



THE TROJAN PRIDE

JUNE 2026

A Newsletter from Your Public School

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FAREWELL TO BELOVED TEACHERS**



Spotlight: Mrs. Robinson's Retirement

Mrs. Dawna Robinson has been a teacher and a coach at Pe Ell for the last 32 years (more than 90 percent of her teaching career). Her favorite part of teaching was seeing her students' academic growth from the start to the end of high school and seeing the seniors preparing to be adults. After retirement, she is looking to spend quality time with her grandchildren, traveling, being home more often, and golfing.

We will miss you Miss Rob!



Spotlight: Mrs. Rhodes Retirement

Mrs. Cheryl Rhodes has been working at Pe Ell for 13 years as a Title 1/Lap teacher helping students with reading and math. At the end of the 2026 school year, she is retiring and during her retirement, she plans on spending time with her family and helping out with various activities regarding the New Harvest Church. Make sure to say your good byes and thank you's when you see her!

Thank you Mrs. Rhodes!

****Next edition to feature our retiring para-educators.**



Come and see the new Gym, Elementary, and Middle School Wings



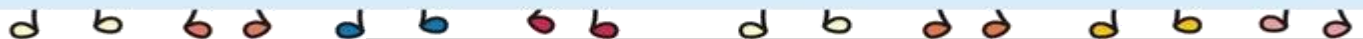
Weyerhaeuser

I would like to thank the Weyerhaeuser Giving Fund for graciously awarding us a \$4,500 grant for library use. We will be able to use this money for books and accessories to enhance our new and improved library for next school year.

Mrs. Duncan

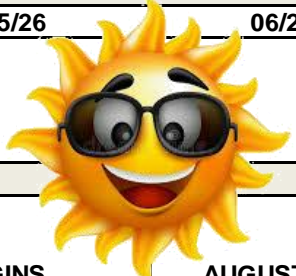


END OF SCHOOL YEAR EDITION



JUNE PE ELL SCHOOL MENU 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
06/01/26	06/02/26	06/03/26	06/04/26	06/05/26
BREAKFAST				
Breakfast Burrito Fruit & Juice Milk	Yogurt Fruit Parfait Juice Milk	Breakfast Pizza Fruit & Juice Milk	Bagel & Cream Cheese Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!
LUNCH				
Hot Dog Fries Baked Beans Berry Cup & Milk	Taco Salad Cheese & Onion Refried Beans Pears & Milk	Tomato Soup Cheesy Breadstick Celery Boat Mixed Fruit & Milk	Cheeseburger Lettuce & Tomato Tater Tots or Smiles Fresh Fruit & Milk	HAPPY FRIDAY!!!
BREAKFAST				
06/08/26	06/09/26	06/10/26	06/11/26	06/12/26
Oatmeal Protein Bar Fruit & Juice Milk	Cereal & Cheese Stick Fruit & Juice Milk	Pancake Sausage Stick Fruit & Juice Milk	Maple Bar Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!
LUNCH				
Teriyaki Dippers Rice Green Beans Peaches & Milk	Pizza Salad Corn Pineapple & Milk	Ham Sandwich Veggie Sticks Chips Fresh Fruit & Milk	Chicken Nuggets Fries & Breadstick Fresh Fruit Cookie & Milk	CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2026!!!
BREAKFAST				
06/15/26	06/16/26	06/17/26	06/18/26	06/19/26
Breakfast Medley Fruit & Juice Milk	Breakfast Medley Fruit & Juice Milk	NO MEALS!!!		
LUNCH				
MYSTERY MEAL!!!	MYSTERY MEAL!!!	EARLY DISMISSAL 10:30 AM!!!	ENJOY	SUMMER!!!
BREAKFAST				
06/22/26	06/23/26	06/24/26	06/25/26	06/26/26
LUNCH				
2026-27	SCHOOL	YEAR	BEGINS	AUGUST 24TH!!!



DAILY PRICES:			
BREAKFAST GRADES TK-12	FREE	WE WILL BE UTILIZING THE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION!!! ALL STUDENT MEALS WILL BE FREE 25-26 YEAR!	"THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER."
LUNCH GRADES 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		



SUMMER LUNCH NEWS

Free Summer & SUN Bucks

For ages 18 and under

There are two great ways to save money and make sure your child eats healthy this summer.

1

First, Free Summer Meals are available for every kid, 18 and under, at schools, parks and other community locations in your neighborhood.

2

Second, there's a new program called Sun Bucks that pays \$120 in food benefits for every eligible child in your family, which can be used to purchase groceries during the summer months.

Comidas de Verano y Sun Bucks gratis

Existen dos grandes maneras de ahorrar dinero y asegurarse de que su hijo coma saludablemente este verano.

1

Primero, hay Comidas de Verano gratuitas disponibles para todos los niños menores de 18 años en escuelas, parques y otros lugares comunitarios de su vecindario.

2

En segundo lugar, existe un nuevo programa llamado Sun Bucks que paga \$120 en beneficios alimentarios por cada niño elegible de su familia, y se puede utilizar para comprar alimentos durante los meses de verano.

For meal sites near you and Sun Bucks eligibility requirements, text **FOOD** to **509-509**

Para conocer los sitios de comidas cercanos a usted y los requisitos de elegibilidad para Sun Bucks, envíe texto **COMIDA** al **509-509**

FreeSummerMeals.org



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Graduation List



*Congratulations to the
Pe Ell Class of 2026*

- Bailey Cox
- Madilyn Engel
- Hunter Harris
- Brynnlee Hoffman
- Daniel Hoffman
- Addyson Holmes
- Blaine Howard
- Eliza Jensen
- Ava King
- Terra Kohansby
- Eli Mason
- Sophia Milanowski
- Kohl Perkins
- Madison Person
- Peyton Pilz
- Nathen Ridgway
- Morgan Rieke
- Samantha Robertson
- Kaiden Sedy
- Taylor Ultican
- Braden Willett
- Peyton Zock



Due to the remodel, Graduation will be held outside on the football field this year, rain or shine, on Friday, June 12, starting at 7:00 PM.

We will have marked pathways to get into the event, so please stay on the path as you enter. All seating on the football field is marked for senior students' family members. Other people attending will be able to sit in the back few rows or the grandstands. The band will also be located in the grandstands.

The seniors will watch their senior video during their Baccalaureate ceremony. We will be handing out scholarships and roses during the graduation ceremony. There will be gift bags for cards at the ceremony by the entrance.

Please be patient with us during this construction year. We want to make this graduation as meaningful and memorable as every past graduation has been.

2026 Class Motto

*"We trust in this next chapter
as we know who the
author is."*



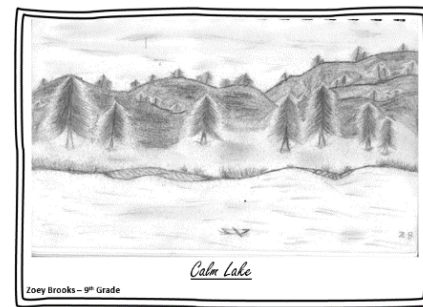
HIGH SCHOOL ART WORK



THE KRAKEN
by
Emma Person – 9th Grade



*"Dette er ikke min
Verksted"*
This Isn't My Workshop
Terra Kohansby – 12th Grade



Calm Lake
Zoey Brooks – 9th Grade



26-27 ASB Voting

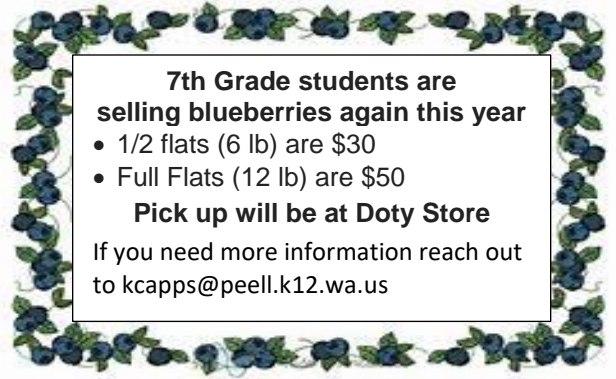
In the first week of June, you'll be able to start voting for your future ASB officers! Good luck to all the candidates running!



MORE SCHOOL NEWS



Blueberry Fundraiser



SEE YOU IN THE FALL!



What A Way to Wrap Up!

On May 19, The High School band participated in Mass Band and wowed the judges with a stupendous show, earning them a 1 (the best) on the grading scale! Let's give a round of applause to the Band!

MS TRACK NEWS

Congratulations to our entire Pe Ell middle school track team. It has been an honor to watch our athletes improve technique and push themselves to become better. This team has been so encouraging and supportive of one another Monday, May 11 our team competed at sub-districts. Many celebrated some great PR's, however, other teams brought just as dedicated athletes.

The following athletes edged out the competitors to advance to the League Championships at North Beach on Thursday, May 14, 2026.

- Noelle Kimokeo: 400 meters
- Anna Porter: 400 meters, Discus and Long Jump
- Jewell Williams: Javelin
- Erika Wedin (Team Captain): Shot, Discus
- Justin Miller: High Jump
- Mason Miller: 100 Meters, 200 Meters, 400 Meters and Javelin

Join with us as we celebrate a successful year of all our athletes and continued success for our athletes competing at North Beach. Congratulations to every member of our team, we look forward to celebrating your success in the future! Coach Pilz and Coach Capps



Pictured top right: Carben B. and Anna P. show their form in the long jump.



PWV Titans Fastpitch

The Lady Titans finished off the season very well. They finished 3rd at Districts to land them in the State Tournament bracket. The Lady Titans made it to quarter finals but did not advance to the next round. Thank you, Seniors, for all the hard work you have put in the last four seasons, you will be greatly missed!



The Lady Titans hold up tree fingers for getting third place in Districts.



PWV BOYS BASEBALL

It's been 10 years, but the Pe Ell/Willapa Valley baseball squad made it to State in Spokane, but lost their first game in a "loser out" at Saturday's State contest and finished the season with a 15-8 record. The boys had a great season and head coach Kent Smaczarz said, "Don't worry. We will be back next year."

ILWACO SUMMER DUALS

JULY 10TH - 12TH

2026

- \$400 PER TEAM - BOYS AND GIRLS GRADES 7-12
- STARTS 3PM ON JULY 10th
- UFC EVENT 6PM, JULY 11th
- TEAM CAMPING AT HIS CAMPUS ENCOURAGED
- BREAKFAST, LUNCH, & DINNER - \$3.5 PER MEAL

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Spotlight: Greco & Freestyle

On May 2, Ethan F. (pictured right) and Kaiden C. went to Spokane for Greco & Freestyle. Ethan F. went 1 and 3. Kaiden C. went 2 and 1 for Freestyle and took second place while also going 2 and 2 in Greco, taking 3rd place. Congratulations!!



Pe Ell Track & Field Heads to State

The Pe Ell Trojans are headed to the big stage as our athletes prepare to compete at the WIAA State Track & Field Championships in Yakima the week of May 27. After a season filled with hard work, personal records, and strong finishes at district competition, Pe Ell athletes earned the opportunity to represent their school and community at state. Good luck to Eli Mason, Blaine Howard, Hunter Harris, Karli Phelps, and Maisy King who are competing this week — the entire Pe Ell community is cheering you on!



ELEMENTARY NEWS

“Hope your June is in bloom with all the blessings of joy and sunshine”

CISPUS Recap



In the first week of April, Mrs. Markee took 18 fifth graders and 9 high school students to CISPUS. In addition to meeting new people, our campers hiked, built their own fires, and learned a lot about survival skills, first aid, and search and rescue.

The Magic of Music

Let's give a round of applause to our budding actors and artists! *The Magic of Music* musical play was written and directed by Mrs. Anastasio and was performed on May 27, by the Kindergarten through 4th grade students (plus Oriya Busey). Unfortunately, pictures were unavailable at the time of printing.



These students labeled all 50 states correctly. Left to right: Weston B, Matthew L, Linkin C, James W, Bodhi E, and Benji B. Nice job everyone!!



Monday, June 15
12:30 pm to 2:30 pm
Football Field

- Dress appropriately – no flip-flops or sandals
- Be prepared for weather
- Water provided but can bring your own water bottle – make sure it's labeled

Family is welcome to come watch! More information to follow! Contact Aaron Aselton at aselton@peell.k12.wa.us

Scholastic Book Fair



GET READY! The Scholastic Virtual Book Fair is coming to our school! This is a great opportunity to build your child's home library with new books they'll dive into again and again. All orders ship direct to home. Book-only orders over \$35 ship free.

Dates: May 26 – June 8

Location: Online at

bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/peellschool1



Final Assembly and Dress-up Day

Date	Event
6/11/2026	Student of the Month Assembly AND Dress-up Day – Beach Theme

Board of Directors
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RURAL ROUTE 4



JUNE CALENDAR*

June 1	Senior Trip	
June 3	SPRING BAND CONCERT (5-12) – VFW Hall	6:00
June 8	8th GRADE GRADUATION – Cafeteria	5:30
June 10	8 th Grade Field Trip	
June 11	Baccalaureate – New Harvest	6:00
June 12	GRADUATION – Football Field	7:00
June 15	ELEMENTARY FIELD DAY	12:30
	School Board Meeting – Cafeteria	5:30
June 16	TK Graduation – Cafeteria	2:30
June 17	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – Dismissal at	10:30 am

See you in the fall!

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

STUFF TO KNOW

NEW UPDATES TO THE SCHOOL REMODEL

We're thrilled to share that the wall renovations and improvements are nearly complete! FORMA has been busy preparing our gym, middle school and preschool wings for the Fall 2026 start. It's looking brighter and better than ever for the upcoming school year.



The front of the school begins to take shape. Pictured top, the middle school siding is almost complete. Bottom: the new entrance is taking shape.

The Pe Ell Band had a fun time performing at the Small Schools Band Festival Wednesday May 13, at Boistfort.



“It was new and exciting” – Randi Belanger
 11th Grade

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