



# THE TROJAN PRIDE

MARCH 2025

A Newsletter from Your Public School

360.291.3244



The Pe Ell School participates in a program that funds school related items for students in grades 6-12. The program donates funds a couple of times a year but encourages schools to reach out to the community and organizations for donations to also assist these students. Student information remains anonymous pertaining to who receives the funds. If you would like to assist these students by donating or if you have questions about the program, please contact Keith Shepherd, Principal, at 360-291-3244 ext. 1040 or [kshepherd@peell.k12.wa.us](mailto:kshepherd@peell.k12.wa.us).



## Parent-Teacher Conferences

Thursday, March 20 and  
Friday, March 21, 2025

**ALL GRADES:** Conferences are by appointment only: Thursday March 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 8 p.m.; and also Friday, March 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**You may begin making reservations starting Monday, March 10, 2025 by calling Julie Castro at 360-291-3244 #2010.**

## SNOW BUS ROUTES

If snow routes are called, bus routes will be modified to the following:

### Mrs. Arrington

No McCormick Cr. Rd., Jones Rd., Railroad St., Wells Rd. or 1st St. and S. 1st St. (Can meet the bus at the corner of 1st St./Railroad or First St./Jones Rd.)

### Mrs. Phelps

No Katula (Can meet bus at Highway 6/Mauerman wide spot by underpass) No Kobe Rd. (Can meet bus at Dryad Firehall)

### Mrs. Risley

No Chandler Rd, No Toepelt Rd. (Can meet the bus at Elk Creek/Chandler or Toepelt Rd./Elk Creek or Dryad Firehall) No Pe Ell McDonald Rd. past Mauerman.

### Mrs. Engel

No Beam Rd. (Can meet bus at Highway 6/Mauerman wide spot by underpass)

**Bus changes will be posted to Notify Me through the school website. We encourage parents to sign up for notifications!**



Thank you, Voters!

FOR SUPPORTING YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT!

## 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.

**MARCH PE ELL SCHOOL MENU 2025**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
03/10/25	03/11/25	03/12/25	03/13/25	03/14/25
<b>BREAKFAST</b>				
Breakfast Burrito Fruit & Juice Milk	Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Juice Milk	Oatmeal Protein Bars Fruit & Juice Milk	Chocolate Donut Fruit & Juice Milk	<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>
<b>LUNCH</b>				
Teriyaki Chicken Rice Stir Fry Veggies Peaches & Milk	Pizza Salad Corn Pineapple & Milk	French Toast & Sausage Hashbrown Blueberry Bliss Juice & Milk	Chicken Burger Lettuce & Tomato Fries Fresh Fruit & Milk	<b>HAPPY FRIDAY!!!</b>
<b>BREAKFAST</b>				
03/17/25	03/18/25	03/19/25	03/20/25	03/21/25
Bagel & Cream Cheese Fruit & Juice Milk	Cereal & Muffin Fruit & Juice Milk	Pancake Sausage Stick Fruit & Juice Milk	<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>
<b>LUNCH</b>				
Hot Dog Tater Tots Cucumber Slices Fresh Fruit & Milk	Chicken Fajitas Lettuce & Tomato Refried Beans Pears, Jello & Milk	Hamburger W/Chips Macaroni Salad Fresh Fruit Dessert & Milk <b>Welcome Grandparents!!!</b>	<b>CONFERENCES!!!</b>	<b>CONFERENCES!!!</b>
<b>BREAKFAST</b>				
03/24/25	03/25/25	03/26/25	03/27/25	03/28/25
English Muffin & Jam Fruit & Juice Milk	Yogurt & Fruit Parfait Juice Milk	Breakfast Burrito Fruit & Juice Milk	Ham Egg Bar & Toast Fruit & Juice Milk	<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>
<b>LUNCH</b>				
Popcorn Chicken Veggie Sticks Garlic Toast Mixed Fruit & Milk	Pizza Salad Corn Pineapple & Milk	Tomato Soup W/Grilled Cheese Sandwich Celery Sticks & Pudding Applesauce & Milk	BBQ Turkey On A Bun Pickles & Onion Fries Fresh Fruit & Milk	<b>HAPPY FRIDAY!!!</b>
<b>BREAKFAST</b>				
03/31/25	04/01/25	04/02/25	04/03/25	04/04/25
<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL!!!</b>
<b>LUNCH</b>				
	<b>ENJOY</b>	<b>SPRING</b>	<b>BREAK!!!</b>	

<b>DAILY PRICES:</b>			
BREAKFAST GRADES TK-12	FREE	WE WILL BE UTILIZING THE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION!!! ALL STUDENT MEALS WILL BE FREE FOR THE 24-25 SCHOOL YEAR!	"THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER."  <b>MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE</b>
LUNCH GRADES TK-12	FREE		
ADULT BREAKFAST	\$3.00		
ADULT LUNCH	\$5.00		
MILK OR JUICE	\$0.45		
VISITING STUDENT BREAKFAST	\$1.50		
VISITING STUDENT LUNCH	\$3.00		

# ELEMENTARY NEWS

“March is the month of new beginnings and fresh opportunities.”

## Grandparents Luncheon



We would like to invite grandparents and senior friends to have lunch with students in Transitional Kindergarten through 5th Grade:

**Wednesday, March 19, 2025  
BIG GYM**

### Menu

Hamburger and Chips  
Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions & Pickles  
Macaroni Salad  
Fresh Fruit & Dessert  
Coffee & Milk  
Cost: \$5.00

**Thank you to North Prairie Ranch for the beef that was locally purchased for this Luncheon.**

## Pull Tab Contest

We are having our annual pull tab contest again this year from March 3 through March 13.



Pull tabs are donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Portland. Let's see if we can beat last year's weight! If you do not have a student in grades TK-5, please take pull tabs to the office and they will be distributed between the classes.

Suzanne Nelson, 360-291-3651

Thank you so much for your continued support!

**COMING SOON !!**

# TALENT SHOW

K-12 Talent Show April 9, 12:30-2:00 sponsored by Elementary ASB. If interested in showing off your talent, contact Mrs. Magruder.

## High 5 and Student of the Month Assemblies

Date	Event
3/13/2025	High 5
3/27/2025	Student of the Month Assembly



Picture of Miss Flock's TK class cheering on their senior friends at the senior pep assembly for our wrestlers.



**Students of the Month from left to right Carter B, Barron K, Boston N, Delilah K, Aubrey K., Wyatt G.**



# OTHER SCHOOL NEWS



Middle School still has some Papa Murphy coupon cards available. See a MS student or Mrs. Capps to purchase.

**FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED!**

## Columbia Valley 1B Basketball All League Honors

The following people were voted on and recognized by the coaches in the league for their hard work, dedication, and success this basketball season.

Congratulations!

### Girls Team

- Kelsey Lennox - Coach of the Year
- Karli Phelps - MVP of the League
- Peyton Zock - 1st Team
- Maisy King - 1st Team
- Emma Kissner - 2nd Team
- Brookelynn King - Honorable Mention

### Boys Team

- Blake Nelson - 2nd Team
- Jakob Hayes - 2nd Team
- The Whole Team - Sportsmanship Award

On February 6, 2025, four senior basketball players took the court for the last time of their regular season. On this night, they were escorted out by their parents and honored for their years of dedication to the Pe Ell basketball programs. Earlier in the day, they were also recognized at a school assembly by their coaches where they received cakes and other goodies. Shown right are seniors Calan McCarty, Jakob Hayes, Silas Edgar, and Brookelynn King. All of these student athletes have worked extremely hard throughout the years improving their basketball skills while also maintaining a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.



## COMING SOON – MS Blueberry Fundraiser!!

The Pe Ell Middle School will once again be selling fresh-picked blueberries from Dr. B's Farm, a local farm in the Boistfort Valley. We anticipate being able to start pre-order sales later this month, with a delivery date falling in early July. Stay tuned for more information!

For more information or to pre-order, please email [kcapps@peell.k12.wa.us](mailto:kcapps@peell.k12.wa.us)



## PHS Yearbook on Social Media

Follow the Pe Ell yearbook on Instagram and Tiktok to stay up to date with yearbook happenings! You may just find yourself highlighted in one of their reels or photos!

Instagram = [phe\\_yearbook2024](https://www.instagram.com/phe_yearbook2024)  
Tiktok = [@phe\\_yearbook1](https://www.tiktok.com/@phe_yearbook1)



# PHS BASKETBALL SENIOR NIGHT



FEBRUARY 6, 2025



# HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

## BOOSTER CLUB AUCTION

Saturday, March 15, 2025  
VFW Hall starting at 5 pm  
PHS THROWBACK



Senior scholars would like to thank Rick Kaut and his team at Country Financial in Napavine. Their manager, Marisa Schroeder, did an excellent job of finding some creative items to be auctioned off at the upcoming dinner (as shown below). Their donations include a beautiful flowering Camellia that is loaded with buds and is blooming with not only flowers but also includes \$250 worth of various gift cards (ranging in value \$50-\$100) from surrounding local businesses (such as: Madsens, Service Saw, The Farm Store & LC Coffee Co.). But, if a beautiful plant is not for you, Rick Kaut's team went further to find something to entice our antler loving community. How about a Feeding Station, Antler Pellets and other treats for some four-legged creatures?

Again, thank you to Rick Kaut and his team at Country Financial in Napavine for supporting our scholars.

### The Senior Class Appreciates Your Generosity!

Seniors would also like to remind patrons that it is not too late to get your tickets for the 2025 Dinner/Auction. See a senior or contact Mrs. Lennox or Mrs. Oechsner today.



## PHS GIRLS BASKETBALL BOOSTER CLUB AUCTION BABYSITTING FUNDRAISER



4:30PM - END OF AUCTION

DINNER PROVIDED

AT PE ELL HS CAFETERIA ENTRANCE

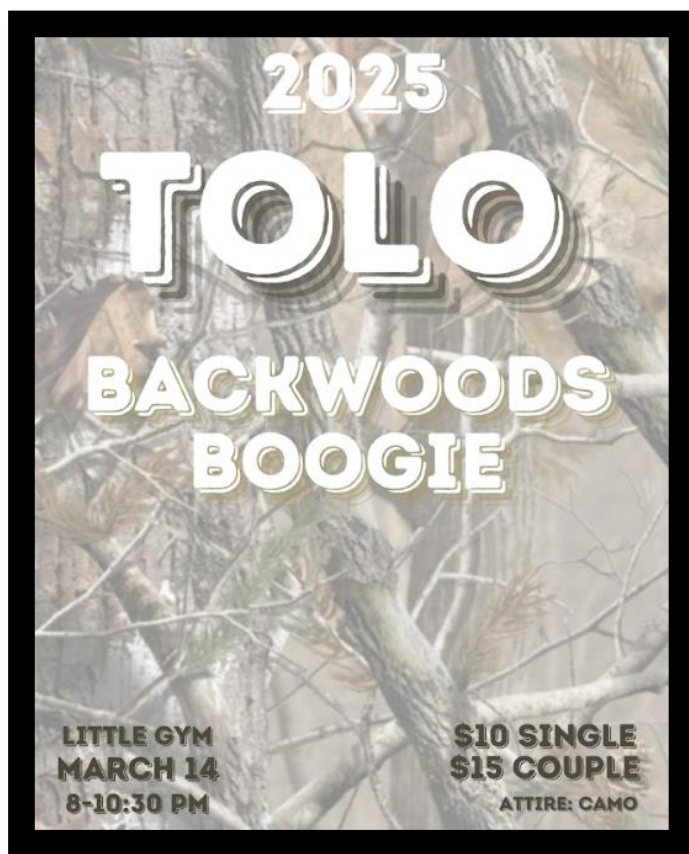


## Senior Corner

**Senior Projects:** They are working on finding and completing their job shadows. Parents, please make sure you are chatting with your child about all of the upcoming due dates for the senior projects as we move into spring. They have 3 job shadows, a poster, 6-10-page paper, slideshow, notecards, and practice for their 10-18 minute presentations. They have been given a handout of due dates and need to stay on track.

**Scholarships:** There are a number of local, state, and national scholarships listed on our website. I have also sent the seniors via email a number of updated scholarships as they have come into the school district. Most scholarships are due between April and the 1st part of May. Students need to hit the deadlines to be considered for any scholarship they apply for.

**Community Service Hours:** All seniors need to have completed 30 hours of community service hours in order to attend the senior trip and graduate. Please check with your child to make sure they are on track or have completed all community service hours needed.



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## POSTAL CUSTOMER RURAL ROUTE 4



### MARCH / APRIL CALENDAR

Mar 5 – 7	<b>Basketball State</b>	
Mar 8	HS FP @ Montesano – Jamboree Basketball State	6:00 am
Mar 10	<b>K – 1<sup>st</sup> Field Trip to Olympia Junior Theater</b> First day of MS Track	11:00 am 3:30 pm
Mar 14	<b>HS TOLO Dance – Little Gym</b>	8:00 pm
Mar 15	<b>Booster Club Dinner &amp; Auction – VFW Hall</b>	5:00 pm
Mar 17	<b>School Board Meeting – Library</b>	5:00 pm
Mar 19	<b>GRANDPARENTS LUNCHEON – BIG GYM</b> HS BB vs Ocosta	4:00 pm
Mar 20	HS Track @ Napavine	3:30
Mar 20 -21	<b>NO SCHOOL – PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES</b> HS Track @ Napavine	3:30 pm
Mar 21	HS FP @ Auburn vs Cascade Christian HS FP @ Auburn vs Issaquah	3:30 pm 7:30 pm
Mar 22	HS Track @ Rainier – Ice Breaker	9:00 am
Mar 25 – 28	<b>5<sup>TH</sup> Grade CISPUS CAMP</b>	
Mar 25	HS BB vs Ilwaco (DH) HS FP @ Ilwaco	3:00 pm 3:00 pm
Mar 26	MS Track @ Raymond	3:30 pm
Mar 27	HS Track @ Mossyrock	3:30 pm
Mar 29	HS FP @ Kittitas vs Kittitas and Warden	1:00 pm
Mar 31 – April 4	<b>SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL</b>	
Mar 31	HS BB @ Onalaska HS FP @ Adna	4:00 pm 4:00 pm
Apr 3	HS Track @ Winlock	3:30 pm
Apr 5	HS BB @ Kittitas vs Kittitas and Asotin	9:00 am

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

### STUFF TO KNOW

#### Spring Sports

As winter sports are coming to a close, students and coaches are preparing to start spring sports. Practice for high school baseball, fastpitch, and track will all start after school on March 3 with middle school track starting Mar 10. Make sure to have all of your forms completed and updated on Final Forms. If they are not up to date or your physical has expired, you will not be able to practice until they are complete. Please ask the office or check with Mr. Shepherd if you are unsure.



Proud to be a  
**Title I School**

The Pe Ell School District uses Title I and LAP resources primarily to assist elementary, middle, and high school level students who are at risk of not meeting the state's performance standards in reading and/or math. For more information, contact Cheryl Rhodes at [crhodes@peell.k12.wa.us](mailto:crhodes@peell.k12.wa.us)



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