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PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER Sam Barlow High School

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From the Principal

March is a great time of year for schools. The spring weather and longer days are uplifting, we begin to see the time invested in our students pay off, the excitement about forecasting and planning for the upcoming year are energizing, and graduation is right around the corner.

We are beginning the forecasting process with our 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students. This is a perfect time to sit down with your student to discuss what they are looking to accomplish at Barlow and how that connects with their goals for the future. Through these conversations you will be able to help them pick the classes that best prepare them for life beyond high school.

I encourage you to visit our school website, and download our Academic Program Guide, which can be found on the Counseling page. Please pay close attention to the following pages and ideas:

- Pages 3 and 4 highlight the suggested classes for post high school options. This is a great way to identify how you can help your student select the best courses for their long-term goals.
- Page 9 outlines classes that students can take at Barlow to earn College Credit. Earning college credits for no charge while in high school is an opportunity that we want students to take advantage of.
- As your student looks to take elective classes, please try and find electives that are related to their future goals. For example, if a student wants to enter an apprentice program in Carpentry, they should take as many Woods and AutoCAD classes as possible to prepare them for that path.

One of our primary goals is to have students College and Career Ready by the time they graduate. When students and families plan their course selections carefully, along with the guidance from our counselors and teachers, we have the best chance of reaching that goal. Thanks for your help in this process.

School Calendar Changes: As you all know, we have had quite the year due to inclement weather and school closures. As a result there are a few dates and situations that I wanted to make all of you aware of for planning purposes. Please see below for specifics:

- Our first grading period for progress reports is on Friday, March 10th. This will be a non-school day for students.
- Our second grading period for progress reports is on Friday, April 28th. This will be a non-school day for students.
- The last day for seniors is Wednesday, June 7th. This is a change from the original calendar. Graduation will still be held on Tuesday, June 13th at 5:00 pm.
- Our final exam week at the end of the semester will begin on Tuesday, June 20th and run through Friday, June 23rd.
 - We will not be giving early finals. If students must miss final exams, they will need to come back to school and make up their exams between July 5th and July 21st.
 - If a student does not take their final exam in June, a zero will be recorded for that score and their grade calculated accordingly. Once they take the make up final exam, a grade change will be completed for their transcript.
 - If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your student's Asst. Principal.



Bits and Pieces

SAT TEST DATES

May 6 and June 3

ACT TEST DATES

Apr. 8 and June 10

Remember -these are TEST DATES.

You need to register 3 to 4 weeks

before the actual test. SAT

registration is available in the

College and Career Center or online

at: www.collegeboard.com.

ACT registration online at:

www.actstudent.org

Know Your Schools meetings

The meetings are held on Mondays,

7-8:30pm in the Media Center.

Please mark your calendars and

see you there! Future dates for the

meetings are April 24 and May 22.

Can't Attend Board Meetings?

You can watch regular school board

meetings LIVE on cable channel 27

and Frontier cable channel 35.

Metro-East Community Media

replays the board meetings at the

following times:

2nd showing-Monday at 7pm,

3rd showing-the following Thursday

at 4pm.

The next meeting is March 9, 7pm.

Saturday Academy

We don't often get opportunities to

promote internship programs to high

school students. The link below

shows a number that are available

to younger kids. One is the ASE

Engineering internships. These are

a fantastic chance to learn for future

engineers. Take a look at

saturdayacademy.org/internships.

Driver's Education

The Driver Ed program is a self-supporting program. The cost of the program is shared by student tuition and state reimbursement. To be eligible for state reimbursement, the student must be 15-17 years of age and have a valid Oregon permit.

Registration for Spring 2017 began February 20. Parent/Student meeting is March 22, 6-8pm.

Regular Class Schedule will be April 3- June 12, Mondays, 3:30-6:30pm

Call 503-225-0770 or go online: oregondrivertraining.com.

Foreign Exchange Students Need Hosts

If you are interested in hosting a foreign exchange student for the 2017-18 school year, please contact Oscar Rethwill, Counselor, at email: rethwill@gresham.k12.or.us

Scholarship Recipients

****Aliya Bel'Cher** has been awarded the Sally Lamm Scholarship worth \$1000 from our local Gresham Elks Lodge. Aliya showed the scholarship committee that "hardships in our lives can be used to move ourself forward."

****Brianna Stahly-Hale and Michelle Garcia** are winners of the Mary Jean Mohn Scholarships, also from the Gresham Elks Lodge. These two students "reflect strong academics, community service, school spirit, as well as amazing challenges." Brianna will receive \$250 and Michelle will receive \$1000.

Tina Tebbins, Scholarship Chair, said, "The Gresham Elks Lodge thoroughly enjoys working with the AVID programs all year long. We meet some of the greatest kids who are able to come to the Lodge and help us with various fundraising events." Bruin Pride!

Parents & Community Members

WE NEED YOU!!! We are looking for parents and community members to serve on our Mock Interview panels. Mock Interviews will be held Thursday, April 6 and Friday, April 7. This is a wonderful opportunity to help foster professionalism with our sophomores as they prepare for the working world. Please e-mail Neuenschwander@gresham.k12.or.us if you have questions or would like to help. Or, call 503-258-4890. Any time frame you have available will work for us.

Job postings:

If you are in need of a helpful, talented teenager to perform a job, please let us know.

We appreciate your assistance in helping our students become an experienced part of our community's work force. Jobs will be posted on the Job Opportunity board outside the College & Career Center.

The Seneca Scholarship -\$5,000

Seneca is providing students, who are juniors or seniors, the opportunity to write an essay about the viability of natural resources. The student with the most outstanding essay will be awarded a \$5,000 scholarship to an Oregon state college of their choice.

Seneca's mission is for students to learn about Oregon's greatest natural resource in the process of this application. While most scholarships aim to narrow their pool of applicants, Seneca views this as a unique opportunity to give all students, no matter their demographic, athletic talent or academic standing, the chance to earn a college scholarship with their excellence in research and creativity. Seneca wants Oregonians to learn about Oregon's timber heritage and this is a way of getting the next generation excited about it. Essay deadline March 29, 2017. Visit the website @ www.senecascholarship.org.

FROM THE COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER

Students need to fill out their FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) NOW! The FAFSA is available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. If you plan to utilize the Oregon Promise, this application must be completed by March 1. There are no opportunities to apply to the Oregon Promise later.

Senior Information:

The Dale Krueger Scholarship is here! *The Dale Krueger Scholarship* is now available in the College & Career Center. The total scholarship award is \$2,000 per year for up to four years of eligibility, as an undergraduate student. For more information, see the application at: www.dalekruegerscholarship.com The scholarship's mandatory upload is due APRIL 1 by 11:59pm. There is a second portion of the application, in addition to the online application. Students have the option to turn in a portfolio of their accomplishments to the College & Career Center. This portfolio is due on April 3, 2017, no later than 5:00pm. See the Barlow webpage under "student resources" and then go to "Career Center." There is a link there to the information about this supplemental information. You can also pick up a copy of the information in the C&CC. Remember to add letters of recommendation to this scholarship! Be sure to ask your teachers NOW for those. You will also need to have an unofficial transcript run for you to upload. Get that in the C&CC, too.

Letters of Recommendation: Get those recommendations from teachers/adults for your applications and scholarships! Remember to ask early – give them at least a week (sometimes longer) to get a recommendation back to you. Also provide the person writing your recommendation with your activity chart (resume) and the criteria of the scholarship for which you are applying. Also, please remember to write a quick "thank you" note to the person writing your letter. They have given of themselves for your benefit.

Official Transcripts: When asking for an official paper transcript from the Registrar's Office, **24 hrs. notice is required** and is strictly enforced. Do not expect an immediate turn around. You can also request official digital transcripts through your Naviance account. You will want to contact your counselor to make sure he/she knows of your request and deadlines you wish to meet. Unofficial transcripts can be run at any time for you in the College & Career Center.

Scholarships: Students should be stopping in regularly to check for new scholarships. New opportunities come in every day. You can also go to our website to look up scholarships at sbhs.gresham.k12.or.us, or come into the College & Career Center for the most up-to-date information. There are also computers available for research on colleges and scholarships. Scholarships are either need-based or merit-based. Even if you don't think you can get financial aid, you can win scholarship money. Remember, ASPIRE advisers are available during the lunch hour (11:30am-1:30pm) to help students and answer questions.

Be recognized for your financial aid awards and scholarship offers...

Seniors, have you been offered a local or college scholarship? Have you been offered grants or awards? Please be sure to see Mrs. Neuenschwander in the College & Career Center – This is important for graduation and the *Evening of Excellence* on June 1st. We want to make sure you are recognized for your achievements! Tell us about all scholarships *offered* to you, not just the ones you accept!

Where did you apply to college? We'd like to know and have raffle items to reward you for reporting this information to the College & Career Center. Come let us know where you have applied, and we will enter your name into the prize raffle.

Coming Soon:

Juniors, there will be an important meeting for you and your family on May 3rd at 6:30pm in the auditorium. Learn what you should be doing to prepare for your college search. Hear about the ACT and the SAT. How much will college cost and how does a student get financial aid? Don't forget, juniors, you will be doing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) next year in October. Watch for additional information on this meeting in newsletters and in the announcements.

Don't forget to attend the **Spring College Fair** at the University of Portland Chiles Center Arena, Sunday, April 30th from 12:00-3:00pm. Talk to representatives from dozens of colleges and consider which schools you'd like to visit before you decide where to apply in the fall.



FORECASTING, 2017-18

February and March are forecasting months. Our hope is that parents will be fully involved in the forecasting process. Below is a list of important dates for your planning:

Forecasting Presentation dates: Juniors-February 21, Sophomores-February 27, Freshmen-March 6

All students will receive their materials (transcript, forecasting form, and online forecasting instructions) on these days.

New Classes offered

Integrated Math

Students will use variables and number properties to solve multi-step equations and inequalities. Linear and exponential functions will be represented as tables, rules, and graphs and used for problem solving. Students will study transformations, congruence, and prove geometric theorems. Finally, students will summarize, represent, and interpret data using a variety of models.

Cyber Security

In this class, students receive instruction and lab assignments focused on introductory concepts in cyber security. These concepts include cyber security theory and basic techniques for optimizing security on personal computers and small networks.

Mt Hood Swim School

There are swim lessons available at Sam Barlow HS pool designed for kids ages 4 and older. They are scheduled for Monday and Wednesday evenings, 6:30pm and 7pm. The fee is \$9.00 per lesson. Registration and check-in: @6:15pm and 6:45pm. Need more information? Contact Jody Rash @ coachjodymha@gmail.com.

Ready for something MORE than lessons? Join the MHA Race Club. The club prepares kids for swim team by introducing competitive swimming skills. Practices are Mon. Weds. or Fri 7-7:45pm, \$45/month.

Japanese Ambassadors

We are looking to recruit 6 SBHS students to join the exchange team to visit our sister school in Toyama Nishi, Japan this summer. The team will leave on June 24th and return July 5th. We will spend a few days in Tokyo, spend about 5 days in Toyama Nishi, and then spend the remaining time in Osaka. Students will be responsible for the cost of the trip, which will be about \$3100. Applications will be available beginning on February 17 and will be due back to Mr. Collins by March 3. Preference will be given to Juniors, Seniors and students that have hosted Toyama Nishi students in the past. See Mr. Collins with questions.

Seniors

Seniors heading to MHCC: Did you know that even if you are eligible for Oregon Promise funds, there are still more chances for free money to be used at community colleges? MHCC's scholarship is now open! The deadline for completion of the online application is March 31. There is also the Recognition Scholarship to MHCC offered to a Barlow student worth \$4000. The College and Career Center has the application information.

College Bound Seniors, as you start to receive your financial aid awards, please let the College and Career Center know. SBHS keeps track of the funds offered to you from any school to which you apply. Any scholarship you are offered or accepted should be reported. Accepted funds will be entered onto your graduation program.

You are about out of time to do the PCC Future Connect Scholarship application!! This is a phenomenal opportunity for scholarship funds, one-on-one mentorship, future full ride scholarship changes and so much more. If you are considering PCC, NOW is the time to do this application. You don't have to be the "perfect" student to win this one. Please don't pass up this opportunity! Due March 1.

Jobs: The City of Gresham is looking for high school seniors, aged 18 at the time of hire, for seasonal jobs. Jobs range from 3-6 months and pays \$17/hour. Learn more by stopping by the College and Career Center or see the jobs posted in the hallway.

CAL

Barlow Bruins! There is still time to apply to CAL!

Deadline for priority applications: March 3, 2017

Learn alongside students who are driven and interested... like you! Students need to contact their Counselor for more information.

SBHS students interested in CAL choose from one of our industry-driven and college-accredited program areas: CHANGElab@CAL (Entrepreneurship focus), Computer Information Systems, Digital Media & Design, Mechanical Engineering & Manufacturing, or Health Sciences: Medical or Dental.

CAL juniors and seniors spend half of their Sam Barlow High School day at CAL and the other half at SBHS, which allows them to maintain their commitment to core subjects not offered at CAL, SBHS sports and activities. Current SBHS juniors may also apply to participate at CAL during their senior year.

Start your planning for Mothers' Day

The Girls Golf Team will be selling flower baskets in March and April. Flowers will be delivered on Friday, May 12, just in time for Mothers' Day. Watch for more information in the next newsletter. Contact Sherry Gustafson at email: gustafson@gresham.k12.or.us

Students of the Month

Sam Barlow continues to recognize students who have shown their Bruin PRIDE by awarding a Student of the Month for each grade level. Students can be nominated for Student of the Month by receiving a PRIDE Note from a staff member throughout the month. The staff then votes for one male and one female student from each grade to receive this recognition. Our outstanding Students of the Month for January are:

FRESHMEN

Cameron Crammer- Cameron shows excellence by coming to class with her homework done, and ready to work. She is always respectful and works well with others.

David Luna- David demonstrates responsibility by volunteering to read out loud in class and completing his work on time.

SOPHOMORES

Naomi Lynn Miller- Naomi has shown determination through the effort she puts forth in class.

Gage Goldsworthy- Gage demonstrates excellence in Biology through his willingness to work hard, ask questions and work well with others.

JUNIORS

Aileen Lor- Aileen has shown determination through her hard work and perseverance in AP Biology. She never gives up and is constantly trying.

Tristan Taylor- Tristan shows purpose in Green Science. Tristan is always asking questions to learn more about how he can help the environment.

SENIORS

Dominique Johnson- Dominique embodies determination. He has shown his desire to learn through his attendance.

Jenna C. Young- Jenna consistently shows purpose in Green Science by coming to class prepared and always asking questions to learn more.

Equestrian team

Sam Barlow Equestrian Team took first place at its first meet of the season. The team earned 150 points above the next team. The team is made of 12 members with three riders participating with Gresham. In team events, they had 3 first place finishes and 4 second places.

They scored 8 first place for individual events, and 2 second places, as well as 6 third places.

They took first place in the district for large teams by more than 150 points. They set themselves up for what they hope is a good position to take the district title. This is something they accomplished last year for the first time in many years!

Opportunities

Motorsports and Mechanic Career Day

Tuesday, April 4, is the Motorsports/Mechanic Career Day at the World of Speed Motorsports Museum. Students who would like to attend this free event can get the registration information at the Career Center. This event will fill quickly.

Boeing Internship

Students that are 16 years or older, completing their junior year of high school and interested in applying for an internship with Boeing, now is your chance! This is a once a year opportunity that is due Friday, April 14. If you'd like to go on a Boeing tour, one is available on Thursday, March 16. The College and Career Center has the applications.

OSU Business School

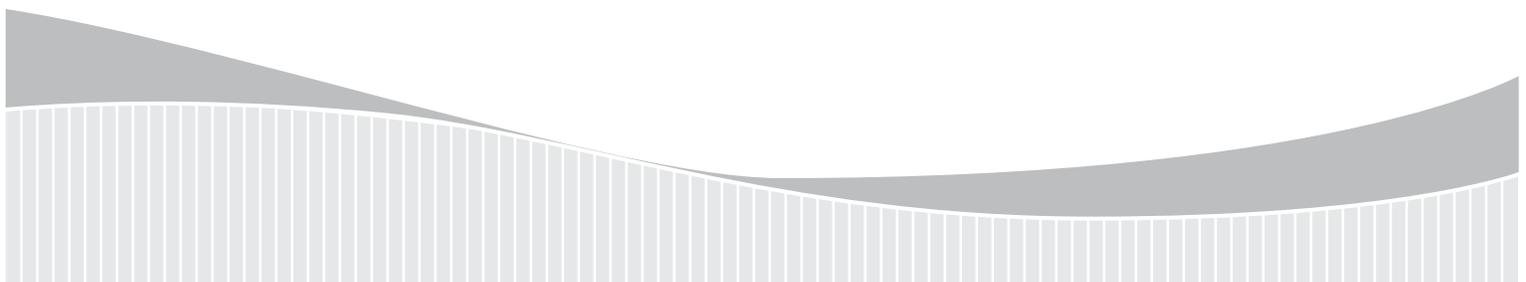
OSU Business School is offering students a chance to come experience events hosted in the college of business. There are a wide variety of topics and dates from which to choose. To experience life as a Beaver business student, come to the College and Career Center for details.

MHCC Leadership

Did you know that MHCC has a leadership program called SOAR that pays for 12 credits per term if you are a member? The application will open soon. In the meantime, if you'd like to learn more about the program and see how you can gain valuable leadership skills and experience, come to the College & Career Center to get information.

Youth Career Expo

Students are invited to participate in the NW Career Expo with more than 100 employers and exhibitors providing essential career information. Students will learn about opportunities in Business, Health Services, Technology, Arts, Manufacturing, Construction and Natural Resources. Students will also have a chance to participate in mock interviews, learn about college programs and more. Barlow will take 50 students. Register for this free event in the College and Career Center. The event will be on March 14 at the Oregon Convention Center.



Barlow's Got Talent

Coming to Barlow on Friday, March 10, 7pm in the SBHS auditorium, **BARLOW'S GOT TALENT!** Prizes will be awarded to the winners! Admission is \$3.00 at the door and proceeds benefit Doernbecher Children's Hospital.

Successful Blood Drive

100 donors came to the Holevas Gym on February 24 to donate blood to the American Red Cross. Everything went smoothly thanks to the efforts of the ASB Leadership Class and the team of the Red Cross Volunteers. Thanks to all who contributed to this worthy cause.

Kudos to Ski Team member

Brady Layman qualified for the Oregon State High School Ski Championships, March 1-3 at Mt Hood Meadows. Congratulations to Brady for his high finish at the League competition. We wish him the best at State.

Cyber Security Programming Team

Please congratulate the following students on a tremendous win: Julian Gaxiola, Eric Wheat, Sam Torris and Kyle Humphrey are members of a Cyber Security and Programming team at CAL. The team are the local winners of a competition put on by the United States Air Force called, "Cyber Patriot-Youth Cyber Security Competition." The teams were challenged to find a cyber vulnerability and secure a system. "Our team blew the others out of the water," said Julian Gaxiola. In fact, their score puts them sixth in the nation!

The students competed in the regional competition in February with winning teams from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Hawaii and California.

If you'd like to learn more about the competition, please go to: <https://www.uscyberpatriot.org/>

We've got some pretty amazing students here at Barlow. Watch for great things ahead for this talented crew of cyber sleuths. Bruin Pride!

Spring Break Track Camp

March 27th - March 31st, 12:00 noon to 2:00pm
Cost \$35 without shirt, \$50 with shirt

Deadline to register and order a shirt is March 10th
Deadline to mail in registration is March 21st
You CAN register at camp

For more information please contact Coach Jones
coachscottjones007@gmail.com or call 971-998-2132

SAVE THE DATE!

8th Grade Student/Parent Information Night

Tuesday, March 21, 2017, 5:45pm-8:30pm

If you have an in-coming freshman the Fall of 2017, you are invited to attend an informational evening for you and your in-coming freshman. Watch for more detailed information in the mail in the coming weeks. We hope to see you there.

Student Elections for 2017-18

The election process for next year's student government officers will soon begin. Materials will be available beginning Monday, March 20, for those students wishing to run for one of the nine ASB positions.

Only juniors who will be seniors next year, are eligible to run for President. Candidates for Vice President must be a current sophomore or junior. Both of these positions require students to have previously been an elected officer in the Leadership Class at Barlow. Freshmen, sophomores and juniors who meet the eligibility criteria may run for the other seven positions.

Students wishing to become a candidate should pick up an election packet and sign up to run in the main office. All deadlines, forms, and election procedures must be followed exactly in order to be considered a candidate and placed on the ballot.

EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

The Oregon High School Speech League – Coaches Association, selected our very own **Rachel Wilczewski** as the 2017 Speech Educator of the Year. Ms. Wilczewski has a long and successful history of coaching students to excel in the speech and debate competitions. The School Board, at their regular meeting on February 2nd, recognized Ms. Wilczewski's accomplishments, as a teacher/advisor/coach. We applaud Rachel Wilczewski for her skills and support of our Sam Barlow speech and debate students.

The Theatre Department presents...

"Lost in Yonkers"

March 2-4

Little Theatre

tickets @ sambarlowtheatre.com

Acting Competition

Sat. Feb. 4, 56 students from the Barlow choir and theatre program participated in the NE Regional Acting Competition, sponsored by the Oregon chapter of the International Thespian Society.

*Congratulations to the following students who received ribbons for Superior scores in the top 10% in their category, qualified for Nationals, and are moving to the State Thespian Festival in April:

SOLO ACTING - Heidi Thies, Laura Rizzo:

SOLO MUSICAL - Laura Rizzo:

DUO MUSICAL – Samuel Guadarrama and Alyson Dow:

LARGE GROUP MUSICAL - Emma Beckers, Sarah Beckers, Lexi Cheney, Brooke Collins, Bailee Curtis, Sophia Estrada, Daisy Green, Rachel Fetters, Jaclyn Jimison, Alyssa Kasbashian, Kayla Lankford, Lindsey May, Emily Schnieder, Savannah Serviss, Avery White.

*Congratulations to the following students who received ribbons for Superior scores in the top 20% in their category and qualified for Nationals:

DUO ACTING - Gabe Baird & Shiloh Peckham:

PANTOMIME - Kelly Giorgi & Jordan Young

SOLO ACTING - Katherine Hardenberg, Sherry Mindiola, Samuel Smith, Rachel Stewart.

*Congratulations to the following students who received a Superior score rating, qualified for Nationals, and will receive a Certificate of Recognition from the International Thespian Society:

SOLO MUSICAL – Robbie Cantrell, Bailee Curtis, Alyson Dow, Daisy Green, Ben Kalinkin, Emma Stewart, Heidi Thies

DUO MUSICAL – Sarah Beckers & Christopher Chapelle; Lindsey May & Seth Reynold; Heidi Thies & Laura Rizzo.

DUO ACTING – Lexi Cheney & Emily Schneider; Sage Dupuis & Kim Paulin; Savanna Newman & Avery White; Ciara Yates & Hailey Yates

PANTOMIME - Sarah Beckers & Evelyn Whipps; Christopher Chapelle & Isaac Chapelle

SOLO ACTING - Bailee Curtis, Emma Stewart, Savanna Newman, Emily Axtell, Lindsey May,

Nathali Gonzalez, Savannah Serviss.

SMALL GROUP MUSICAL – Isaac Chapelle, Sammy Guadarrama, Andy LaClaire, Ben Kalinkin, Kim Paulin, Seth Reynolds; Samantha Arnold, Breanna Austin, Hannah Knoll, Savanna Newman, Mariah Nuttall, Shyloh Peckham, Rachel Stewart.

Oregon Promise

The Oregon Promise application has been changed to reflect the Oregon Legislature's delayed approval for funding. The final deadline for applying to the Oregon Promise is now July 1, 2017. However, if students want to learn of their award status earlier, they must apply by April 1, 2017. The OSAC Scholarship, also found at www.oregonstudentaid.gov, is still due on March 1, 2017. Students must complete their FAFSA by March 1 for the OSAC Scholarship.

Parent Requests For IN-DISTRICT Transfers

The Gresham-Barlow School District will accept in-district transfer requests for the 2017-2018 school year during March 1-31, 2017 only. If you live within the district and want your child to attend a Gresham-Barlow school outside of your attendance area, you need to request an in-district transfer. If your student currently has an in-district transfer and is moving from elementary to middle or middle to high please submit a new request.

Transfer request forms will be available from (1) the district website: <http://gresham.k12.or.us> (2) the main office at any GBSD school, or (3) the district office. Your completed form can be dropped off at any GBSD school, faxed to (503) 261-4553, mailed to the district office at 1331 NW Eastman Parkway, Gresham 97030, or emailed to hartsock@gresham.k12.or.us in time to arrive by **deadline date of March 31, 2017.**

You will be notified in writing after review of all requests. Please note: kindergarten and first grade requests may not be decided upon until late summer after elementary registration. For further information, contact the Gresham-Barlow School District Office at 503-261-4550.

Smarter Balanced Testing

Spring has finally arrived and so has Smarter Balanced Testing for our 11th grade students! The Smarter Balanced assessments provide an opportunity for students to meet diploma requirements for Essential Skills and also measure their readiness for college and careers. Currently, over 200 colleges and universities in the United States have elected to use student scores from the Smarter Balanced Assessments to determine initial course placement (see <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/about/higher-education/>). This includes all public universities in Oregon and Washington.

For more information from the state about the Smarter Balanced tests, visit <http://www.oregon.gov/ode/educator-resources/assessment/Documents/opt-out-annual-2016-17.pdf>.

For opt-out forms from the state, please visit <http://www.oregon.gov/ode/educator-resources/assessment/Documents/opt-out-form-2016-17.pdf>

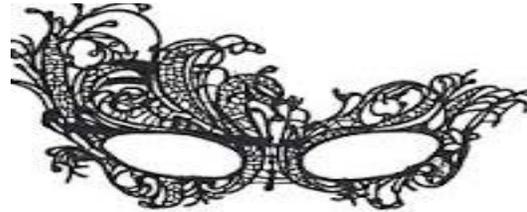
For any other questions or concerns related to testing, contact Tim Collins, collins19@gresham.k12.or.us or 503-258-4850.

Dance Team Season

The Sam Barlow Bruinettes Dance Team will be competing in the State Championship on March 16. Prior to the State Championship, the team will be competing at several local competitions with their state routine. Saturday, February 4th, the Bruinettes competed at the Judges Association competition which was held at Gresham High School. The team competed in the 6A division and received a 4th place trophy. Two weeks later they competed at Parkrose competition and received a 2nd place trophy. The next competition the Bruinettes will compete at before state will be Metro competition Saturday, March 4th at Centennial High School.

Junior/Senior Prom

The 2017 Prom, "First Class Masquerade Ball", will be held at Left Bank Annex on Saturday, April 22, 8-11pm. Guest passes will be available starting Thursday, March 23. Tickets will be sold during lunches beginning Friday, April 14. More information to follow.



Rose Court Finalist

Our own Joy Macalanda, is a finalist for the Portland Rose Festival Court. She interviewed in 3 rounds: application portfolio, introduction and speech on Portland Rose Festival. Joy had to share what "Brilliant" meant to her. She talked about how the students and staff she has encountered at Barlow have provided her with an array of brilliant opportunities. Joy said she owed a great deal of her accomplishments to her parents because of their sacrifices leaving the Philippines and moving here so that she could pursue what makes her passionate and live without any obstacles in her path. This is the most most brilliant act to Joy. Joy will find out on March 22 whether she is a princess to represent Metro East on the Rose Festival Court. Joy is pictured below.



Future Dates

- March 1-3 State Ski Meet @ Mt Hood Meadows
- March 3-5 Equestrian Team District Meet #2
- March 2-4 Play: "Lost in Yonkers"
- March 4 Dance Team @ Centennial
- March 7 MHC Training Choir Festival @ Clackamas HS
- March 9 MHC Debate Contest @ Barlow HS
- March 8-11 State Basketball Tournament @ Chiles Center
- March 10 NO SCHOOL, Progress Reports
- March 10 Band Festival @ George Fox University
- March 10 BARLOW'S GOT TALENT, 7pm
- March 11 MHC Speech Contest @ Barlow
- March 12 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS, Spring forward
- March 16-18 State Dance Competition @ Memorial Coliseum
- March 21 OMEA Dist. II Choir Festival @ Reynolds HS
- March 21 Cadet Band Festival @ Gresham HS
- March 21 8th Grade Parent Night, 5:45pm-8:30pm
- March 23 Prom Guest Passes available
- March 23-25 Speech National Qualifier @ MHCC
- March 23-26 Band & Choir Tour to San Francisco
- March 24-26 Cheer: USA Nationals in Anaheim
- March 27-31 NO SCHOOL, Spring Break
- April 6, 7 Mock Interviews
- April 6-8 Equestrian Team District Meet #3
- April 6-8 State Thespian Conference
- April 7 WOU Band Festival

Spring Break March 27-31

