

WINTER LAKES SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families: A Letter From Mrs. Sweeney, Principal

We've made it to spring time! What a crazy school year; this is my 17th year as an educator, and I've never had a year (or couple of years!) like this with so many changes. I dearly hope we never have pandemic challenges again. I appreciate everyone's flexibility as Mrs. Nelson and I adapt to the ever-changing COVID-19 regulations from ODE and OHA.

As we finish out the last ten weeks of the school year, please keep in mind that Winter Lakes students get to work at their own pace. That means that students who are already finishing up courses for this school year may start on classes that would have to wait for next year at a traditional school. Students who need a bit more time to finish up this year's courses get to resume those in the fall right where they left off. Winter Lakes is always working with the individual student and their needs; always let your learning specialist know if you are struggling or if you want to be challenged.

For current 9th-12th graders, it's time to start to consider summer school. Learning specialists will work with you about this year's plan. The WLHS main office will have summer school applications available in a few weeks; look for an email about that.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Sweeney, WLHS Principal



Friday, April 22nd marks the annual time to recognize how much we still need to #InvestInOurPlanet

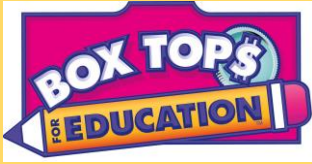
Visit <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2022/> to learn more about how you can do your part for today and tomorrow!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

IMPORTANT DATES FOR APRIL

- APR 1: NO SCHOOL
- APR 8: NO SCHOOL
- APR 12: Coos Forest Patrol Visits WLHS for a Fire Prevention Talk 12:00 – 12:30 PM
- APR 15: NO SCHOOL
- APR 22: Earth Day
- APR 22: NO SCHOOL/Progress Reports
- APR 29: NO SCHOOL

APRIL 2022						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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SCHOLARSHIP CENTRAL



PROMISING FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP

Seniors who are interested in a major relating to school business management are invited to apply for the Promising Futures Scholarship.

School business encompasses a wide variety of duties including accounting, financial planning, business enterprise, benefits & payroll, and public administration.

Visit <https://oasbo.com/page/promisingfutures> for more information and to submit your application. Deadline is April 29, 2022.

SURFRIDER FOUNDATION COOS BAY SCHOLARSHIPS

Coos Bay Surfrider is proud to offer scholarships to high school students in Coos and Curry Counties.



The scholarships are for students looking to enter an educational pathway with emphasis on the natural sciences or an environmental major.

Visit <https://coosbay.surfrider.org/scholarships/> for more information.

Deadline is April 17, 2022.

THIS IS WHY YOU SHOULD FILL OUT THE FAFSA

#CollegeOpportunity | StudentAid.gov

- 1 **IT'S FREE.**
Doesn't cost you anything.
- 2 **IT'S EASY.**
The application has been simplified.
- 3 **IT'S FAST.**
It takes most people just 23 minutes to complete.
- 4 **MORE PEOPLE QUALIFY...**
for student aid than you think.



SENIORS!!!!

ARE YOU READY TO GRADUATE????

As we continue to approach the end of the 2021/22 school year, for many of you, it is the end of a very long road to that finish line also known as “Graduation”. We applaud each and every one of you for seeing this journey through to the very end!

By now, you should have a pretty good idea of where you are at on your individual path toward completing your diploma. If you are still unsure, contact your Learning Specialist right away to do a credit review.

For those of you who are now all done, or even very close to being done, CONGRATULATIONS!

We know that many of you have been looking forward to your graduation ceremony for a long time. In light of recent changes in the current climate, we are extremely pleased to once again be able to host our graduation ceremonies. This year they will be held on June 8th and 9th at our new District Office location at 970 North Central Boulevard in Coquille.

IF YOU HAVE 3 OR FEWER CREDITS REMAINING TO GRADUATE: Contact the front office at (541)824-0115 to reserve your cap & gown and schedule your preferred ceremony date.

IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN 3 CREDITS REMAINING TO GRADUATE: It’s crunch time! You’ll have received a progress report on April 1, and it will have your updated remaining credits on it.

Remember, we do have summer school, and you can re-enroll again next year if you don’t graduate this year. ***If you have already decided to re-enroll next school year, please let us know!***

You cannot walk at graduation this year unless you meet your graduation requirements.

Please check in with Mrs. Sweeney or your Learning Specialist if you have any questions.

We have lots of different ways for you to earn credits, so let us know what you’ve been doing and what you’re interested in. Then we can figure out ways to help you make it graduation.

“And will you succeed? Yes! You will indeed! (98 and $\frac{3}{4}$ percent guaranteed!) Kid, you’ll move mountains!”

-Dr. Seuss



Medical Assistant Apprenticeship Program



12 month period

The Medical Assistant Apprenticeship program takes just one year to complete.



156 hours of online training

Apprentices are responsible for completing the online coursework on their own time.



2,000 hours

The term of the apprenticeship program is 2,000 hours of on-the-job, paid work experience.



No Charge to Candidates

Apprenticeship costs are currently covered by grants, includes CCMA test preparation, and testing fee.

About the Program

Medical Assistant Apprenticeship with Allied Health West JATC creates a true "earn and learn" pathway to employment for job seekers, leading to a nationally-recognized credential, the Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) through National Healthcareer Association.

Apprenticeship combines paid on-the-job training, related instruction online, mentorship, and incremental wage increases.

Medical assistants complete administrative and clinical tasks in the offices of physicians, hospitals, and other healthcare facilities. Their duties vary with the location, specialty, and size of the practice.

Benefits to employers include increased number of MAs completing training with certification and a formalized onboarding process. Potential to lower recruitment costs by centralizing processes through apprenticeship program.



100% of our test-takers pass the CCMA exam on the first attempt

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Application Process

Applicants are screened by the Apprenticeship Coordinator to determine whether they meet minimum qualifications. Currently, to be eligible an individual must be at least 18 years of age and have a high school diploma/GED.

Successful candidates generally have a background in allied health or administrative work, are highly organized and able to multi-task. Empathy and professionalism are highly valued by employers.



Requirements

Employers are under no obligation to hire any applicant they interview, and the individual must also meet all hiring criteria from each respective employer. Applicants must:

- Pass a Criminal background check
- Pass a pre-employment drug screening
- Other site-specific employer related policies

How to Apply

Currently accepting applications in all counties in Oregon. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, in person workshops have been suspended. Please email Alane Jennings at ajennings@sowib.org. Applicants will be requested to provide:

- Driver's License
- Copy of High School diploma or GED certificate



Women, minorities, people with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.

For More Information, contact:

Alane Jennings PO Box 415
Coos Bay, OR 97420

Telephone: (541) 297-4735
E-mail: ajennings@sowib.org
Website: www.sowib.org/apprenticeships



The AHW Apprenticeship program is an equal opportunity employer/program, and auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. AHW shall not discriminate against apprenticeship applicants or apprentices based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), sexual orientation, genetic information, or because they are an individual with a disability or a person 18 years old or older. AHW shall take affirmative action to provide equal opportunity in apprenticeship and shall operate the apprenticeship program as required under This Plan and Title 29 CFR, part 30. Veterans preference applies. This workforce product was 100% funded by Apprenticeship State Expansion grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (\$353,000 & \$692,500) The product was created by the grantee and does not necessarily reflect the official position of the U.S. Department of Labor. The U.S. Department of Labor makes no guarantees, warranties, or assurances of any kind, express or implied, with respect to such information, including any information on linked sites and including, but not limited to, accuracy of the information or its completeness, timeliness, usefulness, adequacy, continued availability, or ownership. This product is copyrighted by the institution that created it.

CAMPUS RULES

A Few Items to Remember

- ALL tobacco products are strictly forbidden on campus, including vapes.
- ALL weapons (including pocket knives) are strictly forbidden on school property.
- During the school day, there is to be NO loitering outside. You will be asked to leave campus.
- Winter Lakes School is a CLOSED campus. Leaving campus at any time means that you will be asked to leave if you try to return.
- Please do not loiter outside of nearby homes or businesses.

CELEBRATE JUNETEENTH 2022



COOS
HISTORY
MUSEUM

1210 N Front St.
Coos Bay, OR 97420

541.756.6320



Writing Competition!



COMPETITION RULES

Eligibility: The competition is open to youth 7th grade through community college, ages 12-22.

Divisions: Middle School, High School, College

Themes: Submissions must address one of the Juneteenth themes provided on our website

CATEGORIES

Poetry: Up to two (2) original poems, each 32 lines or fewer

Song: Up to two (2) original songs, each three (3) minutes or fewer when performed

Essay: Up to two (2) original essays, each 600-800 words; sources cited

WRITING WORKSHOP

March 30th at 3:00 PM hosted by
Writer & Teacher, Annis Cassells

PRIZES

1st Place: \$200 + Invited to perform live at Juneteenth celebration

2nd Place: \$100

3rd Place: \$50

DEADLINE

5PM, APRIL 30, 2022

Winners will be notified by May 21, 2022.

For more information go to:
cooshistory.org/celebrate-juneteenth-2022



EARN CREDIT FOR WORKING!

Do you have a job? Earn high school credit for hours worked!

Check with Mr. Rilatos to see how!

krilatos@csd8.info




2022 POWERS

FISHING EVENT

(In lieu of the Annual Powers Fishing Derby)

Sponsored by the Powers Action Team

Lioness will be serving FREE hotdogs

WHEN

Saturday, May 14th from 8am-1pm

WHERE

Powers County Park Pond and at the Blue Shelter

REGISTRATION

**7:30 AM at the
Blue Shelter**

EVENT ENDS

At 1:00 PM



Educational Booths

PRIZES AWARDED TO ALL KIDS up to Age 16 WHO PARTICIPATE

ODFW Fishing License is Required for: Ages 12-16

Kids Ages 11 and under No license required

QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL 541-439-6200





OREGON POETRY ASSOCIATION

CASCADIA STUDENT POETRY CONTEST

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The Oregon Poetry Association (OPA) is delighted to announce CASCADIA 2022: Oregon's annual K-12 student poetry contest. Open for free submissions through May 1, 2022 via Submittable.

Cascadia, the Oregon Student Poetry Contest, serves to nurture the talent of young Oregon poets by providing an opportunity for their poems to be widely shared, published, and celebrated. Up to ten unranked winners in each of four age categories will receive \$50 cash prizes. The winning poems will be published in the first online issue of *Cascadia*, a journal of award-winning student poetry from the Oregon Poetry Association. Winning poets will be invited to read their poems in an online celebration June 1 at 6PM via Zoom.

The winning poems in both the middle and high school divisions are eligible and may be sent to the 2023 Manningham Trust Student Contest sponsored by the National Federation of State Poetry Societies (NSFPS). This national competition also awards cash prizes and anthology publication.

OPA urges parents and teachers to encourage their students to enter the contest. This is an excellent opportunity to showcase the writing and creativity of Oregon's young people. We look forward to celebrating together.

OPA is a non-profit organization whose mission is to:

- Build and sustain a diverse community of Oregon poets
- Provide Oregon poets opportunities to exchange ideas and learn from one another
- Further the appreciation of poetry throughout the state
- Raise awareness of Oregon poets

Student Poetry Contest Submission Guidelines

1. Each student may submit one original poem (of their own, individual creative work) on any subject, in any style, form, or language. Bilingual poems are also encouraged. Co-written and collaborative poems will be disqualified.
2. The poem should be uploaded to <https://opa.submittable.com/submit> by the student or their teacher in a .doc or .docx file. Teachers may submit entries from multiple students within the same document.
3. Each page of the document should include a header that lists the following:
STUDENT'S NAME
STUDENT'S GRADE
STUDENT'S SCHOOL
STUDENT'S EMAIL (IF APPLICABLE)
PARENT/GUARDIAN'S EMAIL
STUDENT'S TEACHER
4. Submissions that do not include complete headers will be disqualified.
5. The deadline is **May 1, 2022**. Contact contest chair Lauren Mallett (mallett.lauren@gmail.com) if you have any questions or are unable to utilize the Submittable platform.

Theatre 33's Summer Playwriting Program

Scholarships Available



**THIS IS AN ONLINE COURSE
VIA ZOOM, 2HR SESSIONS
ONCE A WEEK FOR 10
WEEKS. CLASS BEGINS
THURSDAY, JUNE 30 THRU
SEPTEMBER 1, 2022**

For more information contact:
Thomas Nabhan, Executive Director
tnabhan@willamette.edu

THEATRE 33
CULTIVATING AND
COLLABORATING WITH
PNW THEATRE ARTISTS



Course Description:

In this ten-week course, students will read plays together, and learn and practice the fundamentals of playwriting. A dynamic series of writing exercises and inspirational assignments will help young writers learn the very specific art of writing for the stage — plot, character, language, and spectacle — students will explore what makes this art form unique. The course will culminate in a reading of student work by actors from the Willamette University Theater Department.

The Tuition for this course is \$600.

HOWEVER

Theatre 33's mission includes providing art education to all students, with emphasis on those from rural and underserved schools and communities. Given that objective, and thanks to a generous grant from the Juan Young Trust, full scholarships will be offered to all participating students.

COURSE INSTRUCTOR

Joy Otto, a Portland based professional playwright. Previous courses were taught by EM Lewis and Rachael Carnes

Sponsored by a grant from
The Juan Young Trust

****TRIGGER WARNING – THE FOLLOWING CONTAINS SENSITIVE SUBJECT
MATTER****

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Each April, in honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month, it is time to take pause and reflect on how we as a community can continue to combine our strengths in learning more about and preventing child abuse and neglect.

According to the Department of Health & Human Services annual report in 2019, CPS agencies received a national estimate of 4.4 million total referrals (acf.hhs.gov, 2019). That is an increase of around 500,000 since 2015.

Recognizing and acting immediately on suspected signs of abuse is critical to making sure the abuse is prevented and stopped. Click here to learn the signs and symptoms and more about how you can do your part: <https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubpdfs/whatiscan.pdf>

By working together to prevent and put a stop to child abuse and neglect, we prevent and put a stop to the far-reaching, lifelong, devastating effects that come with it.

LOCAL & NATIONAL RESOURCES

- US Department of Health and Human Services
<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth/>
- Oregon Department of Human Services
<https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/children/child-abuse/pages/reporting-numbers.aspx>

Call (800)855-7233 to report child abuse
- Kids' HOPE Center
<https://oregoncas.org/>
(541)266-8806



REMINDERS & NOTICES

Looking for a Summer Job?

Bridge, Oregon Coos Forest Protective Association is now accepting applications for:

- Engine Operators & Wildland Firefighters

Join our team and receive on the job training for basic firefighting and team bonding skills. Come work in a fast-paced environment with job advancement and travel opportunities.

Applications are available at: <https://www.coosfpa.net/>

For more information, contact Corey Bryant at (541)572-2796. Email completed applications to Corey.L.Bryant@oregon.gov



Winter Lakes School would like to extend their heartfelt congratulations to Mr. Wayne Gallagher who will be welcomed as our new district superintendent, effective July 1, 2022. According to board chair, Heather Echavarría, "Along with his unique experience and knowledge, Mr. Gallagher can offer our district a fresh set of ideas and innovations. His dedication to our district surpassed all other candidates and we are confident he possesses the leadership skills to help guide the district's success. CONGRATULATIONS MR. GALLAGHER!

STATE TESTING SEASON FOR **3RD – 8TH & 11TH GRADES!**

It's that time of year again, time for state testing! Oregon requires all 3rd-8th and 11th grade students to undergo annual testing Reading, Writing, Math, and for some students Science. Please contact the front office at either WLE or WLHS to schedule your student's time slot.

Parents who wish to opt out, we ask that you complete this form: https://www.oregon.gov/ode/educator-resources/assessment/Documents/notice_opt_out_form_English.pdf and return it to the front office.



SUMMER SCHOOL SIGN-UPS

Summer School sign-ups will open in May. Keep your eyes out for an email next month to let you know where and how to enroll!