Finding Ways for Kids to Play!

by Scott Johnson, Athletic Director

Participation fees have gone up this year for all athletic teams and clubs, so we’re trying to find ways to help out our students as well as the community. One possible way is for students to earn their participation fees by working for Thurston families. Students who need assistance can sign up with me and I will provide their names to the families who have work for them. This is not done through Thurston High School, but rather we’re “connecting” students and families. Please contact me, Scott Johnson, at 744-5035 to get on the list as either a potential employee or employer. The going rate is $75 a day.

Our goal is to never let a fee get in the way of a student’s participation. See me or the club leader for assistance.

The Colt Calendar

Oct. 6: Booster Club. 7 PM
Oct. 10: NO SCHOOL
Oct. 11: SAT Test 7 PM
Oct. 13: School Board, 7:30 PM
Oct. 17 & 18: “Bang Bang You’re Dead” Aud. 7:30 PM
Oct. 20 - 24: Spirit Week!
Oct. 21: Choral Concert. Aud. 7:30 PM
• PSAT Test, Cafe. 8 AM - 12 PM
Oct. 23: Spirit Week Bon Fire
Oct. 24: Pep Assembly
• VFB, SHS, 7 PM. Silke Field
Oct. 25: Homecoming Dance. 8-11 PM.
• ACT Test
Oct. 27: School Board, 7:30 PM
Oct. 28: Orchestra Concert. Aud., 7:30 PM
Oct. 29: OUS College Visitation. 9-11 AM
Oct. 31: December SAT Test
• Portland College Fair (Nov. 8 too)

See The THS Calendar for sports and other events too numerous to list here.
COLLEGE VISITATIONS AT THS
Various colleges and universities schedule informational visits to the THS campus throughout the year. Please check in the Career Center for information and signups.

OREGON UNIVERSITY SYSTEMS VISITATION
Wednesday, October 29 at THS, 9:00-11:00 a.m., for all seniors. Includes U of O, OSU, EOU, SOU, WOU, OIT, and Portland State.

MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY COLLEGE FAIRE is an opportunity to visit over 100 college, university, and military representatives about your future educational and career plans. Contact Gail Lang in the THS Career Center for more information. For all seniors, other interested students, and parents. Nov. 1, 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m. Lane Community College.

PORTLAND COLLEGE FAIR. Friday/Saturday, November 7-8.

SCHOLARSHIPS. You can already apply for several scholarships, many not merit based and others that any grade can apply for. They include the “Voice of Democracy” Audio Essay contest (up to $25,000.00), Horatio Alger (100 awards of $10,000.00), Prudential Spirit of Community Awards ($1,000.00 per state, plus a trip to Washington DC), Coca-Cola Scholars (50 awards of $20,000.00), plus many others. See the Gail Lang in the Career center for more specifics and more scholarship information! Why pay for college when so many groups are willing to help you!

IMPORTANT TEST DATES — SAT AND ACT
SAT test date: December 6, registration deadline: October 30. SAT test date: January 24, registration deadline: December 22. ACT test date: December 13, registration deadline: November 7. Pick up registration materials in the Career or Counseling Centers, or register on-line.

OR, GET COLLEGE NOW. The College Now Program at LCC grants lower division academic transfer and entry level professional technical course credits to high school students. Costs are $30 per year, as opposed to as much as $600 for in-state tuition! College Now courses offered at Thurston include Chemistry, Math, Business & Management, Health Services, Early Childhood Education, Industrial Engineering, Construction, and Fabrication & Welding. See the career center for more information.

For attendance issues, please call Student Services at 744-5027 between 7:30 am. and 3:30 pm. Monday through Friday. Also, if you wish to contact your student during the school day, please leave a message with Student Services. THANK YOU!!
The THS Boys Basketball Program will be hosting their 1st Annual Colt Casino on Saturday, November 15, at 7:00 pm. The Colt Casino will feature 20 tables, including 16 Black Jack Tables, one Roulette Table, one Carribean PaiGow Poker Table, one Let It Ride Table and 1 Craps Table. The $15 admission price includes the first $100 of “Funny Money.” Additional “Funny Money” may be purchased throughout the event. A silent auction will follow the Colt Casino to spend all winnings on prizes ranging from THS golf packages to rafting trips to a weekend getaway at the coast. This event is open to people of all ages.

Tickets may be purchased in advance from any THS Boys Basketball Player or coach. You may also call Doug Piquette @ 744-5035 or Lisa Bedortha. There are a limited number of tickets available so act fast!

**Child Development Center Accepting Students!**

The Thurston High School Child Development Center located across from Thurston High School, continues to be an outstanding facet of the THS program. The program, a functioning preschool center, which provides a quality preschool option for the community. The CDC accepts children from the age of 2 years to six years old. As part of the THS educational program, the center provides a lab site for THS students enrolled in the child development program as well as a work experience site for high school students in the THS work experience program. Preschool programs offer M-F, 7:30am-5:30pm, with full or part-time options, with developmentally appropriate activities for children, and follows the Springfield School District school calendar. The CDC is fully licensed by the state of Oregon. For registration materials or other information, please contact Diane Amundson /Director at 744-6478.

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**Thurston Theatre**

in Cooperation with the Ribbon of Promise

**Bang Bang You’re Dead**

By William Mastrosimone

**Theatre Dept. to Restage Anti-Violence Play.**

The Thurston High School Theatre department will present two performances of the play “Bang Bang You’re Dead” on October 17 & 18 in the auditorium. Shows start at 7:30 PM, admission is free.

Parents and students are encouraged to attend and join in the discussion afterwards about the importance of individual rights and tolerance on campus. Representatives from the Ribbon of Promise, THS counseling, and other agencies will be on hand to discuss school violence and its impact on campus.