

PORT ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES

January 28, 2022

Employee Newsletter
Martin Brewer, Superintendent

STRONG SCHOOLS. STRONG COMMUNITY.

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

MARTY'S MINUTE

Starting this year, PASD will recognize six Tribal Days to further our commitment to celebrating, honoring and acknowledging Klallam history, traditions, languages, and cultures. On Wednesday, we honored Treaty Day. I invite you to learn more about this important day in history. Next up is Proclamation Day, honoring Billy Frank Jr. on March 9. The fishing rights warrior and longtime chairman of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission lived from March 9, 1931, to May 5, 2014. I look forward to celebrating this day with you all!

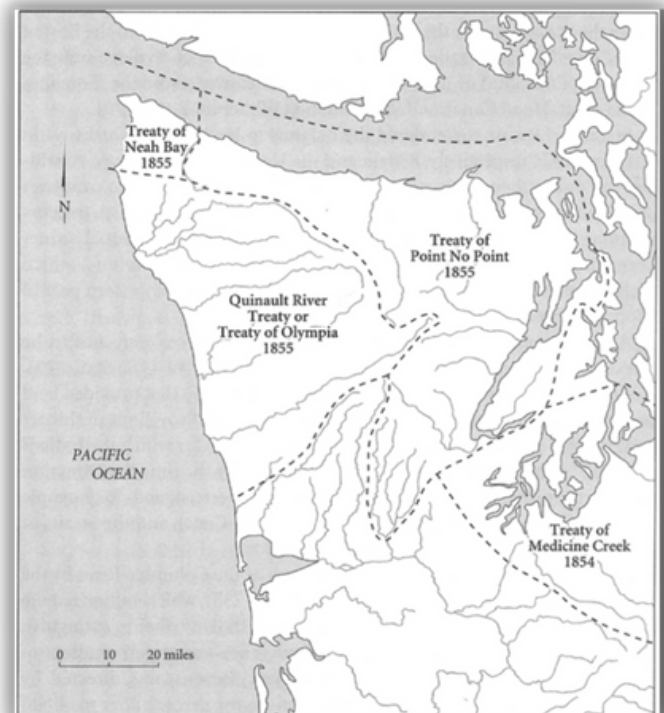
TREATY DAY - JANUARY 26

On Wednesday, January 26, 2022, the Port Angeles School District acknowledged and honored Treaty Day across our school community. In 1855, the United States of America entered a solemn agreement, known as the Point No Point Treaty, with the Klallam, Chimakum, and the Skokomish tribes. Isaac Stevens, Governor of Washington Territory, presented the tribal leaders from these independent sovereign nations with this treaty on the northern tip of the Kitsap Peninsula, now known as Skokomish. In agreeing to this treaty, these tribes ceded ownership of their land, more than 750,000 acres combined, in exchange for a small reservation in Skokomish and hunting and fishing rights. The Klallam people alone relinquished over 400,000 acres. Most, however, remained on the Olympic Peninsula or traveled via canoe, across the Strait of Juan de Fuca to Beacher Bay in Canada, refusing to relocate 100 miles away from their homes to the Skokomish reservation.

As Port Angeles educators, we are committed to providing students and our community with accurate history and information about the Elwha Klallam people. This is why we honor Treaty Day. This day is an integral part of history for all who live in this region. All of us, and those who came before, who live in this region, have benefited from the resources and land that native ancestors have held since time immemorial. As Washington residents, we are all treaty people. If it weren't for treaties between the United States and the 29 sovereign nations within the Washington territories, we would not have become the state we are today.

To learn more about this significant historical event, visit:

<https://www.elwha.org/>
<https://www.historylink.org/file/5637>





Have you heard of Wordle?! This online word game can also be used in the classroom to promote problem-solving and other skills. This article explains how this free word game can also be used in the classroom to great effect!



Leadership students greeted fellow students at the bus drop-off and in front of the 100 building handing out pencils with inspirational messages for finals on Wednesday and Thursday morning this week. Students could choose a mint or smarties if they didn't want a pencil. Way to support one another, riders!

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED SALE OF CENTRAL SERVICES BUILDING TO OLYMPIC MEDICAL CENTER



PASD's Board of Directors ("Board") proposes to sell the Central Services Building located at 216 East Fourth Street, Port Angeles, Washington, Tax Parcel No. 0630000169050000, which is no longer required for school district purposes. The property is a 2-story, 8383 square-foot commercial building across the street from the courthouse and previously housed the school district's central administrative offices. The proposed buyer is Clallam County PHD No. 2 ("Olympic Medical Center"), which intends to use the property for administrative offices. The Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed sale at 6:00 p.m. on February 10, 2022, at the Lincoln Center, 905 West 9th Street, Port Angeles, Washington. At that time, the Board will receive evidence and comments for and against the propriety and advisability of the proposed sale. Click here for more info.



Pictured: Jeff Carlson and Matt Rosey

The backbone in one's body holds all the pieces together and allows them to function. Jeff Carlson and Matt Rosey are the backbone of Franklin Elementary. They maintain the building and ensure that all of the staff have what is needed to support student learning and wellbeing.

When staff arrives in the mornings, lights are on and the building is ready to go. Classroom doors are open for teachers to walk right into their rooms and be ready for students. The building is warm, which isn't always an easy task with the age of our system, and welcoming because of the attention given by Jeff Carlson.

Throughout the day, Mr. Carlson delivers breakfast and lunch bags to classrooms, wipes down frequently touched items to ensure safety, handles any incidentals that may occur in a classroom or hallway, and even tackles the big-ticket issues until maintenance can arrive.

The running joke is that if he were to wear a pedometer, he would wear it out in a day from putting on so many miles. I am hesitant to use the word custodian when describing Mr. Carlson. Because he works so well with children, he is an educator in every sense of the word.

Early afternoon, the reins are turned over to Matt Rosey. Mr. Rosey assists in making sure students are attended to at the day's end before he completes his route. He usually begins by supporting teachers with classroom needs that have developed, bringing in chairs to replace items needing repair or extra desks if students are added to a classroom. Once those tasks have been accomplished, the floors are swept, mopped, or vacuumed to make them look as good as they did on the first day of school.

The Franklin staff would like both Jeff and Matt to know how much we appreciate them and their notice their efforts. They truly are our backbone.

DECA REGIONAL SUCCESS

The DECA Club was very successful at a recent Regional Competition. PAHS had 21 students participate and 17 of them qualified for the State Competition. The regional competition was done virtually and the students had to record their presentations and submit them online. Please congratulate these students when you see them:

- **Kaleb Mullen** – 1st Place – Automotive Services Marketing
- **Edun Bailey & Zane Glassock** – 2nd Place – Innovation Plan
- **Hannah Basden & Peyton Rudd** – 2nd Place – Buying and Merchandising
- **Brian Guttormsen** – 2nd Place – Integrated Marketing Campaign – Event
- **Maya Gentry** – 3rd – Integrated Marketing Campaign – Event
- **Aidan Butterworth & Winston Wait** – 3rd Place – Innovation Plan
- **Kim Thompson** – 4th Place – Food Marketing
- **Jason Gladfelter & Miles Wait** – 4th Place – Sports & Entertainment Marketing
- **Teagan Clark & Cole Johnson** – 4th Place – Financial Services
- **Cami Bohman** – 6th Place – Retail Merchandising
- **Jack Gladfelter & Piper Williams** – 6th Place – Innovation Plan

GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

This weeks' staff spotlight is Theresa Faires 5th-grade teacher at Jefferson!

I was born and raised in PA. After graduating from PAHS, I went to WWU. During that time, I spent six months traveling in Europe and attending a foreign study program in London. After college, I returned to PA and worked with Cindy Crumb as a worksite supervisor for youth serving time. I also worked for the YMCA as a summer camp director before taking a teaching job at Queen of Angels for ten years. I have been at Jefferson for 30 years.

My mother, my hero, attended Jefferson when it was a new building. My mom is 99 years old and lives on her own. She remains sharp and continues to learn new things. Although I have seven siblings, Mom is a mother, mentor, and friend to all around her. She graduated from PAHS at age 16. Her example of hard work, love, learning, and humor, along with my Dad, helped all 8 of us graduate from college.

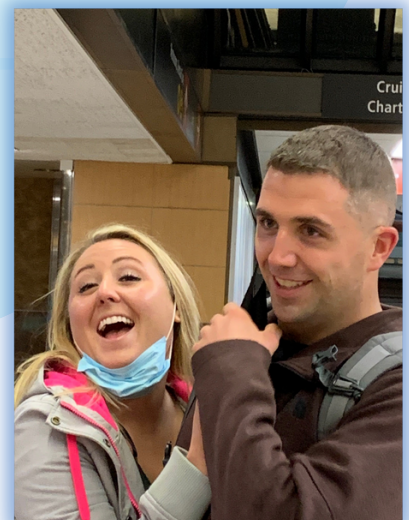
I consider myself fortunate to have landed at Jefferson. I have loved teaching and, while raising kids, sometimes considered it a paid vacation. My two children, Derek and Abby, also attended Jefferson and graduated from PAHS and college. Raising them and being their mom is a privilege and an accomplishment.

The district has given me many opportunities to learn and grow. I have traveled to classes, workshops, and institutes. The children in my care have benefitted from a well-trained teacher. I have taught grades 3-6. Many of my teaching partners have retired; however, my longtime partner and friend Sandi Biasell continues this journey with me. School is a beautiful adventure when I can work closely to plan, dream and collaborate with a creative and helpful partner.

Our extended family owns a small cabin in paradise on Lake Sutherland. For the 50 family members who share it, it is where we eat blackberry pie, swim, kayak, celebrate, and share traditions. We have learned to manage our treasure so that we can all enjoy the beauty of the lake. I enjoy fishing and swimming, reading, relaxing, quilting, and visiting on my many days there.

My plans for the future include traveling to see the historical sites in the eastern US, visiting Ireland, and returning to London. Although I have been to Alaska and Hawaii several times, I hope to return there as well.

As I reflect over these past two years, I continue to worry about our students and the impact of losing so much school due to covid. I hope that for the remainder of my time teaching, I can make a difference in the academic, social and emotional lives of my students and colleagues.



Theresa's kids, Abby and Derek.

ADOPT *A Senior*

Let's show our Class of 2022 Seniors some love and support! Their senior year is much different than they envisioned, but together we can show them we are behind them and we care.

The Adopt a Senior program for parents/loved ones to post a picture and a description of their graduating senior so community members can "adopt" them. By adopting, that community member agrees to support this student with cards, small (or large) gifts, and messages of encouragement and/or congratulations.

To learn more, visit the [Class of 2022 Adopt a Senior Facebook group here.](#)



THE WAY TO STAFF WELL-BEING IN SCHOOLS: PREVENTING SECONDARY TRAUMA FOR EDUCATORS

Presented by: Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington

Wed, February 23 2022 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Webinars are offered at no cost and are eligible for clock hours if you register through PDenroller

Workshop Summary:

Secondary trauma, also known as compassion fatigue, can affect anyone and in particular affected school staff this past year. Learn from a Kaiser Permanente Mental Health Specialist and from the Alliance for a Healthier Generation expert as they explain the signs and symptoms of secondary trauma and provide tangible skills and online resources to prevent and treat it. All resources shared are available at no cost to Washington school districts from Kaiser Permanente's Thriving Schools and the Alliance for a Healthier Generation. This webinar is designed for K-12 school district administrators, educators, and staff.

Audience:

- K12 public schools
- School or district staff, teachers, and administrators (including nutrition services directors, wellness leads, classified staff, and more)

Registration: <https://www.pdenroller.org/ospi/catalog/135122>

News and Notes, our PASD staff newsletter, is emailed out each week on Friday during the school year to all staff and is archived on the District's website under Departments, then Communications. Do you have a news item for the staff newsletter? Send an e-mail to Carmen Geyer, Communications & Community Relations Coordinator, at cgeyer@portangelesschools.org by the Wednesday before.

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