

Titan Times

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Principal's Message

Dear Springwater community,

October is here and we are in our final week of the first 6-week progress period. There is no school this Thursday or Friday and progress reports will be mailed out later next week.

This is a perfect time to check StudentVue/ParentVue to make sure your student is up to date on all their assignments. If you have questions, please reach out to the teachers via phone or email.

It has been great to see students accessing Wednesday School from 2:30 - 3:30pm each week. Wednesday School is optional for all students and is a great time to get extra help from a teacher, make up tests or assignments, or complete homework.

Our first school dance of the year will be on Friday, October 27th. All STHS students are encouraged to attend. More information will be available soon from student leadership. Permission slips for student guests will be available in the office.

Please don't hesitate to email, call, or swing by the office if you need assistance, clarification, or have suggestions!

-Ryan Blaszak

Mark your Calendar

Oct 11 PSAT - Regular School Day. No Late Start
Oct 12 S&A Day, No School
Oct 13 State Wide Inservice - No School
Oct 24-25 Journalism Field Trip at UO
Oct 26 Site Council Meeting 7-7:30am
Oct 27 Fall Dance
Nov 10 Veterans Day - No School
Nov 21-22 Parent Conferences - No School
Nov 23-24 Thanksgiving - No School

Check our school website to stay informed of all the important dates during the school year. Just view the calendar on the home page. You can also view the weekly announcements under News & Information.

Like our Facebook page to also stay informed of all the important dates during the school year.

<https://www.facebook.com/SpringwaterTrail/>

Smarter Balance Assessment

During the week of October 2 schools in our district will be sending home Individual Student Reports (ISR) to families. The Individual Student Report includes information about how well your child performed on state assessments last year and includes their scores for the Smarter Balanced Assessment in English and math. The ISR will only display your child's scores for last school year and will not display their scores for each year they have taken the Smarter Balanced Assessment.

Please take a moment to review your child's ISR along with any additional information that is included on the report. Please note that ISR's are only being sent home with students who participated in State level assessments last year. If you do not receive your child's ISR please contact the school office for assistance.

Cadet Teaching Program

Here at Springwater we offer an elective course called Cadet Teaching. Students work with Teachers at Hogan Cedars Elementary to participate in duties that are part of the teaching profession. This course is designed for individuals considering education as a career choice. Monthly time sheets and a positive, written recommendation from the supervisor are required for the class, which is graded Pass/Fail. Below is a picture of Senior, Stephanie Berry and Junior Steven Acura-Miranda working with Hogan Cedar Elementary Students.



Notice to all parents/guardians

Free & Reduced applications from the 2017-2018 school year will be expiring on October 21st, if you have not yet completed and submitted a new application for the 2017-2018 school year please do so either via paper application or online submission at www.mymealtime.com.

Attention Fred Meyer Shoppers!

Springwater Trail High School is enrolled in the Fred Meyer Community Rewards program! Please link your Fred Meyer rewards card with our nonprofit number 94410. Fred Meyers will donate a percentage of your purchases every quarter to our program. This will NOT affect your reward points or fuel points. Last quarter we received \$54.58, every little bit helps. This program helps pay for transportation to allow our students to attend events in the community. Below is the link to sign up.

<https://www.fredmeyer.com/account/communityrewards/enroll>

PSAT

Wednesday, Oct. 11th will **NOT** be a late start - all buses will run on the regular schedule. All sophomores will be taking the PSAT in the morning. This test is a 3 1/2 hour test on reading, writing and math. Your child was given a practice test booklet. Please take some time to look through the booklet and encourage them to look at the test questions.

Juniors are encouraged to take this test, especially if they are thinking about applying for university admission their senior year or have a 2.5 cumulative GPA or above.

Juniors need to sign up in the office. The cost is \$16 to take the test. Students on free and reduced lunch will not be charged. They can register before school, after school and during lunch. They will not be allowed to do so during class. The deadline to register is Monday, Oct. 9th.

All Freshmen, Seniors and Juniors not taking the PSAT will have a regularly scheduled day.

Four reasons to take the PSAT

1. It sets students up to be better prepared to take either the SAT or ACT - which is required for university admissions
2. Students get feedback from College board regarding their scores, how they compare to others and where they can improve
3. Most students find they score better than they thought they would, which is a great motivator for college and career planning.
4. It is the only opportunity to determine if a student is a National Merit and Hispanic National Merit.

Student Spotlight

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Student: Adrienne Slawik
Spotlight: Volunteering at our annual community care day
Grade: 12
Interests: Computer science

Favorite subject in school: Journalism and algebra

Favorite thing about STHS: The many opportunities that are offered for students to excel

Hobby outside of school: Raising newts



Student: Hanna Hevia
Spotlight: Representing STHS and marching in the Teddy Bear Parade
Grade: 9
Interests: Reading, drawing,

coloring, and exploring

Favorite subject in school: Science

Favorite thing about STHS: Small and everyone is nice.

Hobby outside of school: Writing and volunteering



Student: Kyla Spencer
Spotlight: Representing STHS and marching the Teddy Bear Parade
Grade: 9

Interests:

Reading, writing, drawing, and sports

Favorite subject in school: Science

Favorite thing about STHS: Wednesday school

Hobby outside of school: Drawing and writing



Student: Yesenia Gonzalez
Spotlight: Establishing a partnership with Multnomah County Animal Shelter.
Grade: 10

Interests: Reading

Favorite subject in school: Leadership

Favorite thing about STHS: Everyone is respectful to each other.

Hobby outside of school: Hang out with friends.



Student: Allison Dibble
Spotlight: Verbally reading our weekly announcements on the intercom every Monday.
Grade: 12

Interests: Heavy

metal music

Favorite subject in school: Science & World Music

Favorite thing about STHS: Never feel alone

Hobby outside of school: Mask making



Student: Catherine Campbell
Spotlight: Very generous heart. Great attitude about school. Always willing to try.
Grade: 9

Interests: Dance &

Golf

Favorite subject in school: Calligraphy & PE

Favorite thing about STHS: How nice the staff is

Hobby outside of school: GHS Dance