

NEWSLETTER

SEASIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL SEASIDE HIGH SCHOOL



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503-738-5586

IT'S TIME FOR **CONFERENCES!**

10/21 & 10/28 8am - 4pm

Both Middle and High school teacher conferences will be held remotely on Wednesday, October Wednesday, October 28th from 8am to 4pm. This year conferences can be scheduled online by visiting our school website or scanning the below QR code.

Here are some helpful tips for scheduling:

- Conferences will be 10 minutes
- You can select between zoom or phone conferences
- Please be sure to provide a valid email and phone number
- You can schedule for multiple students at once
- Translators will be available
- To book a translator please select one from the drop down menu, the translator's availability is listed to the right.
- All credit recovery conferences need to be scheduled with Ms. Cameron



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Students and Families:

As we conclude the first four weeks of the school year I want to thank you once again for your continued support of your student and our staff. We are continuously examining how we can best serve students and continue to work towards that every day. This requires students and staff to change how things may look on an ongoing basis and work through the discomfort of frequent change.

As of today the county metrics and guidance from the state still prohibits us from returning to in-person learning. Making a transition to in-person learning in the midst of a current term would be incredibly challenging, therefore, a recommendation was made to the board by our superintendent to remain in CDL through the end of the first trimester (December 4). The current guidelines require that Clatsop County have 10 or fewer cases per 100,000 residents for a three consecutive week period. While that would be incredibly difficult to predict, our counselors, teachers, and staff are beginning to evaluate how we can support students in a hybrid model if we meet the guidelines and are allowed to return to inperson school.

Please attending conferences make а priority year. Conferences will occur on 10/21 and 10/28 and be held remotely. There is a link in this newsletter as well as on our school websites that will allow you to schedule time with teachers on both days.

Thank you for continuing to be a partner while navigating these challenging times.

Regards,

Jeff

YEARBOOK PICKUP

Last year's yearbooks can be picked up at the new Seaside High School. If you already paid just call 503-738-5586 and we will run it out to you. If you would like to purchase a yearbook they are \$55.

SHS YEARBOOK

Senior portraits are due on November 13th, 2020. Details will be sent to Senior families in the next week. Yearbook information will also be available on the SHS website. Please email any questions to shsyb@seasidek12.org

SHS ROBOTICS CLUB

Our team is SO EXCITED to be back this year!! We are all registered for the season and have picked up a grant from NASA for part of our registration fees. In our preseason, we are planning a simultaneous virtual team build over our Discord server, which will be recorded for later streaming.

During the competition season there are two completely virtual games, based on robot and game design. There is another tentative competition where we would build the robot (when in-person is allowed), then send video of what it's capable of.

We have two side entries for competition that we are planning. One will be the Chairman's award, based on a business plan and video presentation. The other is producing a short animation video on Robotic Safety, due in November.

We are open to new member until December 1st, 2020. If you are interested please email Coach Toni at tvandershule@seasidek12.org





SHS ACADEMIC SUPPORT



Reminder that academic support for Ms. Hess and Ms. Greene's students is available after school until 3:45pm. Please visit the below link or scan the QR code to sign up:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4eaaa923aafbc07-homework

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

FAFSA Night
Tues, October 20th
6:30 – 7:30pm
https://zoom.us/j/92641947326#success

Conferences

Wed, October 21st Wed, October 28th 8am – 4pm

Progress 2 Ends
Friday, November 6th

Veteran's Day – No School Wed, November 11th

No School
Wed, November 25th

Thanksgiving – No School Thurs, November 26th

No School Fri, November 27th

LIBRARY ITEMS

Please return any textbooks or library books that are not being used to the new Seaside High School. Monday — Friday 8am — 4pm

JOIN THE SMS MATHLETICS CLUB TODAY!

Mathletics club is for students in grades 6-8 seeking enrichment in math. The club works with math in real-life settings using Scholastic Math magazine. Meetings are the first and third Thursdays of every month at 2:45pm. Students receive the magazine in the mail each month and meet together with Mrs. Regan to work with the articles as a group. In December, OMSI will be at one of the meetings for a virtual assembly that includes math in the context of our solar system. This club is for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders and there is still room for more students to join. Please contact Mrs. Regan if you are interested or join the Zoom meeting.

http://zoom.us/j/94464939478



WEDNESDAY WORK

While students and teachers don't meet in Zoom classes on Wednesday, it is still considered a school day. Many classes include assignments for students to work on for the day of the week. Please check Canvas for each class so you don't fall behind! Canvas includes a list of assignments in "modules" and some teachers also put out "announcements" on the Canvas page to remind students about Wednesday work. If you are unsure about what to do, be sure to ask your teacher during conferences on October 21st and 28th.

FAFSA & ORSAA Q/A NIGHT

Tuesday, October 20th 6:30-7:30 pm

Join us virtually to ask any questions you may have on: Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). We will have Lloyd Mueller, the Financial Aid Director of Clatsop Community College available to answer questions. Counselors and staff will be available to assist with FAFSA and ORSAA applications as well! https://zoom.us/j/92641947326#success



LAUNDRY LOVE

Laundry Love pays for two loads of laundry/drying per family unit and provides a chili lunch. They are available the second Saturday of every month at the local laundromat, Seaside Laundry, 1223 S Roosevelt Dr, from 10am to noon. If you have any questions you can reach Shirley Yates at 541-580-6734

Laundry Love's annual clothing drive is taking place now. They are in need of winter clothing for all ages and in all sizes. Clothes must be clean and in good condition. Clothing can be dropped off at 89776 Hwy 101, Warrenton. Donations received by 10/31 will be distributed at the November Laundry Love event on 11/14.

AMY SALINAS

Please welcome Amy Salinas to the SHS family. Amy has joined us as an Instructional Assistant. "Third times a charm" describes the experience of how Amy arrived here is Seaside. She is married to a Coast Guard member and has had the fortunate luck to have been stationed at Air Station Astoria three times before finally getting to retire here in 2019. Amy was a substitute teacher while living in Connecticut and when she came back to the PNW she became a Title-1 aide at Lewis and Clark Elementary. When the opportunity to work for Seaside School District presented itself, she came over to work at Gearhart Elementary.

Amy has her Bachelors of Science degree from San Diego State University in Recreation Administration and had worked at State and Federal parks before taking a break to start a family. She has two fantastic children and a bearded dragon named Thorne. She loves all the outdoor activities that living here at the coast provides and finds inspiration in the beautiful environment we live in. She is looking forward to being a productive member of this special community and continuing to support our future through assisting our vouth.



MADISON DIERICKX

Please welcome Madison Dierickx to the Seaside High School family. Maddy will be joining us as an Instructional Assistant. She is a former graduate of Seaside High School and grew up in the school as her dad is Mr. Dierickx, a SHS teacher and coach. She got her BA in Global Development from Seattle Pacific University, where she worked for non-profit agencies in that area. She recently returned from getting her MSc in history from the University of Edinburgh in Scotland, before being sent home due to COVID-19. She looks forward to being an instructional assistant for SPED and getting to spend time with all the former teachers and family friends. She hopes to someday teach high school social studies, like her dad.

In her spare time, she loves to read, boogie board, talk about history, listen to My Favorite Murder podcast and watch any movie at any time. She has a black cat named Salem and she enjoys watching the waves and the sunset whenever she can. She loves this community and its history and is an avid member of the historical society. She sits in on lots of board meetings for town events. Please welcome Maddy when you see her around town.



TRIO-TALENT SEARCH

Your student is invited to apply to the TRIO-Talent Search program at Clatsop Community College!

Talent Search is a federally funded program designed to help you prepare for and gain admission to college. We help you succeed in middle and high school, and plan for post-secondary education at college and universities or vocation and technical schools. We visit colleges and vocational/technical programs across the state to expose students to their educational opportunities, as well as help with applying for financial aid and college admission. We offer personalized one on one academic advising to students to help them meet their goals.

Our program serves <u>6th-12th grade students</u> who meet some of the following criteria:

- -Be interested in attending some college or vocational school after high school
- -Meet federal low-income guidelines

OR

-Be a first-generation college-bound student (neither parent has a 4-year university degree)

Click this link to apply:



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TIPS FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE:

PROTECTING YOUR EYES DURING SCREEN TIME

With so many children attending school online and adults working from home, you may be wondering about how to keep your and your children's eyes healthy. Staring at digital devices and computer screen for extended periods can cause eye strain.

The American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) recommends blinking often and following the 20-20-20 rule — every 20 minutes look away from the computer at something that is 20 feet away for 20 seconds. AAO has a full list of recommendations available on their webpage. https://www.aao.org/eye-health/tips-prevention/computer-usage

Maintaining overall eye health is important as well. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends protecting your vision by scheduling regular eye examinations, choosing to eat healthy foods like leafy greens, keeping track of your family's eye history, wearing sunglasses and quitting smoking.

RAIN AND FACE COVERINGS

Throughout much of Oregon people are used to getting wet but rainy weather is yet another part of life that's a little different during the COVID-19 pandemic. Letting your face covering get wet may decrease its effectiveness and make it difficult to breathe. Keep your mask dry by wearing a rain jacket with a hood, carrying an umbrella, or having another means to shield your face covering from the rain. You may also want to carry a spare, just in case.

SENIORS!!! JOSTEN'S ORDERING COMING SOON!

Josten's will be holding a week long online ordering event the week of November 9^{th} -13^{th} . Ordering packets will be mailed out and students will be able to order online. More information coming soon.

Seaside High School has a limited number of caps and gowns available for students to borrow. If you are in need please contact the Head Secretary, Mrs. Parker, at ksparker@seasidek12.org to reserve yours. We are also accepting donations of past years' caps and gowns, thank you!

SENIOR RESEARCH PAPERS

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Just a reminder that if you have a senior student (class of 2021) they are currently taking English 12A. All seniors, whether they are enrolled in Thrive classes or are doing Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL), will need to pass English 12A and complete the senior research paper in order to graduate. Students should be finishing up a complete first draft of their paper this week and will start one-on-one editing conferences the week of October 26th. If your student is behind on the paper it is urgent that they work to get caught up as soon as possible. The final due date for the completed SRP is Friday, November 13th, 2020. If your student needs extra help they can access teacher office hours from 2:30-4pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday or the Wednesday academic help sessions with their case manager if they are on an IEP. Please contact your student's classroom teacher-- Mrs. Baertlein (sbaertlein@seasidek12.org) or Ms. York (kyork@seasidek12.org) -- for more specific information. Thank you!

HALLOWEEN FUN!

With the convergence of a full moon, a blue moon, daylight savings time and Saturday celebrations — plus the unprecedented events of this year — Halloween 2020 will truly be one to remember. Much has changed . . . but our love for the fun, fright, and delight of Halloween is as strong as ever. So let's unleash our Halloween inspiration — to celebrate the season in safe, fun, and unexpected ways! Please see the below website for inspiration in your Halloween celebrations: https://www.halloween2020.org/



SEASIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY CONTEST

