



News and Notes

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★ **The December 12 School Board meeting is now scheduled to be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Port Angeles Senior Services & Community Center, 328 East 7th Street, at which time the Board of Directors will make its decision regarding elementary school reorganization.** Visit [BoardDocs](#) for the agenda and support documents on Friday prior to the Monday meeting. Enter via the “Public Site.”

★ **Elementary Reorganization Task Force Releases Recommendation – Plan 2** - All meeting minutes and information are posted at www.portangelesschools.org/parents/reorganization-task-force.html.

★ **Washington State Classified Employee of the Year Nominations Now Open**

To nominate, go directly to www.k12.wa.us/EducationAwards/ClassifiedEmployees.aspx and click on “Nominate a great school employee today” in the blue box in the right column! Nominations close January 6, 2012.

(Nomination letter required.) Need help? Call [Tina Smith-O’Hara](#) at X3703.



★ **Rider Angels Calendar Available for Purchase**

The PAHS Rider Angels Dance Team has published its newest version of its annual fundraising calendar. The 5th Annual Rider Angels Calendar is titled *Honoring Our Heritage*. The photos were taken at Jamestown S’Klallam Tribal sites. The calendars sell for \$12 each and may be purchased from Rider Angel dancers, by email at PARiderAngel@gmail.com, or by calling 360.457.4932. Checks are payable to the PAHS Dance Team Boosters. Rider Angels will also sell calendars at the Girls Basketball game vs. Olympic on Friday, December 9 and the Boys Basketball game vs. Bremerton on Wednesday, December 14 (both at 7:00 p.m.).

★ **CenturyLink/OSPI Teachers & Technology Grant Program - Apply Now for the 2012-2013 School Year**

CenturyLink (formerly the Qwest Foundation) has provided \$90,000 to OSPI to promote technology integration and the development of 21st century skills. Teachers & Technology grants are designed to fund projects that use real-world technologies to enrich standards-based curriculum and support student-centered instruction. \$10,000 will be awarded each to nine teachers or teacher teams who propose a learning project that meets the requirements of the program and is selected for funding by a state-level review panel. If you are a public school teacher or teacher-librarian (educators in the role of librarians, library-media specialists and media specialists.) certified to teach in Washington State, and you teach in a district with at least one school or administrative building located in a CenturyLink local service area, you could be eligible. Applications are due Tuesday, February 7, 2012.

www.k12.wa.us/EdTech/Grants/Competitive/CenturyLink/default.aspx

★ **From Olympic National Park - Hurricane Ridge Winter Schedule**

Weather permitting, the Hurricane Ridge Road will be open daily 9 a.m. to dusk through the winter season, except for December 25, Christmas Day. Plow crews will work daily, conditions permitting, from November 25 through April 1, 2012. Road and weather condition updates are posted on the Olympic National Park website (www.nps.gov/olymp) or by calling the park’s Road and Weather Hotline at 360.565.3131. The Hurricane Ridge Road may also close temporarily if the parking lot becomes completely full.

★ **Beyond the Call of Duty!**



★ **Thanks, Jefferson PTO!!!**

Jefferson PTO members helped students shop for book deals this week. Proceeds from the annual PTO Scholastic Book Fair go right back to the school – no cash is exchanged - teachers pick books out for their classrooms and the school library also receives books.

Pictured - Alan Ordonez with PTO volunteer Tracy Allan



★ **Thanks, Roosevelt PTA!!!**

Roosevelt students, aka Young Shoppers, made purchases this week during the school's sale to get a head start on holiday shopping. PTA volunteers helped wrap the items once purchased. Proceeds from the sales fund scholarships for those students who can't afford to make purchases.

Pictured - Alyssa Peppers, Jenna Sanders, and Clara Murphy with PTA volunteers Teresa Beckstrom and Sarah Methner and paraeducator Jacqueline Lomax.

★ **Photos from the Week** - Franklin's Joy of Giving Enrichment Cluster Sings – Roosevelt Young Shoppers Make Purchases - Jefferson Students Explore Books during Book Fair



★ Weekly Meeting Schedule, Central Services Building Board Room

Monday, December 12 – District Science Committee, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Monday, December 12 – Nutrition & Physical Fitness Committee, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 14 – Assessment Committee, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 15 – General Admin Meeting, 3:45-5:15 p.m., Board Room