

WEEKLY WARRIOR

Official Newsletter of Philomath High School

Cheer Team takes third at state competition

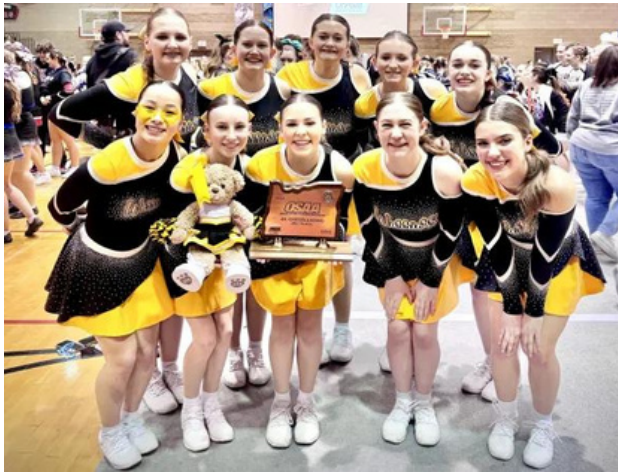


Photo Credit Kathy Kohler

Our cheer team performed exceptionally well in the State Championships held at Oregon City High School on Saturday, Feb. 10.

“Everything you do in cheer, every practice, every game, every performance, your entire season comes down to two minutes and 30 seconds to prove yourself. That’s it. No second chances,” PHS coach Kathy Kohler said.

“So when we say to leave it all on the mat, it means to give it your all. Leave no regrets. These girls did just that.”

Congratulations Cheer Team!

Weekly Warrior input sought

Parents asked to fill out online survey

We are encountering some difficulties with our messaging service that we use to deliver the Weekly Warrior to you.

We are looking at some other options for this, but wanted to get your feedback on how you access the Weekly Warrior. We would appreciate it if you could take a few moments to fill out this brief, anonymous survey.

[Weekly Warrior Feedback Survey Link](#)

Students of the Month November-January

Top: Senior Sawyer Ainsworth, junior JJ Lewis

Bottom: Sophomores Chris Eaton and Mayson Wallace, senior Riven Benson

Not pictured: Senior Mase Stearns, juniors Aviry Hammond and Cali Cannon, freshman Nora Stanley



Graduate EVERY student and transition each of them into a job, training, or college.



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Dates to Remember

February

- 19 Inclement Weather Make-Up Day - School in Session
- 21 Chat with the Principal - 5 pm
- 28 PSD Band Concert - 5:30 pm

March

- 15 No School
- 20 Chat with the Principal - 5 pm
- 25-29 Spring Break

From ASB

By Lorelei Schell

Val-O-Grams

Val-O-Gram sales were successful this year with over 140 valentines sent out to students. ASB passed the valentines out during class and we saw many excited people receiving a valentine from friends.



Polar Plunge

Polar Plunge is happening on Saturday, Feb. 17 at Crystal Lake Sports Park. The plunge will begin at 10 am.

Mr. Henderson agreed to have water dumped on him so that we could raise some money to send every person signed up into the water. We were able to raise \$140 from this event.

Hoop shoots at basketball games were also a big event for students and the community. From hoop shoots alone we were able to raise \$1,000 for the polar plunge.

Most of the money raised from these events will go back to our Unified Team here at Philomath High School.

Forecasting

Signing up for 2024-2025 classes

Forecasting for classes for the 2024-2025 school year will begin March 4.

We are excited to be able to offer a few new classes next year. History of popular music, a study of world religions, and math in society will all be offered if enough students sign up for these classes.

In the past, forecasting has always taken place in early spring and then the counseling team works extremely hard to get all student schedules set by the time we leave for summer break, and then when we return in the fall a large majority of our students want their entire schedule changed. Our counseling team wants to accommodate changes but the volume of requested changes has gotten to be too much. When forecasting opens please work with your student and their counselor to ensure that the classes they choose this spring are what they really want and need.

Once schedules are set in June, we will only be changing schedules in the fall for the following reasons:

1. The student is in the wrong math class.
2. The student is in the wrong level of a course.
3. To meet graduation requirements
4. To adjust a schedule so a student may work in the morning or afternoon.

Prospective Family Night planned

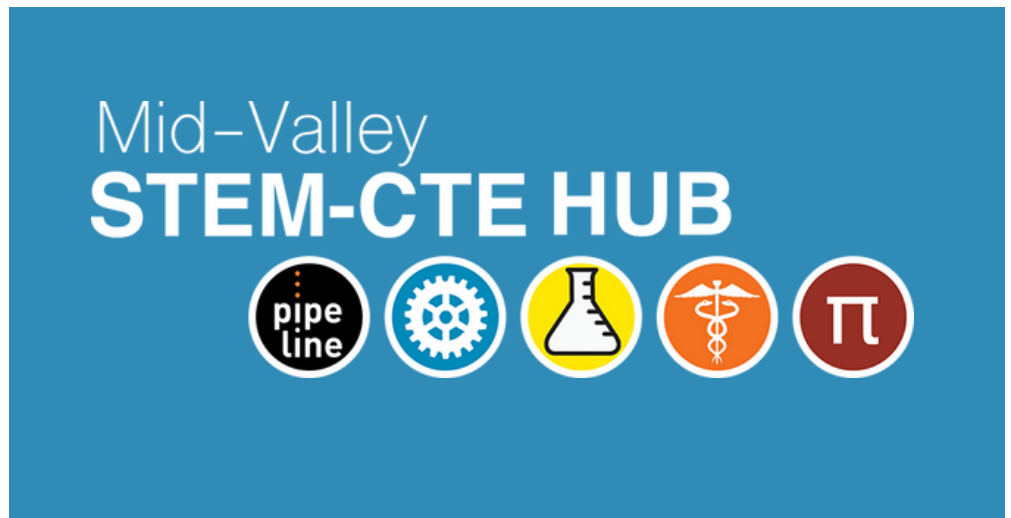
On Tuesday, March 19 at 6:30 pm, we will hold a prospective family night. This is for incoming eighth grade families and any students that may be looking to transfer to Philomath High School.

Students and families will hear about all that PHS has to offer. After a short presentation they will have a chance to take part in our activity/club fair where they can meet coaches, club advisors, teachers, and learn about our programs first hand.

If you know of any families that are currently in other neighboring districts that may be looking for a change, please pass along this information.

Mid-Valley STEM-CTE Hub hosts podcast with local scientists

Women and gender minorities make up just over 25% of the workforce in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), and men vastly outnumber women majoring in most STEM fields in college. The gender gaps are particularly high in some of the fastest-growing and highest-paid jobs of the future, like computer science and engineering. In trades occupations, this gap is even larger with women only making up just 9% of the workforce in construction and other skilled trades occupations.



Check out the "[Closing the Gap](#)" podcast to hear about local women working in these careers. It highlights professional women and gender minorities from our region who are working in STEM & Trades fields.

FAFSA help available at PHS

Students who still need help with FAFSA can make an appointment to work with LBCC high school outreach specialist Levi Pagel. He is in the PHS library on Tuesdays.

Students can sign up for an appointment with him on the clipboard in the library or by [following this link](#) and selecting a Tuesday appointment.

Important dates for seniors

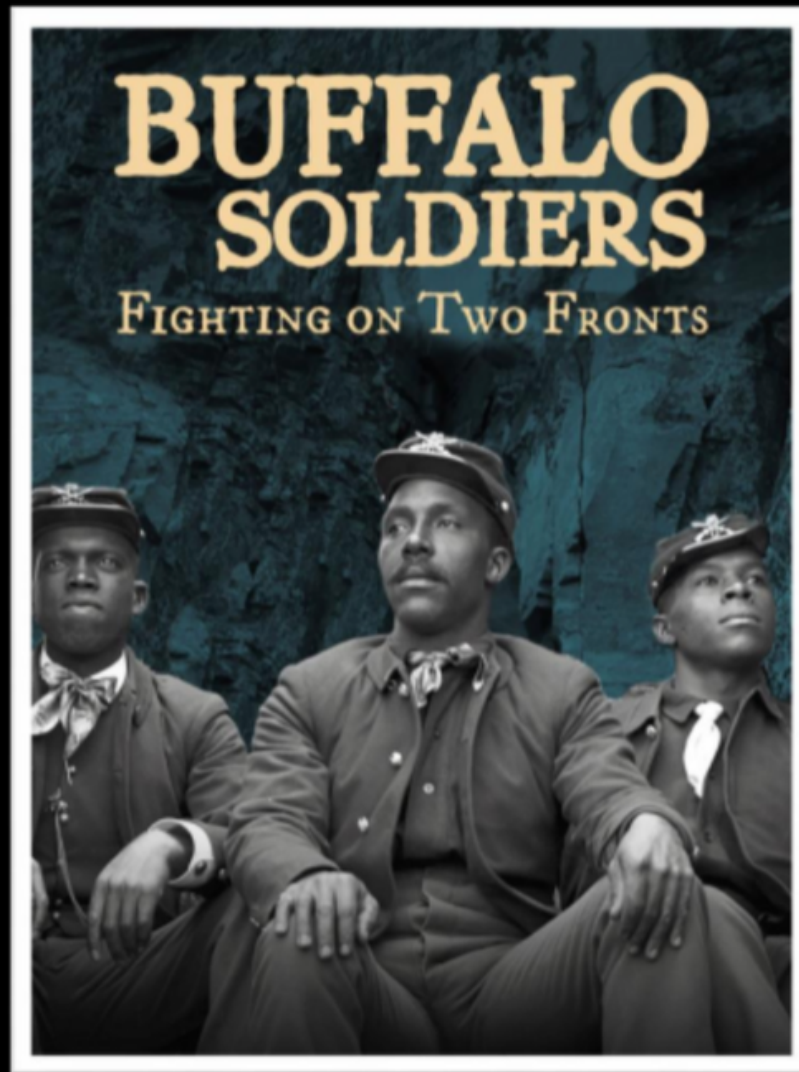
March 1:

OSAC Scholarships deadline

March 20:

Benton Community Foundation Scholarships due

Black History Month Free Movie Screening



Thursday, February 22, 2024

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Philomath High School

2024 Applegate St, Philomath, OR

Following the movie, Director Dru Holley from Vancouver, Washington and Oregon Black Pioneers President Zachary Stocks will be available to answer questions from the audience.

This event made possible through the generous support of these sponsors



Philomath Community Services (PCS) will be accepting canned food donations. These items go directly to help those in need in our community this winter.



CTE SIGNING DAY

LBCC Career and Technical Education (CTE) Signing Day is a celebration of high school seniors and incoming LBCC students signing letters of intent to guarantee a spot and join next fall's highly competitive college CTE programs.

CTE PROGRAMS

- ⚙️ Accounting Technology
- ⚙️ Animal Technology
- ⚙️ Automotive Technology
- ⚙️ Computer Aided Drafting & Design
- ⚙️ Culinary Arts, Nutrition & Food Systems
- ⚙️ Early Childhood Education
- ⚙️ Heavy Equipment/Diesel Technology
- ⚙️ Industrial Pipe Trades, Fitting & Welding
- ⚙️ Machine Tool Technology
- ⚙️ Mechatronics
- ⚙️ Non-Destructive Test & Evaluation
- ⚙️ Phlebotomy
- ⚙️ Visual Communications
- ⚙️ Welding & Fabrication Technology

SCHOLARSHIPS

The LBCC Foundation awarded approximately \$500,000 in scholarships the 2022-23 academic year to LBCC students. Visit Scholarships for more information. Once students are admitted to LBCC, they are eligible to apply for scholarships during that cycle.

**Sign up by
March 8th**



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ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

Spring Sports Registration now open!

[Click here to register for Spring Sports](#)



Spring Sports Parents Night

Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 7 pm
PHS Auditorium

The first 30 minutes will be a general overview of athletics at PHS. At 7:30 pm, spring sport coaches break out into small groups and go over their programs.

Chuck Stueve inducted into Legends Club



Photo credit Philomath News

Chuck Stueve was added as the 30th member of the Philomath Legends Club at halftime of the Feb. 1 basketball game.

The Legends Club recognizes people in the Philomath community that have stood out with their support and service toward Philomath student-athletes over the years.



Philomath Legend Club

MEMBERS

(Arranged by year of induction)

- 2011 — Dwight Grass, Wayne Howard
- 2012 — Gary Cox, Jay Faxon, Norm and Barb Robinson, Ken York
- 2013 — Rex and Ethel Clemens, Williard Davis, Hermie Hermansen, Stan Phelps
- 2014 — Carl Bennett, Denny Bennett, Joe and Pam Malcom
- 2015 — Dave Cutsforth, David Grube
- 2016 — Marcia Gilson, Dan McGarry
- 2017 — Charlie Lamberty
- 2018 — Peter Finn, Paul Mariman
- 2019 — Dennis Gibson, Brian and Jackie Thorsness
- 2022 — Kay Yechout
- 2023 — Darleen Faxon, Colene Lamberty
- 2024 — Chuck Stueve

Athletic Information

Below you will find links to corresponding sites that will provide you with current information for athletics and activities.

OSAA

Game schedules; dismissal, departure, and return times; rosters; coaches contact information, etc.

PHS Athletics Page

Calendar, sports registration, athletic forms, athletic handbook and policies, athletic fundraisers, etc.

Athletic.net

XC and Track and Field Meet information

Philomath News

Local coverage about Warrior sports.

Please note that game times are subject to change, so please check schedules prior to scheduled events.

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Girls Basketball



Photo credit PM Photography

Senior Ahnika Tryon was honored at Senior Night during the last regular season home game. Congratulations, Ahnika!

Boys Basketball



Photo credit PM Photography

Congratulations to seniors pictured from left, Mase Stearns, Kaden Muir, Owen Heiken, Preston Kramer, Connor Harms, Kallen Albin, Kash Lindsey, and Jacob Peters.

Girls Soccer

Girls soccer team members seniors Kamilla Grimmer, and Heidi Bancho and junior Melia Lattin, were selected First Team All-State.

Senior Bailey Bell was named Second Team All-State.



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Girls Basketball beat North Marion 54-27 on Thursday, Feb. 8, then went on the road to play Westside Christian winning 58-44 on Saturday, Feb. 10. Monday, Feb. 12, they took down Sweet Home 64-24. They are currently first in league and ranked #3 in state.



Photo credit Philomath News

Boys basketball defeated North Marion in overtime last week. On Monday, February 12, they took down Sweet Home on Senior Night. With two games left in regular season, the Warriors are in second place in league and fourth in state.

Unified basketball

Unified Basketball is a sports program in which athletes with and without intellectual disabilities compete together on the same team. It was created by Special Olympics to foster inclusivity and collaboration among people of diverse abilities.

The focus of Unified basketball is on promoting a positive social experience for all participants, where teamwork, acceptance, and friendships are celebrated while developing athletic skills and sportsmanship. This makes for a more inclusive community.

For our students with disabilities here at Philomath, it's a chance to represent their high school with pride as an athlete. We are ALL Warriors!

Philomath UBX have the following games coming up:

Feb. 22 at 5 pm at Lebanon High School

Feb. 24 at 9 am Special Olympics State Games at OSU

Swimming

The Warriors qualified four student-athletes for the Swimming State Meet to be held Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16-17 at Tualatin Hills Park and Aquatic Center in Beaverton.

The girls swim team finished seventh in district, boys came in fourth, and head swim coach Iliana Kaiser received Coach of the Year honors.

State qualifiers:

Freshman Lucas Brandt - 200 IM (4th) and 500 free (1st)

Senior Henry Katsikis - 100 brest (9th)

Sophomore Cameron McLennan - 100 fly (5th)

Junior Kyah Weeber - 100 fly (11th) and 100 breast (9th)



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Wrestling



Photo Credit Troy Woosley

Boys

Boys wrestling qualified nine for state that will be held on Feb. 22 and Feb. 23 in Portland.

State qualifiers are, from left, senior Gradin Fairbanks, freshman Wyatt Barrett, junior Ari Hammond, sophomores Porter Compton, Riley Barrett and Lukas Hernandez, junior JJ Lewis, and sophomores Lake Mulberry and Liam Bennett.

Girls

Girls wrestling regionals will be Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16 and Feb. 17 at Cottage Grove High School.

Dance Team



Photo credit Philomath News

Our Dance team had a successful home competition on Saturday, February 10th. They hosted 13 teams and finished first in Jazz and second in Hip Hop.

Dance Team honored its four seniors at its home competition Saturday, Feb. 10.

Congratulations to seniors, from left, Alexa Eckhold, Kayli Blake, Jadyn McMullen and Abby Workman !



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