



Skyline K-8

January 19, 2018



Principal's Corner

Skyline Families,

Happy Friday! Today I am out at a Trauma Informed Practices Seminar training with Amy Gervais and Kim Sammons. Thanks to Melissa Dunn for subbing for me.

Next week is Spirit Week, and we will also be joining thousands of other schools in *The Great Kindness Challenge*. Please make sure to read Mrs. Gervais' section of the newsletter to learn more about the awesome upcoming activities.

Please help spread the word to families with incoming kindergartners for fall 2018 that we will have our annual *Connect To Kindergarten* on Thursday, February 8th from 6:00p.m.-7:00p.m in the library. This is an informational night for families and children are welcome to attend.

Auction tickets are on sale and offered at a discounted price until January 30th. Ton of fun is headed our way on March 10th at the Skyline K-8 Auction beginning at 4:30p.m. at the Rock Creek Country Club. I will be there and look forward to spending time with all of you.

Have a great weekend!

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Upcoming Events

January 22

Kindness Week

January 26

Family Movie Night – 6pm

January 29

Teacher Planning Day- No school for students

Kindness Week January 22-26

Monday- School Spirit
(wear blue & gold)

Tuesday- Rainbow/ Tie Dye

Wednesday- Backwards Day

Thursday- Dress Like a
Teacher/ Student

Friday- Pajama Day



Counselor's Corner

Next week, Skyline will be joining thousands of schools around the world by participating in The Great Kindness Challenge. Students will be tasked with a kindness checklist and will be participating in different kindness activities throughout the week. Families are encouraged to join their students in the challenge by participating in their own family challenge. Details about **The Great Kindness Challenge** can be found at <https://thegreatkindnesschallenge.com/>. You can also participate by helping your student complete their checklist.

During the week, Skyline will be raising money for Californian's affected by the recent wildfires and mudslides. We will be donating funds to an IB school in California and an organization that helps homeless students with tutoring. The fundraiser is called "Coins for California" and will be a friendly classroom competition, with the winning class being featured in the new Skyline Hall of Fame. You can find out more about the organizations we are donating the funds to at <http://thehealdsburgschool.org/> and <https://www.schoolonwheels.org/>.

On January 25th from 10:30-11:15 AM we will be hosting our winter IB assembly. The focus of the assembly will be on the benefits of community service. Students will also be recognized with IB awards. All families are welcome at the assembly, but families of students who have been chosen to receive awards will be notified with a personal invite. This is going to be an awesome week at Skyline and we would love to share it with our families.

Have a wonderful week!
Amy Gervais
School Counselor

IB Corner

Did you get a chance to see the PPS Pulse this week? In our 6th Grade Approaches to Learning Class (study skills) a group of students organized, planned, and created the artwork for the new Skyline IB mural. This year we are teaching skills directly via projects and inquiry. Our question was, "What would it take to have a family night & paint a mural together?"

A videographer from PPS came out to interview the students right before winter break. As always, the kids did us all proud. Link to video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2qrgYvHTetA>
Thanks again to the PTA for the grant money that supplied refreshments the night we painted!

Heidi Earle
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Change in Distribution of Materials in PPS

As of March 1, 2018, Portland Public Schools will discontinue the use of Peachjar, the online flyer distribution system we have been using since January 2016. We will still allow the distribution of materials for district-

sponsored and governmental organizations, but will no longer facilitate distribution of materials for other organizations.

What information can still be shared with PPS families?

As of March 1, 2018, in accordance with district policy, only district-sponsored and governmental organization events and activities will be shared with PPS families and displayed at PPS sites. “District-sponsored” means coming from a PPS central office department, from your own school, from your school’s foundation, from your school’s parent-teacher group or from your school’s booster club and also includes organizations with whom we have contracts. Examples of governmental organizations include City of Portland, Portland Parks & Recreation, Metro, Multnomah County Library, Oregon Zoo and Multnomah Educational Services District.

Schools can distribute and display materials that are from the district or a governmental organization without getting central office approval. Governmental organizations must provide their own copies of flyers and posters. It is not the responsibility of district staff to make copies for governmental organizations.

PTA Connection

PTA Second Family Movie Night

Friday, Jan 26th, doors open at 5:30 PM (Movie starts promptly at 6 PM)

PTA is proud to sponsor our second movie night of the year. Come and join us for a fun family event. Enjoy a free movie in the gym with school friends and come hungry.... there will be pizzas, popcorn, snacks and bottled water available for purchase. Gym mats and the bleachers will be available for seating or bring your own chair. Click link here to vote for the movie. <https://www.facebook.com/events/2048837932065135/>.

* No drop-offs please...all students must be accompanied by an adult.

Middle School Winter Snowball Dance

Where: Linnton Community Center

When: January 20

6-9pm

Who: All middle school students

- \$10 cash at the door if you haven't pre purchased your students ticket
- Parents please plan to check your student in at the door
- All students should have a student I.D.

Looking forward to lots of fun!

Thanks much!

Skyline Auction Update

Donations, donations, donations...what's that you say? DONATIONS!!!

Now that the holidays are over, do you have extra items hanging around the house?

We are looking forward to helping you recycle your gently used items or those gifts that are so precious you have to re-gift them. Each week we will ask for specific items, but if you already have some things set aside please send them in. There is a small collection area in the volunteer/copy room. It is located under the table across from the copy machine. We ask that your donation have a value of \$25 or more. If you have a larger item that you would like to donate, please contact us at skylineauction@gmail.com to arrange a drop-off.

You can purchase tickets at <https://goo.gl/EeZrbr>

This week we are hoping to collect:

All Things Kiddos

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| Toys | Games |
| Puzzles | Bikes |
| Electronics | Legos |
| Sporting gear & equipment | Children's decor |
| Gift-card to a kid's store, activity or event | Kid themed gift basket |
| Children's community party | Video Games or consoles |

Please donate wine and beer for The Skyline Auction's "Wall of Wine" and "Barrel (formerly Barrow) of Beer." Wine \$10 and up only please.

Donations welcome at Plainview Grocery anytime or contact Susan Heffernan for large donation pick-ups. Plainview Grocery is generously giving a 10% discount on wine and beer bought there for the auction. Check out their great selection.

In addition to the traditional "Wall of Wine" Raffle, we will feature the "Wine Masquerade", where a limited number of bottles will be available for a fixed price!

Child Caregiver- PTA Meetings

We have 5 more PTA meetings for the year and are looking for someone interested in helping with childcare. We are able to pay with a Fred Meyer gift card. We usually have 2-6 kids there, pretty low-key, pizza dinner included. Please shoot me a message or email if you or someone you know are interested, must go through PPS background check. Does NOT have to be Skyline parent but must be 18 or older. Meetings begin at 6 and are typically over by 7:30. Looking to have someone from 5:55 until meeting end. Meeting dates:

1/18

2/15

3/15

4/19

5/17

PTA Leaders

Our PTA will have several openings for the 2018-2019 Board. We are seeking interested candidates for:

- President
- Treasurer
- Secretary

Please email Deirdre Hubler if you are interested in learning more about any of these positions.

Vacation Home Raffle

The 8th graders are selling raffle tickets to a week at Seventh Mountain Resort in Bend, June 8-15. Tickets are \$20 each, and there are limited 900 tickets available. To purchase tickets, see your favorite 8th grade student or contact Tanya Smith (tsmithhomes@gmail.com) who will put you in touch with a student selling tickets. For more information about the vacation home, visit <https://skyline8thgraderaffle.weebly.com/>

Winner of Cozy Quilt

Congratulations to Debbie Bauer, winner of the raffle for our beautiful quilt!

Skyline Directory

Need to contact a family or student at Skyline?

DirectorySpot has a very friendly user app for your phone! Or, attached is a printable PDF.

Questions? Contact Kristin Rader – Kristin@kristinrader.com

[Skyline Directory](#)

2018 SNOWBALL

DJ, Dancing, Photo ops, Light snacks and Drinks



Location: Linnton Community Center

Date: 20 January 2018

Time: 6:00-9:00 pm

Who: All middle school students

Cost: \$10 per student

Dress: Party casual - No shorts, No sweat pants

Student ID required for entry, students will be required to remain indoors for the duration of the event

Ticket sales: <https://skyline-snowball2018.ticketleap.com/>
or on the day of the event with cash or card