

# Senior Newsletter

Yamhill Carlton High School

## 16 Weeks Until Graduation

With graduation quickly approaching and senior presentations and activities to plan, there is still much to do. Please take the time to note important dates on your calendar and as always, if you have any questions please drop by the Counseling Office or give us a call at (503) 852-7609

## Upcoming Events

- Jan 11 Senior Project Plan due
- Feb 1 Senior Pictures due to Mrs. McKinney - submit ASAP
- Feb 8 Mentor Contract due
- March 1 Chemeketa Scholars application day for Yamhill Valley area students 8am - 5pm
- March 4-8 Application period of Chemeketa Scholars - deliver to Salem campus
- March 22 Baby ad letter, picture and payment due to Mrs. McKinney
- April 12 Deadline to order 2018/2019 yearbook
- April 19 Senior Project Visual Aid and Product/Experience Sheets due
- April 5 Senior video pictures due to Sara Meyers - [pinksaratoga@yahoo.com](mailto:pinksaratoga@yahoo.com)
- May 1 Honors Diploma Form due
- May 4 Prom
- May 16 Senior Project Informal Evening Presentation
- May 17 Senior Project Formal Presentation
- May 28 Senior class meeting during Advisory
- June 3 Senior Finals
- June 4 Senior Finals
- June 5 Senior Trip TBD
- June 5 Credit Recovery and Home-bound Courses due by 3:30
- June 6 No School for Seniors
- June 7 Senior Breakfast
- June 7 Graduation Practice
- June 7 Senior Assembly
- June 9 Graduation



## Principal's Message

Can you believe we made it through the first semester! The school year is truly flying by at an incredible pace. Much has been accomplished in our first semester, however there is still much to do as we close out the second half of our school year and wish a fond farewell to the Class of 2019.



Speaking of the Class of 2019 ... senior parents please make sure you are checking with your students regarding their completion of essential skills. If this is not taken care of, regardless of their credit accumulation, they will not walk at graduation.

Parents who have students in the Class of 2020 need to begin to prepare your students for the Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBAC). They will be taking place in the Spring. Check out <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/parents/>

Please make sure you are checking with your seniors with regard to any NP grades they may have at semester and that they are staying on track with regard to their academics, as well as their attendance. In order for all our students to be successful we need to make sure we have a united front of high expectations for all of our students, both inside and outside of the classroom.

I continue to be incredibly grateful and honored to be your principal and look forward to a great second half of our school year and many more to come, as we continue our rise at YCHS!

Thanks and Go Tigers!

## Yearbook Baby Photo Ad

Why not show your senior how much you love them by purchasing a photo ad in the Senior Section of the Yearbook. Just send in your favorite photo(s) including a personal message and payment to the Main office c/o Mrs. McKinney. **Due March 22rd.**

- 1/4 page: \$25 includes 1-2 pictures. Please limit your words to 100 or less.
- 1/2 page: \$50 includes 2-3 pictures. Please limit your words to 140 or less
- Full page: \$100 includes up to 6 photos. Please limit your words to 175 or less.

Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope so that pictures can be returned or you can email the pictures to [mckinneyr@ycschools.org](mailto:mckinneyr@ycschools.org) and put "baby ad" in the subject line.

## Local Scholarships

Applications for local scholarships are posted in the hallway outside the ASPIRE office. Please stop by frequently to see if new ones have been posted and to check due dates. Some scholarships require transcripts, so please request them in advance through the Counseling office.

# ASPIRE

- If a student is planning on attending an Oregon Community College, they won't want to miss the opportunity to apply for the Oregon Promise Grant. Be sure to visit [www.oregonstudentaid.gov](http://www.oregonstudentaid.gov) to learn about the Grant, which helps pay tuition for students with a 2.5 cumulative GPA and some financial need. The preferred deadline to apply is March 1, and the final deadline is June 3.
  - 1. Along with this grant application, a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) must be submitted and accepted before the Oregon Promise Grant application is submitted. Start the FAFSA here: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa>
  - 2. First, student and parent will need a FSA ID to access a FAFSA application: Get that ID started here: <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>
  - 3. *Undocumented* students can apply for Oregon student financial aid via an ORSAA (Oregon Student Aid) application, which is found here: <https://oregonstudentaid.gov/orsaa-filter.aspx>
  - 4. *Once a FAFSA application has been successfully submitted, you will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) via EMAIL. Keep your eye out for this email, because it will tell you if anything further needs to be done with your FAFSA application.*
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- March 1 is the final deadline to submit an OSAC (Office of Student Access and Completion) scholarship application. Apply by Feb. 15 and be entered to win an additional scholarship. For this, visit: <https://oregonstudentaid.gov/scholarships.aspx>
  - Chemeketa Scholars: students who have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher at the end of their seventh semester in high school may qualify to be a Scholar with all tuition paid for two years.
  - 1. Apply here: <https://www.chemeketa.edu/cost-aid/chemeketa-scholars/>. Beginning this year, Chemeketa Scholar candidates must also submit an Oregon Promise Grant application, <http://www.oregonstudentaid.gov>. On March 1, 2019, Chemeketa Scholars application packets may be delivered in-person to the Chemeketa Yamhill Valley Campus in *McMinnville* between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.
  - 2. Or, the application packet can be delivered to the *Salem* Campus anytime between March 4 and 8, 2019.
  - 3. Prior to applying, students will need to register for admission at Chemeketa and get a "K" number. After a "K" number is received, students will need to arrange to take the Accuplacer (placement test) at Chemeketa if they didn't score high enough on their state test. See the Counseling office for state test scores.
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- As *Scholarship Season* comes and goes, please be sure to take the time to send thank you notes to any scholarship committees, local clubs and individuals, or foundations that select you as their scholarship recipient. *It's essential to thank them for their generosity.*
  - On the bulletin boards in the hall near the ASPIRE Office, there are applications for more than 50 scholarships offered by local and regional groups. Details about collecting your local scholarship funds will be printed on the back of the scholarship certificates handed out during Senior Assembly. Be sure to keep this information on hand!
  - Additional scholarships can be located by using a search engine, such as

[www.Bigfuture.collegeboard.org](http://www.Bigfuture.collegeboard.org) and <https://oregongearup.org/calendar/scholarship>

- In April, we will begin collecting data on the amount of grant and scholarship money students have been offered from all colleges they applied to. Please report this to ASPIRE as soon as you get the good news from your school or scholarship committees. We also need this information in order to acknowledge graduates receiving scholarships during the Senior Assembly on June 7. Students can bring in their scholarship letters or fill out a scholarship information spreadsheet that will be available in the ASPIRE and Counseling offices.
- Remember that May 1st is National Response Day. That's the date when students who have been accepted to a college or colleges are required to notify those colleges whether or not they will be attending. This allows the colleges to predict enrollment as well as release funds to other students if you will not be attending. It also locks in the funds you were offered in the financial aid plan you received from the college you will be attending.

## Final Transcripts

In May seniors can sign up for final transcripts to be mailed to their college or trade school. Stop by the Counseling Office and request a final transcript from Mrs. Ready. Transcripts will be mailed the middle of June.

## Mandatory Senior Meeting

### Students

If you are unable to attend the mandatory meeting on May 28, please contact Mrs. McKinney for information. [mckinney@ycschools.org](mailto:mckinney@ycschools.org)

## Graduation Requirements

All graduation requirements, including **Senior Project, Reading, Writing, and Math Essential Skills and Career Related Standards** must be completed in order for students to participate in **graduation and the Grad Night party**. If you have any questions regarding classes or credits needed for graduation, check with Ms. Takashima [takashimaq@ycschools.org](mailto:takashimaq@ycschools.org) or call 503-852-7609.

## Last Week for Seniors

Seniors who work in the afternoon or completed a semester early need to make sure their schedules are clear on June 7th from 7:30 AM to 1:15 PM.

It is mandatory for seniors to attend the breakfast and practice in order to participate in the graduation ceremony.

**June 3rd: Finals**

**June 4th: Finals**

**June 5th: Senior Trip**

June 6th: No school for seniors

June 7th:

**Senior Breakfast 7:30 AM to 8:15 AM**

**YCES Walk 8:15 AM to 10:00 AM**

**Senior Assembly 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Graduation Practice 12:15 PM to 1:15 PM**

## Senior Assembly & Senior Video

At 10:00 am Friday, June 7th, we will be assembling in the YCHS gym to honor our graduating seniors for their many achievements over the past four years. Presentations of awards for academic excellence, leadership, citizenship, and athletic achievement will be made. Students will also be recognized for and presented with scholarship awards.

**Be sure to share all college scholarships your student receives with Aspire or the Counseling Office so they get included in the senior assembly.**

The senior video will be shown during the last 20 minutes of the assembly. Reserved seating for parents, family and friends will be in the balcony of the gym. If special seating is needed on the main floor for family members who are unable to sit in the bleachers, please call Kristy Cain in the Main Office for arrangements at (503) 852-7600.

## Senior Video Pictures

Make sure your senior is included in the senior video shown the last 20 minutes of the senior assembly on June 7th. Please submit one baby photo, one hobby photo and one current photo to Sara Meyer, [pinksaratoga@yahoo.com](mailto:pinksaratoga@yahoo.com), by **April 5th**. Photos can also be dropped off with Kristy in the YCHS Main office or First Federal bank in Carlton.



Sara Meyer and Renee McKinney are available to take pictures if needed.

## Graduation Day!

The Following is the schedule for Graduation on Sunday, June 9th:

**4:00 PM: Seniors meet in cafeteria**

**4:30 PM: Hand out flowers**

**4:45 PM: Line-up in order**

**5:00 PM: Commencement begins**

**6:15 PM: Commencement ends**

## Grad Night Party 2019



While our students are working hard to finish up their senior year, the Grad Night committee is busy raising funds for a safe, sober and memorable Grad Night party.

CLASS OF  
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NEXT FUNDRAISER:

- BINGO, SILENT AUCTION AND SPAGHETTI FEED - March 9th at the Carlton Legion Hall at 5:00 pm.

**Participation in fundraising is totally optional. If you would rather pay the fee for your senior to enjoy grad night, please submit your \$150.00 payment to YC Grad Night. Checks can be mailed to Sara Meyer at PO Box 482, Carlton, OR 97111.**

Sara Meyer