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strong schools = strong community



Superintendent's Message

Superintendent Mike Scott comments on major topics for the 2017-18 school year.

A strong school system is essential to a thriving community. Regardless of whether or not you currently have, had in the past, or will ever have school-age children, schools are an important part of a community's economic and social vitality for a variety of reasons:

- **Resident and business growth.** People and businesses move to locations with good schools so their children, or their employees' children, can get a great education.
- Home values. An expanding population, business growth, and good schools are all factors that contribute to a strong housing market and increased home values.
- Arts and culture. Schools offer amazing (and inexpensive!) arts and culture opportunities that are open to the public. From drama productions to band and choir performances to dance competitions to art shows and more, our schools have it all!
- Community pride. Youth are a source of pride and can bolster a community's sense of identity. When students accomplish great things or win awards or compete in sports or activities, we celebrate with them and it helps bind us together.
- Workforce development. What better way to recruit a talented workforce than to grow it? By working with K-12 schools, trade organizations, and higher education partners, local employers can ensure that students are receiving the types of training and skills that will prepare them to fill jobs in the future.
- **Safety.** When schools engage students and keep them involved, they are less likely to participate in unsafe behaviors. Also, when school buildings and grounds are maintained and outfitted with modern safety equipment, the surrounding community is safer as well.

For these reasons and more, I am excited about all of the great things that are happening in our district that will serve to make our schools stronger.

Commitment to Community, Culture and Career

Though there is much work to be done in all areas of the District to ensure we continually

maximize the educational experience of our students, we believe we can have a measurable impact on our strategic objective of all students graduating with career- and collegereadiness skills by focusing on the agreements and commitments in our 2016-2021 Strategic Plan of connecting students to community, culture and career.

For this year's work plan, we have identified two top goals within each of those categories:

Community

- Develop a system for tracking students' connection to adult advocates, participation in activities/athletics, interests, etc.
- Increase the number of community service and/or career-related internships completed by high school students.

Culture

- Expand and support wellness centers in our schools.
- Increase the number of English learners earning six or more high school credits by the end of their ninth-grade year.

Career

- Increase math scores overall and within certain key groups.
- Increase the number of prioritized highlyeffective strategies utilized by teachers in the classroom in the areas of purpose, engagement, and assessment.

Taken together, these goals represent a theory of action whereby students will achieve success if they are known by name, strength, and need so supports, enrichments, opportunities, and connections can be made for them in schools and in the community; are immersed in a positive, supportive, and inclusive school and classroom environment that enables learning; and are offered learning experiences that are engaging, have clear purpose, and are appropriately assessed to gauge understanding.

Learn more about our 2017-18 Work Plan and SMART Goals and 2016-21 Strategic Plan by visiting www.hsd.k12.or.us/strategicplan.

Capital Construction Bond

The next page of this newsletter talks all about the \$408 million capital construction bond we have placed on the November 2017 ballot. But before you read that, I wanted to take a moment to explain some aspects of school finance in our state.

As we have been out talking to people about the bond, we have encountered a common misconception that, if the bond doesn't pass, there will be some other way for new schools to get built or for large investments in technology and our current infrastructure to take place—that simply isn't the case. There is no other funding mechanism in Oregon for school construction or other large capital

investments than general obligation bonds that are voted on and approved by the property owners that live in the school district's attendance area.

"But surely they wouldn't build out South Hillsboro and have no schools there?" we've heard, and have had to say that's exactly what would happen until and unless voters pass a bond to finance those projects.

The Legislature did enact a law (ORS 320.176) in 2007 to allow for the collection of Construction Excise Tax (CET) on construction permits for both residential and nonresidential construction and remodeling, with various exceptions, to provide school districts with some funds for capital improvements. Since March of 2008, when CET collections began from the City of Hillsboro, City of Cornelius, and Washington County, the District has collected approximately \$8.8 million, which has been used for a variety of facilities maintenance projects.

Considering that, at today's prices, constructing a new elementary school would cost approximately \$40 million, a new middle school \$80 million, and a new high school \$120 million or more, CET—while very much appreciated and helpful—is not a realistic way for Oregon school districts to build new schools.

Money the District collects annually in property taxes and from the State School Fund goes primarily to operational expenses like staffing, instructional materials, supplies, etc. While there is some money to support day-to-day maintenance of facilities and infrastructure, larger projects and investments must wait for bonds.

We are hopeful about our current bond and all it could do for our schools and our students. I encourage you to learn more by reading this newsletter and visiting our website at www. Hillsboro-Bond.org. And please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or need additional information.

Measure 98 Funding Supports Attendance, Graduation Attainment, CTE Expansion

Last November, Measure 98—also known as the High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Act of 2016—passed by a two-thirds majority of Oregon voters. This measure called for school districts to receive targeted funding in support of attendance, graduation attainment, and the expansion of career-technical education (CTE).

Hillsboro School District is receiving \$5.9 million in the 2017-19 biennium (\$2.9

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HSD MISSION:



BUILDING FOR OUR FUTURE

Hillsboro School District is going out for a \$408 million capital construction bond on the upcoming ballot in November (Measure #34-278).

Remember to vote on Nov. 7!

The Hillsboro School District Board of Directors has voted to place a \$408 million capital construction bond on the November 2017 ballot. The bond would prioritize safety and security, update and repair aging school buildings, address overcrowding while planning for future growth, and provide a modern education for students.

The bond would renew the existing tax rate of \$2.24/\$1000 assessed value and would not increase the current property tax rate.

Prioritize Safety and Security

Making sure our school campuses are safe and secure for our students, staff and families is a chief priority. Unfortunately, some of our schools lack important modern safety features such as doors that lock from the inside, emergency alert systems, and security cameras.

Solution: The bond would add security cameras, enhance emergency communications, and upgrade security measures that help keep students, staff, and school visitors safe.

Renovate and Repair Aging Schools

Many school buildings are in need of significant repairs with aging and, in some cases, leaking roofs, outdated plumbing and boilers in desperate need of replacement. In addition, the District has 49 temporary portable classrooms, some of which are over 40 years old.

Solution: The bond would repair and update these aging systems, replace 15 of the portable classrooms in the worst condition, and complete significant upgrades at two of the District's oldest schools: Reedville Elementary and Hillsboro High.

Relieve Crowded Classrooms, Plan for Growth

Current estimates are that in the next 10 years, enrollment in the Hillsboro School District will increase by 1,900 students. Some of these students will move into portions of the District that already lack adequate space in existing school buildings, making a difficult overcrowding problem even worse, while others will be moving into new developments in our growing community.

Solution: The bond would construct additional elementary schools where future growth is happening, as well as expand two existing middle and high schools to accommodate expected growth and reduce overcrowding.

Provide a Modern Education for Every Student

Many Hillsboro school buildings are simply out-of-date and are not equipped to provide students with the modern best practices in education and technology they need in order to graduate career- and college-ready.

KEY THINGS TO KNOW

- Would raise \$408 million for needed safety and security, new construction, current infrastructure investment, and student achievement projects.
- Would touch every school in our district.
- Would not increase the current tax rate of \$2.24/\$1,000 of assessed value.
- Would generate at least \$6 million in state matching funds if approved.
- Is the only mechanism for building new schools and making large capital investments in our district.
- Projects would be completed in five years; bond would be financed over 20 years; next construction bond ask anticipated in nine years (2026).

Solution: The bond would update our schools to provide a modern educational environment, which would include technology, labs, and spaces for hands-on learning. These modern spaces would expand access to up-to-date job training opportunities in partnership with Portland Community College and local employers, giving students a head start on careers and college.

Wise Use of Taxpayer Dollars

Hillsboro School District taxpayers want to know their money is being spent wisely and that the organizations receiving their tax dollars are frugal and fiscally-responsible. If passed, the bond would:

Maintain Current Tax Rate

This bond would renew the existing tax rate (\$2.24/\$1000 assessed value), and would not increase the current property tax rate.

Be Part of a Long-Term Plan

The 2017 bond would be part of a long-term plan to maintain and improve our school facilities. After property tax collections in November 2017, all outstanding bonds except for the one passed in 2006 will have been paid off. All projects undertaken as part of the 2006 bond were completed on-time and under-budget.

Qualify for State Matching Funds

The 2015 Oregon Legislature passed bill SB 447, the Oregon Schools Capital Improvement Matching Grant (OSCIM) program, to assist school districts in gathering support for school facility bond elections. Hillsboro School District has been awarded a \$6 million OSCIM grant, which means that if our bond passes we would receive an additional \$6 million to complete more needed projects. We would also be eligible to receive an additional \$2 million (total of \$8 million) if not all funds are awarded after the November elections.

Provide Independent Oversight

The District would convene a Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee to monitor the progress of the bond and ensure that projects are being managed responsibly. That committee would report back to the School Board on a regular basis as a measure of accountability. The District would also retain an outside firm to conduct regular, independent audits of bond expenditures. In addition, the bond would require that at least 90 percent of the money raised be spent on construction and repair projects, not administration.

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CENTURY FEEDER: • CENTURY HIGH SCHOOL • BROWN MIDDLE SCHOOL

ELEMENTARIES: • BUTTERNUT CREEK • IMLAY • INDIAN HILLS • LADD ACRES • REEDVILLE • TOBIAS





still needed. Please see our website for more details. Our annual read-a-thon runs through the month of October and will connect to our Family Literacy Night in the spring. Join us in encouraging all students to keep racking up those reading minutes!

School Highlights

- CENTURY Our two-week 8.5 Summer Bridge program prepared incoming freshmen for the transition to high school, and, as an AVID schoolwide site of distinction, we welcomed all students with a renewed focus on career- and college-readiness. With the support of guidance counselors, students are working on college applications—to date, nearly one-quarter of seniors have already applied to at least one college. We hosted a FAFSA party on Oct. 1 to support families as they apply for financial aid. Throughout college application week, from Oct. 30 to Nov. 3, we will celebrate all of our seniors who apply to college with fun activities. We are also thrilled to have Measure 98 funding to support new, individualized interventions for students through a wellness center, a wellness and support counselor, targeted support classes, and graduation coaches.
- BROWN Last spring, our students developed the motto for our school: "Every student counts. Every moment matters." Our PAW (Panthers Are Welcome) leaders welcomed the new seventh-graders to our school and made sure every student knows that they count. Every moment at school matters, and to support that, our student government is organizing an attenDANCE to encourage students to be at school. In the coming months, we will have lots of opportunities to participate in spirit days, socials, and other activities that bring our school together. Thank you to everyone who participated in our cookie dough fundraiser that pays for these events.
- BUTTERNUT CREEK We are so excited to observe our 40th birthday this year! To celebrate, we are hosting the first "Bulldog Madness" on Dec. 2—come join us to see performers, shop holiday bazaar vendors and a scholastic book fair, and enjoy time with the Bulldog community. Vendors and volunteers are

- IMLAY Eagles are soaring! Through the support of the Imlay PTA, HSD and The Right Brain Initiative, along with the guidance of our STEAM coach Janet Rabe and efforts of our dedicated staff, we continue to integrate our STEAM instructional approach to provide our students with skills needed for the 21st century. This fall, our Right Brain Initiative artistin-residence, Daniel Granias, will be working with every classroom on a variety of ceramics projects. Students can also participate in a variety of STEAM-integrated afterschool activities. Volunteers are needed for classroom activities and afterschool enrichment, or to share their expertise in STEAM-related careers. We'll cheer our achievements at our STEAM Festival celebration in April! Follow us on Twitter:@ImlayEagles.
- INDIAN HILLS is pleased to welcome Alex Gatter, a member of AmeriCorps' federal grant program "Partnerships for Student Achievement." With funding from our PTO and school budget, Alex will work with second-grade teacher Mrs. Nelson on tutoring, extended-day activities, and volunteer recruitment/training. This year, our teachers will continue focusing on improving students' English language development skills, teaching problem-solving and analytical skills in math and science, and helping students to learn at a deeper level. Writing quality will also be emphasized in language



Brown's eighth-grade PAW leaders make sure every student knows they count. Their planned activities help create and maintain school community connections.

Incoming Century freshmen took part in the 8.5 Summer Bridge program, preparing for transition to high school as well as building skills for college readiness.

arts and math, where students must explain, verify and justify their answers. Our SBAC assessments are showing the results of this work. And, excitement is building as our sixth-graders prepare to attend Outdoor School from Oct. 23-25 at Camp Magruder near Tillamook.

- LADD ACRES We are embracing a culture of care at our school. Each student has been assigned a school "family," comprising students across grade levels and led by a designated adult. Each family will meet once a month, reinforcing connections across the school. Our wellness room, called the Astro Academy, and calming corners in classrooms provide spaces for students to self-regulate their behavior and regain the energy to learn. Ladd has also started garden STEM classes to enhance our science learning.
- REEDVILLE Preparations for a successful school year began this summer, including Wells Fargo volunteer projects and summer programs. Our first Kinder Jump Start program in August had kinders come for afternoon sessions with their teachers to ensure they were ready and eager to learn on the first day of school. Sixthgraders also came this summer for teambuilding and developing leadership roles. For back-to-school night, volunteers from Salesforce, Reedville Presbyterian, Faith Center and Westport put together backpacks and school supplies for all of our students. Reedville's preschool has received a QRIS 5-star rating and, this year, will serve 20 students who will learn skills that prepare them for kindergarten. Finally, Reedville families, staff and community partners celebrated a great start to the school year at our school carnival.
- TOBIAS In science, we are learning about how plants and animals are connected in a habitat and how scientists make observations. In our bioswale, students used hula hoops to enclose an area of study. The students then observed what evidence of plants and animals were inside their hula hoops and recorded their data. Our budding scientists are finding that there is a lot of science that happens around us.



What kinds of plants and animals can be found in a habitat? The young scientists at Tobias are using observation to record all the flora and fauna contained in their hula hoop.

GLENCOE FEEDER: • GLENCOE HIGH SCHOOL • EVERGREEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

ELEMENTARIES: • FREE ORCHARDS • JACKSON • LINCOLN STREET • MCKINNEY • NORTH PLAINS • PATTERSON

School Highlights

• GLENCOE Staff has done awesome work to build relationships with our families and support structures to help our neediest students, while maintaining high expectations for all. Our Freshman Fridays acclimate ninth-graders to the academic and behavioral expectations of high school through small group meetings with an older student mentor. The "Wizard of Oz" Homecoming Week, Sept. 18-23, was

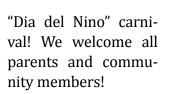
capped off with a great football win, 40-35 over Dallas High School, and a dance with over 800 students! Back-to-School Night on Sept. 26 brought in over 400 people who learned about Glencoe's great programs; watched student band, choir and drama performances; and met our wonderful teachers.

• EVERGREEN is placing a major emphasis on making connections and building positive relationships with ALL of our students. We feel that learning is personal, and when teachers have strong, trusting relationships with their students and with each other, everyone works harder and achieves more. Staff team-building included volunteering at the Oregon Food Bank over inservice week to package food for Houston hurricane victims. Staff will also be working with students around prevention of cyberbullying. With the support of guest speakers, in-house testimonies, and engaging advisory lessons, we are looking to see a significant decrease in the number of cyberbullying issues. This winter, as a Right Brain Initiative school, we are excited to be working with dance artists in our PE classes so students can experience a new venture into fitness and artistry.

• FREE ORCHARDS will host several events focusing on parent engagement in the coming months. On Sept. 28, we held a Parent Resource Fair that included community partners from SMART, Adelante Mujeres, Hillsboro Parks and Recreation, and the Cornelius Police Department. Our Parent Advisory Committee meets regularly and advocates for the interests of our Latino families. Our PTO sponsors fun events for families, and conducts fundraising to purchase supplies for teachers and fund field trips and other special events. This year, both groups will meet jointly every other month, starting Oct. 24, and are planning special family events for our school community: a Loteria/BINGO night and a spring



The new playground at Jackson is officially open! The Jackson Jaguar supervises the exciting ribbon-cutting ceremony.



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• JACKSON It has been a wonderful start to another school year! We love having students back in the

building and look forward to a year of learning and fun. As a school staff, we are committed to learning from each other, integrating content, and teaching with depth. We have many great upcoming activities you are invited to attend. At Jackson, we are a family community that embraces a tradition of excellence to foster emotional, social, and academic growth in a culture where everyone is happy, welcomed, included, and challenged.

• LINCOLN STREET We are so thrilled to jump back into the 2017-18 school year! Not only are we continuing in-school supports through programs such as dual language, Right Brain Initiative, AVID, and the Wellness Center, but we are also introducing new systems to ensure our students are well-rounded and have the tools they need for achieving academic excellence. A new program is Rhythmic Movement, a collaboration between music and PE. We now have calm corners, which are quiet, safe spaces within each classroom. Additionally, afterschool programs are expanding. The academic support provided through Lynx Academy will now include a fine art, music and PE component. Garden Club will still be taking place in the fall and spring, along with Science and Coding Club in 2018. It is going to be a busy school year here at Lincoln Street!

• MCKINNEY At McKinney, our students are solving complex problems to expand their critical thinking skills. As a STEM school,



McKinney students welcomed Mox Hermann, their new School Resource Officer.

Lincoln Street's Garden Club works with volunteers to begin planning for fall and spring.

students see mistakes as learning opportunities and we celebrate their hard work! We have welcomed our new School Resource Officer, Mox Hermann, to our school to help us with our focus on safety and being responsible citizens. Staying healthy also is important, which is why our staff and students are active each day with soccer, yoga, and other mindfulness practices. Weekly soccer tournaments help promote teamwork and exercise. We are proud of our work in STEM and fostering student success through perseverance.

- NORTH PLAINS We are so thankful to Columbia Bank for organizing our Glow Golf tournament fundraiser on Sept. 8 at the Pumpkin Ridge Golf Course. This and other fundraisers, such as our Fund Run on Sept. 29, help support educational programming for our students. We welcome families to our Harvest Party on Oct. 27—it's a time for family fun with costumes, games, pizza, and more!
- PATTERSON Many thanks to Zion Lutheran, which partnered with Patterson families to spruce up our campus in August! We have just wrapped up tryouts and both casts are beginning to rehearse for our fall play, "The Wizard of Oz." Other afterschool clubs and activities are up and running, including Chess Club and LEGO® Robotics. This year, we will have a schoolwide art project to create a colorful pathway outside the school. Every student will be painting a rock to represent themselves—a follow-up to reading "Only One You," by Linda Krantz—which will help to make our school a better place.



Patterson kinders gather on the class carpet as they learn how to share ideas with their partner.

HILHI FEEDER:

• HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL • SOUTH MEADOWS MIDDLE SCHOOL

ELEMENTARIES: • BROOKWOOD • FARMINGTON VIEW • GRONER • W.L. HENRY • MINTER BRIDGE • ROSEDALE • WITCH HAZEL



School Highlights

- HILHI The school year started on an "Up" note on Sept. 8, with the Disney movie as the theme of our first spirit assembly. Staff dressed in character as they performed a play based on the movie to welcome students to school. With students and staff vibrantly expressing their "Live Blue" spirit, the gym was filled with song, cheer and camaraderie. Mayor Steve Callaway also caught the "Blue" as he walked the Hilhi sidelines and met members of the Hilhi cheer squad at a recent football game.
- SOUTH MEADOWS is one of seven target schools in the Hillsboro and Beaverton School Districts receiving services from TRiO Talent Search, a federally-funded program hosted by Portland Community College. TRiO aims to identify and serve students from disadvantaged backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program makes college more accessible by providing academic, career, and financial counseling, and by helping participants prepare for and enroll in the college of their choice. Most of these students would be the first in their family to pursue higher education and TRiO is providing the foundation for their future success.
- BROOKWOOD We are actively working at knowing every student by name, strength and need—this is at the heart of our belief that quality relationships are the key ingredient to the learning process. To this end, we have implemented daily community circles in every classroom and new practices to assess academic strengths and needs. We are reaching out to families to better connect as a school community. All Brookwood families are invited to join us on upcoming family nights (see calendar). Visit our website for updates on events and themes.
- FARMINGTON VIEW This year, we will be focused on three key areas: 1) foster a culture of care to support students who come from trauma, learn how to identify it, and help students be successful through their challenges; 2) boost our efforts and professional development in English Language Arts, particularly in reading; and 3) provide even more STEM experiences for students, including the new "makerspace" in our library and expanded opportunities in afterschool programs, such as our state

champion VEX robotics team and coding and drone-flying clubs. These activities support this year's motto: "Yes, knowledge will fill one's mind...and it will also open it."

- GRONER K-8 STEAM is "growing" at Groner K-8. The garden club has been going strong since it began three years ago as an Eagle Scout project. In the summer, families volunteer for a week to care for and water the garden. During the school year, the afterschool club is led by second-grade teacher Chris Caputo and parent volunteers who help to integrate STEAM garden activities into the school curriculum. Students also have their own worm bin to watch and learn how worms reproduce, grow and benefit the garden. In mid-October, STEAM expands as we introduce our new VEX robotics club.
- W. L. HENRY Our fabulous music teacher, Dan Abrahamson, composed a song, "This School is Your School," and has been working on it with our students. Set to the melody of "This Land is Your Land," the lyrics are intended to remind students about the many positive aspects of their school: learning is cool, teachers care, it's important to make the most of each opportunity, and all students belong.

"We're in a safe place, I see a friendly face This school was made for you and me." Students enjoy singing this song and even the kindergartners have picked it up quickly. Easily adapted for any school, you can find the song on our website under "About Us."

• MINTER BRIDGE is off to a wonderful start! More than 65 percent of our families attended our "welcome back" BBQ before the first day of school. Our main focus of the year is building community with students, families, and as a staff. Teachers use morning meetings to help students develop connections and build a classroom community. We opened our



W.L. Henry's first- and second-graders in Mr. Abrahamson's music class have fun playing their instruments as they learn his new song, "This School is Your School."



Dolphin Center this fall to support students with skills that help them become better learners. On Oct. 11, we held our annual schoolwide community-building retreat that also included focused talks on math, writing and attendance. We are looking forward to a fantastic year for the Minter Bridge Dolphin community!

- ROSEDALE Band is expanding—we now have 24 sixth-graders signed up, which is 10 more than last year! Students are learning to play the flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, bass, and percussion. Miss Barnaby has led the Rosedale band for three years and plays a large role in its growth. Look for our upcoming band performances at school events like our talent show and spring concert (check out the calendar on our school's website for updates).
- WITCH HAZEL Last year, Alba Veredas was teaching second- and fourth-graders in Granada, Spain. Always a learner, and after several years of successful teaching in Spain, she decided to apply to teach in the U.S. Her adventure brought her and her family to Witch Hazel, where she teaches fourth-graders in our dual immersion program. She came "for the experience, to learn new teaching styles and strategies" while sharing her own. "And, the language. I learn and the students learn," she said.



Newly-arrived from Spain, Ms. Veredas contributes to Witch Hazel's goals of bilingualism and biculturalism as a teacher in the English-Spansh dual immersion program.



Groner's garden club members learn about STEAM as they observe (**S**cience), use iPads to track growth (**T**echnology), plan the garden (**E**ngineer), draw (**A**rt), and measure (**M**ath).

- LIBERTY FEEDER: LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL POYNTER MIDDLE SCHOOL
 - **ELEMENTARIES**: EASTWOOD LENOX MOOBERRY ORENCO QUATAMA WEST UNION



School Highlights

- LIBERTY During our fourth annual Falcon Flight, over 1,000 students picked up their schedules and found their classes before the first day of school. At Back-to-School Night, more than 700 family members connected with their students' teachers. On FAFSA/Common Application Night, students and parents learned about paying for college through financial aid, how to apply to college, and more. Homecoming was a festive week with "Take Me to Broadway"-themed dress-up days, a parade, tailgate party, and crowning of Homecoming Royalty at the football game. On Oct. 25, sophomores and juniors will take the PSAT, while seniors attend workshops on college applications and scholarships. What a great start for the school year!
- POYNTER We are grateful to our wonderful Synopsys volunteers who returned again this year on Sept. 16 to spruce up our building. Volunteers painted the eighth-grade hallways, landscaped the front area, built the last of the new library furniture, finished painting our mascot logo and welcome sign in the main office, and cleared our basketball courts of debris. Students, staff and families loved it all!
- **EASTWOOD** We started off the school year with an amazing turnout for our Back-to-School Night on Aug. 31. Students and families met their teachers and learned about all of the great things students will be studying this school year. On the way out, each student received a special treat from the PTA, as well as a new book and watercolor set that was among the \$10,000 in supplies, books and technology donated by Amazon! Our Fall Festival on Oct. 20 was filled with crafts, games, prizes, and dancing!
- **LENOX** Every Friday morning, our new "Circle the Wagons" all-school assembly will round up our Lenox Pioneers so we can celebrate



Synopsys volunteers paint the Poynter Patriot logo in the main office, one of many beautification projects they completed at the school.



Lenox garden club members prepare beds for planting. The students meet every Thursday after school to learn how plants grow and how to tend them.

each other and sing our school song to help build school community. On Oct. 11, students participated in our annual bulb planting—we eagerly wait for spring when the bulbs' glorious colors pop up all over campus. We had another amazing "Color Me Fun Run" fundraiser held by our booster club on Oct. 6 to raise money for supplies, technology, science fair, field trips, field day, our carnival and more. Afterschool garden club is under way on Thursdays this fall and sixth-grade band meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays with 20 students playing a variety of instruments.

- MOOBERRY is fortunate to have amazing community partners. In August, our friends at Hillsboro Nazarene Church donated their time to beautify the front of our campus. Pastor Bruce McRite and his sons powerwashed every single chair in our building, literally giving us all a fresh start to the school year. Our Kaiser Permanente friends, led by Carolyn Ortman, donated more than 40 fully-stocked backpacks to our school, so students had what they needed to start off the school year. Lastly, our PTO, the Mooberry Community Corral, has been raising funds to purchase all of those extras that schools need, yet can't always afford—raising \$25,000 last year alone! We are so thankful for our volunteers and appreciate everything they do to add to the sense of pride and confidence our students and staff have as we begin an exciting year here at Mooberry!
- **ORENCO** The Orenco community has long had an interest in the arts with a thriving art literacy program as part of our school culture, supported and presented by our parent volunteers. We are excited to join other HSD schools in the Right Brain Initiative to inte-



Eastwood students are excited to get new books and watercolor sets, donated by Amazon, at back-to-school night.

grate arts through moving, playing, discovering and building; and transforming learning for all children through creativity, innovation and whole-brain thinking. Right Brain will be piloted in four classrooms in grades K, 3 and 6 in our first year of implementation, and will bring arts-integrated strategies to our entire staff.

- QUATAMA Our Coyote Community Club started off our school year strong by sponsoring a new track and STEAM lab! Special thanks to our families and volunteers, including Intel, for landscaping our grounds and helping to make Quatama shine for the start of school. Our community is made stronger by these much-appreciated partnerships. Students are already deep into the new Amplify science curriculum, building upon our already strong STEAM program, and we look forward to connecting field trips to our learning! On Oct. 26, we will hold our first annual Community Culture Night, with artifacts from around the world and live performances—we hope to see you there! Check out our Right Brain progress report, where we share our cooperative work and partnership success: http://bit.ly/2hR9NuX.
- WEST UNION This year, every student and staff member will be in one of four "houses" as we focus on building school community. Each house comprises students from different grades who can earn points for their house and take part in community-building projects and activities. On Oct. 20, we held our second annual Celebrity Spelling Bee, a fundraiser to get more technology for our students. To celebrate good attendance, we will be giving awards to the classroom with the best attendance each week. Attendance matters—every student, every day.



The new Amplify science curriculum, adopted by HSD last spring, provides hands-on, immersive experiences for students in grades K-8, including these students at Quatama.

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- HOA sixth-graders at Outdoor School, Cedar Ridge, Vernonia (from Oct. 30) Orenco sixth-graders at Outdoor School (from Oct. 30) Indian Hills spirit gear sales begin
 - Title VI Native American Family Activities Night, 6-7:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr. Theme: dreamcatchers
- 1-2 ---- R.A. Brown: end of Red Ribbon Week ---- END OF FIRST QUARTER

Jackson Principal Coffee Chat, 8-9 a.m. Farmington View FVPAE meeting, 2:15-

Jackson PTA meeting, 2:30-3 p.m. Tobias Family Language Night, 5:30-7:30 p.m., cafeteria McKinney PTO meeting, 6-7 p.m.

- Quatama CCC meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Liberty Choir Concert, 7 p.m. -- NO SCHOOL: elementary work day/confer-
- ence prep; secondary grade prep 4----- SAT testing at Glencoe, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Hillsboro Police Dept. Shred It!, 8 a.m.-noon, Admin. Ctr.

"The Role of Assistive Technology," Reciprocal Learning Community, 8:45 a.m.-1 p.m., Montavilla United Methodist Church, 232 SE 80th Ave., Portland

- Daylight Saving Time ends; set your clocks back one hour!
- -- Century powder puff games, 7 p.m., Hillsboro Stadium

Lenox booster club meeting, 7 p.m.,

Citizens Curriculum Advisory Committee meeting, 6-8:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr.

- -W.L. Henry Book Fair, library (open before/after school, recesses and conference times)
- ---- Liberty Veterans Day Assembly, 11:30

Author Career Spotlight Day, 1:30-3 p.m. hillsborochamberor.com/stc Lincoln Street Lynx Academy, 2:05-4 p.m.

Brookwood booster meeting, 6 p.m. 7-8 ---- Secondary conferences (check with your

- school for scheduled times) --- NO SCHOOL: elementary parent confer-
- ences (check with your school for you child's scheduled time); secondary staff development Century booster/PTO meeting, 7-8 p.m.,
- media center 8-9 ---- Indian Hills conferences and book fair
- --- NO SCHOOL: K-12 parent conferences (check with your school for your child's scheduled time)
- 10 ---- NO SCHOOL: Veterans Day holiday (observed)
- --West Union's Annual Ham Dinner, 4-7 p.m., honoring local veterans
- -Brookwood "Be College Ready" event, 5:30 p.m.
- 13-17-National Education Week
- 14 ----- Century Site Council, 7-8:15 a.m., media center

Print and Visual Career Day, 9 a.m.-noon, hillsborochamberor.com/stc

FBI Career Spotlight Day, 10 a.m.noon, hillsborochamberor.com/stc Lincoln Street Lynx Academy, 2:05-4 p.m. Jackson PTA meeting, 2:30-3 p.m.

- Board meetings, Admin. Ctr.: Work session: 5:15 p.m.
- Regular session: 7 p.m.

Century: Jumpin' and Jivin' with the Jagz, 7 p.m., Commons

- 14-17-Brookwood book fair
- 15 ---- Tuality Health Services Career Day, 9 a.m.-noon, hillsborochamberor.com/stc Century Unity Day (for freshmen),

Witch Hazel PTA meeting, 6 p.m., library Indian Hills PTO meeting, 7 p.m., library

- --- Film and Sound Career Spotlight, 9-11a.m., hillsborochamberor.com/stc Lincoln Street Lynx Academy, 2:05-4 p.m. Tobias PTO meeting, 2:30 p.m., library Minter Bridge PTA meeting, 6-7 p.m. Glencoe Band Awards, 6 p.m. Ladd Acres PTA meeting, 7-8 p.m.
- 17 ---- R.A. Brown spirit day

W.L. Henry vision screening, 8 a.m.,

Tobias Principal Coffee Chat, 8 a.m., stage

Witch Hazel Coffee with Principal, 8:15 a.m.

Synopsys Engineering and Marketing Career Day, 9 a.m.-noon, hillsborochamberor.com/stc

Indian Hills college spirit day and spirit assembly, 1:30-2 p.m., gym; theme:

Jackson family movie night, 6 p.m. Tobias Bingo Night, 6-7:30 p.m., cafeteria Imlay PTA Eagle Walk & Roll Prize Party, 6-8 p.m.

- Indian Hills family movie night, 6:30 p.m.
- 17-21-Tobias Scholastic Book Fair, 2:20-3:30 p.m. and during bingo night, stage and
- --Brookwood Holiday Bazaar and Book Fair. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 21 -----Lincoln Street Lynx Academy, 2:05-4 p.m. Licensed staff listening session, 3:45 p.m. Parks & Recreation Turkey Trot, Elden Kellar Track at Hare Field. First race begins at 4 p.m. All youth up to eighth grade welcome to race! Glencoe PTO meeting, 6-9 p.m., library

McKinney PAC meeting (held in Spanish), 6-7 p.m.

Imlay PTA meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

- -Native American drum and dance classes, Admin. Ctr: Drum: 6-7 p.m. Dance: 7-8 p.m.
 - Century Singing Christmas Tree, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
- 23 ----- NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Day holiday
- 24 ----- NO SCHOOL: licensed non-contract day Winter Village at Orenco Station Plaza opens through Jan. 1
- Century in Macy's Parade, 7 a.m.-1 p.m. -Hillsboro Holly Days, 1-6 p.m., Civic Center Plaza
- --- R.A. Brown canned food drive begins (through Dec. 8) Liberty canned food drive begins (through Dec. 12) Century tree lot begins (through Dec. 1),
- 27 ----- Lincoln Street Lynx Academy, 2:05-4 p.m.

30 ---- South Meadows Coffee with the Principal, 7:30-8 a.m. W.L. Henry Coffee with the Principal, Century blood drive, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Lincoln Street Lynx Academy, 2:05-4 p.m. Spanish Language Superintendent Coffee Chat, 6-7:30 p.m., Lincoln Street

Elementary School Poynter Fall Band Concert, 7 p.m.

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- Tattoo and Piercing Career Spotlight, 1-3 p.m., hillsborochamberor.com/stc Patterson family movie night
- 1-2 ---- Evergreen play: "Lady Pirates of the Caribbean the Musical," 5-9:30 p.m., commons
- -SAT testing at Glencoe, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Hillsboro Artisan Bazaar, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Hillsboro Senior Center

Butternut Creek Bulldog Madness, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.: join our 40th birthday celebration and shop our holiday bazaar

Hilhi Holiday Bazaar, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., cafeteria and commons

Quatama Holiday Bazaar and Book Fair, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

HSF Night at Portland Trail Blazers, 7 p.m. Discounted tickets at www. rosequarter.com/hsf; enter code HSF

-Lenox booster club meeting, 7 p.m., library

Citizens Curriculum Advisory Committee meeting, 7-8:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr.

- 5----- Evergreen: Hispanic Night, 6:30-8 p.m.
- 6----- Poynter Parents and Pastries, 8-9 a.m. Title VI Native American Family Activities Night, 6-7:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr. Theme: storytelling
- -Jackson Principal Coffee Chat, 8-9 a.m. Witch Hazel Panda Express fundraiser, 11 a.m. to close, Sunset Esplanade location, raising funds for fifth-grade

Farmington View FVPAW meeting, 2:15-3:15 p.m.

W.L. Henry winter performance, 6 p.m.,

McKinney PTO meeting, 6-7 p.m. Century and R.A. Brown Winter Choir Concert, 7-9 p.m.

Liberty Band Concert, 7 p.m., audito-

- 7-8 ---- Patterson play "Wizard of Oz," 7-8:30 p.m., gym
- -R.A. Brown: last day of canned food Quatama Coffee with the Principal,

8:30-9:30 a.m.

R.A. Brown winter social, 3:15-5 p.m.

- **8-9** ---- Evergreen play: "Lady Pirates of the Caribbean the Musical," 5-9:30 p.m.,
- 8-10 -- FLL Robotics Tournament, Hilhi cafeteria and commons
- 8-15 -- Lenox book fair
 - ----ACT testing at Glencoe, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Poynter Holiday Bazaar, 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Indian Hills pancake breakfast, 8:30-11 a.m., cafeteria; bring socks and blankets to contribute to our drive!

Ladd Acres Holiday Bazaar, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., gym

- 11-14-Witch Hazel Book Fair, library
- 12 ---- Century Site Council, 7-8:15 a.m., media center

Free Orchards PAC/PTO meeting Board meetings, Admin. Ctr.:

- Work session: 5:15 p.m.
- Regular session: 7 p.m. Hilhi Winter Choir Concert, 7-9 p.m., auditorium

North Plains Choir Concert, 6-7 p.m. Liberty Choir performs at The Grotto, 6

Imlay PTA meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Century Winter Band Concert, 7-9 p.m. Glencoe Choir performs at The Grotto, 8 p.m.

-- Tobias Principal Coffee Chat, 8 a.m., stage

Native American drum and dance classes, Admin. Ctr: Drum: 6-7 p.m. Dance: 7-8 p.m.

Indian Hills PTO meeting, 7 p.m., library Glencoe Holiday Band and Choir Concert, 7 p.m.

- --W.L. Henry Coffee with the Principal, 8 a.m., library Quatama CCC meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Liberty Choir Concert, 7 p.m., audito-
- 15 ---- R.A. Brown spirit day Indian Hills pajama day and spirit assembly, 1:30-2 p.m., gym; theme: caring
- -Century Doernbecher Parents Night Out Fundraiser, 4-9 p.m.

18-22-NO SCHOOL: winter break

25 ---- Christmas Day holiday 25-29-NO SCHOOL: winter break



Imlay students collaborate on building mathematical models.

We post selected calendar information available as of press time. Be sure to stay current on the latest events and updates by signing up for our weekly Hot News e-newsletter, downloading the District app, and by visiting your school or the Hillsboro School District website

- 1----- NO SCHOOL: New Year's Day holiday
- -Title VI Native American Family Activities Night, 6-7:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr. Theme: medicine bags
- --- Jackson Principal Coffee Chat, 8-9 a.m. Farmington View FVPAE meeting, 2:15-3:15 p.m.
 - McKinney PTO meeting, 6-7 p.m. Quatama CCC meeting, 6:30-8 p.m.
- -Citizens Curriculum Advisory Committee meeting, 7-8:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr.
- 8-26 -- Tobias Box Top Drive and Fundraiser
- -Board meeting, Admin. Ctr.: - Work session: 5:15 p.m.
- -Native American drum and dance classes, Admin. Ctr. Drum: 6-7 p.m. Dance: 7-8 p.m.
 - Century booster/PTO meeting, 7-8 p.m., media center
 - Indian Hills PTO meeting, 7 p.m., library
- -South Meadows Coffee with the Principal, 7:30-8 a.m. -- Quatama Coffee with the Principal,
- 8:30-9:30 a.m. Indian Hills bowling night at Park Lanes
- 12 ----- Glencoe Winter Ball, 8 p.m.
- 15 ---- NO SCHOOL: Martin Luther King, Jr. day, licensed non-contract day
- --- McKinney PAC meeting (held in Spanish), 6-7 p.m. Imlay PTA meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

- 18 ---- Tobias PTO meeting, 2:30 p.m., library Minter Bridge PTA meeting, 6-7 p.m. Ladd Acres PTA meeting, 7-8 p.m.
- 19 ----- Witch Hazel Coffee with Principal, 8:15
- 22 ----- Brookwood Family Night, 5:30-7 p.m.
- 23 ---- Brookwood Coffee with the Principal, 7:30-8 a.m.
 - Work session: 5:15 p.m.
 - Regular session: 7 p.m.
- 24 ----- Native American drum and dance classes, Admin. Ctr: Drum: 6-7 p.m. Dance: 7-8 p.m.
 - Tobias Principal Coffee Chat, 6:30 p.m., library
- -W.L. Henry Coffee with the Principal, 8 a.m., library
- assembly, 1:30-2 p.m., gym; theme: respect
 - Liberty winter formal, 7:30 p.m., com-
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McKinney Family Movie Night, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

- 20 ---- TAG You're It, 9 a.m.-noon, Patterson
- - Board meetings, Admin. Ctr.:
 - Brookwood Family Night, 5:30 p.m.
- -Indian Hills crazy hat day and spirit
 - Glencoe Band Night Out, 4-9 p.m.
- Century winter formal, 8-11 p.m., com-
- -END OF FIRST SEMESTER

February

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- 1----- NO SCHOOL: teacher prep
- 2-----NO SCHOOL: grade prep
- 2-3 ---- Liberty winter play, "And They Dance Real Slow in Jackson," 7:30 p.m., auditorium
- -Glencoe Band Can Drive Farmington View Recycle Can Drive
- -Citizen Curriculum Advisory Committee meeting, 7-8:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr.
- 5-9 ---- National School Counseling Week
- 5-23 -- Tobias School Supply Drive: help replenish classroom supplies
- -- Discussion group meeting for parents of IAG students, 6:30-8 p.m.
- -Title VI Native American Family Activities Night, 6-7:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr. Theme: basketry
- **8**------ Farmington View FVPAE meeting, 2:15 p.m. McKinney Open House, 4-6 p.m. McKinney PTO meeting, 6 p.m. Quatama CCC meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 9----- Poynter musical "Emma," 7:30 p.m.
- 9-10 -- Liberty winter play, "And They Dance Real Slow in Jackson," 7:30 p.m.,
- 10 ---- ACT testing at Glencoe, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Poynter musical "Emma," 2 p.m.
- 13 ---- Jackson Parents and Pastries, 7-8 a.m. Jackson PTA meeting, 8:15 a.m. Board meeting, Admin. Ctr.: - Work session: 5:15 p.m. Discussion group meeting for parents of TAG students, 6:30-8 p.m.*
- 14 ----- Glencoe Jazz Night at the Venetian
- 15 ---- Tobias PTO meeting, 2:30 p.m., library Century Safety Committee meeting, 3:45-4:45 p.m.

- 15 ---- Minter Bridge PTA meeting, 6-7 p.m. Ladd Acres PTA meeting, 7-8 p.m. Liberty Band Concert, 7-8 p.m.
- 16 ---- Witch Hazel Coffee with Principal, 8:15 a.m. Glencoe musical, 7:30 p.m.
- 17 ---- Glencoe musical, 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- 19 ---- NO SCHOOL: Presidents Day holiday
- 20 ---- Free Orchards PAC/PTO meeting Brookwood Family Night, 5:30-7 p.m. McKinney PAC meeting (held in Spanish), 6-7 p.m. Discussion group meeting for parents of TAG students, 6:30-8 p.m.*
- W.L. Henry Coffee with the Principal, 8 a.m., library
- **22-23**-Glencoe musical, 7:30 p.m.
- 23 ---- McKinney Muffin Morning, 7:20-8 a.m. Tobias Principal Coffee Chat, 8 a.m.,
 - Lenox Bingo Night, 5 p.m., gym Quatama Family Fun Night, 5 p.m. Patterson Family Social and Auction
- 23-28-W.L. Henry Book Fair, library (open before/after school, recesses and conference times)
- -Century blood drive, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Hillsboro Schools Foundation's annual gala and auction, "Gala Royale," 5:30-10 p.m., NW Events. Information and tickets at hsfonline.org Glencoe musical, 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- 27 ---- Brookwood Coffee with the Principal,
 - Board meetings, Admin. Ctr.: - Work session: 5:15 p.m.
 - Regular session: 7 p.m.
 - Discussion group meeting for parents of TAG students, 6:30-8 p.m.*
- * Series of six sessions; registration required by Jan. 30. See website calendar for details.

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- ---- Jackson Principal Coffee Chat, 8-9 a.m.
- 2-----Read Across America Day
 - Quatama Coffee with the Principal, 8:30-9:30 a.m.
- -- McKinney Read-a-Thon fundraiser begins—donate to support reading and our school field trips!
 - Century incoming freshmen forecast presentations, all day at R.A. Brown
 - Citizen Curriculum Advisory Committee meeting, 7-8:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr.
- -- Liberty curriculum/freshman night, 6-7 p.m. Century incoming freshman parent night, 6-7 p.m.
 - Discussion group meeting for parents of TAG students, 6:30-8 p.m.
- -Title VI Native American Family Activities Night, 6-7:30 p.m., Admin. Ctr. Theme: basketry
 - Mr. Liberty rehearsal, 7-8 p.m.
- 8----- Century Stars rehearsal, 4-5 p.m. Mr. Liberty pageant, 7-8 p.m.
- 10 ---- SAT testing at Glencoe, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- 11 ---- Daylight Saving Time begins; set your clocks ahead one hour!
- 13 ---- Hillsboro Schools Summit, 7:30-11 a.m., Admin. Ctr.
 - Board meetings, Admin. Ctr.:
 - Work session: 5:15 p.m. - Regular session: 7 p.m.

Discussion group meeting for parents of

TAG students, 6:30-8 p.m. 14 ---- Liberty feeder band festival, all day

- Witch Hazel PTA meeting, 6 p.m., library
- 15 ---- Ladd Acres PTA meeting, 2:15-3:15 p.m. Century Safety Committee meeting, 3:45-4:45 p.m.
 - Minter Bridge PTA meeting, 6-7 p.m. Witch Hazel PTA meeting, 6 p.m., library Glencoe Winter Choral Concert, 7 p.m. Poynter Spring Band/Choir Concert, 7 p.m.
- -Witch Hazel Coffee with Principal, 8:15 a.m.
 - Jackson PTA Auction, 5:30 p.m. Minter Bridge Father and Daughter Dance, 6-8 p.m.
 - McKinney Family Game Night, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- 21 ---- Orenco family fun night Liberty Choir Concert, 7 p.m. 26-30-NO SCHOOL: spring break



- Title VI Native **American Powwow** Friday, April 6, 2018, Liberty High School
- Proud to be HSD **Festival** Saturday, May 12, 2018, downtown Hillsboro



Farmington View students learn to fly programmable drones in their afterschool club.



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HILLSBORO BIG PICTURE (HBP) is part of an international network of schools reshaping education, and we are excited to welcome our first group of freshmen. As a small, communityoriented school, Hillsboro Big Picture is providing a personalized education and realworld experience to all of our freshman students in a flexible learning space. Big Picture learning is student-centered, where students actively own and invest in their education. Students are a part of a small learning community supported and led by their advisors. They also work closely with real-world mentors as well as parents and families to develop their passions and career interests in internships positions throughout the year.



Visit **www.bigpicture.org** or contact HBP at 503.844.1680 to learn more about what constitutes Big Picture learning and why we are excited to be part of this program.

Education Center

Grades 9-12 and Options Programs

← Hillsboro Big Picture freshmen take their education into a flexible learning space that accommodates their learning styles.

MILLER EDUCATION CENTER (MEC)/MILLER OPTIONS

MEC now offers dual credit English courses, adding to our dual credit math courses, through partnerships with Portland Community College and Willamette Promise. Many of our students are taking advantage of this opportunity to earn both high school and college credits.

It's been a busy fall in the Counseling and Career Center! MEC students had their first community service/college visit day on Sept. 15, when they headed to Western Oregon University, Forward Stride (a horse therapy program in Beaverton), or Rood Bridge Park. Students who attended WOU had a campus tour and admissions presentation. Other students helped Forward Stride pack for their upcoming move. A final group of students volunteered with Hillsboro Parks and Recreation to spread mulch and gravel at Rood Bridge Park. These experiences help expose our students to the larger community around them and to opportunities for their future.

The General Equivalency Diploma (GED) program is excited to announce Freddy Lopez as the new GED program lead. The new structure has students in cohorts with a goal of earning their GED within 45 school days.

Operating ten different programs at five locations, MEC is proud to provide students with alternative education that fits their learning styles and needs, and prepares them for their futures beyond high school.



Did you know?

- Missing two days a month means a student misses out on 10 percent of the school year.
- Students who are 15 minutes late every day miss out on two weeks of learning each school year.

Track your student's attendance by getting a tracking card from your school. Post it on your refrigerator or other prominent place to help ensure your student's absences don't put them into the danger zone.

Find out more about how your student can attend and achieve during the school year at www.hsd.k12.or.us/attend.





HILLSBORO ONLINE ACADEMY (HOA) Over 350 students across HSD and nearby districts are enrolled in Hillsboro Online Academy, which is much more than just an online school. HOA students can take advantage of both online and in-person opportunities. Full-time HOA students can attend on-site weekly classes and clubs, plus complete online courses from home. Physical education classes for students in grades K-8 take place daily on our campus or, in bad weather, in our beautiful 1948 gymnasium



at the corner of 3rd and Grant Streets, near downtown Hillsboro. Monthly field trips and activities also are part of the "full" HOA experience.

HOA supports homeschooling families by providing these opportunities for their students as well as access to HSD Part of the first day of school for HOA elementary students was getting set up online and connecting with new and old friends.

resources. A monthly "Parent Connect" session meets on campus with homeschooling liaison Angela Lorenzo, herself a homeschooling mom with students partly enrolled in classes and activities at HOA.

High school students can enroll in and complete HOA courses at home, before or after their regular school day, or they can enroll in HOA courses as part of their school day at their neighborhood school. A generous grant from the Hillsboro Schools Foundation made it possible for HOA to purchase 60 laptops for our district's high school students to access HOA courses. Thank you, Hillsboro School Foundation!

HOA is AdvancED-accredited and NCAA-approved. Give us a call at 503.844.1050 or visit hillonlineacademy.org to learn more.

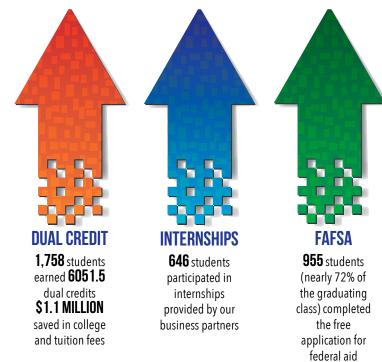
CAREER & COLLEGE PATHWAYS

Strategic Planning and Community Support: A Recipe for Career Pathway Success in the Hillsboro School District

Schools Summit: Fall 2017

As we continue our focus on career- and college-readiness, providing clear and viable pathways for all students remains a priority in the Hillsboro School District. Our HSD Fall Summit at the end of September focused on our Career and College Pathways (CCP) program, bringing together community stakeholders, staff and parents at the Walters Cultural Arts Center. We discussed current and future CCP programming and shared our increased 2016-2017 CCP metrics, which are indicators of the career- and college-readiness of our students:

2016-17 **RESULTS**:



Expansion of dual credit opportunities for our students has allowed more of them the opportunity to earn college credits while still in high school. Our higher education partners include Portland Community College, Western Oregon University, Oregon Institute of Technology, Portland State University, Southern Oregon University, and Mt. Hood Community College. More than 1,700 students took advantage of these opportunities in the 2016-17 school year, earning over 6,000 credits and producing savings in tuition and fees of over \$1.1 million! The number of students earning dual credits jumped 54 percent over last year, and the savings are 45 percent greater.

Internship participation in 2016-17 rose 25 percent over the previous school year, with 646 students completing internships. Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion rates for the graduating class of 2017 increased by 20 percent compared to the class of 2016, with 955 students completing the FAFSA.

CTE Revitalization Grants

In the 2016-17 school year, we were fortunate to have successfully completed two Career-Technical Eduation (CTE) Revitalization grants from the Oregon Department of Education. One grant, for \$385,188, supported the remodeling of Century High School's manufacturing program facility with updated, industry-standard equipment. This program now offers open enrollment to all HSD students. An additional grant was awarded to Hillsboro and Forest Grove School Districts over the past two years to fund ¡Si Se Puede!, a three-week summer technology camp at Hillsboro High School for middle and high school students. Students enjoyed tours of industrial and postsecondary facilities, and hands-on learning each day of the three-week camp this past summer.

We are currently applying for a third CTE Revitalization grant for \$400,000 for the newly-established biotechnology pathway program at Hilhi and will know the results in late November.

Growing CTE Opportunities

More CTE opportunities are under development in the 2017-18 school year. With Measure 98—also known as the High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Act of 2016—passing by a two-thirds majority of Oregon voters last fall, targeted funds have been released to the school districts across the state to begin the work. The funding has enabled us to plan additional CTE programming at each of our high schools and grow our CTE-endorsed teacher workforce and programs. This programming includes construction technologies at Glencoe High School, sustainable agriculture and design at Liberty High School, biomedical technologies at Hillsboro High School, microelectronics at Century High School, and criminal justice and law at Hillsboro Online Academy. In addition, we are developing innovative opportunities for our students with community partners.

On the following page, read about some of the programs we are developing for launch in the 2018-19 school year, supported by Measure 98 funds. Updates will be provided in our spring 2018 newsletter.

2017 Bond and CTE

If the 2017 HSD capital construction bond is successfully passed, CTE-related construction, renovation, and technology investment would allow us to further expand CTE offerings to our students. Our bond planning team, co-chaired by Chamber President Deanna Palm and former Mayor Jerry Willey, included higher education and business partners, students and parents who all agree that expanded CTE opportunities will equate to more choices and more viable

pathways for today's students. For a list of projects proposed as part of the bond, explore our website at: www.Hillsboro-Bond.org.

Need an Intern?

This is an exciting time for business partners to volunteer, sponsor programs, and host student interns. For more information on providing opportunities for internships, visit: https://www.hsd.k12.or.us/Page/191.

Stay up to date on CCP as we continue to grow! Please visit: www.hsd.k12.or.us/domain/95 or scan the QR code below.

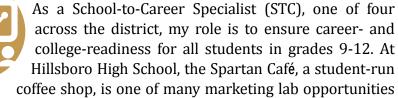




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First Tech Business and Marketing Partnership with Hilhi

by Melissa Pendergrass



across the four high schools where students can experience all aspects of managing a business—its finances, marketing, sales and customer service. We are taking this to the next level by partnering with First Tech Credit Union to provide a real-world marketing lab experience next year. Inside the First Tech headquarters, currently under construction across from the HSD Administration Center, will be a 100 percent student-run café.

I will be joined by Hilhi marketing students, First Tech staff, and community partners throughout the year to plan for the fall 2018 opening. Students in all four high schools who have worked in their school-based marketing labs will be able to apply for a position in the new First Tech café, which will be open to First Tech and HSD employees. Students will have the opportunity to work closely with community partners in this industry and further develop their business and marketing skills.

Bioscience Technologies Pathway at Hilhi

by Brian Pendergrass

This year, Hillsboro High School is introducing an exciting new class: Introduction to Bioscience Technologies, the first in Hilhi's new Bioscience Technologies Career and College Pathway. Thanks to a strong partnership with the Bioscience Technologies department at

Portland Community College's Rock Creek campus, this introductory class will start out offering four articulated dual credits, with more to come in subsequent years as the curriculum and program expand. This class explores current topics in bioscience technologies around the world, bioethics, lab safety, and the basic laboratory techniques common to all bioscience workplaces.

The goal is to prepare students for a career in the bioscience technologies, while also sparking their interest in pursuing more advanced degrees in college and beyond. To this end, HSD is also working on a grant proposal that could bring over \$350,000 to the program, providing the advanced, modern-day equipment and supplies needed to give students a rigorous and relevant education in the skills and concepts present in the bioscience workplace. Through this grant proposal (and if the upcoming bond measure is approved), we will be able to expand the program to offer additional classes and dual credits through PCC. This is exciting not only for the HSD community, but also for industry partners such as Genentech, the Hillsboro Chamber, PCC, and OHSU. This year's courses are the first step toward what looks to be a bright future for Bioscience Technologies at Hilhi.

Construction Technologies at Glencoe High School

by Todd Patterson

Starting in the fall of 2018, Glencoe High School students will have the opportunity to learn how to build a house! With the current labor shortage in many construction trades, high school students can learn valuable skills that could land them in a well-paying

career after graduation, or ones they could utilize in a college construction management program. Students will be exposed to all phases of construction from framing buildings to installing tile. The goal of the program, at least in the first year, will be for students to construct one or two tiny houses to sell or donate to a worthy cause. Another goal is to embed math instruction so students realize the importance of the math they learn and its relevance in a real-world work environment. Students will also learn professional skills like punctuality, customer service, bookkeeping, and management.

Planning for this new program has been a learning experience for me. I have visited Forest Grove and Sherwood High Schools, which both have established construction programs. I have contacted local general and subcontractors who expressed interest in partnering with Glencoe. I have attended professional development sessions on implementing math into construction education. With this solid foundation, I look forward to helping students be successful and career- and college-ready.

Sustainable Agriculture at Liberty High School

by Paul Lardy

Liberty High School is developing a sustainable agriculture program to provide students with insight and educational opportunities to better understand this growing industry. The program will be integrated into the current "Falcon Farm" and will be fully up and run-

ning in the 2019-20 school year.

We spent last summer planning a proposed Sustainable Agriculture and Sustainable Design facility. The "dream" facility would be designed to support the key elements within each of the programs to provide students with learning opportunities on renewable energy, onsite water collection, thermal mass heat storage, green roofs, water recycling, and purposeful design.

This school year, we are planning to develop the curriculum to build a robust educational program, and to ensure the facilities are built to create an optimal learning environment. During the 2018-19 school year, courses will be proposed as part of a staggered rollout, with the complete program expected to be in place for the 2019-20 school year.

Sustainable Design at Liberty High School

by Kevin Crabtree

In conjunction with the Liberty Falcon Farm, we will be developing a Sustainable Design Career and College Pathway. The program will focus on design techniques and skills that will support a number of disciplines within the construction industry. As the trend toward sus-

tainable cities, structures and energy systems continues, Liberty Sustainable Design students will have a competitive edge in this emerging job sector.

We are seeking partners to help fund a facility that will not only serve as a home for the Sustainable Design and Agriculture programs, but will also showcase a variety of sustainable systems. The goal is to construct a Net Zero, LEED or Living Building Challenge facility that will set a new benchmark for student and community education. Please contact Liberty High School at 503.844.1250 if you are interested.

UPDATE ON EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

by Rian Petrick, Director

OSAA Reclassification

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Activities Association (OSAA) goes through a reclassification process that affects league alignment for high schools. This fall, the process began for determining league designations for the next four-year cycle of 2018-22. HSD has been very active in this process, submitting both written and verbal testimony during each monthly OSAA hearing.

The process ends on Oct. 16 with the OSAA board voting on the finalization of leagues. At press time, it looks probable that Glencoe, Century and Liberty will be moved to the 6A Pacific Conference to join Sherwood, Newberg, McMinnville and Forest Grove. Hilhi will remain in the 5A Northwest Oregon Conference. Go to www.osaa.org for updates on reclassification.

Positive Coaching Alliance

This fall, we had over 400 parents participate in the Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA)'s Second Goal Parent training. The goal with PCA is not only to strive to win, but to strive to make athletics/activities a development zone where lessons are learned that will persist long after scoreboard numbers fade from memory. Parents are a huge partner in helping coaches create a positive culture.

Every student known by name, strength and need





Spreading the Message

Creating safe and welcoming school environments is a top priority in the Hillsboro School District. At all levels of our system, there are programs and initiatives under way to help ensure that students are respectful, responsible, and safe in their behaviors and interactions with others. At the elementary level, two main efforts are the PAX Good Behavior Game, which encourages students to create their own positive social norms and to follow simple cues for demonstrating expected behaviors at the appropriate time; and the Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) system, which uses a positive reward system for reinforcing good behavior.

At the middle and high school levels, the efforts become more student-led. Each of our middle and high schools has a Unity Team advised by a staff member. Students involved in the Unity Teams help identify topics and issues that are most pertinent to their school and strategies for making improvements.

Last spring, Unity Team leaders began working on a plan to bring nationally-renowned anti-bullying speaker Keith Deltano to the District the first week of October to deliver his powerful message to students during assemblies held at every middle and high school.

Using humor, straight talk, and relatable stories, Keith described scenarios that are all too common in students' lives to illustrate his central point about the importance of being kind to one another and not judging or excluding people based on their appearance or your perceptions about them.

He also held two parent sessions where he talked about "bully-proofing" your child by ensuring they have confidence, competence, and a strong sense of identity; building their resilience and coping mechanisms; and by filtering electronic devices.

To learn more, visit the Bullying Prevention page of our website at https://www.hsd.k12. or.us/Page/681.

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million in 2017-18 and \$3 million in 2018-19) to further these efforts, which include funding student support and wellness counselors and an additional graduation coach at each high school, running an 8.5 summer bridge program for students entering ninth grade who could benefit from extra support, and buying planning time for the expansion of CTE programming at each high school.

On pages 11 and 12, read more about CTE program expansion in our high schools, including construction technologies at Glencoe, sustainable agriculture and design at Liberty, biomedical technologies at Hilhi, microelectronics at Century, and criminal justice and law at Hillsboro Online Academy. In addition, we are developing innovative opportunities outside of brick-and-mortar schools. Our partnership with FirstTech Credit Union, for example, will have HSD students interning at FirstTech's new headquarters in the fall of 2018.



Our staff, students and schools have been working hard to perform professionally, achieve in academics and athletics, and secure grants to enable more great things to happen in our District. Here are select highlights of recent awards and grants. Be sure to check our website for updates throughout the school year.



Thomas Shirota Liberty High School



Ryker Bullis Glencoe High School



Nathaniel Fritsch Glencoe High School

National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists

The Hillsboro School District has three students who have qualified as National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists: THOMAS SHIROTA from Liberty High School, and RYKER BULLIS and NATHANIEL FRITSCH from Glencoe High School. Each year, approximately 1.6 million students take the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). The top 10 percent of those students qualify as semi-finalists and are invited to apply for continuation in the process for a chance to earn a portion of more than \$32 million in scholarships! Congratulations and good luck, Thomas, Ryker and Nathaniel!





Art Teacher Earns Scholastic Art Fellowship

Century High School Art teacher REBECCA BUCHANAN was one of three educators nationwide to be selected for the third annual Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Golden Educators Residency, a two-week art residency honoring educators whose students received recognition in the 2017 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. From July 20 to August 4, 2017, Rebecca and the other two artists participated in the residency in New Berlin, NY, where they attended daily exploratory workshops and developed their own artistic practices.

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"Volunteers are not paid — not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless." -Anonymous



The Hillsboro Schools Foundation (HSF) presented HSD with a ceremonial check for \$140,000 at the School Board meeting on Sept. 26. This investment in support of elementary STEM kits, which included \$132,000 in cash for the purchase of the

kits, as well as 80 new microscopes from Vernier Software, represents the largest single contribution HSF has given to the District and was made possible by a multi-year effort that was supported by many donors. The kits will be packed with hands-on tools for the meaningful exploration of science, technology, engineering, and math, and correspond with the new elementary science curriculum that is being rolled out in classrooms this fall.

In August, Reedville Elementary was chosen to be the recipient of the 2017 Annual Wells Fargo Barnhart Volunteer Day. More than 60 volunteers from Wells Fargo worked over two days at Reedville to beautify the grounds as they pulled up weeds, cleaned up the garden in the front of the school, and created a butterfly and hummingbird garden. They also worked hard inside the school, painting classrooms, moving classroom furnishings, cleaning and organizing the music room and stage area, and organizing the art and science closet. Their volunteer effort was even accompanied by a check to the school for \$3,500! We are so thankful to Wells Fargo Barnhart Center employees for their service hours and dollars in support of Reedville Elementary.

Sincere thanks to volunteers from Intel, Synopsys, Hillsboro Nazarene, and many others who also worked over the summer to beautify school grounds, providing a very nice welcome as students returned to school.

We had an amazing outpouring of school supply donations this summer, coming from various local businesses, civic organizations and churches. Thank you to the Nike Learning and Development Team, who partnered with Butternut Creek Elementary, and to the Amazon Fulfillment Center, who partnered with Eastwood Elementary, to provide teachers with much needed supplies for their classrooms.

We would like to thank the following organizations for supporting our students with generous donations of school supplies and backpacks:

- Apps NW
- **Bruce Chevrolet**
- Calvary Chapel
- Community of ChristChurch
- Dollar Tree
- First Tech Credit Union
- Hillsboro Hops
- Hillsboro Presbyterian
- Hillsboro Rebekahs
- Kaiser Permanente
- KGW Supply Drive
- **New Vision Dance Studio**
- Oath (Yahoo)
- Providence St. Joseph Health
- Qorvo
- Sonrise Church
- Wells Fargo Barnhart Center

Our students and staff are so fortunate to benefit from the kindness of our community. Many students who would otherwise not have the necessities to start a successful school year were able to have everything they needed!



Over 60 Wells Fargo volunteers descended upon Reedville Elementary School for their volunteer days in August, and brought along a check for \$3,500 for the school!



Volunteers from Hillsboro Nazarene Church helped spruce up Mooberry Elementary before the start of school.



This is just one group of many Intel volunteers who donated their time to beautify the grounds and buildings at Evergreen, Glencoe, McKinney and Quatama schools in July.



Community Partners

and opens Nov. 24 through Jan. 1. Visit http:// bit.ly/2ghhlSc for more information.

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for:

- Turkey Trot, Tuesday, Nov. 21, Elden Keller Track. First race begins at 4 p.m. Open to youth up to eighth grade; winners for each age group take home a turkey!
- Hillsboro Artisan Bazaar, Saturday, Dec. 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Hillsboro Community Senior Center. Proceeds benefit meal and wellness programs at the Senior Center.

Walters Cultural Arts Center

The Walters Cultural Arts Center is hosting several upcoming concerts to appeal to a wide variety of musical tastes. All concerts take place at 7:30 p.m. at 527 East Main St., Hillsboro:

- Chris Smither: Blues. Friday, Oct. 27
- Chris Arellano and Nuevo Americana: Americana, Norteño, Country. Friday, Nov. 3
- Kristin Andreassen: Indie Folk. Friday, Dec. 1
- Oregon Mandolin Orchestra Holiday Concert: Classical, Bluegrass. Friday, Dec. 8
- Oregon Symphony String Ensemble: String Quartet, Classical, Pop. Friday, Dec. 15 For ticketing and more information about these concerts, as well as classes and art events, visit the Walters' website at http://bit. ly/2y90BGe.

Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce

School-to-Career Partnership

Since 1995, HSD has had a partnership with the Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce to facilitate career days, job shadows, internships, and other career-related learning opportunities for students. Upcoming career days include:

- Author Career Spotlight Day: Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- Print and Visual Career Day: Tuesday, Nov. 14, 9 a.m. to noon
 - FBI Career Spotlight Day: Tuesday, Nov. 14, 10 a.m. to noon
 - Tuality Health Services Career Day: Wednesday, Nov. 15, 9 a.m. to noon
 - Film and Sound Career Spotlight **Day**: Thursday, Nov. 16, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
 - **Synopsys Engineering and Marketing**

Career Day: Friday, Nov. 17, 9 a.m. to noon More events continue to be added. High school students can learn about upcoming days and register on the Chamber's website at https://hillsborochamberor.com/stc. Parent permission and own transportation are required.

know about the City of Hillsboro. Join the list right now by going to Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/

Parks & Recreation

Winter Village at Orenco Station Plaza

"Happening

in Hillsboro" keeps you in the

Hillsboro Farmers Market

It's the last Farmers Market of the year in

downtown Hillsboro! Taking place on Satur-

day, Oct. 28, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Harvest

carnival games, photo booth, food, and live

be a fun-filled end to the harvest season.

on Main will feature a cornhole tournament,

entertainment! Don't miss what promises to

The Hillsboro Police Department is holding

its annual Shred It! event on Saturday, Nov.

4, from 8 a.m. to noon at the Hillsboro School

District Administration Center, 3083 NE 49th

Place. Shred your confidential documents for

a \$5 suggested donation, which goes to sup-

port Safe and Sober Graduation Nights for

Hillsboro's annual winter marketplace will re-

turn to the Civic Center Plaza on Saturday, Nov.

25, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., with a tree lighting

ceremony at 5:30 p.m. Featuring local artists,

crafts, food and drink, fresh winter produce,

and live entertainment, Holly Days offers free

Hillsboro Harvest on Main

City of Hillsboro

HSD high schools.

Hillsboro Holly Days

family fun for all ages.

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Twice each month, "Happening in

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phone or computer to keep you

engaged and aware of upcom-

ing events and the stories

you care about. Looking for

a concert at the Walters?

Want to tell us what you

think about a construc-

tion project? Or would

you rather watch video

highlights from the last Hillsboro City Council

meeting?

Happening.

Shred it!

Lace up your ice skates as Hillsboro brings back a special holiday tradition! Winter Village at Orenco Station Plaza features the only open-air ice skating experience in the area

Bag&Baggage Productions

Hillsboro's very own professional theatre troupe, Bag&Baggage Productions, has opened its new performance space: The Vault Theater, 350 East Main St., Hillsboro. Four productions remain in the 2017-18 season:

"Murder at Checkmate Manor," by David McGillivray and Walter Zerlin, Jr. (performances through Oct. 31)

- "Charles Dickens Writes 'A Christmas Carol'," based on Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," adapted by Scott Palmer (Nov. 30 and throughout December)
- "Death and the Maiden," by Ariel Dorfman (March 2018).
- "Blithe Spirit," by Noël Coward (May 2018)

Thanks to the generous support of donors to Bag&Baggage, local high school students can attend any production for which there are open seats free of charge simply by arriving 30 minutes in advance of the show and showing their valid student ID.

Stages Performing Arts Youth Academy

Young thespians have started their 2017-18 performance schedule at The Hart Theatre on 185 SE Washington St., Hillsboro. Upcoming productions are:

- The Oregon premiere of "**Red Hot Patriot**" by Margaret and Allison Engel (Nov. 4, 5)
- Shakespeare's "As You Like It" (Jan. 5-14)
- The musical "Curtains!" by Rupert Holmes and lyrics by Fred Ebb (April 20 to May 6)

Find more information at www.stagesyouth.org.

Hillsboro Schools Foundation

HSF Night at Portland Trail Blazers

Support the Hillsboro Schools Foundation while cheering on the Portland Trail Blazers at their game vs. the New Orleans Pelicans on Saturday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at just \$25 for regularly priced \$37 seats! HSF fans get early entry to watch warm ups down on the floor. And, some kids will get to be down on the floor with players during the National Anthem! Get your tickets at www.rosequarter. com/hsf and enter code: HSF.

Alumni Database

HSF is developing an alumni database! If you graduated from one of our HSD high schools, please take a few minutes to respond to their brief survey at conta.cc/2wOlwge.

Hillsboro Rotary

Here are the latest Students of the Month who were selected by their counselors to present school updates to the Hillsboro Rotary. Each is eligible to compete for a Rotary scholarship.







Glencoe





Naomi Johnson Hilhi



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in conjunction with the Downtown Hillsboro Saturday Farmers' Market

See last year's highlights at www.hsd.k12.or.us/festival or scan the QR code.

