

Washington High School

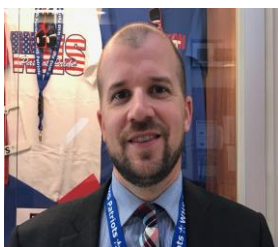
Home of the Patriots!

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Principal Whitemarsh's Message

As we head into the final two months of the school year, I am filled with gratitude and appreciation for each of you who have made my first year as principal such a memorable one. I couldn't imagine having to fulfill my responsibilities without the support of such amazing students, families, staff, and community members. It really has been a rewarding experience so far, and I look forward to many more years of working in such a partnership.

Spring has brought with it increased excitement, as our end-of-year events are just around the corner. At the end of March, we completed another very successful round of Student Led Conferences. It was great to see so many students and their families in attendance. For those of you who took the time to complete your surveys at the end, we appreciate the feedback and plan to implement some of the suggestions as we move forward. While most people expressed appreciation and positive feedback about the experience of hearing from your student(s) about their future, a few families suggested more of an opportunity to meet with each teacher about current performance in class. If that is something you would like to pursue, I would encourage you to contact your student's counselor to schedule a parent-teacher conference. The format and the purpose of the SLCs doesn't allow for that dialogue to occur, but a scheduled parent-teacher meeting is perfect for such an objective.

As we move toward the final two months of school, please be mindful of events that involve your student. SBA testing begins April 29th, and we will be on modified schedules during that week. AP testing begins the following week, so check to see which day(s) will affect your student. Senior presentations begin the week of May 13th. Other upcoming events include a spring Drama production, our spring concert, the AFJROTC Dining Out ceremony, Senior Prom, Senior Awards Assembly, and graduation (see inside this newsletter for more information about these activities).

A few final highlights of the wonderful things that are happening at WHS: 1) our cheer squad, band, and JROTC performed in the annual Daffodil Parade. As has been the case for the past several years, there was not another school like us who was represented so strongly at the parade; 2) our powder puff football team, under the direction of coaches Kelly Miles and Jacob Robinson, took home the Princess Bowl trophy, defeating Franklin Pierce High School 21-0 (our fourth victory in a row); and 3) two of our math team members, Elijah Paez (11th) and Gairot Nason (9th) represented our school at the state math competition, both placing in the top 3 in separate categories!

Please continue to help your student(s) finish the year strong by regularly checking their grades, helping them get to school on time every day, and contacting their teachers should you have questions or concerns about their grades. I look forward to seeing you at an upcoming school event. Go PATS!

Sincerely,

Brent

COUNSELING CENTER NEWS

SAT Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
June 1, 2019	May 3, 2019	May 14, 2019 (for mailed registrations) May 22, 2019 (for registrations made online or by phone)

For registration, fee, and other information about the SAT, go to www.collegeboard.org. Students with free/reduced price lunch may get a fee waiver from the counseling center. Students using a fee waiver must register by the regular registration deadline.

2018-2019 ACT Test Dates (National)		
Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required
June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019	May 4-20, 2019
July 13, 2019*	June 14, 2019	June 15-24, 2019

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Scholarships

Students interested in applying for scholarships are encouraged to sign up with the following sites: www.thewashboard.org and www.fastweb.com or log in to online grades, click on "calendar", and click on the green dollar signs that you see for scholarship information. The calendar is updated as more scholarships become available.

FOOTBALL – 2019 IMPORTANT INFO AND DATES

Players must have a physical on record (they are good for 2 years) and re-register on Family ID for Spring Practice.

May 22/23	Gear for Spring Practice handed out
May 28	Spring Football Starts
June 1	Junior Patriot Football Camp Fundraiser with the Parkland Raiders
June 12	Last Day of Spring Practice
June 17	\$220 due for Football Camp at George Fox University. Player must participate in 8 Spring Practices to attend Summer Camp and be academically eligible
June 21 -24	Football Camp at George Fox University
August 21	First Day of Fall Practice

Look for announcements and updates on the Washington Patriot Football Facebook page.

GOLF TEAM NEWS

Congratulations to Washington High School Golfers Carl Nelson, Marci Huggler, Kyla Fish, Elaine Wells, and Dylan Alfather in qualifying for the Post Season tournament at Gold Mountain. If they perform well, they're going to be on their way to State! Good luck Golfers!

MATH TEAM GOES TO STATE!



Please join me congratulating the WHS Math Team STATE competitors, Elijah Paez (President, 11th grade) and Gairet Nason (Vice President, 9th grade) on their success at State this last Saturday in Ellensburg. These students qualified in the Individual Topical category and Gairet chose to additionally compete on an Ad Hoc Team. Gairet's team placed 2nd in the Ad Hoc Team Problem. An impressive accomplishment! In the Individual Topical, Elijah placed 3rd among juniors and 10th overall among all individual competitors! Both gentlemen were supported by parents at the competition located on CWU's campus. Congratulations, Elijah and Gairet, on a great trip to STATE. Go PATS!

PROM DANCE

Senior Prom is on Saturday, May 18th from 8:00-11:00 p.m. at the Pioneer Pavilion in Puyallup. The theme is a Night in Hollywood. Guest Dance Request forms are available at the Student Information Center and are due May 10th. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased during lunch until May 15th. Fines must be cleared before purchasing tickets!

REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ART SHOW



Congratulations to Dyami Morgan for earning a Pierce County Executive Award in the Regional High School Art Show held in March.

CROSS COUNTRY – INFO + DATES



Are you interested in helping an already fun and successful sport achieve even greater heights? If so, then join Cross Country. Besides, it will also make you stronger and faster for other sports, including Tennis, Basketball, Wrestling, Fastpitch, Soccer, Swimming, Baseball, and Track & Field. If you have any questions, then please contact Coach Culp at "aculp@fpschools.org".

Cross Country...

- is for everyone because every athlete will be equally valued regardless of their ability and they will participate in most of our meets. Also, performance will be stressed over place, improvement will be stressed over winning, and personal records (PRs) will be stressed over points.
- is rewarding because every athlete will be challenged to improve physically, mentally, socially, and emotionally; emphasis will be put on our team norms of commitment, collaboration, courage, and class. As a result, their lives will be positively impacted now and in the future.
- is a family because every athlete will be involved in lots of different activities, and extraordinary team camaraderie will develop over time. In addition, parents will be highly encouraged to cheer at meets, help with fundraisers, and provide nutritional items.

Summer Training is from July 1st thru August 23rd at the WHS Track. We will be meeting on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Although it is not required, it is a great opportunity for you to check out the team before committing to join. In addition, it is a lot of fun and helps prepare you for the upcoming season. Plus, it is a well-known fact that the best teams and athletes train during the off-season. As incentive to participate, you will earn a customized running shirt if you run at least 200 miles.

Team Trip is on July 31st from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM at Ocean Shores. If you attend at least 10 Summer Trainings beforehand, you are eligible to attend.

Parent Meeting is on August 23rd from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM in Coach Culp's classroom (902).

Season Practices begin on August 26th at 3:00 PM in Coach Culp's classroom (902).

YEARBOOK SALES

Yearbooks will go on sale again June 1st for \$65. See Ms. Pedrique in the main office to purchase your yearbook or Mr. Coumbs in room 222 if you have any questions.

Franklin Pierce Schools does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Questions and complaints of alleged discrimination should be directed to James Hester, Compliance Coordinator for State and Civil Rights Laws; Wendy Malich, Title IX Officer; or John Sander, 504/ADA Coordinator at 315 129th ST S, Tacoma, WA 98444-5099 or at (253)298-3000.

MAY EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Early Release @ 12:25pm	2 Senior Class meeting during Pats to discuss Prom.	3	4
5	6 AP Exam Testing	7 AP Exam Testing	8 AP Exam Testing Early Release @ 12:25pm	9 AP Exam Testing	10 AP Exam Testing Deadline to turn in Guest Dance Forms	11
12	13 AP Exam Testing Senior Portfolio Presentations	14 AP Exam Testing Senior Portfolio Presentations	15 AP Exam Testing Senior Portfolio Presentations Last Day to Purchase Prom Tickets Early Release @ 12:25pm	16 AP Exam Testing Senior Portfolio Presentations	17 AP Exam Testing Senior Portfolio Presentations	18 Senior Prom 8:00pm-11:00pm See pg. 2 for more info.
19	20	21	22	23 Senior Class Meeting During Pats	24 No School	25
26	27 No School Memorial Day	28	29	30 Senior Awards Assembly @ 8:55am	31 Moving Up Assembly Seniors' Last Day	

JUNE EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 Early Release @ 12:25pm	6	7 Graduation Rehearsal @ 10:30am-1:00pm @ Western WA Fairgrounds	8 Graduation Ceremony @ 1:30pm Western WA Fairgrounds
9	10	11	12 First Day Seniors May Pick Up Diploma	13	14	15
16	17 Normal School Day	18 Normal School Day	19 3 Hr. Early Release @ 10:55am	20 Last Day of School 3 Hr. Early Release @ 10:55am	21	22
23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29



Seniors

Mark Your Calendar!



March 2019

- Deadline to purchase senior pages for yearbook Mar 29
(See Ms. Pedrique in the cashier's office.)

April 2019

- Jostens is delivering graduation orders that have been paid in full Apr 1
- Prom Guest Dance Request forms become available at the Student Information Center Apr 2
- Purchase Prom Tickets at the cashier's window during lunch or after school Apr 14-May 15
(May also be purchased online if senior does not have a fine.)

May 2019

- Senior Class meeting during Pats in theater to talk about prom May 2
- AP Exam Testing May 6-10; May 13-17
- Purchase graduation tickets at cashier's window for \$7 per ticket **(on sale now until Jun 8)**
- Deadline to turn in Guest Dance Request forms May 10
- Senior Portfolio Presentations (graduation requirement) May 13-17
- Final sales for Prom May 15
- Senior Prom at the Pioneer Pavilion May 18; 8:00a-11:00p
- Senior Class meeting during Pats in theater to talk about awards ceremony & graduation May 23
- Senior Awards assembly May 30; 8:55a
- Moving Up Assembly May 31; 1:00a
- Last day of school for seniors May 31

June 2019

- Senior Finals **TBD**
- Senior Meeting after Finals *(Attendance is mandatory)* **TBD**
- Graduation Rehearsal at the Western Washington Puyallup Fairgrounds Jun 07; 10:35a-1:00p
(Seniors will receive six free tickets at the end of rehearsal. Attendance is mandatory)
- Graduation Ceremony *(Seniors arrive at the Western Washington Puyallup Fairgrounds by 12:15 p.m.)* Jun 08; 1:30p
- First day to pick up your diploma in the main office Jun 12

SBA TESTING SCHEDULE

APRIL 29	SBA ELA TEST	3 hr. late arrival for Non-Testing students
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MAY 1	NO TESTING	Schedule B; 7:25-12:25pm
MAY 2	SBA MATH TEST	3 hr. late arrival for Non-Testing students
MAY 3	NO TESTING	Schedule A; 7:25am-1:55pm

TEST PERIOD: 7:25 – 10:05

Buildings: 300, 600, 700, 800 (gym), Culp (902) Skill Center

1st lunch	10:20-10:50	30 min
Advisory	10:55-11:35	40 min

Buildings: 200, 400, 500, 900 (Portables/Stem Bldg.)

2nd Lunch	11:05-11:35	30 min
Advisory	10:25-11:05	40 min

April 29, 2019

1 st Period	11:40-12:45	65 min
2 nd Period	12:50-1:55	65 min

Apr 30, 2019

3 rd Period	11:40-12:45	65 min
4 th Period	12:50-1:55	65 min

May 2, 2019

5 th Period	11:40-12:45	65 min
6 th Period	12:50-1:55	65 min

Your lunch schedule is determined by and advisory classroom or building you are normally in during
ADVISORY.

TEST INFORMATION

Who WILL be taking the English Language SBA Test?

- All 10th grade and any 11th or 12th grade students who has not previously passed the ELA Test.

Who WILL be taking the Math SBA Test?

- All 10th students in any level of math and any 11th or 12th grade students who have not previously passed the Math SBA.

Testing Students:

- Arrive on campus by 7:15. Be on time!
- Regular breakfast and lunch options.
- Your lunch schedule is determined by advisory class location/building.

Who WILL NOT be taking the SBA test?

- All 9th grade students and most 12th grade students.

Non-Testing Students:

- Do not arrive on campus until 10:05.
- Buses will run 3 hours after the normal pick-up time. Be at your bus stop at least five minutes early. Call the transportation office at 298-3868 for bus issues.
- Only lunch will be available on test days...no breakfast. Your lunch schedule is determined by advisory class location/building.