

# PORT ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES

Parent Newsletter

Martin Brewer, Superintendent



JUNE 4, 2021

## STRONG SCHOOLS. STRONG COMMUNITY.

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

### The Joe Glatz "Rocket Man" Science Grant for Teachers



Joe was an elementary teacher in the PASD for 29 years. He passed away in April after living with cancer since 2019. Joe was passionate about science and developed lessons and units that generated curiosity and inquisitiveness through experiential learning and hands-on activities. He earned the "Rocket Man" title by ending every school year building and launching model rockets with his students. To this day, there are probably a few rockets on the roof of Hamilton School.



To honor Joe's memory and dedication to students and scientific learning, the Joe Glatz "Rocket Man" Science Grant fund was established. By completing a simple application through the Port Angeles Education Foundation, Port Angeles teachers may apply for a grant to fund science-based, hands-on classroom projects or experiential learning opportunities for the 2021-22 school year.

The grant money will support the purchase of materials or field study activities. If you would like to donate to this fund, please contact the Port Angeles Education Foundation at [pa-ef.org](http://pa-ef.org). Be sure to indicate the Joe Glatz "Rocket Man" Science Grant in the designation box.

## SENIOR CORNER!

### Dates to Remember

**JUNE 10/11** RETURN TEXTBOOKS, LIBRARY BOOKS, CHROMEBOOKS

**JUNE 10** PROM GALA, 6-7 & 8-9

**JUNE 11**  
GRADUATION REHEARSAL @ 9:00A  
GRADUATION PARADE STAGING @ 2:00P  
GRADUATION PARADE @ 3:00P  
GRADUATION CEREMONY @ 7:30P  
SENIOR PARTY BEGINS 45 MINUTES AFTER CEREMONY ENDS

Any graduating senior from  
PAHS, Lincoln, or Seaview  
may attend!

### CLASS OF 2021 GRADUATION PARADE

3:00 pm, Friday, June 11

#### Parade Route:

- Marine Drive to First Street
- First Street to Race Street
- Race Street to Park Avenue
- Parade ends in front of PAHS

2:00 pm. Stage for Parade on Ediz Hook  
Must have parent driver  
Only 1 car per Graduate

### LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY

Monday, June 14th

Location: Peninsula College  
South of the Pirate Union Building.

1502 E Lauridsen Blvd,  
Port Angeles, WA 98362

Doors open at 5:15pm.  
Ceremony 6:00pm.

A list of attendees will  
be at the door for Lincoln's  
Ceremony, no tickets.

Graduation tickets are available at the  
high school main office beginning  
Monday, June 7th, from 8am-3:30pm.  
Only students can pick up tickets.

## 2021 Scholarship Night

Another successful scholarship night is in the books! Seniors were awarded more than \$2.8 million from 121 donors. From that, more than \$525,000 came from local donors and organizations! All of the 102 students that applied for scholarships received one!

Hats off to Jeani Hill Rowson for directing and coordinating the Scholarship Program. This was Jeani's last Scholarship Night, and we are very grateful for her support over the years!



Jeani Hill and Principal Jeff Clark



NJROTC Cadets  
Presenting the Colors



Guidance Counselor Jason Gooding,  
presenting Dylan Abernathy with  
his scholarship.

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***Have you heard the news?! OPSI recently approved Seaview Academy as a multi-district online learning program for Washington state!***

***Seaview Principal Cindy Crumb, Seaview Teacher Janice Rhyne, and Parent Amanda Sanders were guests on KONP's Todd Ortloff Show in May to talk about the latest. [Listen here!](#)***

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## Seaview Academy Student Spotlight

**Adam Kaminski, 4th grade is creating a bike course to further his engineering, daredevil, and fitness skills! During his spare time, he works online earning straight A's and learning above grade-level in his coursework. He is a hands-on, solution-oriented, highly creative engineer, and project-based student. Way to go, Adam!**





## **Dry Creek Elementary Student Perspective of JFFA's Virtual Concert, Black Violin**

The Port Angeles School district was granted the opportunity to watch the world-famous, grammy-nominated musicians, Black Violin (Kevin Sylvester and Wilner Baptiste). This is all thanks to the JFFA, (Juan De Fuca Foundation for the Arts) a non-profit organization, hoping to introduce the people of Clallam county to the world of music and art. JFFA is headed by the eccentric Kayla Oakes. With three years of experience under her belt as the executive director, and ten years of being involved in the JFFA, Mrs. Oakes is very passionate about her job. Even before turning to directing she was a lover of the arts, working as a professional dancer and educator in her early years. Like the JFFA, Black Violin created a non-profit named Black Violin Foundation Inc. Both of these corporations thrive on inspiring young artists and musicians. As Mrs. Oakes said, "Non-profit organizations exist to fill the needs in our community." After asking three different classrooms what they thought about Black Violin, I collected quotes from each classroom.

John Ruddell from Mrs. Doran's class says,  
"Black Violin is a whole new era of violin music."  
Sydney from Mrs. Longin's class says, "Black violin is better than awesome." Cameron from Ms. Grimes' class says, "I like the style of Black Violin, it really draws my interest."

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**Pictured Above:** Kayla Oakes, gives the three Dry Creek Ridge classes an introduction to the Black Violin concert.

## **Push-Up Challenge Completed!**

We have completed the Vietnam War Memorial Wall Push-up challenge with a resounding 66,287 push-ups. Our goal was to complete 58,318 push-ups; 1 push-up for every Veterans name on the Vietnam War Memorial Wall. We exceeded the goal by 7,969 push-ups and placed 2nd in the nation of all schools that participated.

Special thanks to all those that helped Roughrider Company reach our goal! Top 5 participants:

- Tom Wahl's PE class - 18,535
- Football Team - 4,390
- Stacey Sanders - 1,595
- Cross Country Team - 1,200
- John Henry - 735



Also big thanks to Lance Petry for making the tracking sheet with all the cool graphs! Check it out [here!](#)



***Timber, the Lefties Mascot visited schools across our district to celebrate the opening season! Grab your family and head to the ballpark!***

***Check out the Leftie's Schedule [here](#).  
Pictured above: Aiden and Milo Almaden.***

## WEEKLY VIRTUAL LUNCHEON CHATS WITH PASD SUPERINTENDENT BREWER

12pm on Fridays starting May 14th to June 11th

### Guests:

- 5/21 - Superintendent Brewer will address questions and update on returning to school for the 2021-22 school year.
- 5/28 - Assistant Superintendent Olsen will discuss the reopening of schools in the fall, Transitional Kindergarten, and summer school plans.
- 6/4 - Nathan Rødahl, Orchestra Director, Arts Dept. Chair and Pam Helpenstell, Business Education, ASB/Leadership/Yearbook Advisor will discuss what activities they enjoyed this year and what's on the horizon for next year!
- 6/11 - Dwayne Johnson, Athletic Director, and Brent Wasche will provide a summary of athletics from the last year and plan for the 21/22 school year in sports!

Registration is required!



Join Superintendent Brewer, Pam Helpenstell, and Nathan Rødahl during this week's virtual luncheon chat! They will discuss this past year, activities they enjoyed, and what's in store for next year! [Click here to register!](#)



REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR

## TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN!

**FREE** program for children four years old by Aug. 31st and for those that do not have access to early learning experiences prior to kindergarten.

Registration paperwork is available at all Port Angeles Elementary Schools and the District Building (905 W 9th St, Port Angeles)

For more information, visit: [tinyurl.com/PASDTKinder](https://tinyurl.com/PASDTKinder)  
Questions? Call 360-457-8575



[Click here](#) to learn more and how parents can apply!



Hamilton's Got Talent! Check out Hamilton Elementary's Virtual Talent Show!

Special thanks to **Dan Cobb** for being the host (even though Garbanzo thought he was going to be the host of the show). Enjoy!



Even though the orchestra students only had the equivalent of two normal weeks of school to rehearse, their concert was a wonderful outcome! We are so proud of these students. Check out [this video](#) from the Spring Orchestra Concert. Thanks to Nathan Rødahl, our Orchestra Director for all he has done to bring the music back to students this year! Thank you!





**13th Annual  
Port Angeles  
Back to School Fair!  
Save the Date!**

**When:** Saturday, August 21st from 10am to 1pm.  
**Where:** Lincoln Center - 905 W. 9th St

Join us for a drive-thru and in-person event! Children will receive grade-specific school supplies, access to immunizations and health care, food, clothes, hair cuts, and more!  
Stay tuned for more details!

**Sponsored By:**



**Ann-Elizabeth Pfaff, Developmental Preschool Teacher at Roosevelt Elementary, received a mini-grant from the Clallam County School Retirees Association. With grant funds, she purchased much-needed supplies for her Developmental Preschool classroom. These supplies will enhance their comprehensive learning experiences and help support learning colors, shapes, letters, and numbers, in a variety of methods. These tools support students in working towards their specific goals!**

**These coveted supplies would never have been possible without the generous mini-grant. These items will be enjoyed by preschool students for many years to come!**

**Thank you Clallam County School Retirees Association!**

## 6TH GRADE VIRTUAL ORIENTATION

Log in and learn about what it's like as a day in the life of a middle schooler! This is your time to ask questions about athletics, clubs and learn about the new CTE courses! In attendance: Principal Lunt, nurses, counselors, and teachers.

When: 6-7pm Wednesday, June 9th & Thursday, June 10th

Where: Virtual!

[Click here to join on the dates and times above!](#)



## SUMMER SCHOOL JUMP START!

Check out this opportunity for incoming 7th graders and new 8th graders to get familiar with SMS! During this program, students will learn organization skills, study habits and goal setting. We will also review math and English language arts skills.

When: August 9th - 20th, Mon- Thurs, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Where: Stevens Middle School - 924 W. 9th Street, Port Angeles

[Click here to learn more!](#)



# SAVE THE DATE!

**Port Angeles School District and the PA Wharf Present:**

### Career & Technical Education (CTE) Festival

Sunday, August 15th from 12pm to 2pm

Port Angeles Wharf - 115 E Railroad Ave

This event will showcase all of the hands-on projects and competitive events that Middle and High School students have done during COVID!

*Solar cars, egg drop competition, mouse trap boat races, and more!*



The community is invited to attend 'Summer at the Wharf' every Friday from June 18 to August 27.

Summer programming will take place in the courtyard from 2p to 8p every Friday in the summer!



## SUMMERTIDE SOLSTICE ART FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 19 | 1-5pm  
 Port Angeles Fine Arts Center | [pafac.org](http://pafac.org)  
 1203 E. Lauridsen Blvd. Port Angeles, WA 98362

SummerTide Solstice Art Festival is a free, family friendly event to celebrate the longest day of the year and welcome new sculpture artwork to Webster's Woods Sculpture Park.

Meet the artists, participate in guided tours of the newly-installed artworks and poems, and enjoy live readings at a Poetry Café in the gallery courtyard! Visitors of all ages can also contribute to a community nature weaving, design a playful solstice crown, and harness the magic of the sun to create prints with natural objects. Finally, bring a blanket and picnic to enjoy live music in the meadow with featured artists Aba Kiser, Kristen Marlo, and Jack Dwyer.

FREE/BY DONATION | FAMILY FRIENDLY  
<https://www.pafac.org/summertide2021festival.html>



## It's more than a meal application.

Filling out the School Meal Application may help provide:

Before and After School Academic & Enrichment Programs  
 Free or Reduced Cost Meals for Students at Our School  
 Fee Waivers for College Applications & Admissions tests  
 Healthy & Nutritious Meals  
 Guidance & College Counselors  
 Health & Wellness Services  
 Resources for Classrooms, Teachers, & Children



Port Angeles School District is an equal opportunity provider.

Don't forget to complete a Free & Reduced-Price Meals Application. Approved applications help fund other programs and may waive other fees for your family.

Have you completed your SY21-22 Meal Application? [Apply Now](#)

## PORT ANGELES SUMMER SCHOOL

**WHEN**  
 June 21st—July 16th  
 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**WHERE**  
 Lincoln High School  
 924 W. 9th Street, Port Angeles

**HOW**  
 Contact Lincoln High School  
 360-452-9502

**WHAT CLASSES CAN I RECOVER**  
 GOOGLE CLASSWORK • EDGENUITY CLASSWORK •  
 GENERAL CREDIT RECOVERY • CONTRACT CLASSES

**GRADES**  
 9-12

**LUNCH**  
 will be provided

**BUS**  
 Transportation will be provided

**BENEFITING**  
 Any Port Angeles School District student who wants to make up credits



## Girls in Science Virtual Career Café

Join local scientists and the Burke Education team for a FREE two-part program exploring Washington careers in STEM and the 21st century skills needed to pursue these career paths.

Local students registered for the events will get a link to recordings of both events, a coupon for Off The Rez Café, a free Girls in Science activity bag, and a special free ticket code to see Burke scientists in action at the museum!

[Click here](#) to learn more & register!

The application period for next year's PASD Board of Directors Student Representatives has been extended! Students must be an enrolled junior or senior at Lincoln or Port Angeles High School.

**Click here** for the application.

Maize Tucker - Senior at Port Angeles High School: "My favorite part of being on the board this year is to see the passion that our board has for our students. I was not aware before just how much love and commitment flow through the school board, administration, teachers, parents, and community members."



### Looking for a way to give back?

Check out this Adopt-a-Garden Program through the Boys & Girls Club in Port Angeles!

The purpose of this project is to distribute landscape maintenance responsibilities to our existing Boys & Girls club volunteers and the Port Angeles community.

**CLICK HERE** to learn more!



**Don't forget! Chromebooks and chargers need to be returned. Please make sure you drop your student's Chromebook off during the dates and times noted by your school. The district will issue fines for any Chromebook, or power cord checked out and not returned. A fee of \$100 for each Chromebook and \$15 for each power cord not returned will be issued to your student's account. The district will not charge fines for damaged Chromebooks that you return. Thank you!**

**It's not too late! Kids can still participate in tomorrow's Kids Marathon!**

**Register online or in person.**

**Kids are an important part of the North Olympic Marathon weekend.**



**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](mailto:cgeyer@portangelesschools.org).**

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