

Dear Parents,

Happy Friday! Below you will find a listing of upcoming events; a notice of the Amazon Parkway road closure; a reminder about Parent Education Night; a request to help out with Staff Appreciation Day; information on the Senior Experience Opportunity and Apprenticeships in Science & Engineering programs; and the weekly Career Center Check-In.

UPCOMING EVENTS

(Fri-Sat) 1/18-19: "David's Mother", at 7:00 p.m., in the Little Theater.

(Mon) 1/21: **NO SCHOOL** (Martin Luther King Jr. Day).

(Wed) 1/23: School Choice tours, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Meet in the SEHS front office.

(Sat) 1/26: Winter Formal, from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m., in the Cafeteria.

(Tue) 1/29: **Parent Education Night**, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the Library. (Details below)

(Fri) 2/1: **NO SCHOOL** (Grading Day).

Links to SEHS resources: [Bell schedule](#), [Main website](#), [Full calendar](#), [Athletics calendar](#).

AMAZON PARKWAY CLOSURE

Starting next Monday, Amazon Parkway will be closed for construction until Friday, February 8. The contractor has provided an [informational flyer](#).

PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT

Next Tuesday evening Parent Council presents "[Let's Talk About Sex: A Parent's Guide to Teaching Healthy Relationships & Consent](#)." The program will feature a panel discussion with SEHS RespectEd & PPSO's REV youth. Parent Ed Night is Tuesday, January 29, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the South Library.

STAFF APPRECIATION FRIDAY

Parent Council has a tradition of helping to provide treats for our wonderful staff on grading/professional development day. If you'd like to help with a food donation the following items are still needed:

- 1 large container of brown rice
- 1 crock pot of shredded chicken
- 1 crock pot vegetarian option
- 1 green salad
- Edamame
- Nori or seaweed

- 3 Desserts
- Drinks

If you would like to assist with set up / clean up that is also helpful. Please [e-mail Jen](#) if you would like to contribute. Thanks!

SENIOR EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY

Lane Workforce will be holding a workshop on January 25th at 2:45 pm in the College & Career Center. Learn from the experts How To Get Hired, what employers are looking for in a job candidate as well as developing a winning resume and critical interview tips. This is a Senior Experience Opportunity for those who need to continue their process towards graduation. Stop by Room 302 to see Kathy Ruggles for more information.

APPRENTICESHIPS IN SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Join us for a virtual [Apprenticeships in Science & Engineering \(ASE\) information session](#). After registering for this session below, you will receive a confirmation email with a link and password to join the virtual meeting. This session will be hosted on Zoom.

Are you a 9-11th grader? Are you interested in a career as a scientist, doctor, engineer or technologist? Then you should check out the ASE program. ASE matches scientists, engineers and technology innovators with smart students like you for 8 week internships over the summer. ASE is a great way to improve your college application, and students can get school credit and a \$1,000 stipend! More information is available at <http://www.saturdayacademy.org/> Note: Although ASE will not be holding an information session in the Eugene/Springfield area this year, see the website for information sessions in the Corvallis area. The website also contains the application and specific informational details about the program.

CAREER CENTER CHECK-IN

- **Upcoming College and Program Visits**
 - Youth Trades Academy Presentation (Fri, 1/18@9:35)
 - OSU-Cascades (Wed, 1/23@11:07)
 - OIT (Thu, 1/24@2:18)
 - Rustic Pathways (travel program) (Tue, 2/12@1:01)

Visit [South's website](#) to view entire list of scheduled visits. This is an evolving list. You'll want to check it regularly.

- **Scholarships (due dates in parentheses):** [Society of Women Engineers, Willamette Valley Section - in cooperation with Georgia Pacific and Hewlett Packard](#) (1/23); [The Coolidge Scholarship](#) (1/23); [Union Plus Scholarships](#) (1/31); [Women in Industry \(WIN\) Scholarship](#) (1/31); [Discover Scholarship Program](#) (1/31); [OSU Bridge to Success](#) (2/1); [Beat the Odds Scholarship -](#)

[Stand for Children Leadership Center](#) (2/1); [Oregon Wheat Foundation Scholarship Program](#) (2/1); [Fiction Fantastic Young Writers' Contest](#) (2/1). Check out our "[Current Scholarships](#)" web page for more, or visit the career center in room 7.

- **This Week's Featured Scholarship:** The [Beat the Odds Scholarship - Stand for Children Leadership Center](#) awards up to five \$4,000 scholarships to Eugene/Springfield area students with financial need who have "beaten the odds" by succeeding in school despite hardships like poverty, disability, homelessness or personal tragedy. Awards are renewable for up to four years with a total award value of \$16,000. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA; show marked effort, improvement or success; participate in activities that are helpful to others; and be willing to share their story at the award ceremony and for related publicity. Applications due 2/1. Learn more at <https://app.smarterselect.com/programs/50721-Stand-For-Children-Leadership-Center>. Please give at least two weeks' notice (preferably four weeks!) for requesting any letters of recommendation, and if you specifically want a counselor recommendation, submit the yellow Scholarship Recommendation Request form, available in the counseling center and in the career center.
- **Congratulations** to Paige Baker, South senior and winner of the Horatio Alger Association's \$10,000 scholarship! This is a competitive, national-level scholarship. Seniors, don't give up on applying for scholarships. There is a lot of money out there for determined students who submit high-quality applications.
- [Does a Gap Year Affect Financial Aid? What to Consider Before Taking a Gap Year](#) by Jodi Okun for *The Balance*.
- [Admission Anxiety - And Ten Steps to Reduce It](#) by Jeff Schiffman, Director of Admission, Tulane University.
- [Looking Beyond Ivy League Hype](#) by Lynne O'Shaughnessy, author of *The College Solution* blog.
- **Classic South juniors:** You should have started your Junior Project in the career center by now. This is a grad requirement *and* a great tool for planning your future! Come see us in room 7 today!
- **Sophomores and Juniors:** Your PSAT booklets, from which you took your PSAT in October, are available in the career center if you want them. They contain the questions from the test and any work you did to solve the problems in the booklet. We do not yet have the paper copies of your score sheet. You should have received an email last December with a link to your online scores. (Your online scores also include a list of the PSAT questions and how you should have solved them, what your scores mean, and what you might want to do now with them). If you did not receive this email, you may create a [College Board account](#) and access your scores that way.

- **Undocumented Oregon Students:** The [ORSAA \(Oregon Student Aid Application\)](#) is an alternative to the FAFSA for undocumented Oregon high-school seniors, including students who have Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status or Temporary Protected Status (TPS). Eligible undocumented and DACA students in Oregon can get help to pay for college. Learn more about [Financial Aid for Undocumented and DACA Students](#).
- [Cement mason and plasterer apprenticeship info for 2019](#)
- **1/25/19:** Extended due date for the **2019 Trades Academy Youth Training Program**. This is a series of classes running for six weeks (4 hrs/wk) from the first week of February to the second week of March. It's an excellent opportunity to learn about careers in the building trades, especially plumbing, steamfitting & sheet metal work, and carpentry. Questions? Attend a Trades Academy presentation by Peter Lauf from Lane ESD today, January 18 at 9:35 in the career center at South, or contact Peter at <plauf@lesd.k12.or.us> or 541-461-8297. Find the application [here](#). KEZI also featured the Trades Academy as part of their [Skilled to Work project](#).
- **1/30/19:** Priority deadline to apply for the UO Chinese Flagship Program. The program offers financial, academic, social, and career support to students who want to become professionally fluent in Mandarin, and it doesn't charge any extra fees. Apply [here](#). (Students are welcome to apply after January 30th, but the program offers priority scholarship consideration to students who apply by the deadline.)
- **2/1/19:** Due date for applications for *job shadows* through [Elevate Lane County](#). Elevate will not be offering *internships* during the spring. It's possible they'll have internships available once again during the summer.
- **2/1/19:** Due date for Kaiser Permanente Youth Exploration Academy in Healthcare (KP YEAH!), a paid, four-week-long interactive exploration program for current 10th, 11th, and 12th graders. This summer program will run from 7/2-7/27/2019 at Kaiser Permanente in Portland. It focuses on providing high-school students with exposure to Kaiser Permanente's integrated healthcare system while promoting access to higher education, career readiness and an introduction to various healthcare pathways. Get more information and apply [here](#).
- **2/13/19: Seniors considering attending LCC:** RTEC 101 is a *FREE* 1-2 credit course offered by LCC to help students become familiar and comfortable with the campus, its resources, and the ways to access them most easily. This could be a great confidence booster for any potentially LCC-bound students! For more information and the course schedule, see the [flier](#). (The course beginning 2/13/19 is the only one that hasn't started already.) To register for the course, click [here](#).

- **2/15/19:** Due date to apply for the [2019 Western Aerospace Scholars \(WAS\) Sophomore Program](#). This **free** program contains two components: an online distance learning course and a summer experience, both specifically designed for high-school sophomores interested in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields. If students successfully complete the online course, they are invited to participate in a three-day summer experience. The [2019 WAS Sophomore Program application](#) is available now. The online course begins March 5 and ends in April. The summer program will be held in July or August of 2019.
- **2/28/19:** [WISE Symposium](#), a series of workshops taught by STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) professionals, to take place in the Churchill HS auditorium. Free and open to *ALL* Lane County students.

Until next time,

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