



Philomath Middle School

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Thank you to everyone who participated in the student-led conferences. This was a very successful program again this year. We are very thankful for your participation in, and sharing of, this experience with your child at school. Congratulations to our winners of the drawing for the Dairy Queen gift certificates: Zoe Howard, Austin Hunsaker, and Mia Cook. Hopefully they will share their Dairy Queen treat with their families.

Steve Bell— Philomath Middle School, Principal

MAY 2019 NEWSLETTER



Inspired 2019

Get ready for Inspired 2019— IGNITE. Friday, May 10th Philomath School District students will experience a day of inspiration that is intended to teach, encourage, and motivate. As they participate in a variety of activities, students will be challenged to examine their lives, set goals, and Ignite!



Middle School Band Concert

The Middle School Spring Band Concert will be held in the District Auditorium at PHS the evening of Wednesday, May 22. The Sixth Grade Band will perform at 6:30 p.m., the Jazz Band at 7:00 p.m., and the 7th and 8th Grades Concert will begin at 7:30 p.m.

This is a special concert in which we honor the eighth graders for their years of dedication to the band program. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Middle School Choir Concert

The Middle School Spring Choir Concert will be held on Tuesday, May 28, at 7:00 p.m., at the District Auditorium at PHS. All Middle School choir members will be performing. Students are to report to the PHS Music Room by 6:35 p.m.

This concert will feature music from the Civil War era and accompaniment of a live four-string band. Everyone is invited. Please join us for this special end-of-the-year event.



Important May Date

Friday, May 24th was designated as "make-up day." Due to the No School Day on February 27th, **we will have a school day on Friday, May 24th.** Students will be released at 12:25 p.m.

There will be NO SCHOOL Monday, May 27, 2019 as we observe Memorial Day.



Friday Study Hall

The Middle School continues to offer a study hall on Fridays in the school library, after school until 3:00 p.m. This study hall is managed by two staff members who are available to tutor students. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.



8th Grade Dessert Dance

The eighth-grade students will have their annual Dessert Dance from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. on Friday, June 7. The intent of this event is to have the students celebrate the end of their middle school experience. We do not encourage students to take a "date" as this is a time for them to celebrate as a group. Dress for the evening is "nice" clothes.



Dress Code

The weather is changing soon and will begin getting warmer. Please be aware of the clothing your student is wearing. Short shorts and skirts, tank tops, shirts that show midriff, or clothing that does not fit (either too tight or too baggy) are NOT appropriate for school. Please refer to the Student Handbook for further details.



6th Grade Orientation

Are you ready for middle school? Is your 5th grader ready? We are certainly ready for them!

Please attend our 6th Grade Orientation on **Thursday, May 30 at 6:00pm** in the Middle School Library. At the meeting, we will discuss all the exciting aspects of middle school, from academic programs and daily schedule to extracurricular opportunities and expected challenges. Our team of teachers and our leadership team will be there for you to meet.

We look forward to meeting you and your student, and we hope to answer many of the questions you may have about middle school. This is an eventful and rich time in the lives of young people and we are excited to work together with you as your student navigates the complicated terrain of adolescence.



AVID Elective Class

Applications for our AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) elective class for 2019-20 7th and 8th grade students are available now in our front office or can be found at <https://www.philomathsd.net/special-programs/avid>

This class system intends to build the skills necessary for students to be successful at a College or University knowing that if students have the skills, they will also be able to succeed in the career world.

The “teacher recommendation” portion of the form will be submitted by the teachers separate from the student application form. If you have questions about the AVID elective class or the application process please contact Steve Bell at steve.bell@philomath.k12.or.us.



6th Grade Picnic

Approved School District volunteers are needed for the 6th Grade Annual Picnic held on Monday, June 10, at Martin Luther King Jr. Park. Students and volunteers will leave the school around 10:00 a.m. and return about 2:30 p.m.

Parents can volunteer to ride their bikes with the students (*all riders must wear a helmet*), drive their van/truck to pick up broken bicycles, or help students cross at large intersections. If you can help, please contact Ms. Junker at Adeline.junker@philomath.k12.or.us.



April Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following Students of the Month for April:

6th Grade – Savannah Adams and Alyssa Kvidt

7th Grade – Taylor Beddingfield and Owen Heiken

8th Grade – Brody Bushnell and Maya Price



Thank You to Philomath Dairy Queen for sponsoring our “Student of the Month” lunches. We appreciate your continued support.



8th Grade “Rotary Student of the Month”

Congratulations to Madison Foley the 8th Grade “Rotary Student of the Month” for April.



Awards Assembly

Our end-of-the-year Special Awards Assembly will be held in the gym. Awards for the sixth grade will begin at 8:20 a.m. on Monday, June 10. The seventh grade assembly will begin at 9:15 a.m. on Tuesday, June 11, followed by the eighth grade beginning at 10:15 a.m. Please join us.

There is no assembly for Fourth Quarter Honor Roll. Sixth and seventh grade students will receive their certificates next fall and eighth grade students can call the office to have a certificate printed.



PHILOMATH SCHOOL DISTRICT
2019-2020

Philomath School District Calendar

Please see the 2019-2020 calendar on the Philomath School District Website at <https://www.philomathsd.net/>.



Philomath Community Library

Teen Night: Wednesday, 5/15/19,
5:15-7:00 p.m.

Special Education Advisory Committee

The Philomath Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) is a parent-led resource group that works collaboratively with district teachers and administrators to enhance the special education services provided by the Philomath School District. SEAC meets the first Tuesday of every month from 6:30-7:30 at the Philomath District Office. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings.

Please attend the next meeting on **Tuesday May 7 at 6:30**. A representative from the Benton County Developmental Diversity Program will be at this meeting to provide information and answer questions. If you are not familiar, Benton County DD is a program that provides support for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. It is a wonderful resource!

Hope to see you at an upcoming SEAC meeting! You can also like us on Facebook at ***Philomath Special Education Advisory Committee-SEAC*** to receive updates.



Girls Basketball Camp

The Philomath High School Girls Basketball Team will be hosting a Youth Skills Camp on June 12th, 13th and 14th, from 9:00-12:00 for 3rd – 8th grade girls. The cost will be \$35 which will cover all instruction, T-shirts, and prizes. Please contact Ben Silva at ben.silva@philomath.k12.or.us if you have any questions or are interested in having your daughter attend.

Important Dates



May

- 7 SEAC Meeting– District Office– 6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.
- 8 Track Meet @ Home– PHS track– 4:00 p.m. (Parent volunteers needed)
- 9 8th Grade Field trip to Portland– 8:15 a.m. -2:30 p.m.
Site Council Meeting– 3:30 p.m.
Emerging Bilingual Advisory Council meeting—PHS– 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- 10 INSPIRED 2019– IGNITE
Early Release Day– Students dismissed at 12:25 p.m.
- 14 TAG Parent meeting– District Office– 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
Track Awards– MPR– 5:30 p.m.
- 15 Archery– gym– 3:30– 4:45 p.m.
- 16 School Board Meeting– District Office-7:00 p.m.
- 17 Early Release Day– Students dismissed at 12:25 p.m.
- 21 AVID Signing Ceremony– PHS Commons-6:00 p.m.
- 22 Archery– gym– 3:30– 4:45 p.m.
Philomath Middle School Band Concert– District Auditorium at PHS– 6:30 p.m.
- 23 Mid–Valley Meet of Champions– TBD
- 24 **SCHOOL DAY**– make up day for “ No School” Day on February 27th
Early Release Day– Students dismissed at 12:25 p.m.
- 27 **NO SCHOOL**– Memorial Day
- 28 Philomath Middle School Choir Concert– District Auditorium at PHS– 7:00 p.m.
(choir students arrive at 6:35 to PHS Choir room)
- 29 Archery– gym– 3:30– 4:45 p.m.
- 30 Choir Tour
5th to 6th Grade Parent Meeting– Library– 6:00 p.m.
- 31 Early Release Day– Students dismissed at 12:25 p.m.

June

- 4 Passport– End of year field trip to Eugene– 8:15 a.m.—2:30 p.m.
- 7 8th Grade Dessert Dance– 6:30-9:00 p.m.
- 10 6th Grade Awards assembly—8:20 a.m.
6th Grade picnic and bike ride– 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- 11 7th Grade Awards Assembly—9:15 a.m.
8th Grade Awards Assembly—10:15 a.m.
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL– students released at 11:25 a.m.



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Bring this flyer into Papa's Pizza on **May 8th**
and the organization will receive **50%** of the value of
the food you purchase! You also have the choice of
purchasing **Fundraiser Bucks** that are good for all
future purchases. These Bucks will earn 25% of their
value for the organization.

Please come into Papa's and help us out!

With your support on **May 8, 2019**
we can have a really successful fundraiser!

Beverages and delivery orders are excluded.
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