



BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

RED RAIDER ALERT

October 6, 2017

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From the Principal

October is National Principals Month, which celebrates the opportunities school leaders have to make a positive impact on the lives of their students. As our staff struggles with the tragedies which have affected our nation in the last weeks, our hearts are heavy for those who have suffered losses. We also ponder the best ways to model and cultivate compassion in our school. Jack Baldermann, a principal colleague in Illinois, eloquently states, **"You might not be the best artist, or the best athlete, or even the most naturally academic student, but each of you can strive to be a compassionate, caring person. And that is the foundation of a successful life."**

We're so proud of our BHS students who demonstrate compassion and "treating others with dignity and respect" in a variety of ways. From daily gestures of kindness to organized activities, our students positively contribute to our school and beyond. Our **Volunteer Club** continues to grow in size and efforts throughout the community. Next semester's new **Service Learning** class is full, and **our student body recently collected \$1,207 for hurricane relief** during their "Miracle Minute" at the Homecoming football game.

Go **Red Raiders!**

Linda Wise Miller, BHS Principal

SUPER WEDNESDAY IS COMING UP!

PSAT & PreACT INFORMATION FOR SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS

Next Wednesday, October 11th, BHS will administer the PSAT exam to all 11th grade students, and the PreACT exam to all 10th grade students. The PSAT is a test of the skills and knowledge essential for college and career that students are learning in class. It offers students an opportunity to connect with colleges and universities, enter scholarship competitions, get ready for the SAT exam, and sharpen their skills with free practice on Khan Academy. For 10th graders, the PreACT contains test questions and scores similar to the ACT test, can help students select the right high school courses, think about ways to target areas of improvement, and even begin discussions about college and career.

Both the PSAT and the PreACT are scheduled from 8:30am-12pm. Students should check the assessment bulletin board in the commons for their test locations, and bring a calculator with them on test day. Extra copies of the PSAT Student Guide and the PreACT informational flyer are available in Student Services.

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 group - join today @ [Bellingham High School Red Raiders PTSA](#).



The Dinner & Auction event is **SOLD OUT**.

Thank you all for your generous support. It's going to be a great evening!

For those who missed out on buying a ticket, we're so sorry we can't accommodate extras.

But, in lieu of attending, you're welcome to donate directly to the PTSA to help our kids and teachers.

- **Send checks made out to Red Raiders PTSA**
- **Address it to Red Raiders PTSA, 2020 Cornwall Ave., Bellingham 98225**

Thank you again! Your support means so much.

After-School Dinner Program Free for All Students 18 and Under

Bellingham Public Schools currently offers free hot dinner to all children 18 and under in the community. These meals are offered **daily Mondays through Thursdays through June 6, 2018**. Dinner is served from 5 to 6 p.m. at Shuksan Middle School, located at 2717 Alderwood Avenue (at the corner of Northwest and Alderwood).

Please note: Accompanying adults are charged \$4. All meals must be eaten onsite in the Shuksan cafeteria and to go options are not available. Dinner will not be served on the following Thursdays that are middle school early dismissal days: Oct. 19, Nov. 2, 9, & 22 (Wed.), Dec. 7, Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8, April 26.

Students who ordered pictures can pick them up at the main office.

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The Bellingham Public Schools Foundation, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) educators, parents, alumni, and friends of STEM programs across our community will be holding the second annual **"Rockin' with Robots" fundraising event on Saturday, October 7th, 2017 from 5-9pm.**

"Rockin' with Robots" is an evening event at Boundary Bay Brewery's all-ages outdoor venue with live, family friendly music by GrooveBot, as well as hands-on STEM and robotics demonstrations from the Seamonsters FIRST robotics team, the Creators and Innovators Club and BHS robotics classes!

Hope you can join us!

Seniors. FAFSA/WASFA Filing Event

Wednesday October 18th from 6-8 p.m. @ BHS

Local financial aid experts will be on hand to assist Bellingham School District and Whatcom County seniors and their families with this important step towards continuing their education beyond High School. For College Bound Scholarship eligible seniors this event will help you meet an important step towards possibly receiving this state based scholarship. Please go online and create your Federal Student Aid (FSA) I.D. before that date. Your counselors can help you with this important task, if you need assistance. When you file your FAFSA you'll need to bring you and your parents' 2016 Federal Income Tax info on that day. You'll also need your social security number. Also, WASFA filing experts will be present to help you navigate this state based aid system for those without a social security number.