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REBEL NEWS

September, 2018

Important Dates

September 26	Open House, 6:30-9:30
September 27	Fall Spirit assembly
October 3	Money Night, 7-9pm, library
October 9	Registration deadline for practice ACT
October 10	PSAT
October 10	PTSA meeting, 7pm, library
October 11	Picture retakes
October 12	Homecoming assembly
October 13	Practice ACT, 8:30am, library
October 13	Homecoming dance

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Pass the Hat Fundraiser Sept. 26 at JHS Open House

Our 2018 goal is \$11,000 and we need your help to get there.

What is it? Pass the Hat is when we collect your tax-deductible donations to help fund PTSA

- classroom grants that support academic enrichment
- college scholarships to graduating seniors
- supporting the Shakespeare play and health classes
- staff appreciation and more!

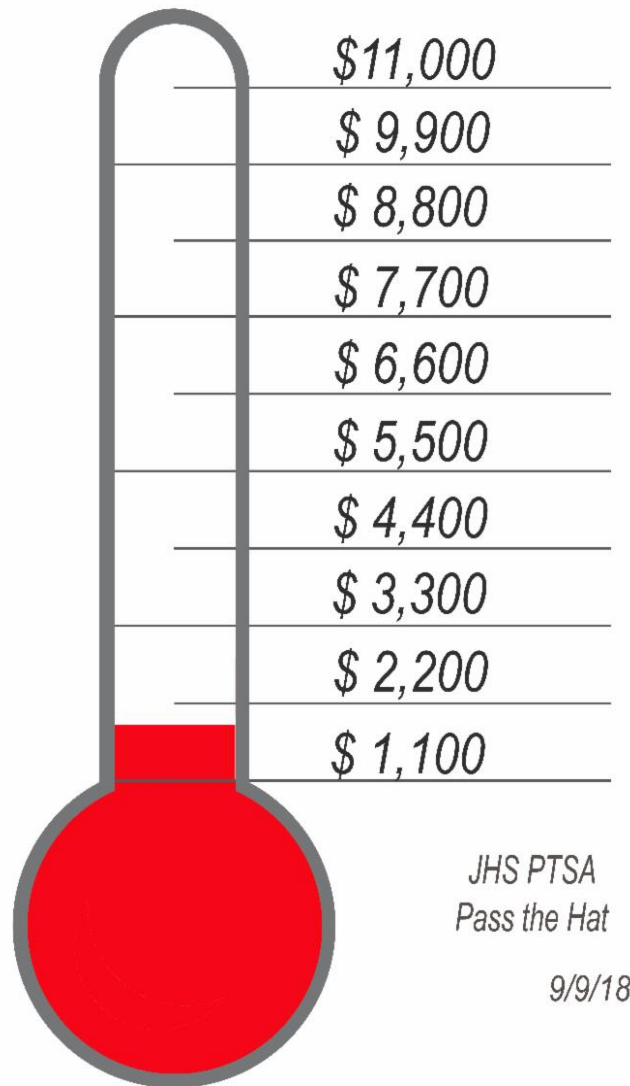
How does it work? Please remember to bring a check or cash donation to the JHS Open House (Curriculum Night) on Sept 26th at 6:30pm. Pass the Hat donation collection will be part of 3rd period. 100% of your contribution goes to supporting JHS PTSA. If your employer provides matching, your donation goes even further! More info at causes.benevity.org.

Credit card donations can be made online anytime at jhsptsa.com.

We appreciate all you do to support our Juanita High School community. Thank you!

[Watch Pass the Hat video](#)

Fundraising Goals



Fear Free Practice SAT and ACT Tests

The Juanita High School PTSA and The Princeton Review have partnered to provide the opportunity for students to take a "Fear Free" practice SAT and/or ACT tests on 4 Saturdays this school year. Scores are not reported to anyone other than the student. Students will receive their test results via email and will return for a Test Review session about 1½ weeks after the test.

The ACT practice tests are on October 13 and January 19; the SAT practice tests are on October 20 and March 23. Sign up on the PTSA website, or email Liz Luecker at jhscollegeoutreach@gmail.com, if you can't sign up online. More information can be found here: [Fear Free Practice SAT Test](#)

From the PTSA Volunteer Coordinator

I just wanted to give a big THANKS to the many volunteers who helped get the school year off to a great start. We had numerous volunteers helping with Stuff Packets, Hand Out Schedules, Help With Pictures, and Distribute Laptops. Your help is greatly appreciated by the students, teachers, administrators & staff, and by parents like myself. Our school may be under construction and there have been many changes but what remains the same is our wonderful community and our JHS Rebel Family Pride. Thanks so much for lending a hand and a smile to our Freshman - Seniors that made their first week back go a little more smoothly.

Please help me thank the following volunteers: Claire & Sophia Longcore, Steve Gengo, Sheila Tecson, Karen Bach, Alix Heitmeyer, Deborah & Benjamin Beder, Jennifer Guthrie, Susan Vossler, Amy Lofquist, Tia Burke, Suzanne & Jenna Everard, Valerie Quinn, Rebecca Rodgers, Michelle Hamburg, Sue Monahan, Jen & Tyler & Becca Knoblich + exchange student Nuria, Arushi Shah, Vijaya Soni & son, Jill Rogers, Connor Doherty, Liam Schill, Jessica Pfundt, Theresa Harrington, Yen Do, Kris Sather, Kathy Dinh, Rich Nagle, Ali Emami, Ed Evans, Michelle Saleh, Brian Yamasaki, Wendy Martinez, Hyun-ah Cho, Roman Kiselev, Traci Jaeger, Doreis Howard, Dawn Wang, Ruby Kumari, Helen Garcia, Teresa Lajoie, LeAnn Howard, Moonja Lum, Karma Raad, Jennifer Ahrens, Rebecca Cooper, Habtom Desta, Anu Karnataki, Vani Jain, Shaj McGary, Dana Wincapaw, Nena Chaing, Kari Scully, Liz Luecker, Pam McBain, Stephanie Schlitz, Vani Jain, Lola Tiburcio

Shannon Schill



PTSA Board Positions Open

These PTSA Board Positions are still open for the 2018-19 school year:

Vice President

Assist President as needed. Conduct board meetings when President is unavailable. Attend all board meetings, where possible. Monthly, open and review bank statements sent to the Treasurer, sign and date.

Advocacy Chair

Serve as the legislative liaison between WSPTSA and Juanita High school. Provide updates on legislative issues impacting schools. If you are interested in policy impacts and advocacy, this is a great way to get involved.

If you are interested in contributing some time in support of your JHS school community, we'd love to have you join us!

For more information, contact Susan Vossler (vosslers66@gmail.com)

Reflections Art Contest is Coming!



This nationwide art program celebrates creative entries in the areas of photography, visual arts, video production, music composition, dance, and literature. Students can create an entry relating to the theme "Heroes Around Me". Turn in deadline is October 25. Entry forms are available at the PTSA website.

For questions at this point, please email Lynetteapley@hotmail.com

From the JHS Booster Club

What is the Juanita Rebels Booster Club (JRBC)? We are a nonprofit organization made up of parents, coaches, and directors of athletics and performing arts as well as DECA. JRBC meetings are the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm in the JHS library and all are welcome to attend.

We are separate from Juanita High School ASB and PTSA but we work with them both on projects to support the school. Booster Club tries to support all the programs at the school by keeping each other informed about upcoming games, performances and those student athletes and performers who have gone out into the community and represented JHS. We also help parents and coaches facilitate fundraising for their children's programs.

By being a member you have access to our treasurer's bookkeeping for your program as well as our monthly newsletter letting you know what's happening with the activities at JHS. You also will be given info on JRBC fundraisers and encourage your support. JRBC also invites you to join the Shop with Scrip program where you as a family can save hundreds of dollars towards your student's fees at JHS - your own personal fundraiser. Information about Shop with Scrip can be found on our website.

To find out more about the Booster Club, or to become a member, simply go to the JRBC website at jrb.ourschoolpages.com. The JRBC website can also be accessed through the Juanita HS website. Membership is free!

Amy Lofquist
JHS Booster Club President



From the Counseling Office

Dear Parents and Guardians:

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new and returning students, and to introduce ourselves to the new families to Juanita High School. We look forward to working closely with your student, and we'll make every effort to see to it that your student receives as much personal assistance as possible.

Things are never static in our school, and there were some changes in the counseling office as well. We were sad to see Ms. Zhou left Juanita High School to accept a position closer to home, but happy to have Angie Kilkenny join our team. In addition to a change in counselors, please note that our caseloads also shifted slightly. Serving JHS in the Counseling Office are:

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In an effort to meet the needs of its students, the Counseling Department stands ready to assist your student in dealing with a wide range of needs, including those of academics, career exploration, social/emotional development, and college admission. Your student can request to see his/her counselor at any time by signing up their name in the corresponding counselor's sign-up sheet. Parents can schedule an appointment by phone or email.

Mark your calendars!

October 10th: PSAT/NMSQT

The PSAT (Preliminary SAT - Scholastic Aptitude Test/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) will be offered to all sophomores and juniors at Juanita on **October 10th**. Registration for the PSAT is already open and the deadline is 10/3. There is a \$16.00 administration fee **for juniors**, paid online (Parent Access → Online Payments) or at the bookkeeper's office (waived for students on free/reduced lunch). To help 10th graders gain more experience with this test all sophomores will be tested as well, but the School District is responsible for these fees.

Attention Juniors!

The PSAT you took last year was only for practice purposes. If you want to qualify for the NMSQT (read below) you must take the PSAT this year as well. Keep in mind that, unlike the SAT, the PSAT is offered only once a year.

What is the PSAT/NMSQT?

Developed by the Educational Testing Service for the College Board and the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, the PSAT is a national test which measures verbal and mathematical reasoning abilities deemed important for academic success in college, and serves as a predictor of SAT scores. The PSAT focuses in ability to reason with facts and concepts rather than to recall and recite them. **Students in the 11th grade** that score in the top 1% nationally may be considered for the National Merit Scholarship Program. Once again, sophomore scores **do not** count towards the National Merit Scholarship Program. For this reason, please encourage your junior student to register and practice for the test in October.

SAT and ACT

Attention seniors!

In the next few weeks seniors will receive by mail a copy of their transcript and credit check. Please encourage your student to share and review with you this document very carefully. If there are any unresolved issues related to credits, transcript accuracy, or graduation requirements, see your counselor right away.

If you are planning to take the SAT or ACT one more time this year before applying for college, you need to register for the early administrations if you plan to apply to a four-year college by January. Scores take about four weeks to be mailed. [Check collegeboard.com](http://collegeboard.com) and the [ACT website](#) for registration information, test dates, and late registration deadlines. For more college resources and information visit <https://jhs.lwsd.org/counseling/applyingtocollege>

Counselors meetings with Freshmen

To support your student's success in high school, counselors will schedule short individual meetings with all their freshmen starting in October and throughout the semester. The goal of these meetings is for freshmen and counselors to get acquainted, and for students to feel this is a safe and welcoming place where they can get academic and personal help. Students will receive a notification for the time and day of their conference a week or so in advance. It is the responsibility of the student to arrive on time for their meetings.

Emergency Preparedness

September's Safety Tips of the Month

TIP #1: Emergency Contacts - Not just for medical issues

Most of us parents would only trust a few close family members or friends to be called when we cannot be reached with a medical issue, but we would easily expand the network when



asking others to pick up our child in a District wide emergency (such an early release snow day or earthquake).

SUGGESTION: Give your school a longer list of emergency contacts for District wide emergencies. For example, neighbors and parents of school friends. Be sure your contacts know how to reach you (phone/text/email).

TIP #2: District wide student release procedures

District policy is to release your student only to persons you have listed as an emergency contact (See Tip #1). However, the reality is that high school students, particularly those with cars, are likely to self-evacuate

and simply leave school campus. The school is doing its best to educate students that the procedures are there to protect them.

SUGGESTION: Please help educate your student that if they simply cannot wait to be properly released, you want to know when they left the school and where they planned to go; so they should at least tell school personnel of their plans.

Juanita High School PTA Emergency Preparedness, Chair Jen Mahan
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National Voter Registration Day

September 25 is National Voter Registration Day! Voting is the ultimate honor and privilege as an American citizen. When more young people vote, they not only help shape their own future, they also pressure their legislators to address their issues.

Register to vote online: <https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/elections/how-to-vote/register-to-vote.aspx>

Deadline to register to vote in this November's election is October 8.

Watch for the opportunity to register to vote coming soon at JHS.

Advocacy Report

Washington State PTA saw success in the Legislature and Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) [www.k12.wa.us] on its advocacy platform. State PTA has an end of session report on the 60-day 2018 legislative session that details all actions and successes on the Top 5 issues, the 12 also-supported issues and five resolutions. Key successes included finalizing financing for K-12 Basic Education and adopting a state construction budget that included some funding for school projects.

For more details and a session summary, please read "2018 Legislative Session End of Session Report" by State PTA Legislative Consultant Marie Sullivan, legconsultant@wastatepta.org .
<https://www.wastatepta.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/2018-End-of-Session-Report-WSPTA.pdf>

Washington State PTA is hosting several state-wide advocacy events during 2018 and 2019.

Save the dates. Stay tuned for more details.

Legislative Assembly : Saturday-Sunday, October 20-21, 2018.

Focus Day: February 11, 2019 (in conjunction with WSSDA/WASA Focus Day)

Advocacy Week: February 11-15, 2019

State Convention: April 26-28, 2019

Seattle JazzED

Seattle JazzED is a non-profit music education organization in the Central District/Madison Valley. We're dedicated to creating awesome opportunities for kids. Over 900 students from 100+ schools come through our doors annually. You **pay-what-you-can** for any Seattle JazzED program, with free instrument loan assistance.

GIRLS JAZZ DAY - SATURDAY, SEPT 29

Join us for one day, 100% dedicated to girls who play jazz. You'll become an expert at jam sessions, improvisation and being confident in navigating solos and band leadership. You'll learn the basics and then build on them with top female jazz educators, including Kelly Clingan, Johnaye Kendrick, Marina Albero & Kate Olson. **Open to grades 6-12, all instruments (including string instruments AND voice). Service hours options for girls in grades 10-12. Sliding scale fee, including FREE option.** Sign up and more info at <https://www.seattlejazzed.org/girls>.

COLLEGE SUMMIT + AUDITION WORKSHOP - SATURDAY, OCT 27

Professional musicians, and music conservatory graduates, Riley Mulherkar and Willem de Koch will demystify the **college audition experience** for you. **Learn how to set yourself apart** from the competition, prepare for recorded and live auditions, and select the school that's right for you. **Parents welcome!** Grades 9-12, all instruments and voice. Sliding scale fee. More information, **including list of confirmed colleges** and state universities attending at <https://www.seattlejazzed.org/college-summit/>

JAZZED ENSEMBLES PLACEMENT - SAT, NOV 17 & SUN, NOV 18

Play and perform under legendary local educators like Clarence Acox, Wayne Horvitz, Darin Faul and many more, alongside dedicated students from Seattle and beyond. Although most of our instrumental ensembles are **traditional jazz big bands**, we are proud to offer opportunities to students on string instruments in the [New Works Ensemble](#) and [Creative Orchestra Project](#). Ensembles rehearse on the weekend, January through May 2019, with multiple performances. Sliding scale tuition means every family can pay at the level that works for them. **Grades 5-12, with one year of instrumental experience** can register for Ensembles Placement (Nov 17 or Nov 18) and get more information at <https://www.seattlejazzed.org/ensembles/> or call 206-324-JAZZ (5299).

NINA SIMONE VOCAL ENSEMBLE PLACEMENTS - SATURDAY, NOV 17

Let your voice soar! As Nina Simone was known to do, we bring together a broad range of styles, but are always steeped in gospel and folk traditions. Performing numerous original songs by director Cora Jackson, **this soulful group uses harmony to explore American roots music**. Ensemble rehearses Saturday afternoons, January through May 2019, with multiple performances. Sliding scale tuition means every family can pay at the level that works for them. **Grades 7-12, boys and girls**, can register for the Vocal Ensemble Placement and get more information at <https://www.seattlejazzed.org/vocal-ensemble/> or call 206-324-JAZZ (5299).

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