



News and Notes

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Thank you for the news you sent this week! If you have news or photos you'd like to share, please send them by email to [Tina Smith-O'Hara](mailto:Tina.Smith-O'Hara@portangelesschools.org) by Wednesday of each week or give her a call at 565.3703. You can view past editions of *News & Notes* on the [District website](#).

★ Time's Ticking - Sign Up for the [District's Education Summit](#)

Call 565.3702 or email mpace@portangelesschools.org. With your RSVP, please confirm that you have secured a sub through Sub-Online.

★ Canceled Board Meeting Rescheduled for December 6

The November 22 Board meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, December 6 at 6:00 p.m. It will be followed by the previously scheduled special Board study session at 7:00 p.m. – both at Jefferson Elementary. The agenda is posted on [BoardDocs](#).

★ February 8, 2011 Maintenance and Operations Levy Work has Started!

See information as it's updated on the District website at [Levy News](#)- look for it on the home page.

Levy Quick Fact #1 - The February 8, 2011 levy is for a fixed amount - \$8,178,067 for 2012; \$8,300,738 for 2013; \$8,425,249 for 2014; and \$8,551,628 for 2015. State law provides that no more than the requested amount can be collected. Taxes collected by the School District do *not* increase after they are set in place, regardless of changes in assessed property value.

Levy Quick Fact #2 - Public school districts in Washington State receive the majority of their annual operating funds from the state. However, the legislature only provides approximately 65% of what it costs to provide a student's public education. The balance of the money needed is expected to come from the federal government, grants and local levies.

Levy Quick Fact #3 - A school maintenance and operations levy is the local community's share of the cost of providing a quality education for its children. The Washington State legislature authorizes maintenance and operations levy requests for up to 28% of a district's budget. In Port Angeles the levy currently provides almost 20% of the total School District budget.

★ Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest Info Attached!

Essays are due Friday, January 28, 2011 and should be sent to Marsha McKay at the Central Services Building.

★ Coach Tom Wahl, Coaches and PAHS Football Players Honored by City Council

Coach Wahl, his coaching staff and PAHS football players will be honored for their successful season by the Port Angeles City Council at its Tuesday, December 7, 6:00 p.m., meeting at City Hall Chambers. *Congratulations!*

★ PAHS DECA Blood Drive on Friday, December 3, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Student Center!

DECA Student Blood Drive Coordinator Alex Zuzich encourages you to give blood!

★ **State Awards Announced – Nominations Now Open!**

Have questions? Need assistance in making a nomination? Contact [Tina Smith-O'Hara](#). The process for these awards is extensive and will take some time. Your nominee will need to know about the nomination. Read info noted below on each program.

[2012 Teacher of the Year](#) – due to regional ESD by May 27, 2011

[2011 Washington Classified School Employee of the Year](#) – due to regional ESD by January 28, 2011

[2011 History Teacher of the Year](#) – Due February 1, 2011

[2011 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching](#) – due by May 2, 2011

★ **View District [Calendar](#) for December Events!**

Lots of winter events, from [music concerts](#) to sports, to meetings. *Countdown until winter break- begins Monday, December 20!*

★ **Tickets Available for [Madrigal Dinner](#) December 10 and 11**

Please make your reservation early - seating is limited and tickets will sell quickly!

Beyond the Call of Duty - THANK YOU!

★ To all our fall athletes and their coaches- Congratulations for a great fall season. We're looking forward to the winter season of activities now!

★ Thanks to all students who participated in *Breath of Fresh Air* at PAHS. Thanks, Kerri McHenry, for your work on this project! Visit www.portangelesschools.org/pahs now to view photos. *New photos up soon!*

★ **Stevens Science Students of the Month-** Stevens Middle School's Tom Leinart has honored Female and Male Science Student of the Month for November . They are Hannah Middlestead and Marc Henry. Hannah "is the team leader for her lab group and makes sure she understands what she needs to do by asking questions," and "Marc has a real talent when it comes to doing laboratory work - He is a lab group partner and his ability to organize and plan ahead ensures that the lab will be conducted accurately and scientifically."



★ **Go, 1st Grade Dry Creek Dragons!**

Congratulations to Christine Peterson's first grade class- 98.45% daily average attendance!!! (They continued the first grade performance by Mickey Branham's class in October!)

★ **Weekly Meeting Schedule, Central Services Building**

Monday, December 6	Nutrition Committee	5:00-6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 7	Conversion Status Meeting	8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 9	Instructional Leadership Team	3:45-5:45 p.m.

 **Featured Photos**

PAHS Instructor Mike Frick and CTE Machine Tools Students



PAHS and NOPSC Instructor Donna Moreau and Medical Terminology Students Dissect Sheep Hearts

