

# PORT ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES

Parent Newsletter  
Martin Brewer, Superintendent



MAY 7, 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.

## Port Angeles Food Bank, School District, and Community Partners Team Up to Tackle Childhood Hunger

When the pandemic started last year, the **Port Angeles Food Bank (PA Food Bank)**, the **Port Angeles School District (PASD)**, and **Sodexo** came together to make sure food-insecure children who depend on school programs would still have access to nourishing meals. With help from the PA Food Bank, the District provides hundreds of bags of easy-to-prepare food every Thursday and Friday afternoon to enjoy throughout the weekend. Each week, PASD sends home more than 600-weekend food bags, and 75 children picked up Spring Break bags on Tuesday, April 6. From September 1 through March 31 PASD has served 258,755 meals; an average of 1,220 meals per day.

Weekend Food Bags include breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snack items for children. While children are on break, the PA Food Bank also provides food items in the Break Bags for children in our region. Last month's Spring Break bags contained ground beef, eggs, and fresh produce, funded in part by the **Albert Haller Foundation**. The Spring Break bags also had \$50 Safeway gift cards from the PA Food Bank. The **Safeway** grocery gift cards were made possible through community donations during **NW Harvest's** "Harvest for Hunger" Food Drive this past fall. Funds raised from this event allowed NW Harvest to provide gift cards to food banks throughout Washington. The PA Food Bank provided \$35,000 in \$50 Safeway grocery gift cards to the Port Angeles School District. More than 675 children took home Friday Food Bags and Spring Break Meal Kits containing all these items! [Click here to read the full article!](#)



**Pictured above:** Each Spring Break Meal Kit contained seven days' worth of food for each child.

## **Shred Event Success!!**

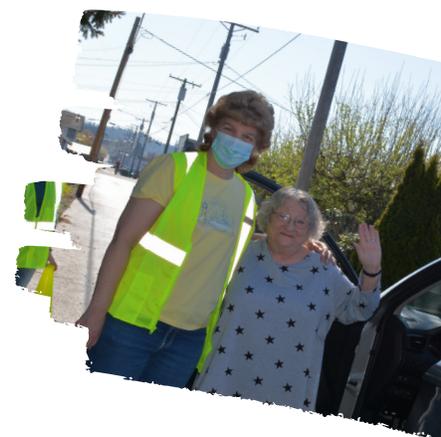
Thank you to everyone who came out in the sunshine and supported our School Supply Shred Event! With your help, we surpassed our goal and raised \$2,276 for school supplies!

### **Shout out to our sponsors and volunteers:**

**Steve Methner - State Farm Agency,  
Sound Community Bank,  
Lutheran Community Services Northwest,  
Kiwanis Club of Port Angeles,**

**Hannah and Michell with AmeriCorps, and Karen from PASD Transportation!**

**Thank you, thank you!!**



## Jefferson Elementary Students are Ready to Bloom!



**Pictured Above: Ms. Young 4th grade accepting check from Linda Skolink Port Angeles Garden Club president with 4th and 5th grade behind**

After two years of fundraising, Jefferson Elementary students are ready for their school garden! Local clubs, community members, and businesses have stepped up to the plate to support this endeavor. Students in the 4th and 5th grades wrote fundraising letters describing their goals for a school garden.

Our fantastic community continues to support our students by donating funds, materials, and time. **Hoch Construction** has donated their time to build a beautiful fence, and the **Peninsula College Welding Department** will make a fancy gate.

Local donors include the **Port Angeles Education Foundation, Interfor, Platypus, Hyundai, Angeles Millwork, Hartengals, NW Transmissions, Rudd Orthodontics, Rainbow Sweepers, OSP sling, PASD Maintenance Dept.** Thank you as well to individuals as donated many personal checks!

Thank you to all who have donated time, energy, and money to our kid's life, learning, science, math, writing, and reading skills!

## **KINDERGARTEN STRIDER PROGRAM FUNDED!**

Next year, all kindergarteners will be able to participate in the **All Kids Bike (AKB) Program** made possible by local sponsors **Lincoln Park BMX Association** and **Sound Bikes and Kayaks!** This program includes a fleet of 24 Strider AKB-Specific Bikes, helmets, pedal conversion kits, and one Strider 20 Bike for teacher instruction, and curriculum. Students will learn the skills necessary to ride a bike safely. We are grateful to be able to offer this program that gets kids started on the right foot. PASD is the first AKB Kindergarten PE Program in the state of Washington! To complete this program, we seek a sponsor who would like to donate a trailer for transporting the fleet from school to school!

Thank you again to local sponsors **Lincoln Park BMX Association** and **Sound Bikes and Kayaks!** Stay tuned for more details as this program ramps up!

**LINCOLN PARK  
BMX**  
PORT ANGELES, WA



# Stevens Stampeders are FULL STEAM Ahead!

8th-grade "STEM-X Career Exploration" student Michael Aranda conducted an interview, designed, and laid out a published career profile card for Pacific Education Institute (PEI).

Daniel Lieberman, Michael's Teacher, shared, "In our normal STEM-X Career Exploration classwork, Michael watched an interview with Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe wildlife biologist Kim Sager-Fradkin. To extend his learning, Michael did his own follow-up interview with Kim and turned it into a professional career profile card that will be used throughout Washington and the nation."

PEI shared this about the cards. "Our career profile cards are a teaching tool that can be used to increase student awareness of family-wage jobs in the environmental, natural resource, outdoor recreation, and renewable energy sectors. These cards offer students an idea of careers that exist in Washington State."

The card is published on the PEI website, where it says **Wildlife Biologist**. [Click here](#) to check out the website.

Click the card to the right to see the published, full-size card!

Nicely done, Michael!

 Environmental Science
 PEI PACIFIC EDUCATION INSTITUTE



Kim holds a baby cougar on the Olympic Peninsula

**TYPE OF WORK**

Exploring wildlife response, removing the Elwha dams, and contributing to tribal subsistence harvest activities by monitoring elk, deer, and the predators that rely upon them.

Kim Sager-Fradkin  
**Wildlife Biologist**  
Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe

Created by Michael Aranda  
8th Grade, STEM-X Student, Stevens Middle School, Port Angeles

## NEXT STOP, NATIONALS!

17 out of 19 student competitors from Stevens placed at the state Technology Student Association (TSA) Competition in March. All 17 are now moving on to NATIONALS! Students are working hard to fine-tune their projects and will have them ready to submit on Friday, May 14th. The national TSA virtual conference will be held entirely over the Internet from June 1st - 21st. The conference will allow participants to remotely access competitions, general sessions, and other conference-related events! Let's rally and cheer them on!

[Click here](#) to learn more about this virtual conference and the requirements for competition.



Pictured Above: Prosthetic Hand created by Kennedy Rognlien. She won 1st Place in the Medical Technology Category.



Click the KONP photo to listen to our Stevens Middle School Team talk about the CTE program! Principal Lunt, Mr. Thomason, and student Allison Woodhouse were all guests on the Todd Ortloff show on Wednesday, April 21st.

# SENIOR CORNER!

## Scholarship Night

7:00 pm, Tuesday, May 18, 2021

Port Angeles High School Auditorium

All seniors who submitted a notebook should plan to attend. Each senior is permitted two family members to attend.

*Attestation and temperature checks will be required at the door.*

CLASS OF 2021

## Senior Slide Show

Submit 5 photos of your senior for the Senior Party.



Email photos in jpeg or pdf format to [pahs2021seniorssideshow@gmail.com](mailto:pahs2021seniorssideshow@gmail.com) by May 21.

Photos could include baby, preschool, grade school, and middle school experiences; please include a senior photo.

## GRADUATION: JUNE 11, 2021

- 9:00 am Graduation Rehearsal at Civic Field
- 2:00 pm Stage for Parade on Ediz Hook  
Must Have Parent Driver  
No More Than One Car per Graduate
- 3:00 pm Parade Begins, Ends at PAHS
- 6:00 pm Gates Open at Civic Field for Ticketed Spectators for Graduation
- 7:30 pm Graduation Ceremony Begins

Senior Party for Port Angeles School District Graduates Begins 45 minutes after Graduation

## 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

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

**High School and Beyond Plan (HS & BP) support:** The High School and Beyond Plan is **due May 15, 2021**, which is only one week away!

Jason Gooding, PAHS School Counselor will provide support in the Library from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on May, 7th, 10th, 11th, 13th, and 14th. The HS & BP is a graduation requirement and it is just as important to complete as your course credit requirements!

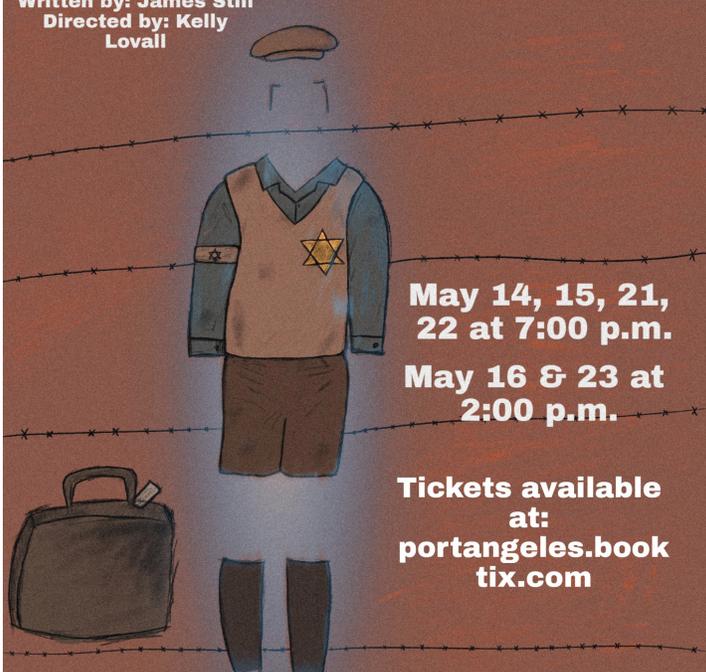
**Does your student need help getting across the finish line to graduation? Now is the time to reach out to your student's school counselor today!**

# Music to our Ears

Nathan Rødahl, Orchestra Director and member of the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) National Orchestra Council, collaborated on a magazine article that was published in Teaching Music, a Publication of the NAfME. This article features NAfME's position on Equity, Access, Inclusivity, and Diversity in Music Education. You can read the article [here](#)! Mr. Rødahl recently hosted the national town hall for NAfME and that can be viewed [here](#). Thank you, Mr. Rødahl for all of your work in bringing valuable learning programs to ALL students in our district!

**And Then They Came For Me**  
**Remembering The World Of Anne Frank**

Written by: James Still  
 Directed by: Kelly Lovall



May 14, 15, 21, 22 at 7:00 p.m.  
 May 16 & 23 at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets available at:  
[portangeles.booktix.com](http://portangeles.booktix.com)

Presented by East Park Avenue Players

**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



Port Angeles High School Drama Club: East Park Avenue Players will present the play, *And Then They Came for Me: Remembering the world of Anne Frank*. This production will be live-streamed on May 14, 15, 21, 22 at 7:00 p.m. and May 16 and 23 at 2:00 p.m.

*And Then They Came for Me* was written by James Still and directed by Kelly Lovall. It's a multimedia play that combines the videotaped interviews of Ed Silverberg and Eva Schloss, two Holocaust survivors, with the dramatization of live actors as they recreate the events narrated and described. This production, which runs 70 minutes, combines oral history with dramatic action.

Get your tickets now for this special live-streamed event by [clicking here](#) or on the flyer above!



Please help us spread the word! On Thursday, May 20th at 6:00 p.m., we will offer a virtual information and orientation session for incoming kindergarten families!

Parents will have the opportunity to join an online event to ask questions, hear from Superintendent Martin Brewer and Assistant Superintendent Michelle Olsen. Parents will then have time to meet their child's new principal and teachers!

Registration is required by Wednesday, May 19th. Click the photo to learn more!

Please email [cgeyer@portangelesschools.org](mailto:cgeyer@portangelesschools.org) with questions.

We are excited to announce a new **Transitional Kindergarten** program for the fall of 2021-22 school year! This program is for children who do not have access to high-quality early learning experiences prior to kindergarten. We are accepting applications from April 19th to May 14th.



For this program, a child must be four years of age by August 31.

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

**JFFA Presents:  
A Virtual Concert Featuring  
Black Violin!**

Teachers across all Olympic Peninsula school districts will be able to offer a virtual concert for their students!

Screenings will take place from May 3rd to 28th.

Visit [blackviolin.net](http://blackviolin.net) for artist details!

Made Possible By:



Program Sponsors:





**SHARE OUR VOICES, HEAR OUR STORIES**  
 NATIVE EDUCATION FORUM | MAY 12 | 6 – 7:15 PM







**Share Our Voices, Hear Our Stories series continues this May!**  
 Native parents, families, students, and elders invited to help direct the future of education in Washington. Click the image above to learn more and register.

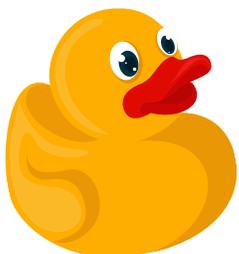


The North Olympic Library Service (NOLS) is seeking feedback about your experiences at the library. Complete a survey for a chance to win a \$25 gift card! Your response will help the library better understand and strengthen equity, diversity, and inclusion practices.

Learn more about the project and take the survey here: [nols.org/community-survey](https://nols.org/community-survey). Paper copies of the survey are also available at all NOLS branches.

# DUCK DERBY TIME!

Join Franklin Elementary on Friday, May 14th from 10am to 6pm for "Franklin Duck Derby Day!" All fundraising efforts will go towards outdoor activities and updating nursing supplies that could possibly be used for other schools.



Support PAHS Class of 2021 and purchase your ducks! Proceeds will go to the Senior Grad Night Party!

Contact Lisa Cobb  
 #360-460-7883




**WE UNITED HIKE**  
 HIKE-A-THON • JUNE 21 - JULY 31, 2021

[UnitedWayClallam.org/United-We-Hike](https://UnitedWayClallam.org/United-We-Hike)

Every hike posted to event Facebook group counts as one entry in weekly prize drawing : \$30 registration includes t-shirt : \$20 without shirt : Opens May 10!

**THANK YOU SPONSORS!**



The application period for next year's PASD Board of Directors Student Representatives is now open!

**Click here** for the application. The deadline to apply is June 1!

PAHS Season 3 Sports are in full swing! Click here to review the schedule and stream live!

Port Angeles Dream Playground **BUILD COMMUNITY BUILD** SIGN UP NOW Beginning June 22



***Dream Playground Volunteers Needed!***

The Port Angeles Dream Playground Community Build begins June 22nd! Volunteer shifts have been posted and are ready for community members to step in and step up to **BUILD** the Dream Playground!

Sign-up for as many days and shifts as you want between June 22 - 27! Click the photo above to lend a hand and register!

Choose from:

- Morning 8am - 12pm
- Afternoon 12:30pm - 4:30pm, and
- Evening 5pm- 8:30pm

**NODM Kids Marathon is just around the corner! Scholarships and free entries are available for families!**  
Email: [nodm@nodm.com](mailto:nodm@nodm.com)

The North OLYMPIC DISCOVERY MARATHON & OLYMPIC MEDICAL CENTER PROUDLY PRESENT



Register Online at [www.nodm.com](http://www.nodm.com)

Artwork by John Ruddell | Designed by Nicole Phillips | [www.betazedcreative.com](http://www.betazedcreative.com)

**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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