



Duniway Community Update

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*Report cards are being sent home Friday, February 10th
- check those backpacks!*

Drop off Auction contributions by Friday, February 10th

REMINDER: LATE OPENING Wednesday, February 15th
School starts 2 hours late

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

The school year is racing by and it's hard to believe we just completed the second quarter. At this time we are finalizing report cards and preparing to send them home with students this Friday. This report card will be the first to go home as last quarter student progress was communicated with parents at Fall conferences. As you prepare to review the progress information here are a few things you may want to know.

When you review your child's report card you will notice that there may be areas in math that are blank. As indicated on the report card a mark reflects the student's achievement during the grading period only. With our new *Bridges* math curriculum some areas may not have been covered in the second quarter, thus it will be blank. All areas will be covered, however, by the end of the year and reflected on your child's report card.

Also, with our new curriculum we teach to mastery which means we go deeper with the content and narrow our focus. You may recall our previous curriculum, *Investigations*, repeated concepts in neighboring grades so students could master them over time. The *Bridges* curriculum we use does not spiral so mastery by the end of the school year is our goal. As a result of working to mastery you may see a 'does not yet meet' mark in areas where teachers are still working with students on the development of these concepts.

If after reviewing your child's report card you have questions please do not hesitate to contact the teacher with questions. We are here to support you and answer any questions you may have about your child's progress in any area.

Warmly,

Dr. Hahn

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS

PTA Meeting - note date change

Please join us:

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 15, 2012** beginning at 7:00. (please note change of date - we are avoiding scheduling on Valentine's Day)

Speaker: Robert McCullough

Subject: Eastmoreland neighborhood update. Robert (ENA President) will let us know what is happening with T-Mobile and with the railroad lawsuit.

We are also trying the schedule a speaker from the Oregon PTA to further our discussion on PTA/PTO- we will keep you posted.

Congratulations to our Chess Team

The Region 1 five-round chess tournament, organized by Chess for Success, was held on Saturday 4th February at West Hills Christian School. Duniway Elementary fielded a team of six players in the K-5 team event. We came in third with our best four scores totaling 15 points (out of a possible 20), just half a point behind second place finishers Ainsworth. Forest Park was the winner. Since the margin was so close Duniway may be asked to send a team to the State Finals in March. The team brought back a trophy for the school.

Individuals also met with success. Zake Cohen and Ben Harding each scored 4 points to take third place in the 5th grade section. Will Bertoli also with 4 points tied for 2nd in the K-4 section. All three will be invited to compete in the individual competition at the State Tournament at the Portland Convention Center. Spencer Lenius, Isaiah Cohen and Henry Alexander made up the rest of the team. Everybody played well and was a credit to the school. Tony Midson Chess Coach

SmartTrips to School is Here!

Families of 2nd & 5th grade students: don't forget to check your mailbox for your 2012 SmartTrips to School transportation resource order form!

Order maps, activity books, and safety information on walking, biking, public transit, and carpool - **all free!** You and your family choose what you want, and the materials are delivered to your door by bicycle.

You also get a free gift just for ordering. And when you mail in your form (or order on-line), **Duniway will receive \$5**, if received before the **April 1 deadline**. Don't miss out - order today!

Academy Baseball is still at Duniway

Hello Baseball Families- The most fun, fastest, well coached development program in town will be closing registration soon. Don't miss out on a great opportunity to expose your child to the great game of baseball! Visit the Academy Baseball website for more details.

www.academybaseball.net

We except advanced 5 year olds to beginning 9 year olds, good mix of abilities and age for all development levels!

Please join us!

The Black & White Ball
Friday, March 2, 2012

Go to: <https://duniway.ejoinme.org/?tabid=319579>

Visit the Auction Website NOW for all details, tickets, sign up for parties and buy raffle tickets!

Looking for "Night of" Volunteers!

Volunteers are needed for guest check-in, coat check, silent auction, data entry, live auction and close out. For more information about volunteering the night of, please contact Tricia Wenz at tlwenz@hotmail.com

Got Pictures?

If you have some good shots of Duniway students and teachers that you have taken this year, we may be able to use them in the live auction slide show. Please send your images to Corrine Lyons lyons5@comcast.net no later than *this* FRIDAY.

Parties:

Sign-up events that are NOT part of the live auction are available NOW. Many are close to being sold out! Don't wait! Go to the auction website to register for these events...

Parties for Kids: Library PJ Party, Late Night Gym Party, Teachers vs. Students Kickball Tournament & V.I.P. Bowling Party

Family Friendly: Mazama Lodge Retreat & Swim Party

Adult: "La Bella Vita" Carole Meyer Art Show & Wine Tasting, The Bottle Shop Beer & Wine tasting event, & Back to School Brunch

Get Your Raffle Tickets!

A \$25 raffle ticket buys your chance to win one of three amazing prizes! Increase your chances and get 5 tickets for \$100. *Winners need not be present to win.* Go to the auction website to buy tickets and see complete raffle details.

Grand Prize: \$2500 travel gift certificate towards your DREAM VACATION

2nd Prize: \$999 KONA MinUte Deluxe Utility Bike

3rd Prize: \$200 gift card to the Laurelhurst Market Restaurant & Butcher Shop

Donations:

Please drop off your contributions by this **Friday, February 10**. Easy ideas: Lottery tickets, Gift Cards, & Top Shelf Liquor Questions? Please contact Kristin Cole at coleducks@comcast.net or JoAnne Cheechov at jocheechov@yahoo.com

Wine Wall:

Last call for Wine! (All wine donations must be valued at \$25 or more.) You can drop your donations at the Bottle Shop, Duniway or Sarah Smith's house 7334 SE 28th

Questions? sarah@squidsuits.com

Thank You!

To the many volunteers who have given so much *time, energy and creative thought* to make the auction possible; and to everyone who has *donated*, we are VERY grateful!

Upcoming Calendar of Events:

- Tue 2/14 Happy Valentine's Day
5th graders - Mt. Scott field trip 12:45-2:20
- Wed 2/15 **Late Opening** - School starts two hours late
Immunization Exclusion Day
PTA Meeting 7 pm
- Thur 2/16 Health Screening - Vision & Dental K,1,3,& 5 and Hearing K & 1
- Mon 2/20 **SCHOOL CLOSED** - President's Day
- Fri 2/24 Walk/Bike to school

Duniway's calendar is available online:

<http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/duniway/203.htm>

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