Extracurricular

PROGRAM UPDATE

HSD Connected: Every student known by name, strength and need

Winter 2018

Turf Fields in 2018!

While the total 2017 Bond construction process will span five years, it is exciting that three synthetic turf fields with lights are in the plans for 2018! The Bond Committee recommended the installation of rectangular synthetic turf fields at all high schools that currently do not have turf. Century, Glencoe and Hilhi will all be receiving turf with lights. Due to the complications of the projects at Glencoe and Hilhi, they are scheduled to break ground in the late spring. Century's is currently scheduled for fall 2018. Each of the projects' timelines are dependent on contractor availability.

Gym Construction

The Bond Committee approved the construction of a gymnasium at each elementary school that currently does not have a dedicated gym—eight elementary schools are identified to receive new gyms! The timeline of the buildouts of these gyms will vary but the majority will be constructed in 2020 and 2021.

OSAA Reclassification

While Hilhi is remaining in the Northwest Oregon Conference, Century, Glencoe and Liberty are moving to the newly-formed Pacific Conference in 2018. The athletic and activity directors from the member schools—Century, Glencoe, Liberty, Forest Grove, Newberg, Sherwood, and McMinnville—are currently meeting to begin the development of league standard operating procedures. League schedules will be completed by May.

Extracurricular Stipends

Stipends will be a topic as the bargaining process between the Hillsboro School District and the Hillsboro Education Association commences in early 2018. Bargaining can take months to finish, so a timeline of changes to stipends is unclear at this time.

Anchor Sponsors

Thank you to our District Anchor Sponsors: Wolfe Dental, Hillsboro Hops, and McDonald's. Due to their generosity, each high school received \$23,250 in funding to support extracurriculars in their building in 2017-18!

Elementary Track Program

Through the acquisition of grant money and sponsors, the Hillsboro School District will begin a free elementary school track program in spring 2018 at the following schools: Brookwood, Eastwood, Free Orchards, W.L. Henry, Lincoln Street, and Reedville. The program will target students in fifth and sixth grades, culminating in a district track meet at the end of the season.

Synergy Tracking

As part of our efforts to make sure students are connected in school, we are working on a more comprehensive system in Synergy to capture students' participation in extracurriculars. The goals are to: make enhancements in Synergy; start utilizing the system this year; monitor student levels of participation; and use this data to assess participation rates and any barriers to participation.

Positive Coaching Alliance

This fall and winter we had over 600 parents participate in the <u>Positive Coaching Alliance</u> (PCA) parent workshop. The goal of PCA is to not only strive to win, but to also strive to make athletics/activities a development zone where lessons are learned that will persist long after scoreboard numbers fade from memory. Parents are huge partners in helping coaches make a positive culture.

Tuality Trainers

Due to the invaluable services of our high school based trainers, they have received an extra 100 hours at each of our high school sites. If given the opportunity, thank your trainer for their support!

Thank You and Vision

Thank you to all our HSD staff who have created opportunities beyond the "academic day" through your role as a coach, advisor or director! Our vision in the HSD is to know every student by name, strength and need—in which extracurriculars plays a big part. Having each student be "HSD Connected" by being involved in at least one extracurricular at their school each year is our goal. The value of youth being connected and feeling accepted at school is immeasurable. Thank you to all of you who dedicate yourself to making these opportunities happen for our Hillsboro youth.

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