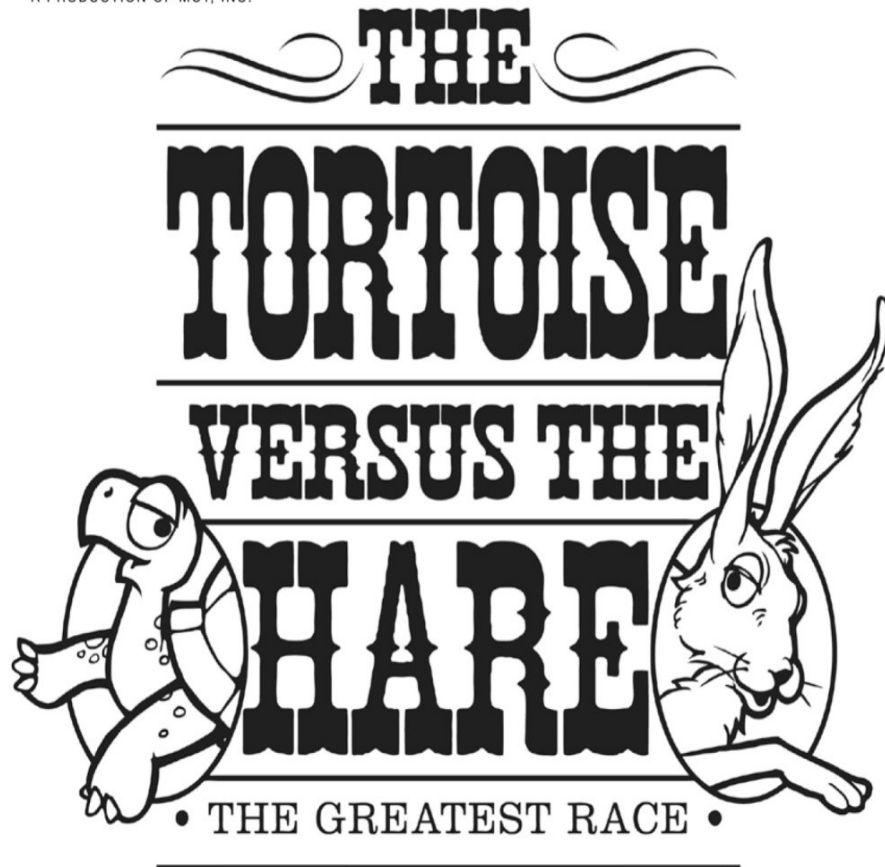
# FALL FUN NIGHT 2019 MAP



**Don't Miss the Show...**

MISSOULA  
**CHILDREN'S**  
THEATRE

A PRODUCTION OF MCT, INC.



Conceived and Written by  
Jim Caron

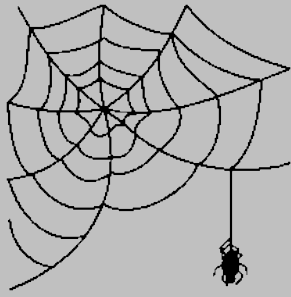
Music by  
Greg Boris

Lyrics by  
Jim Caron

**Stephenson Elementary**  
**Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**7 PM**

Tickets: \$5





We need bag candy donations for  
Fall Fun Night. Please bring all  
candy donations to the main office.



**Attention Stephenson Families!!!**

**Volunteers needed to help with the  
classroom Auction Art Projects for  
the Stephenson Auction ...  
February 8, 2020!**

**Classes still needing volunteers for ...**

- \*Mr. Graham (K) \*Ms. Soulas (1<sup>st</sup>)**
- \*Ms. Saunders (2<sup>nd</sup>)**
- \*Ms. Kim (4<sup>th</sup>) \*Mr. Robert (4<sup>th</sup>)**

**\*\*\*Please contact your classroom teacher ASAP  
if you are interested!!**

Young Audiences

# Run for the Arts



**\*Collection of Funds (Pledge Forms  
and MONEY DUE):  
October 21st, 2019**

Dear Stephenson Families,

Our community has become increasingly aware of the natural disasters that are happening around the world. We would like to be prepared for any disaster that might possibly occur in our neighborhood. Since we love and care for your children, the Stephenson staff are asking for families to prepare an emergency kit for each child to be kept at school. Please look out for a letter that will be sent home early next week. The letter will contain a list of items to include in each emergency kit.

Thank you,  
Stephenson Safety Committee

## Student Emergency/Comfort Kit

In a one gallon zip-lock bag labeled with your child's first name, last name and room number on the outside of the bag, please include the following:

- Change of underwear
- Two 6 oz. cans or plastic bottles of juice - no boxes please
- 3 small packets of snacks that are commercially sealed and preserved (e.g., dry fruit, beef jerky, granola bars, crackers, etc.) - NO loose snacks that could attract pests
- Small flashlight with fresh batteries
- A note from you explaining to your child to follow the teachers' directions, that you will pick him/her up as soon as you can, to remain calm and not to worry
- A family picture

**Make sure that your phone numbers are always up to date with the office.  
Please turn in your child's kit in to their classroom teacher by Friday, November 4th.**



# Student Emergency Kit

Dear Parents and Guardians:

In the event of a major emergency, Stephenson is asking parents and guardians to please prepare a personal emergency/comfort kit for each student. This one gallon zip-lock bag will contain the items listed on the back of this page. An example of a completed kit is in the display case by the front doors.

Please turn in your child's kit in to their **classroom teacher by Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019.** This is also a good time to make sure that your emergency contacts are updated in the office if you haven't already done so this year. Remember that a child may only be released to a person listed on the registration form that is filled out at the beginning of each school year. The non-local contact is requested so that if the local phone lines become inoperable, long distance lines may still be available.

These kits will be stored at school and will be returned to you at the end of the school year for you to save and replenish for the next school year. Please contact the office if you need assistance providing a kit for your child.

We would greatly appreciate anyone who is willing to donate some extra items (i.e. water and snacks) for families who need assistance.

If you have any questions or concerns about providing this kit, please contact your child's teacher.

Thank you,

Stephenson Safety Committee



**TAG News:** Thinking about TAG for your student? TAG stands for Talented and Gifted. Students can be identified as TAG in one, two or three areas, which are reading, math and intellectual. The identification comes when a student scores in the 95th or above percentile on nationally normed tests that are selected by the TAG department. You can begin by opening a dialogue with your child's teacher. Students can be nominated for TAG by parents and/or teachers. A nomination form acts like a permission slip to have your child tested in the area (s) you select. If you'd like to nominate your child for TAG you can pick up a nomination form from the TAG bulletin board. You can also access the nomination form from the TAG website: <https://www.pps.net/Page/3884> All nomination forms are due to your child's teacher or the TAG facilitator (Courtney Pawol) no later than **November 26th**. **Late applications are not accepted.**



**If you're the parent of a 4th or 5th grader, your child's state testing scores from the previous year may also qualify your child for TAG.**

- ◆ The TAG department has mailed the postcards identifying students whose 2019 state testing scores were in the 95th or above percentile in reading and/or math. If you received this post card and would like your child to be identified as TAG in reading and/or math you will still need to complete a nomination form, which you can pick up from the TAG bulletin board located outside of Ms. Saunder's room. You can also print one from the TAG website. There is no additional testing required in those areas (reading and math) if you received one of those postcards.
- ◆ Please note you may have received one of the post cards even if your child is already identified as TAG in reading or math. If this is the case, you do not need to complete a nomination form. Once you've been identified, you do not need to be reidentified. TAG identifications stay with a child through 12th grade.
- ◆ If you have questions contact Courtney Pawol at [cpawol@pps.net](mailto:cpawol@pps.net), TAG facilitator has office hours from 1:00pm-2:00pm on both conference days in room 117.



*Dr. RubyDawn Lyman, Coordinator of Pacific University's Talented and Gifted Specialization Program and teacher in HSD, will present 4 sessions on what it means to be gifted.*

## Multipotentiality and Your Child

1<sup>st</sup> session  
 Tuesday, October 15th  
 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 BESS – 501 N. Dixon  
 Level 1 WyEast

Additional workshops: December 3<sup>rd</sup>, February 19<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup>



## Foundation News...

The first Stephenson Foundation Meeting of the year will take place on Tuesday, October 1st from 6:00pm-7:00pm in the school library. Please join us to find out what the Stephenson Foundation does for our students and staff. We will also be discussing two upcoming fundraisers including the Top Golf Event and our Annual School Auction to be held on Saturday, February 8, 2020.

**\*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\***

**FIRST FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!  
Swinging for Stephenson Top Golf Function,  
Sunday, November 17th from 12:00pm-3:00pm.**



**TOPGOLF**

**Details and tickets on sale SOON! More info to come!**



**FALL FUN NIGHT – OCTOBER 25TH** Fall Fun Night is our annual family carnival night. Bring your kids in costume (and feel free to dress up yourself) to **play games, win prizes** and indulge at our fabulous **bake sale!** Bring a bag for your candy and cash for the bake sale. Skip the line at the door night-of and **buy your game passes** now! Tickets can be picked up the day or night of the event (**Friday, October 25**), either after school 2-3 pm or during the event starting at 6 pm. Click [here](#) to purchase

your passes on Konstella.

### **Fall Fun Night Student Volunteer Sign-Up Now Available!**

Have a middle or high-schooler that would enjoy running a carnival game and handing out candy at Fall Fun Night? Sign them up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49AFAF23A4F58-student1> — but do so quickly because these volunteer slots fill up fast! (Feel free to share the link with your Stephenson alum neighbors.)

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### **Konstella - PTA info on your smartphone or PC**

Stay connected to your Stephenson PTA with our app **Konstella** and it's free to use. This is **THE BEST way to stay in the know on school-related info, events and fundraisers**. You do need a special code to connect with Stephenson. Check out the flyer attached to this week's News Notes or email [stephensonlionPTA@gmail.com](mailto:stephensonlionPTA@gmail.com). If you don't have a smartphone or just prefer to use a web-based program, you can sign up online here: <https://www.konstella.com/>.