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BLANCHET NEWS



Raffle Reminder

This is a reminder that there is only one (1) more day to sell raffle tickets. Each student received a book of tickets on



Tuesday, February 21. As per your signed enrollment agreement, each student is required to sell 1 book of tickets. All tickets, sold and unsold, and all money must be returned to Blanchet tomorrow, Friday, March 17.

Tuition Assistance Deadline TOMORROW March 17, 2017

The Tuition Assistance program (FACTS Grant) applications are available in your online enrollment packet under the FACTS tab. The deadline for applications is March 17, 2017. Please contact Lana Doyle in the Business Office with questions.

Snow Make-up Day

A few weeks ago, we informed you that next Friday, March 24 there would be a school day to make up for the earlier snow days. It will be a 1/2 day schedule. Now due to the additional snow day last Monday, we will also have a FULL day of school on Monday, April 17; the day after Easter.

- Friday, March 24 1/2 Day Schedule and Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Monday, April 17 Full Day of School

Parent Teacher Conferences

This is a reminder that Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Friday, March 24. This is a half day of school for students with parent teacher conferences following at 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Conferences will be held in the Lee Student Center. Conferences are not a scheduled time but are drop in. We ask parents to respect a 10 minute guideline and if they need more time, to schedule an appointment with the particular faculty member.

Parent/Teacher Conference Times: 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM and 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Re-Enrollment Packet Information

Blanchet's re-enrollment opened for the 2017-18 school year on January 24, when emails were sent home with enrollment packet information. We are in the process of budgeting for next school year and would like to know if your student will be returning. Please fill out your enrollment packet at your earliest convenience. See below for instructions on how to access your student's enrollment packet:

- 1. Please go to https://bl-or.client.renweb.com/pw/
- 2. Type in your username and password. If you have forgotten your username or password, please click on the link provided.
- 3. After logging in, click on the Family Information button in the left menu.
- 4. Click on the Enrollment/Reenrollment button.

Our Online Enrollment system will open with a link to the enrollment packet for your student(s). The online process should take approximately 15 minutes to complete. Your information will be saved if you need to quit and come back later.

If you have any questions about the process, please contact Megan Johnston at 503-485-4491.

Lost & Found

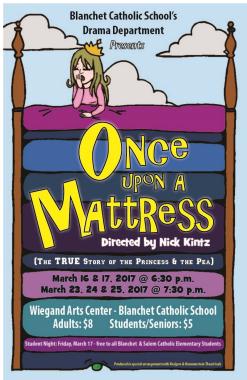
Lost & Found items will be outside the main office next week. Please check for lost items. Any items not claimed by Thursday will be donated to a local charity.



Progress Reports

Progress reports for every student were individually emailed home last Wednesday. The progress report represents the student's progress for the first six week of our second semester. If you have concerns about a particular class, please contact that particular teacher. If you need help access your child's RenWeb account to access grades and homework, please email Mrs. Lieder at info@blanchetcatholicschool.com.

High School Spring Musical



If you thought you knew the story of 'The Princess and The Pea,' you may be in for a walloping surprise! Did you know, for instance, that it wasn't the pea at all that caused the princess a sleepless night? Carried on a wave of wonderful songs this rollicking tale provides for some side-splitting shenanigans. Chances are you'll never look at fairy tales quite the same way again.

On-line ticket sales are now available for the high school musical, "Once upon a Mattress". PURCHASE TICKETS HERE! The purchaser can choose from floor or riser seating. Tickets will be filled in 'best available' seats at time of purchase and will be held in will-call. On-line sales end the day before each performance.

Performances:

Thursday, March 16 ~ 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 17 ~ 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 23 ~ 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 24 ~ 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 25 ~ 7:30 p.m.

Ticket Prices:

\$8.00 adults

\$5.00 students, alumni, seniors**

FREE with Special Guest Pass, Gold Card, or Fine Arts Drama pass

** SPECIAL STUDENT NIGHT **

Friday, March 17 is Student Night and all Blanchet students are FREE! Must present student id at door.

Sr. Helena Burns "Theology of the Body" Visit

On March 13th, juniors and seniors had the opportunity to hear Sr. Helena Burns speak to them about Theology of the Body. Through an interactive format Sr. Helena connected students the purpose of their physical bodies and heavenly souls. Her inspiring personality helped students to understand that they are both a physical, earthly body with a mission and at the same time a heavenly soul with an eternal purpose. Thank you very much, Sr. Helena!

Solo & Ensemble Festival Update



Several Blanchet music students participated in solo and ensemble festivals over the last couple weeks. This participation required students to spend more time practicing and working on mastering their instrument or voice in collaboration with their accompanist and private teacher. Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding preparation and musical performances.

<u>Salem/Keizer Middle School Solo and Ensemble Festival</u> Brooklyn Buchheit (tenor saxophone)

<u>Oregon Symphony Wiscarson Competition</u> Jason Liu (tuba)

OMEA District IV Solo and Ensemble Festival

Sienna Abbot (violin)

Laura Scrimenti (soprano voice)

Jason Liu (tuba DISTRICT WINNER)

Sienna Abbott, Logan Abbott, Zach Earnest, Miguel Diaz Hermosillo and Sofia Rodriquez-Walmisley (Blanchet string ensemble)





Mid High Students Take Science Fair Projects to Regionals

Congratulations to all the students who attended the Central Western Oregon Science Expo this past weekend. This is the 4th year that the Blanchet's Mid High has competed in this Regional Science Fair. The competition is held at U of O and there were over 90 Middle School projects entered.



Our students have always been recognized and this year Adrian Bayu Aji and Konstance Albright were selected by the USMA (U.S. Metric Association) for the Best Use of SI, International Units System, in a Science Fair Project.

Congratulations to Ben Miramon, Brooke Foresee, Adrian Bayu Aji, Braeden Duffy, and Konstance Albright who will all advance to the State Science Fair in Portland on May 1, 2017. Please join me in thanking them for their efforts and wish them well in their next competition! Thank you to their parents who have made this journey with them! Lets Go Mid High Cavs!

4th Annual Shoe Battle of the Schools One Thousand Soles

This year, Blanchet Catholic School is proud to announce that the school will be taking part in the 4th Annual Shoe Battle of the Schools. This shoe drive event will take place on April 10 through April 21. During this time period, boxes will be available throughout the building for shoe collection. New and gently used shoes of all sizes and styles will be accepted. Blanchet will be competing against local schools such as South Salem High School, West Salem High School and Sprague High School. There are 1,150 homeless students in the Salem-Keizer school district alone. These kids have to worry about keeping their feet warm and dry every day. Every pair of shoes you bring in will greatly impact a student's life.

Mrs. Bashaw's Leadership class arranged an assembly at Queen of Peace School to welcome them to the Blanchet team for the 2017 Shoe Battle. The students organized a relay using junior Mike Bashaw and Queen of Peace Principal, Carl Mucken's shoes as a relay baton. The assembly was a great kick off for the event. We are excited to have Queen of Peace School join us to help with the Shoe Battle!

Ways you can help:

Donate Shoes: New and gently used shoes of all sizes and styles will be accepted.

Connect with One Thousand Soles:

Follow **One** Thousand **Soles** on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/1000soles, on Instagram oon thousand soles.







CAVALIER ATHLETICS



Spring Sports Schedules ~ Please Check for Changes & Updates

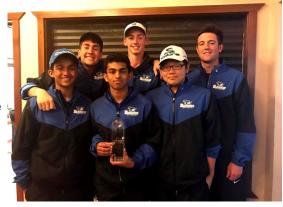
Spring sports schedules change daily with the addition/deletion of games as well as time and location changes. Please always refer to the <u>Blanchet website athletics pages</u> for the current schedule of games. It is the most accurate source for sports schedules and information.



Boys Golf Takes 2nd Place at S.A.Y. Golf Tournament

The Blanchet boys golf team earned a 2nd place trophy at the annual S.A.Y. Golf Tournament which was held Monday, March 13th at Santiam Golf Course in Stayton.

Blanchet had a team score of 353, which was respectable in the heavy downpour of rain and tough course conditions. Nick Conway paced the way with an 83, Mike Bashaw posted an 86, Nikhil Namburi posted a 91, Aneesh Namburi a 93, and Jason Liu 94. Blanchet beat the likes of teams such as South Salem, Santiam Christian, and East Linn. Great way to start the season! Their next tournament is Monday, March 20th at McNary Golf Club.



EVENTS & VOLUNTEERS



Upcoming Events

For a full list of events visit our <u>school calendar</u> and <u>sports</u> <u>calendar</u> online.

Mar. 16 HS Musical "Once Upon a Mattress" - Wiegand 6:30 p.m.

Mar. 17 Raffle Tickets Due

Tuition Assistance Application Deadline

Mass with Father John - Chapel 7:35 a.m.

HS Musical "Once Upon a Mattress" - Wiegand 6:30 p.m.

Mid High Lock-In - 8:00 p.m.

Mar. 21 Founders Day, NHS Induction, Raffle Drawing - Lee Student Ctr. 7:00 p.m.

Mar. 22 Buddies Schedule

Mar. 23 HS Musical "Once Upon a Mattress" - Wiegand 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 24 Half Day - Parent Teacher Conferences

St. Patrick's Day Mass with Fr. John Arcidiacono, Chapel 7:35 a.m.

HS Musical "Once Upon a Mattress" - Wiegand 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 25 HS Musical "Once Upon a Mattress" - Wiegand 7:30 p.m.

Grandparents Day

It's almost time for one of our most treasured Blanchet traditions. We will host our annual **Grandparents and Special Guest Day** on **Wednesday, April 5, 2017**. This day offers guests the opportunity to learn more about all of the wonderful experiences our students enjoy at Blanchet and to show our appreciation for these meaningful people in our students' lives. All grandparents and special guests will participate in an assembly featuring student performances and enjoy lunch with your student.

If you would like your students' grandparents or special guest to receive a formal invitation, please register them before March 24 at the link below to ensure that your children's grandparents or special guests receive an invitation with enough time to RSVP for the event. A gentle reminder that this event is not intended for parents and we ask that each family limit their invites to no more than four individuals so that we have space for as many families as possible.

Call Mrs. Nanneman at 503-391-2639 ext. 240 in the Development Office if you have any questions. REGISTER GRANDPARENTS HERE!

You're Invited to Join Us for FOUNDERS DAY, March 21

We hope you will join us for Founders Day on Tuesday March 21 at 7:00 pm in the Lee Student Center. We will be celebrating the induction of students into Blanchet's National Honor Society, honoring Blanchet faculty and staff for milestone service awards and drawing the winners for the Student Raffle prizes. In addition, we will be awarding the Distinguished Educator of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, President's Award and Community Partner of the Year. This is an annual event to recognize the accomplishments of our students, staff and all those who go above and beyond in service to Blanchet.

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AP Testing Dates & Schedule

May 1 8:00 a.m. Chemistry

May 3 8:00 a.m. English Literature & Composition

May 5 8:00 a.m. United States History

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May 8 8:00 a.m. Biology May 9 8:00 a.m. Calculus AB

May 10 8:00 a.m. English Language & Composition

Fee is \$93 per exam (Please make checks payable to Blanchet Catholic School)

Deadline to submit AP test fees is March 17, 2017 (fees can be submitted to the Business office or the student's AP teacher)

Please contact Mr. Wise if you have any questions or concerns.

Seniors: If you have taken any Advanced Placement exams or plan to take A.P. exams this May, you will need to log onto your College Board account to have those scores sent to your college. Sending scores is optional, and there is a small fee. To determine a college's policy with regard to credit by exam, you need to check with each individual university. Look on the school's website for "Credit by Exam" or "Credit Equivalencies." Most colleges have posted on their web page an articulation table which explains their policies with regard to A.P. test scores and dual credit classes. If you need help, please contact Mrs. Mannion.

Opportunities to learn about the United States Military Academies
All Blanchet students are invited to an information meeting about the United States
Military Academy on Saturday, March 18, 2:00 until 4:00 pm, in Clackamas.
Information will be presented by Captain Mark Boychak, a member of West Point
Class of 2007. For more information or to RSVP, click HERE.

Girls State Application

Girls in the eleventh grade may wish to consider applying to Girls State. Applications are available in the counselor's office. Completed applications are due back to the counseling office by **Tuesday**, **March 21**. Interviews of candidates will be conducted later in March. What is ALA Girls State? To learn more about Girls State, click HERE. ALA Girls State Brochure

Summer Opportunities

- ★ High school students who are looking for a summer job are encouraged to check the Blanchet website for information about some unique employment opportunities. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.
- ★ Students who are 18 years old might be interested in a summer employment opportunity fighting wildfires. For those who are interested, there will be mandatory training in Albany this spring. To register for the classes, go to www.wildlandfirefightingjobs.com.
- ★ Summer Programs with Financial Aid: Many universities offer summer programs for high school students. Click <u>HERE</u> to see a list of pre-college summer programs that offer financial assistance to high-achieving high school students with financial need.

Chemeketa Scholar Program

The application period for the Chemeketa Foundation Scholarship opened on February 1. The deadline to apply is **March 31**. For more information about Chemeketa Foundation Scholarships, please see the attached documents. Scholarship Instructions Scholarship Flyer

Oregon Festival of Women's Club - Fine Arts Scholarship Contest

The Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs will be conducting a fine arts scholarship contest for all high school students (both male and female). The contest will be held in Portland on April 15. For more information, please click HERE.

College Visitations

Oregon State University Spring Preview Days have been announced. Also, online registration for Juniors Visit Day in Corvallis is now open! The date of Juniors Visit day at OSU is Friday, March 31, which falls during our spring break.

OUR COMMUNITY



Sacred Heart News

Sacred Heart Catholic School in Gervais will hold its 27th annual Spring Fling Dinner and Auction on April 8, 2017. Doors open at 4:30. Please join us for this fun filled night! Tickets are \$50 each and are available from the school office by calling 503-792-4541 or emailing shssecretary@shstl.org

St. Paul Knights of Columbus BBQ Chicken Dinner

The St. Paul Knights of Columbus welcome you to their 57th Annual Chicken BBQ Dinner at the Community Hall in St. Paul, OR on Palm Sunday, April 9th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or while chicken lasts. Full dinner with dessert \$11, children \$7. Dinners or chicken to go available. For more information click HERE. Información en español.



Queen of Peace News

★ Marriage Enrichment Series: Getting Back To The Basics

Queen of Peace Church, Salem Oregon 7:00 - 8:30pm

April 3, 2017, Love is a verb! Honoring our commitment! Home is where the heart is!This presentation is for couples or individuals, unmarried, engaged, married, or remarried any number of years; and individuals separated, or divorced; who would like to invest an evening in learning how to sustain and strengthen their relationships.



Presented by Martin Gay, marriage and family therapist. More Information and Register online at www.martingay.com or by leaving a message (name and number) at 503-375-6362. No fee for this presentation series. Click HERE for more information. Don't settle for a "good enough" marriage... make it an exceptional marriage!

★ Calling all women! **Take time to retreat with inspired presenter Julie Hoy**. 9:00am - 2:00pm, **Saturday, March 18, 2017**. Living Water in The Desert - Come and be blessed! Please call Laurena 503-363-0829 or email mcclelland7600@comcast.net to RSVP.

B.R.A.K.E.S. Advanced Teen Driving School

Volcanoes Stadium near Portland, Oregon, will host Free Teen Defensive Driving Program April 1-2, led by drag racing champion Doug Herbert, on a mission to save lives.

Fast Facts:

- B.R.A.K.E.S. makes its first visit to Portland, Oregon area for free teen safe driving program
- Volcanoes Stadium and Power Kia play integral part in bringing program to Portland area
- Program takes place April 1-2 at Volcanoes Stadium, Oregon
- Free defensive driving program with vehicles provided by Kia Motors America
- Teens who graduate B.R.A.K.E.S. are approximately 64 percent less likely to get into a car crash within the first three years of driving

For more information click <u>HERE</u>. Click <u>HERE</u> for the promotional flyer.

Oregon Battle of the Books - Summer Writing Camp

Join other readers and writers for a fun online camp experience, exploring the OBOB books as guides to good writing. This one week, two hour per day, camp will improve your writing skills and help you connect with like-minded storytellers entering grades 7-9. Check out the camp flyer <u>HERE</u>.

2017 Camp Dates:

• Camp 1: June 26th to June 30th

• Camp 2: July 31st to August 4th

Fees

• \$80 (\$70 by May 1st for the early bird discount)

Sponsored by the Oregon Writing Project Collaborative at George Fox University More info. at: http://www.georgefox.edu/oregon-writing-project/Young Writers

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