



BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

RED RAIDER ALERT

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**2017 Graduation -
Friday, June 16 at
6:30pm** in the BHS
Gym.

Hello Raider Families! We celebrated **Staff and Teacher Appreciation** days during these past two weeks, and we are so thankful to have such a dedicated, hard-working team caring for our students each day. **We want to give a special “shout out” to our Choir teacher, Linda Short, who recently received the district’s Great Teaching Award.** Here’s an excerpt of the nomination submitted by students and parents:

Linda reinforces meaningful community connections through public performances whose audiences include elementary schools, assisted living residences and charitable organizations. Linda’s love for music is contagious. Even if her students don’t pursue a career in music, it often remains an important part of their lives because of the influence from Linda. A student writes: “The choir room became a refuge and safe space for me. Under her teaching, I learned not only about music but also about my own voice.”

Please take a moment to [watch this short video](#) about Linda and join us in congratulating her for this most deserved recognition! She is a wonderful example of our **Red Raider** pride and dedication. Congrats, Linda!

Red Raider PTSA needs you!

The Red Raider PTSA does valuable work to support the BHS students, staff and facility. This year we have supported the tutor center with food and bus passes, purchased supplies and equipment, paid for numerous field trips, provided college scholarships, supplied food for special events, paid school fees for students in need, supported senior events, as well as organized staff appreciation meals throughout the year.

To keep our PTSA alive and thriving, we need board members and other volunteers. To learn more, please email kimninnemann@yahoo.com or come to our June 6th meeting in the high school staff lounge at 5:30 p.m.

We Believe In:

Treating all members of the BHS Community with dignity and respect... Taking care of this great place... Producing quality work...

Tell your friends how they can receive a copy of the **Red Raider Alert!**

Send a request to:

raideralert@bellingshamschools.org



Please like us! Your **Red Raider** PTSA has a Facebook site - join today @ [Bellingham High School Red Raiders PTSA](#).

Seniors there is still time to Snag a Scholarship! Come to the Career Center to pick up these local scholarships applications!

B.A.S.E Three scholarships for \$1000 each. Financial need and 2.5+ GPA

Bellingham Class of 1966 \$1000. GPA 2.5 or above, extra consideration given to students that have a relative that attended Bellingham High School.

Red Raider PTSA \$500. Bellingham High school Student demonstrated commitment to the collective commitments!

Check out the scholarship web page to see dozens of scholarship opportunities. [Bellingham web page/Students/Career Center/Scholarships](#)

See Ms Kelly if you have a question.

WWU GEMS (Girls in Engineering, Math and Science) Fair

All ages are invited to this free and hands-on family-friendly event. Learn about groups around campus and Bellingham that have ties to the STEM community.

When: May 13, noon to 4 p.m.

Where: Western Washington University

More info: <https://ee.wvu.edu/youth-programs/programs/gems-fair-bellingham-girls-engineering-math-science>

Safe Schools Anonymous Reporting

Bellingham Public Schools is now using Safe Schools Alert to allow students to anonymously report safety concerns including bullying, harassment, intimidation and more.

Students may report anonymously via:

Web: bellingshamschools.org/safe

Text or phone call: 844-310-9560

Email: 1491@alert1.us

The safety of our students is a top priority. If you have questions about Safe Schools Alert or safety in our schools, contact the Director of School Safety and Emergency Management, Jonah Stinson at 360-676-6470 ext. 6533 or bellingshamschools.org/emergency.

Upcoming State Assessments

A reminder that some high school students will be taking state assessments this May and early June to measure mathematics and science proficiency.

- **Smarter Balanced Math testing for most 11th graders will occur May 16-18th.** Test times and locations are posted on the Assessment Bulletin Board in the commons.
- **Selected 10th and 12th graders will take the Smarter Balanced Math test May 23-25th.** Test times and locations are posted on the Assessment Bulletin Board in the commons.
- EOC exams in biology and math will take place **June 6-8**. Test notifications for the EOC exams will be emailed home in late May.

As with any day of important learning, a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast are an essential part of every school day. We recommend parents and guardians talk to their child about their learning and school day and keep things in perspective (and not overemphasize the test). For more information, talk with your child's teacher or counselor.

Let your senior know! Monday, June 12th at 7pm in the PAC - **Senior Farewell** will carry on the Baccalaureate tradition for an **exceptional evening of "Promise" with hope for the future, music, and prizes. Photo ops and refreshments following.** Sponsored by the PTSA and optional for seniors.

Senior Tailgate Party - June 14th, 2:15 - 5:00 pm.

Freshmen and Sophomores: The Rotary is looking for applicants for their next youth ambassador program. **Rotary Youth Exchange** students will spend up to a year living with a few host families and attending school in a different country. The Rotary is looking for above-average students interested with leadership skills and open to new experiences and cultural differences then you should take a look at this program. Apply in September 2017 for Exchanges beginning August 2018. If you are interested in becoming a Rotary Youth Exchange student, or are interested in hosting an exchange student in your home, come to the Career Center for more information. Vermont McAllister will be here to talk about this program on May 17 at 9:15am sign up to learn about this amazing opportunity.

WCC Tour Day: field trip to Whatcom Community College on May 18th Get a jump start on your college plans. Take a tour, & free class, and information about applications and financial aid. Sign up in the Career Center. Prior registration and completed permission slips required.

HOT Jobs! Looking for summer employment? The Career Center has applications and a hot job sheet.