PORT ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES

Employee Newsletter Martin Brewer, Superintendent

STRONG SCHOOLS. STRONG COMMUNITY.

Our Mission: PASD creates learning communities that prepare each student to live, work and learn successfully in a changing world.

MARTY'S MINUTE

I want to take another moment to share how proud I am of our district. Each and every one on our staff has prioritized the importance of learning while balancing our students' safety and social-emotional needs. That has not gone unnoticed. While the challenges of the last two years have tested our resolve, your dedication is nothing short of amazing. Thank you for making a difference! I am incredibly proud of your hard work and determination.





REMINDER

There is no school on Monday, March 14th for a snow make-up day. Tuesday, March 15th is the first mask optional day for students, staff, and visitors while on school grounds. To learn more about the mask update, click here.

Please join us in celebrating National School Social Worker Week! PASD is lucky to have two phenomenal Family Navigators, Becca Larsen, and Summer Cooper! Becca and Summer shine a light on the need for mental health services, offering hope for students and families who face various challenges and lighting the way for marginalized youth. We recognize and acknowledge the impactful work these two do to support our District. Thank you, Becca and Summer!





A word of thanks.

School bus drivers are the first and last part of many of our students' school days. Theirs is the first greeting of the morning and their farewell officially ends the school day. Their commitment to safe driving is crucial, especially in our state of ice, snow, and other winter weather. The dependability they provide enables our district to function efficiently and your dedication to student safety is incredibly appreciated. Thank you, bus drivers!

Fierce and Fabulous Movement Challenge

Join the Fierce and Fabulous Movement Challenge hosted by the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) to support community members in creating and maintaining healthy habits and movement goals.

Download the Beanstack app to sign up or visit nols.org. Earn badges by tracking your movement starting March 1. For every six badges earned, receive an entry into a drawing for an Olympic National Park annual pass.



A paper tracker is also available for pick up at all NOLS locations. All adults ages 18 and older are encouraged to sign up. May 3 is the last day to log all activities. Each NOLS branch will draw a winning entry. Click here to learn more!



LUTHERAN COMMUNITY SERVICES AND PORT ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT PRESENT:

SCHOOL SUPPLY

SHRED EVENT

Saturday, April 23rd, 10am - 1pm or until the truck is full!

State Farm Insurance 611 E Front St, Port Angeles, WA 98362

Please enter through the alley off of Albert St.

THANK YOU SPONSORS:











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NEW SUPPORT CLUBS AT PAHS

Hello! My name is A.J. Teel and I am a Student Assistance Professional. My services are somewhat new at PAHS and I would like to share a little bit about what I do. I offer multiple support groups on campus for students who struggle with various mental health/substance use-related issues.

My support groups are as follows:

- Coping Skills Group- For those struggling with symptoms of anxiety or depression and who want to learn coping skills and strategies.
- Affected Others Group- For those affected by a family member's use of alcohol and or other substances.
- Insight Group- For those who are using alcohol and/or other substances and are interested in gaining information in quitting or reducing their use.
- Prevention Club- For those who would like to help plan and organize awareness events to educate and promote a school climate of non-use along with mental health-related issues.

My services are confidential to allow students access to assistance in an atmosphere of privacy. If you have any questions, please contact me by email at ateel@portangelesschools.org or by phone (360) 565-1620.

Thank you, A.J. Teel Student Assistance Professional





If so, check out these opportunities at PAHS and join a winning team! Click here to learn more:

https://tinyurl.com/PAHSHire



For Dry Creek's
"Ambition Day",
Teigan White
dressed as Mrs.
Kryzsiak! Twinning!



Adult Child \$10 \$8

Saturday, April 16

Come join us for a light formal event serving cinnamon rolls, fresh fruit, and drinks for adults and kiddos!

Cost also includes pictures with our Shore Bunny, craft & game, plus a goodie bag!



Don't forget to spring forward this Sunday,

March

13th!

News and Notes, our PASD staff newsletter, is emailed out each week on Friday during the school year to all staff and is archived on the District's website under Departments, then Communications. Do you have a news item for the staff newsletter? Send an e-mail to Carmen Geyer, Communications & Community Relations Coordinator, at cgeyer@portangelesschools.org by the Wednesday before.

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