



THE TROJAN PRIDE

MARCH 2026

A Newsletter from Your Public School

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Parent-Teacher Conferences

Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20, 2026

ALL GRADES: Conferences are by appointment only:
Thursday March 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and again from 5:00 p.m. to 8 p.m.; and also Friday, March 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

You may begin making reservations starting Monday, March 19, 2026 by calling Julie Castro at 360-291-3244 #2010.

free screenings! CHILD FIND

Child Find helps identify developmental delays in children ages 0-5. Through professional screenings, it assesses areas like speech, motor skills, learning, vision, hearing, and social-emotional development. Families are also connected with resources to support their child's growth and success.

When: March 18, 2026
8:30 am – noon

Where: Pe Ell VFW Hall (due to remodel)
411 1st St
Pe Ell, WA

To register – contact the office: 360-291-3244, ext. 2010.

Please bring your child's **Shot Records and Birth Certificate** and have your child wear comfortable clothes and shoes that allow for movement.

Pe Ell Booster Club Dinner & Auction

Saturday, March 14th
Pe Ell Vets Hall

Tickets \$30 Each
(Pre-purchase only, not available at the door)

All proceeds benefit students through generous scholarships and help provide additional support to Pe Ell teams and clubs as opportunities arise.

Silent Auction - 5pm
Dinner Served - 6pm
Live Auction - 7pm

Dinner Catered by The Prairie Kitchen

Prime Rib, Garlic Parmesan Chicken, Loaded Mashed Potatoes, Swiss Macaroni & Cheese, Salad & Dinner Roll
Beer and Wine Available for Purchase. 21+
Tickets may be purchased from a PHS Senior or Booster Club Member Adults Only Please.



PARENTS/GUARDIANS PLEASE !!

If your child(ren) are **NOT FEELING WELL** or are obviously sick, **PLEASE** keep them home. We have had numerous children come into the office who have been sent to school sick. Please assess your child each morning and call the office if they will not be attending. Thank you for your cooperation.

ALSO – please make sure your students have the appropriate coats / boots with them in case they need to go outside during recess/lunch breaks.



MARCH		PE ELL SCHOOL MENU			2026	
MONDAY 03/02/26	TUESDAY 03/03/26	WEDNESDAY 03/04/26	THURSDAY 03/05/26	FRIDAY 03/06/26		
BREAKFAST						
Breakfast Burrito Fruit & Juice Milk	Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Cup Juice Milk	Strawberry/Cinnamon Bagel Fruit & Juice Milk	Chocolate Donut Bar Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!		
LUNCH						
Corn Dog Veggie Sticks Potato Smiles Mixed Fruit & Milk	Calzone W/Marinara Salad Glazed Carrots Pears & Milk	Chicken Noodle Soup Bologna Sandwich Celery Boats Applesauce & Milk	Cheeseburger Lettuce & Tomato Fries Fresh Fruit & Milk	HAPPY FRIDAY!!!		
BREAKFAST						
03/09/26	03/10/26	03/11/26	03/12/26	03/13/26		
Pancakes Fruit & Juice Milk	Cereal & Muffin Fruit & Juice Milk	Cheese Omelet & Toast Fruit & Juice Milk	Protein Granola Rounds Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!		
LUNCH						
Sweet & Sour Chicken Rice Stir Fry Veggies Pears & Milk	Pizza Salad Corn Pineapple & Milk	Chicken Nuggets Fries Breadstick Fresh Fruit & Milk	Meatball Sub Sandwich Salad Chips Peaches & Milk	HAPPY FRIDAY!!!		
BREAKFAST						
03/16/26	03/17/26	03/18/26	03/19/26	03/20/26		
Breakfast Pizza Fruit & Juice Milk	Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Cup Juice Milk 	Fruit Churro Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!		NO SCHOOL!!!	
LUNCH						
Ham & Cheese Roll Ups Veggie Sticks Goldfish Crackers Fresh Fruit & Milk	Soft Taco W/Refried Beans Lettuce & Tomato Corn Mixed Fruit, Jello & Milk	BBQ Turkey on a Bun Salad Berry Medley Cookie & Milk	CONFERENCES!!!		HAPPY FRIDAY!!!	
BREAKFAST						
03/23/26	03/24/26	03/25/26	03/26/26	03/27/26		
Breakfast Burrito Fruit & Juice Milk	Cereal & Cheese Stick Fruit & Juice Milk	Sausage Cheese Bagel Fruit & Juice Milk	Stuffed Breakfast Sticks Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!		
LUNCH						
French Toast & Sausage Hashbrown Strawberries Juice & Milk	Pizza Salad Corn Pineapple & Milk	Hot Dog Pasta Salad Baked Beans Peaches & Milk	Chicken Burger Lettuce & Tomato Fries Fresh Fruit & Milk	HAPPY FRIDAY!!!		
BREAKFAST						
03/30/26	03/31/26	04/01/26	04/02/26	04/03/26		
Pancake Sausage Stick Fruit & Juice Milk	Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Cup Juice Milk	Ham Egg Bar & Toast Fruit & Juice Milk	Oatmeal Protein Bar Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!		
LUNCH						
Teriyaki Dippers Rice Stir Fry Veggies Mixed Fruit & Milk	Chicken Enchiladas Salad Refried Beans Pears & Milk	Egg or Tuna Salad Sandwich Veggie Sticks Chips Fresh Fruit & Milk	Hamburger Lettuce & Tomato Fries Fresh Fruit, Dessert & Milk	ENJOY SPRING BREAK!!!		
DAILY PRICES:			"THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER."			
BREAKFAST TK-12	FREE	WE WILL BE UTILIZING THE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION!!! ALL STUDENT MEALS WILL BE FREE FOR THE 25-26 SCHOOL YEAR!!!				
LUNCH TK-12	FREE					
ADULT BREAKFAST	\$3.00					
ADULT LUNCH	\$5.25					
MILK	\$0.45					
VISITING STUDENT BREAKFAST	\$1.50	MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE				
VISITING STUDENT LUNCH	\$3.00					



HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Senior Corner



Throughout the past few weeks, the senior class has been busy making and completing their senior posters.

Future due dates for the months of March and April are as follows:

Assign Slideshow: March 2

2nd Job Shadow: March 23

3rd Job Shadow: April 13

Research Paper 1st Draft Due: April 16

Reminder to seniors to check the school website for scholarships and complete their FAFSA as it is at a 43% completion percentage.

Spotlight on ASB

Blaine Howard, our ASB President, was interviewed on Feb. 18 by Evan Kimokeo, and this is what was said:

Q: What is it like being the ASB President?

A: It's fun getting to come up with fundraiser ideas and fun things to do at assemblies.

Q: What has been the hardest/easiest thing about being the ASB President?

A: Speaking in front of the school is the hardest; the easiest? telling the others to do stuff.

Q: How is it being the ASB President and playing sports—how do you handle it?

A: It's been difficult; I just remember how much I like doing both and that helps a lot.



Thanks for all your hard work Blaine!

Centralia College Trip



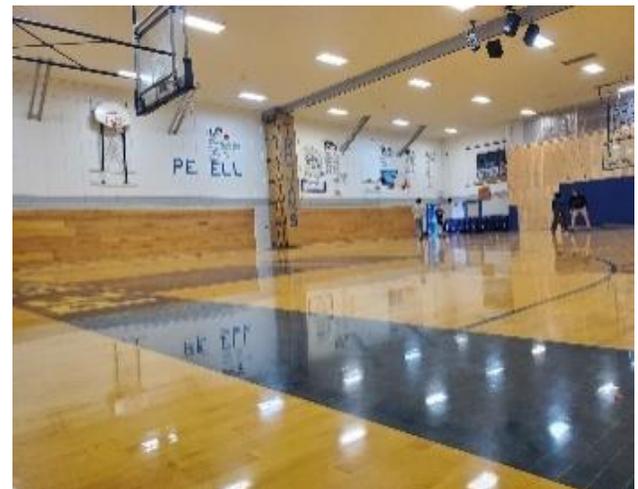
On the morning of Monday, February 9, the Junior and Senior classes were invited to visit Centralia College to learn more about the financial aid and other options along with being toured throughout live classes within the campus.

"On one hand it was fun and on the other hand it was a nice educated learning experience for planning a future career", said Evan Kimokeo. The 11th & 12th grade classes are shown below as they tour Centralia College.



SAYING GOODBYE TO OUR GYM

As of February 19, the gym no longer has its stage and old bleachers. While it will be wonderful to have a new, improved gym, we will miss the memories created in the old one.





**Shout Out
To
The Pep Band!**

Thank you, Pe Ell High School Band, for your hard work, commitment and for providing quality music at games and assemblies during this pep season.



SENIOR WRESTLER HAS AWESOME YEAR!

Shout out to Senior Hunter Harris who placed 1st at Districts and then took a 4th Place at State in the 215-weight class on Saturday, Feb. 21 in Tacoma. What an awesome tenure he has had at Pe Ell. Congratulations on your winning year – you will be missed!!



Pictured left: Hunter shows off his 4th Place Medal.
Pictured below: Hunter takes down his opponent to make it to the semi-finals.



Farewell Senior Boys



Eli Mason



Danny Hoffman



Blaine Howard



Kohl Perkins

Great Season Boys

It was a heck of a ride and every Pe Ell Trojan did great. All the players had something to remember this season. We are proud to call you our basketball team.





MORE HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Congratulations Girls Basketball Seniors!

Ava King



Bailey Cox



Peyton Zock



Madi Engel



On February 5, we celebrated the Senior Basketball Girls!
You will be greatly missed!

KARLI PHELPS HITS CAREER HIGH!

On Thursday, February 5, Junior Karli Phelps hit 1,000 career High School Basketball points!

Congratulations Karli!



HS Girls Basketball

ON TO STATE!!

The Girls Basketball team defeated Naselle to get 1st place in Districts and will advance to regionals in a winner to state – loser out game in Tumwater on Saturday, February 28.

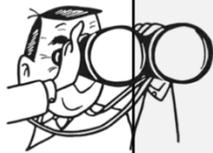




FBLA Attends Regionals



The FBLA members were working on their presentations, studying for their tests, and practicing for Esports. On January 30, they got to go down to Lower Columbia College to compete against other schools for top 6 in their events. Attending were Taylor U., Brennan C., Mateo H., Hunter H., Samantha R., Oriya B., Charlie L., Cassidy H., Randi B., Sofie G., Jayden N., Travis P., and Nathan R.



Be on the Lookout!

The ASB is about to start working on Prom and Spirit Week so be on the lookout for any updates.

CHEER CAMP

During the first week of February, 13 Middle School cheerleaders conducted a Cheer Camp where they taught 31 campers cheers and a dance routine to perform at Basketball Senior Night under the leadership of Vandi Greenwood who stated, "We had 31 campers and had so much fun raising money for middle school cheerleaders!"



FBLA Members Attending State!



After months of hard work and dedicated study, the following FBLA members have won their way to state!

Randi Belanger and
Jayden Nelson – 1st in Graphic Design
Nathan Ridgway – 1st Computer Applications

Oriya Busey – 2nd Computer Applications

Samantha Robertson – 6th in Accounting

Members in straight to state events such as Courtesy Core, Digital Animation and Community Service will also have the opportunity to attend state.

HS ART WORK



Art by Senior Terra Kohansby



ELEMENTARY NEWS

“Where flowers bloom, so does hope.”

Kindergarten Safety City Trip



The Kindergarten Class went on their annual field trip to Safety City on January 28. They learned about railroad, water and electricity safety and also how to call 911 in an emergency.

High 5 And Student of The Month Assemblies

Date	Event
03/12/2026	High 5
03/26/2026	Student of the Month

Elem Dress Up Day

April 30 Country Western
June 11 Beach

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Student of the Month from left to right: Asher B., Barron K., James W., Cristian C., Maisyn T., and Bria B.



PULL TAB CONTEST STARTS

The pull tab contest for Pe Ell Elementary will start March 2 and end March 12. You can send in pull tabs starting Monday, March 2. If you don't have a student to send them in with, they can be taken to the office. These pull tabs will help the Ronald McDonald House. The winning class will earn a special treat. Thank you for saving pull tabs throughout the year for this worthwhile cause. We have had children from our community who have stayed at Ronald McDonald House during stays.

News from Your Pe Ell Trojan Booster Club!

MARINERS TICKETS FOR SALE

The **Booster Club** is selling tickets for the Mariners home game on April 12 vs the Houston Astros. It's a 1 pm start time and takes place Sunday at the end of spring break.

Tickets are \$28 each, and we will be selling them from now until March 16.

Tickets can be ordered by messaging the Booster Club's Facebook page: "Pe Ell Booster Club 25/26". The Booster Club was also able to provide new balls and jump ropes for both Elementary and Middle School recesses.



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**POSTAL ROUTE
 RURAL ROUTE 4**



MARCH CALENDAR*

Mar 2	First Day of HS Spring Sports	
Mar 4 – 7	GIRLS STATE BASKETBALL - Spokane	
Mar 7	FP Monty Jamboree	TBD
Mar 12	TRIO Mentorship Day	
Mar 14	Booster Club Scholarship Dinner/Auction – VFW Hall	5:00
Mar 16	School Board Meeting – Cafeteria	5:30
Mar 17	Olympic Junior Programs – K & 1 st	11 am
Mar 18	Child Find Screenings – VFW Hall	8:30 am
Mar 19 – 20	NO SCHOOL – CONFERENCES	
Mar 19	PWV BB @ Ocosta	4:00
Mar 21	FP Auburn Tourney: Skyview - Jackson HS Track - Rainier Icebreaker @ Rainier	1:15 / 5:30 3:30
Mar 23	PWV FP @ Kelso	4:00
Mar 24	PWV BB @ Ilwaco – DH PWV FP vs Ilwaco – DH	3:00 3:00
Mar 25	PWV JV vs Ilwaco PWV JV FP @ Ilwaco MS Track @ Raymond	4:00 4:00 3:30
Mar 26	HS Track @ Adna	3:30
Mar 27	PWV BB @ Onalaska PWV JV @ Onalaska PWV FP vs Kittitas @ Cle Elum PWV FP vs Cle Elum @ Cle Elum	3:00 5:00 1:00 3:00
Mar 30	PWV BB vs Onalaska PWV JV vs Onalaska	3:00 5:00
Mar 31 – Apr 3	CISPUS Camp – 5 th Grade	
Mar 31	PWV BB vs Napavine PWV JV vs Napavine PWV FP vs Napavine PWV JV FP vs Napavine	3:00 5:00 3:00 5:00

* Events are subject to change – please check Website for updates



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STUFF TO KNOW

Buy your Yearbook to see more fun Memories like this!

Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshmen compete in a class musical to count towards their homecoming opening points. The winners took the win this year!

The price of Yearbooks went up to \$35. See Julie in the office to get yours!

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