



BONNEY LAKE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR PROWLER NEWSLETTER



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Issue 3

SAT TEST DATES

REGISTER BY-Please check the university you are interested in. testing dates are subject to change following health department & government guidelines.

<u>REGISTER BY</u>	<u>TEST</u>
Nov. 22	Dec. 07
Feb. 21	Mar. 08
April 18	May 03
May 22	June 07

[Register for the SAT here](#)

SAT: www.collegeboard.com

ACT: www.actstudent.org

ACT TEST DATES

REGISTER BY-Please check the university you are interested in.

<u>REGISTER BY</u>	<u>TEST</u>
Nov. 08	Dec. 14
Jan. 03	Feb. 08
Feb. 28	April 05
May 09	June 14
June 06	July 12

[Register for the ACT here](#)

**Seniors must take a test by Dec. if planning to attend a 4-year college.
BLHS School code 480111

Research has shown that 20 hours of practice on Khan Academy is associated with an average 115-point score increase from the PSAT/NMSQT to the SAT, nearly double the average gain without Khan.

[Read the full study here](#)



**Central Washington
University**

Admissions Session

11/20 1pm in Library

Go to CIC for more information.



Senior photo Due 12/20/24

Go to photos.jostens.com to submit.

Senior Ads Due 1/21/25

jostensadservices.com/student

Scholarship Search Engines

[College Board](#)

[College Net](#)

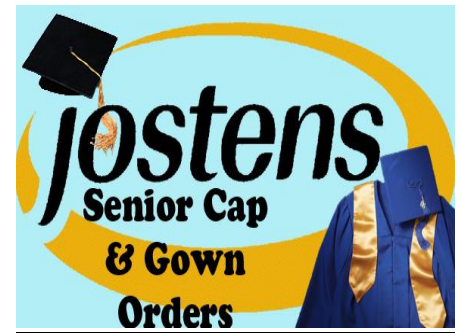
[Ready Set Grad](#)

[Sallie Mae Scholarship Search](#)

[Scholarships.com](#)

[theWashBoard.org](#)

[StudentScholarships.org](#)



Jostens Regalia

Order you Cap and Gown here!

www.jostens.com

Price goes up in December!

NO SCHOOL

November 27th, 28th, 29th

Happy Thanksgiving!

College & Military Rep Visits

Reps from various post-secondary options will be visiting during lunches. This can include apprenticeships, military personnel, trades schools, 2 & 4-year colleges. This is for you! Make the most of the visit by connecting, picking up pamphlets, and getting your questions answered.

Marines 1st Tuesday Month
Army 1st and 3rd Wednesday
National Guard 1st Thursday
Airforce 2nd Tuesday
Coast Guard 3rd Tuesday
11/18 Pierce College
11/21 University of Oregon

******* Important Up Coming Dates *******

Career Day 11/25 9am-1pm

FAFSA opens 12/1

Senior photos Due 12/20/24

Senior Ads Due 1/21/25

jostensadservices.com/student



SENIOR NIGHT

All night celebration after graduation

COST \$170

Price goes up 1/01/2025 \$185

Contact Panther Parent Pride to purchase.

Check out these Resources available in the Career Center (CIC)

Resume Help

Military Contacts

Interview tips

Internships

Apprenticeship contacts

Scholarships

Job shadow

Volunteer info.

Pulling your College Application Together - collegeboard.com

- Narrow your list of colleges between 5 and 10 and review it with your counselor. Get an application and financial aid information from each. Visit as many as possible.
- Make a master calendar and note:
 - ⇒ Test dates, fees, and deadlines
 - ⇒ College application due dates
 - ⇒ Required financial aid applications and their deadlines
 - ⇒ Due dates for recommendations, transcripts, and other necessary materials
- Ask for recommendations. Give each person your resume or Letter of Recommendation form, located in the Career and Information Center; a stamped, self addressed envelope, if necessary, and any other required forms.
- Write application essays and ask a teacher, the writing center, parents, or friends to read your first draft.
- Most school's priority deadlines are in November!

COMMON APPLICATION!!!!

488 member institutions tied to ONE college application, the "Common App". Students can apply online at www.commonapp.org See your counselor if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT Information about requesting transcripts and SAT/ACT Scores

Sending SAT/ACT scores to colleges - Most colleges and universities want your test scores sent **ONLY** from the test companies and no longer accept them from high schools. Decide what colleges you would like your test scores sent to and use your **one time only** free request option on your test registration. Sending your scores later is timely and costly.

Requesting Transcripts from BLHS – Order them online on the website. Plan ahead-it takes 48 hours to process your request.

SAT Opportunities:

Take a practice SAT on paper to simulate the test day experience. After you've finished, score your test using your phone and the free mobile app. "Daily practice for the New SAT, or print the resources that come with each test to score them by hand. Go to www.collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice .

College Open Houses and Opportunities:

Interested in PLU?

COME GET TO KNOW CAMPUS!

We are excited to offer in-person visits and virtual visit opportunities (which include a virtual tour and one-on-one counselor meeting), academic sessions, and virtual events. We know experiencing campus, whether it's in-person or virtually, is one of the most important things you can do in your college search and look forward to meeting you soon. Go to www.plu.edu

WSU Fall Preview Day – Limited in-person tours are available Monday through Thursday 9am and 2pm. Friday's at 9am, noon and 2pm. – This is a perfect way to experience the unique atmosphere and energy of WSU while enjoying autumn on the Palouse. Go to www.wsu.edu

Duke University Virtual Tours~ Set up your own Virtual Campus visit or reality tour to receive information and ask questions about the university, the admissions process, financial aid and much more. Go to www.admissions.duke.edu to register.

Montana State University Virtual Tours ~ Set up your own in person visit or Virtual tour to meet with faculty and students, explore academic facilities, tour (virtually) the campus and residence halls and investigate possibilities for financial aid and scholarships. Go to www.montana.edu to start your adventure tour of MSU.

Scholarships - There are many scholarships available to graduating students. Don't forget to check out the websites of the College of your choice. Many times, they have scholarships available. Usually, you can locate scholarship information under the financial aid button. Do your own scholarship search as there are too many to list here. This list is intended to get you started. Start pulling your scholarship applications together early.

Writing & Art Scholarships

Scholastic art and Writing Awards. Go to artandwriting.org for more information.

Student Poetry Contest. Go to www.appelley.org Deadline: 11/15/2024

Community Scholarship – Sumner-Bonney Lake Education Foundation Scholarship

Application “LIVE” online 11/24/2024 Many local scholarships are available to Bonney Lake High School seniors through the Sumner-Bonney Lake Education Foundation. The Education Foundation serves to recognize graduating seniors for their merit, community activities, academics, athletics, financial needs, and/or educational goals. Applications available online at www.sumnersd.org Deadline: 02/23/2025

- _ Absher Construction Scholarship
- _ Ben B. Cheney Scholarship
- _ BLHS Band Alliance Scholarship
- _ BLHS Panther Girls Basketball Scholarship
- _ Bob Dalton Scholarship
- _ Bonney Lake Chamber of Commerce
- _ Bonney Lake Kiwanis Scholarship
- _ Bonney Lake Lions Club Scholarship
- _ Community Service Scholarship
- _ Dr. Joe Eben Corliss Scholarship
- _ East Pierce Volunteer Firefighter’s Assoc. Scholarship of Excellence
- _ Elhi Hill Phoenix Scholarship
- _ Eileen Leighton Beaulieu Scholarship
- _ Jerry Downing Memorial Golf Scholarship
- _ John Doan Arts and Music Scholarship
- _ Kathryn Dalton Teacher Scholarship
- _ Eismann Family Scholarship
- _ Sunset Auto Family Scholarship

- _ Kiwanis of Puyallup – Dean Dow Kiwanis Scholarship
- _ Kiwanis of Puyallup – Key Club
- _ Madison Murphy Volleyball Scholarship
- _ Molen Orthodontics Scholarship
- _ Newland Communities at Tehaleh Scholarship
- _ PEO Chapter IG Scholarship
- _ Pierce First Scholarship
- _ Sound Family Medicine Scholarship
- _ SBLEF Academic Scholarship
- _ SBLEF Vocational Scholarship
- _ Sumner Education Association Scholarship
- _ Sumner Rotary Academic Scholarship
- _ Sumner Rotary Vocational Scholarship
- _ Bob Swanson Memorial Music Scholarship
- _ Robert Thurman Memorial Scholarship
- _ Harry Corliss Scholarship for the Trades
- _ BELIKEHAYLEY Scholarship
- _ Garianda-Belval Diversity Scholarship

2024 Blue Ribbon Scholarships

Washington State Fair Foundation Scholarships Applications is Open 12/1/2024

- Fair Chance Scholarship
- Fair Chance Trade School/Career
- Heritage Scholarship
- Anderson Criminal Justice Scholarship
- Anderson Veterinary School Scholarship
- Campbell-Montgomery Business/Communicatons
- Hojem Forestry Science Scholarship
- Bob & Lorraine Lightbody Endowment

- Bill Stoner Endowment Scholarship
- Fred Oldfield Scholarship for the Arts
- Wrangler Scholarship for Agriculture Education
- Tom Absher Memorial Scholarship*
- Kent & Carolyn Hojem Music Scholarship
- Community Hero Scholarship
- Ren Martin Trade School/Career training Scholarship

Go to <https://www.thefair.com/foundation/scholarships/> and click on Scholarships in the projects and programs section, or students can go directly to the online application at <https://thefairfoundation.awardspring.com/>. The application process will close on January 31, 2025.

View Scholarships for High School Seniors <https://scholarships.us22.list-manage.com/track/click?u=55fe33249f57941bc21c358e7&id=67ea02ef86&e=2a81ca811e>

Writing Contests:

10 Words or less Scholarship ~ Anyone who is between ages of 14-25 who will be attending school in the fall of 2025. Follow the steps below to apply.

1. Go to www.facebook.com/myscholarships On the left-hand side of the page you will find an area entitled "10 Words or Less Scholarship". In the comment section underneath the "10 Words or Less Scholarship" answer the following:

In 10 words or less, tell us why you deserve the \$500 scholarship.

2. Before or after writing your Answer, you will also need to "Like" our Facebook page. Note we will only read the answers provided from people that have "Liked" our page. Deadline: 11/15/2024

John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest

Describe and analyze an act of political courage by a US elected official who served during or after 1917. The Profile in Courage Essay Contest challenges students to write an original and creative essay that demonstrates an understanding of political courage as describe by John F. Kennedy in Profiles in Courage. Go to www.ifklibrary.org to apply. Deadline 1/17/2025

2024 Smart Choices Scholarship Program

Applications due March 14th, 2025

Now accepting applications for the 2024 **Gesa Credit Union, Dairy Farmers of Washington, Les Schwab Tires** Smart Choices Scholarship Program which will award three (3) \$5,000 scholarships and 12 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors from WIAA member high schools for excellence in athletics/activities, academics, leadership and community service throughout their high school careers.

Applicants are required to fill out an [2025 SMART CHOICES APPLICATION](#) that includes an essay question. Judging is based on the following criteria:

- Athletic/Activity Excellence (30%)
- Academic Achievement (30%)
- Leadership (20%)
- Citizenship/Community Service (10%)
- Originality/Creativity of the Essay (5%)
- Financial Need (5%)

Scholarships

Interested in attending PLU?

Here are a few scholarships that they are offering.

1. The **Nurse and Educator Dependent Commitment** began last year and it commits that "If your parent/legal guardian is a nurse or K-12 educator, at least **HALF** of your PLU tuition will be covered by PLU-funded scholarships and grants."

We use the term educator loosely so this does not mean only teachers. Their parents could be a bus driver, work in the library, etc. Their full-time employer just needs to be a school district or private school! Students can fill out an interest [form here](#).

2. The **Alumni Referral Scholarship** is so easy! If a PLU Alumni (friend, grandparent, teacher, counselor, sibling, etc.) fills out the referral form by **December 1st** of the student's Senior year, they will receive a \$500 *per year* scholarship. Please forward this on to any Lutes you might

have on staff at your school or any students interested in PLU - the form takes about a minute to fill out!

3. The **Visit Scholarship** is back! We are fully open for campus visits, including many Saturdays this fall. Your students are so close to campus - so a short drive and 90 minutes of their time means \$1,000 *per year* if they attend PLU.

- **Montana State University Distinction Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: ASAP*
Montana State University will be offering a number of Distinction Awards to new non-resident freshmen who will enter MSU. To be considered, students must apply for admission, have ACT and/or SAT scores sent to MSU and complete the Distinction Scholarship Application as soon as possible. Go to www.montana.edu to apply.
- **Montana State University Presidential Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 12/06/2024*
Student must have a 3.75 GPA. Applications online at www.montana.edu/honors
- **Equitable Excellence Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 12/15/2024*
Students who set and reach ambitious goals, demonstrate drive, determination and ability to succeed in college and who have respect for self, family and community. Visit www.equitable.com for more information.
- **GE Reagan Foundation Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 01/03/2025*
Seniors who demonstrate exemplary leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship. Apply online at www.reaganfoundation.org/scholarships
- **Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 01/09/2025*
For outstanding African American students who plan to earn a baccalaureate degree from an accredited, four-year college or university. Go to www.jackierobinson.org for more information.
- **GSBA Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 01/10/2025*
For diverse individuals who have proven leadership skills, strong academic achievement and a commitment to making a positive difference in the world. All applicants will be evaluated on the totality of their experience, including academics, involvement in school and community activities, personal challenges, personal and professional goals, and their vision for the future. Go to www.thegsbascholarship.org for more information.
- **E.S.A. Foundation Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 01/31/2025*
Apply for one of 32 scholarships: 50% of the Scholarships are for any Major, the other are for any school. \$5 processing fee. Visit www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org for more information.
- **Elks Legacy Awards** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 02/03/2025*
Legacy Awards provide \$4,000 scholarships for children and grandchildren of dues-paying Elk members. Visit <https://puyallupelks.org> for more information.
- **Cascade Warbirds Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 02/29/2025*
Are you interested in being an aviation pilot? This scholarship program is just for you. Go to www.cascadewarbirds.org to apply.
- **Horatio Alger Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/01/2025*
Must have 2.0 GPA or higher. \$50,000 or less adjusted gross income per family. Involvement in co-curricular and community activities. Must be pursuing a 4 yr. degree. www.horatioalger.org
- **Build A Better Future Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/03/2025*
5 scholarships of 10,000 given to seniors who have implementing a design thinking community-building projects based on the LAUNCH cycle. Project can be anything that is aimed at resolving a specific issue within their community. [Click here](#) for more details
- **Ewing C. Kelly Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/07/2025*
Scholarship is designed to reward students who demonstrate good citizenship while striving to attain their academic goals. Applicants will be judged on their academic merit, extra-curricular achievements, both scholastically and in their community and financial need.

Link to the 2024 Manual Form (to print, then handwrite answers, and mail-in):

<http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-10-02-2024.pdf>

Link to the 2024 Fillable Form (can type directly in the document, then print and mail in)

<http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-10-02-2024-form.pdf>

- **SAE Engineering Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Opens 1/6/2025 Deadline: 03/31/2025*
Student intending to earn a degree in engineering or a related science (Examples of related science include: math, chemistry, physics, biology, technologies, computer science.) Visit <https://www.sae.org/participate/scholarships> for information

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