

PORT ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES

Parent Newsletter

Martin Brewer, Superintendent



NOVEMBER 2021

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"Whatever it Takes"
in Klallam

STRONG SCHOOLS. STRONG COMMUNITY.

Our Mission: PASD creates learning communities that prepare each student to live, work and learn successfully in a changing world.

Veteran's Day 2021



In honor of Veterans Day, we are proud to introduce to you the Veterans of the Port Angeles School District. Please [click this link](#) to visit the PASD website to read about those who now serve their community after they have served their country. Thank you Veterans of PASD for your service and commitment!

A Coming Together

Teachers, Paraeducators, and Administrators spent the day on November 1st, learning, reflecting, and collaborating with peers in their school buildings and throughout the District.

The morning started with a welcome from Superintendent Marty Brewer, Assistant Superintendent Michelle Olsen, and Tribal Chairwoman Frances Charles.

PA High School's new Klallam Language Teacher, Wendy Sampson, shared a Klallam prayer. The keynote speaker for our day was Carmen Watson-Charles, the District's new Native American Liaison. Carmen helped us kick off and acknowledge Native American Heritage Month by sharing the history of the Klallam people. Carmen's powerful presentation brought awareness of her ancestors' struggles, Klallam traditions, and shed light on how they lived off the land along the strait and throughout the Olympic Peninsula. *(To read the full story and watch Carmen's presentation, [click here](#).)*

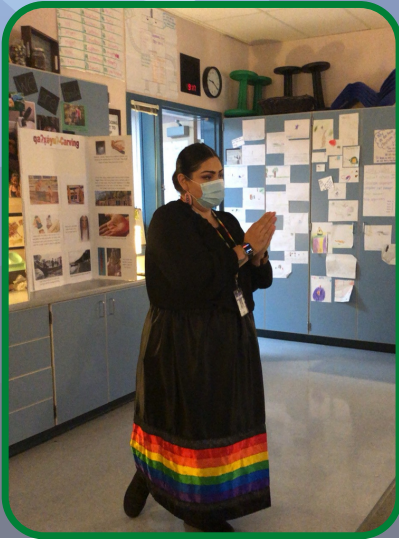


Pictured above: Carmen Watson-Charles delivers the District's Keynote Presentation to kick off Collaborative Day.

HAPPY

Native American Heritage Month!

Dry Creek Elementary acknowledged and celebrated its Native American Day on Tuesday, November 2nd. Students experienced drumming and singing, storytelling and beading, weaving, and carving. Members from the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe shared their stories, traditions, and Klallam Language with students. Stations rotated through classrooms every 15 minutes with educational and engaging experiences for students and staff. Thank you/há?nəŋ cn to the staff and volunteers who organized and made this special day possible for Dry Creek students!



A word from
Jessica Elofson,
Native American
Interventionalist:
Click the image to
register for the
Share our Voices,
Hear our Stories
Event!

NOVEMBER 17 | 6 P.M.
[BIT.LY/SOVHOSNOVEMBER](https://bit.ly/sovhosnovember)

SHARE OUR VOICES, HEAR OUR STORIES

LISTENING SESSION



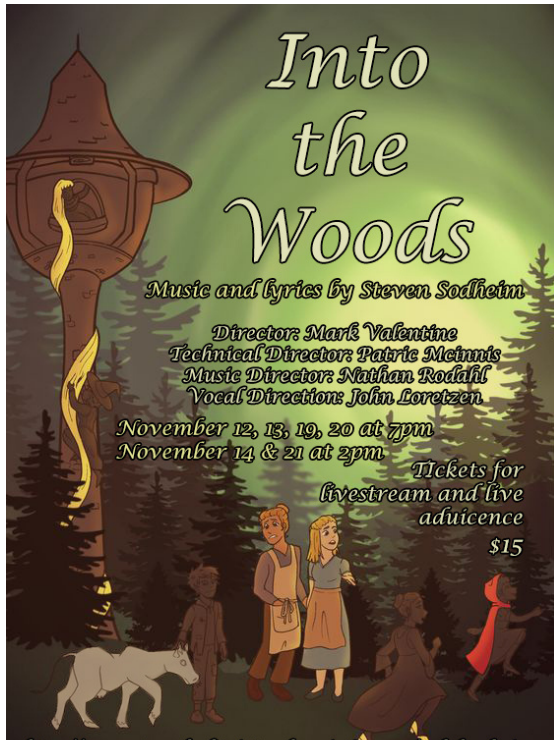
TRIBAL LEADERS CONGRESS
ON EDUCATION WASHINGTON STATE TRIBES



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PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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Comprehensive Center Network

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Poster created by: Kai Snook

Live theater is back! The Port Angeles Theatre Department, in partnership with the Music Department, presents *Into the Woods*, directed by Mark Valentine. The famous Stephen Sondheim musical combines several well-known fairytale stories and characters to create a funny, poignant, convoluted, tragic, and entertaining musical yarn.

This fall musical is presented live, with audience options of in-person and streaming. The first 250 attendees will be admitted first come, first serve. For virtual attendees, a link will be sent via email to stream the show.

Tickets (\$15) are on sale now for "Into the Woods" running for 6 performances between Nov 12th to 21st! Click the poster to get your tickets today!

Capturing PAHS Sports one Photo at a Time.

Kris Robinson is a parent, photographer, and Navy Veteran. She is one of PAHS sports' greatest supporters. On any given game day, you can find Kris on the sidelines taking photos of our athletes. In 2013, a parent asked Kris to take pictures at a football game, knowing she was a Naval Photographer. Kris was stationed at USS Carl Vinson (during Operation Enduring Freedom), and part of her job was to take photos on the flight deck.



Kris shared that while it looks seamless and like a ballet, it is actually controlled chaos on a flight deck. When she is taking pictures and on a sports field, Kristi becomes calm, and it helps with her anxiety and PTSD. "When I set foot on the field, I am back in a controlled chaos environment, and it feels great," said Kris.

Along with capturing these moments and finding her zen, Kris donates the money raised from selling her pictures through a SmugMug account. This platform allows parents to either download or print anything from posters to desk ornaments. All funds raised from the SmugMug account go back to football, Football Scholarship Program, wrestling, and Lincoln Park BMX. To date, Kris has raised close to \$400 and keeps the photos affordable. Once she hits the \$400 mark, she will evenly distribute throughout the four programs.

To check out Kris' portfolio and purchase photos of your own, please visit:
<https://krisrobinson.smugmug.com/>

Thank you, Kris, for your service, support, and talent! We are lucky to have you in our community!

The Juan de Fuca Foundation proudly presents

Ballet Workshop's *The* **NUTCRACKER** *with Oregon Ballet Theatre*

Sat. Dec 4 @ 7pm

Sun. Dec 5 @ 2pm

Port Angeles Performing Arts Center



**GET
TICKETS**

Tickets available
at **JFFA.ORG**
or locally at Port
Book & News



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FOUNDATION
FOR THE ARTS

YOUTH 14 & UNDER JUST \$10

**Don't miss this
year's
Nutcracker
Ballet
Workshop!**

**Click the flyer
for more
information
and to purchase
tickets.**



PAHS Students Peyton Rudd - DECA President, Kimberly Thompson - DECA VP of Communications and Community Service, and Advisor Jennifer Rogers were on the Todd Ortloff Show this week! Check it out! They discussed upcoming community service projects, including a Thanksgiving Dinner Drive for families in need and a stuffed animal drive for the Port Angeles Police Department and Fire to distribute to kids during emergencies. [Click here to listen!](#)

PORT ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2022 Important Dates for Seniors

- November 19, 2021 Senior Pictures Due
- December 3, 2021 Grad Ads due
- January 31, 2022 Deadline to Order Graduation Products for Delivery by April
- February 6, 2022 Scholarship Notebooks Due by 11:59pm

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any of
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to learn
more!***



The holidays are right around the corner!

Once again, **Lutheran Community Services NW** is offering Christmas assistance / Toys for Tots for families in need in Clallam County. To register yourself or a family, please send an email to clallamfamilycenter@lcsnw.org or call 360-452-5437 with the following information to register:
Your name, contact information, child's name, and age(s)
They will confirm your registration via email.



NOHN Mobile Health Clinic for Port Angeles School District

In partnership with North Olympic Healthcare Network (NOHN), school-based health care services will be available, starting on Monday, November 15, to students at each school's location through a new mobile health clinic. The mobile health clinic will provide services directly to students, including medical, behavioral health, and dental screenings.

Staff, students, and families are invited to attend an **introductory demonstration, and walk-through** of the Mobile Health Clinic at Port Angeles High School, located at 304 E. Park Ave, **from 10am to 1pm, this Saturday, November 13**. Safety measures, including strict masking protocols and physical distancing, will be in place to ensure a safe environment for everyone.

On behalf of the Port Angeles School Board of Directors and District, we are very grateful for this community partnership with NOHN and the United Health Foundation, Molina Healthcare, and Olympic Medical Center donations. These services would not be possible without the care and support of these incredible healthcare organizations. The new Mobile Health Clinic is a great win for our district, its students, and the community.

For more information about the clinic or to schedule an appointment, please visit our website: https://portangelesschools.org/for_students/n_o_h_n_mobile_health_clinic

TEST TO STAY

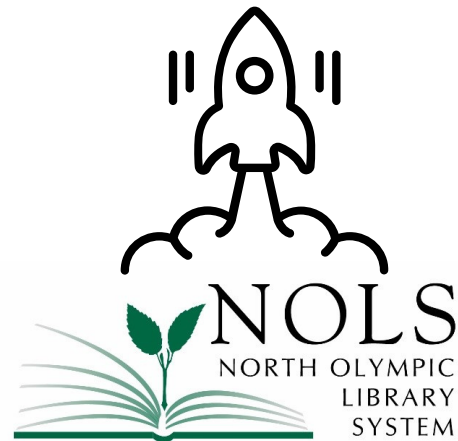
Keeping students and staff safe and in school is our top priority. We have learned a great deal over the past year, and our current guidance and procedures reflect the most updated recommendations from the Washington Department of Health and Clallam County Health. [Click here](#) for a message about a 'Test to Stay' program we have implemented in partnership with Clallam County Health.

FINANCIAL AID COMPLETION PLAYBOOK

Completing a financial aid application is the first step to accessing affordable college and career training. This new guidebook contains various information and strategies to remove barriers to and increase the completion of financial assistance. [Click here to check it out!](#)

Only 14% of our seniors have finished their financial aid applications. Let's not leave money on the table! Here are two upcoming Financial Aid Completion Events that parents and seniors can attend. Check it out:

- November 17: Financial Aid Completion Event, 5:30pm. Register [here](#).
- December 1: Financial Aid Completion Event, 5:30pm. Register [here](#).



Beginning Monday, November 15, kids can stop by their local North Olympic Library System (NOLS) location to pick up a Fizzy Rocket Take & Make kit to combine art, science, and fun at home!

These Take & Make kits provide the tools you need to make a rocket, decorate it, and launch it into the air using the combination of Alka Seltzer tablets, water, and pressure to create a carbon dioxide reaction. Supplies for four attempts are provided in the kit for room to experiment.

Recommended for ages 7 and up and adult supervision highly recommended. You will need scissors, tape, markers, and water; tape and markers are available as a supplement to the kit upon request. Kits include all other supplies for making and launching the rocket, instructions, extra activity suggestions, and safety considerations. Kits are available at all branches while supplies last.



In partnership with the Port Angeles Fire Department, Clallam 2 Fire-Rescue would like to bring Santa and Operation Candy Cane out into Fire District #2.

Each year Santa and the firefighters go through the neighborhoods of Port Angeles in a decorated fire engine to collect donated food for the Port Angeles Food Bank.

This year Santa and his helper firefighter Elves will be spending a couple extra nights collecting food out in the Fire District.

While we would love to drive around and see you all, the elves would get tired running all around in our large Fire District.

So we invite you to come see Santa, the firefighter elves, and a decorated fire engine:

Friday, December 10th

Roosevelt School
106 Monroe Road
6:00 – 8:00 PM

Saturday, December 11th

Dry Creek School
25 Rife Road
6:00 – 8:00 PM

Please bring some non-perishable food for donation to the Port Angeles Food Bank. We hope you can swing by to say hello and grab a photo with Santa!



"We need your help to design the 2022 medal!"

The 19th Annual North Olympic Discovery Kids Marathon will take place on Saturday, June 4th, 2022 at Port Angeles City Pier. Next Spring, kids will set running goals at school and use a mileage log to track their miles. On June 4th, all kids are invited to run the final 1.2 miles of their marathon finishing under the same finish line that adult marathoners will cross the following day. Kids will receive a special finishers medal to celebrate their effort.

For more information about the Kids Marathon and to register early, visit www.nodm.com

To download the form to submit your student's medal, [click here!](#)

Shore Aquatic and Community Center 
2021 Upcoming Events


225 E. 5th st. www.sacpa.org (360) 775-2119



Jr. Lifeguard Class

Winter break Jr. Lifeguard course. Develop skills in leadership, lifesaving, teamwork, first aid, as well as how to assist in CPR. Ages 11-15, \$65. Includes a Jr. Lifeguard T-Shirt upon completion of the course.
Dec 28-30 12:00-2:00pm

Dive-in Movie


November 20th,
7:00-9:00pm Watch Finding Dory in the Activity Pool or Dive Tank. General admission prices. 




Black Friday

Special Black Friday hours: 8:00am-9:00pm including open swim all day!


Date Night

December 10th 5:15-9:00pm
Cost/Child \$12/1, \$20/2, \$28/3
Leave the kids with us for swimming, dinner, games and a movie while you get some well needed adult time. 

Adopt a Grandparent

Adopt a local grandparent this holiday season who will receive a personalized gift bag. Pick up a tag from our giving tree and drop off donations. Look on our website for more donation items or email madison@sacpa.org for further information. 

Group Lessons

December Swim Lessons:
M/W registration starts 11/22
T/Th registration starts 11/23
\$40, 8 classes, 4 weeks 



Port Angeles
Annual Community Awards

Nominations are now open for the Port Angeles Chamber of Commerce Annual Community Awards! Please consider nominating that special teacher in your student's life!

Educator of the Year: Recognizes a teacher, coach, or educational staff member employed by the Port Angeles School District who has exhibited impressive leadership and achieved exceptional results toward the overall development of youth in grade levels K-12.

Nominate a PASD Teacher for Educator of the Year [here!](#)

Port Angeles
CLIMATE RESILIENCY PLAN

**VIRTUAL
PUBLIC
WORKSHOP**

November 17th | 6 - 8 p.m.

Join us on Zoom:
<https://tinyurl.com/PAResiliency1>

Learn more at:
cityofpa.us/1010/Climate-Resiliency-Plan

The City and community of Port Angeles are developing a Climate Resiliency Plan to inventory and reduce its community and municipal greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions while building resilience to climate change impacts and related stressors.

The City is hosting a public meeting via Zoom on November 17 from 6pm to 8pm, facilitated by Cascadia Consulting and you are invited to attend!

The Port Angeles Climate Resiliency Plan will build on current and prior work and identify new opportunities for ambitious, feasible, and equitable climate action that reduces Port Angeles' GHG emissions and builds readiness for climate impacts like sea-level rise and increased flooding.

Public outreach and participation are essential to this process, and the City is committed to centering equity and respect for all community members. This will lead to a Climate Resiliency Plan that reflects the communities' priorities

and values, builds capacity and interest in sustainable behavioral change from residents, and increases the community buy-in that is important for successful long-term implementation of the Resiliency Plan.

Click the flyer to learn more and register to attend on November 17th!

New Food Pantry at PAHS!



**COLLEGE
SUCCESS
FOUNDATION**
NORTHWEST COASTAL



Special thanks to Grocery Outlet's Melanie Gratton and community member Pat Chambers for establishing a food pantry at Port Angeles High School! Located in College Success Foundation's Room 418, the pantry has fruit cups, granola bars, and crackers for students who are hungry at school, as well as soup, mac and cheese, and microwave meals for students who experience food insecurity after school. Grocery Outlet has pledged to restock biweekly, and we would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation for our community members who care about our students and their needs!

THE PORT ANGELES FOOD BANK
IS OPEN FOR
DISTRIBUTION EVERY
WEDNESDAY &
FRIDAY
FROM 11-2:30
AND
SATURDAY FROM 10-1.



We are a no-barrier, no requirements, no qualification food bank open to nourishing anyone in need in Clallam County with respect, dignity, equality, and kindness.


Port Angeles Food Bank
632 N. Oakridge Drive
portangelesfoodbank.org



Check out this video created by Roosevelt's very own Music Teacher, Lori Kramer. In this video, hear from students on why they are happy to be back at school! Learning happens every day!

News and Notes, our PASD Parent Newsletter, is emailed out each month during the school year to all staff and is archived on the District's website under Departments, then Communications. For further assistance, contact Carmen Geyer, Communications & Community Relations Coordinator, at cgeyer@portangelesschools.org.

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