

## ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL



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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

We are closing the end of another successful school year. I know that our 2013 graduates are wondering where the time went as it seems like just yesterday they were finishing their 9<sup>th</sup> grade year and looking forward to being 10<sup>th</sup> graders. This time of year is always exciting. We recently wrapped up senior project presentations, AP testing, student government elections, and the prom, with our end of course exams, campus day and final exams just around the corner. Our spring sports are winding down from another successful season with a highlight of Boys Soccer Team making the State Semi-finals. Our ever popular spring musical, *Beauty and the Beast*, just kicked off and the Jazz Band once again put on an amazing show at the Essentially Ellington competition. On the academic side of the house, we just enrolled our incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders and look forward to welcoming them at an evening event on June 4<sup>th</sup>. This is also the time for us to reflect on what we accomplished during the 2012-2013 school year.

Our students continue to go out and demonstrate their excellence in a wide variety of competitions and exhibitions. We have students excelling at everything from the National Latin Exam, National Geography Exam, Orchestra competitions, Jazz, Drama, Poetry, DECA, Culinary Arts, History Day, First Robotics Competition, programming competitions, Shakespeare festivals, state stock exchange competition and every athletic competition including this year's first Unified Soccer Team. In addition, our students and staff reached around the world with partnerships and exchanges with students from South Africa, Northern Ireland, Italy, Japan, Bosnia and Burma. Each opportunity and experience helps shape the future for our students and our school. Furthermore, behind all of these programs is the hard work and expertise of a stellar staff and the dedication and commitment of our students. Thank You!

Looking ahead to next year, I will continue to promote our success. Our seniors this year showed tremendous leadership and set a positive tone for the entire school. I know that our underclassmen will step up and show that same pride and determination. We are not anticipating any major changes going into next year in either our academic program or our physical building. The campus is going to be busy this summer with several sports camps and two summer school programs in operation. We are also anticipating our largest student enrollment since moving back into our building at over 1725 students. This will present us with some space challenges, but after doing some initial analysis we believe we will be able to accommodate everyone.

We work hard every day to continue Roosevelt's long history of excellence. I know that we can be a truly great school for all students by continuing to reflect on our practice and by improving upon our shortcomings. I look forward to continuing our journey together into the future. To the graduating seniors, I say thank you and good luck. I could not be more proud of their accomplishments.

To the students who will return next September, I say enjoy the summer and I look forward to another great school year in 2013-2014.

Yours in Education,

Mr. Brian Vance, RHS Principal

## RHS SEMESTER FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

### June 2013, GRADES 9-11

**All scheduled classes** must meet whether testing or not. Regardless of the length of the test, students will remain in the classroom for the entire period. Teachers are to provide meaningful activities during non-testing periods.

During all exam days that begin later than 7:45 a.m., Library and Classrooms are open for **quiet study 7:45 a.m.-8:35 a.m.**

### June 12, 2013

**Period 3 Final 8:40 a.m.-10:40 a.m.**  
 Period 2 10:45-12:25p.m.  
 1<sup>st</sup> lunch 10:40-11:20 a.m.  
 and class meets 11:25 a.m.-12:25 p.m.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> lunch 11:45-12:25 p.m.  
 and class meets 10:45 -11:45 a.m.  
**Period 6 Final 12:30-2:30 p.m.**

### June 13, 2013

**Period 1 Final 8:40 -10:40 a.m.**  
 Period 4 10:45-12:25p.m.  
 1<sup>st</sup> lunch 10:40-11:20 a.m.  
 and class meets 11:25 a.m.-12:25 p.m.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> lunch 11:45-12:25 p.m.  
 and class meets 10:45 -11:45 a.m.  
**Period 5 Final 12:30-2:30 p.m.**

### June 14, 2013

**Period 2 Final 8:00-10:00 a.m.**  
 Break 10:00 -10:15 a.m.  
**Period 4 Final 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.**  
 box lunch/salad 12:15-12:45 p.m.  
**Make up 12:45 p.m.** Or as arranged.

## SENIORS: DIPLOMAS

Diplomas may be picked up in the Main Office after August 21<sup>st</sup> from Marjorie.



## NOTES FROM THE COUNSELING CENTER

### Roosevelt Counseling Office Is Here To Serve You

The Counseling Office is here to serve Roosevelt students and their parents/guardians. If you have a concern or a question, please call us at the Counseling Office, 252-4827 or contact individual counselors at the phone and e-mails listed below. Counselors are assigned based on the first letter of the student's last name.

A-D & E for class of 2013	Sarah Chapman <a href="mailto:schapman@seattleschools.org">schapman@seattleschools.org</a>	252-4835
E for classes of 2014, 2015, 2016 and F-K	Wendy Krakauer, Head Counselor <a href="mailto:wrkrakauer@seattleschools.org">wrkrakauer@seattleschools.org</a>	252-4836
L-Q & R for class of 2013	Dr. Littlebrave Beaston <a href="mailto:lbeaston@seattleschools.org">lbeaston@seattleschools.org</a>	252-4825
R for classes of 2014, 2015, 2016 & S-Z	Frank Heffernan <a href="mailto:fheffernan@seattleschools.org">fheffernan@seattleschools.org</a>	252-4826

### FINAL EXAMS AND SENIOR CHECKOUT

**Seniors are taking finals on the EOC/HSPE math and biology Late Arrival Days:**

June 5: Senior Finals periods 1, 2, 3 (First period starts 10:35 a.m.)

June 6: Senior Finals periods 4, 5, 6 (Fourth period starts 10:35a.m.)

**Seniors will then go to all classes on June 7** at the regularly scheduled times to complete senior checkout. Seniors will need to have all graduation requirements verified as completed by that date, including payment of all fines, in order to participate in the graduation ceremony. Completing checkout usually entails students staying after school to get all the required signatures (Teacher signatures during class, librarian and custodian signatures during passing periods/lunch, book room and counselor signatures after students get signature from their last assigned class of the day). If that will be an issue, students can also complete checkout on Monday 6/10 or Tuesday 6/11, PRIOR to the graduation rehearsal. Rehearsal is at 10:00 a.m. in the Roosevelt gym on Tuesday, 6/11/13. Students will get detailed instructions regarding Senior Checkout from their teachers a few days prior to June 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Remind your seniors to keep attending classes and working hard throughout their final day of classes so that they do not lose credit in classes they need for graduation and/or attending college.** Not only will they be better prepared to succeed in the next level of their schooling if they eke out the maximum amount of knowledge, they need to remember, too, that most college admission offers are contingent on successful completion of 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Sadly, we know that in prior years some Roosevelt students have had their admission offers rescinded after the colleges of their choice received final transcripts in July and saw D or E grades in core classes or discovered that students had dropped core classes.

**Students in grades 9-11 will take final exams June 12, June 13 and June 14, with a modified schedule.** June 14 is the last day of school for students.



### GRADUATION IS JUNE 12

Graduation is Wednesday, June 12, 8:00 p.m. at Memorial Stadium. Seniors will attend graduation practice at 10:00 a.m. on June 11, in the Roosevelt gym. We look forward to seeing most of our seniors walk across the stage at the graduation ceremony.

Again, as the big day approaches, please remind your seniors that their study habits and behavior for the next few weeks can affect their futures.

### CREDIT RETRIEVAL DURING THE SUMMER

There are a limited number of seats in a District summer school program this summer for students who need to retrieve credit in BOTH language arts and math, with priority going to juniors and non graduating seniors. Counselors have been talking to students who may be eligible for this program. If you think your student might qualify and your student has not mentioned receiving an application, feel free to contact your student's counselor to see if there are any spots still available. Other Roosevelt students who need to retrieve credit in required classes will have to do at their own expense, primarily with unsupported online classes. Students should see their counselor as soon as possible to find out what is available. **Note: Students may not receive credit on their Roosevelt transcript for any class taken over the summer unless their counselor has approved the course and they have completed a District "Equivalency Course of Study Proposal" BEFORE they begin the class.**

**TIPS FOR SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

As we approach the end of the school year, Roosevelt students are beginning to think about summer! We have a listing of various structured summer opportunities with programs that have sent us flyers and other information. Go to the Counseling Office Website <http://lbeaston.seadesk.seattleschools.org/public.aspx> and look for “My Quick Links”, “Summer Bulletin 2012”.

Here are some other general suggestions of summer activities for your students:

**Work.** A job gives you experience in the work force and may help you explore an area of potential career interest.

**Play.** Summer is a great time to enjoy unstructured activities with family and friends.

**Volunteer.** Offer your services to help others and to gain experience for yourself. Keep track of the hours and have a representative of wherever you are volunteering sign the documented hours. **Any hours you complete over the summer can count towards the 60 hours of service learning needed for graduation.** Students who plan on completing hours over the summer may pick up a service learning form in the Counseling Office before leaving school in June.

**Travel.** A visit to another place can be educational, as well as fun.

**Read.** Reading may improve your mind, your mood and your grades.

**College Search.** Utilize on-line college search sites. Write or e-mail colleges to get information and applications from schools in which you are potentially interested. **Visit colleges** as well, to see first hand college campuses, settings, and atmosphere.

**Attend summer school.** Make up classes you need to graduate from Roosevelt or ask your counselor about enrichment programs to help keep your mind academically sharp over the summer. Be sure to see your counselor though, before you sign for a class to make sure you can get credit for it.

**Think and plan.** Think about your future. What are your interests? What do you want to do after you graduate? When you come back in the fall, talk with your counselor about what kinds of experiences would help you explore your interests and dreams.

**Good luck to the class of 2013 as they head off to various locales and adventures.** We will mail home over the summer information regarding class schedules and about the start of school. We look forward to seeing you in September for the 2013-2014 school year. In the meantime, Roosevelt counselors hope students and their families have a great summer break!

**THE 2013 RHS YEARBOOK STRENUOUS LIFE IS ARRIVING ON JUNE 4TH!**

The 2013 RHS Yearbook Strenuous Life will be distributed to students during period 6 on June 4th. Students who pre-ordered copies and whose fines are cleared by May 31st will receive yearbooks on that day. Students with outstanding fines will have to wait until after the 6th to clear fines and pick up yearbooks. A very limited number of yearbooks may be available for sale after June 6th for \$50.00. SENIORS – for the first time, the fine list includes those of you who have not completed required service hours!

**TEDDY'S TILES - RHS FOUNDATION**

Attention Parents! Are you looking for a great year end gift for your student, RHS graduate or favorite teacher? Get your Teddy's Tile Now! Honor your favorite Roughrider by leaving their mark in the Student Courtyard for decades of Strenuous Life ahead!

Tiles range in price from \$80-\$100 (1-3 lines of text) and can be purchased directly from the RHS Foundation website at [rooseveltfoundation.org/teddystiles.php](http://rooseveltfoundation.org/teddystiles.php).

For more information, contact [info@rooseveltfoundation.org](mailto:info@rooseveltfoundation.org). Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who donated to the RHS Foundation through the Seattle Foundation's GiveBIG event on May 15<sup>th</sup>. With the support of many alumni and parents, we raised nearly \$35,000 in 24 hours! These generous donations will provide critical support to RHS teachers and parents through our grants next fall. If you did not have an opportunity to donate that day, you can still give a gift of any size through our website: [rooseveltfoundation.org](http://rooseveltfoundation.org).

**ATTENTION JUNIORS: SENIOR PORTRAITS FOR THE YEARBOOK**

Senior yearbook photos are accepted only from our contracted studio, Rowland Studios at 6900 Roosevelt Way NE. Call them at 522-7171 to make an appointment over the summer, or have the photo taken at school in the fall, dates TBD. Senior portraits must be taken by the end of November to be included in the 2014 yearbook.



## ROOSEVELT SENIOR WINS FLUTE COMPETITION, PERFORMS LIVE ON KING-FM

### July 14 Performance on Northwest Focus Live

Roosevelt senior flutist E. Pengra-Sult will perform live on KING-FM radio, 98.1 on Friday evening June 14, at 8:00 PM. Pengra-Sult won the 2013 Horsfall flute competition, a program of the Seattle Flute Society. The competition is named for Frank H. Horsfall a prominent Pacific Northwest musician and teacher who was in the Seattle Symphony for 46 continuous seasons. Pengra-Sult won the contest as both a sophomore and a senior. Tune in to hear him play live on June 14!

## RHS BAND BOOSTERS – End of the Year!

The Band is on the move this spring in a really big way. First up: the annual Hyack parade in New Westminster, B.C., Canada – a great event the Band usually takes first place in – followed by the eternally fun Spring Band Camp at Camp Casey on Whidbey Island - games, awards and great times, especially for graduating seniors.

Next up, the annual RHS Band Neighborhood Picnic and Parade starting at 2 pm (band photo at 1:30 on the field steps). This uniquely RHS event starts from the school parking lot, makes it way down to Roosevelt Square for a quick concert on the upper level and then marches madly through nearby streets. It culminates in a great BBQ & picnic outside the commons back at school. If you're on the route, step out and cheer the band on.

Big news this spring is the Band's first-time-ever participation in Portland's Grand Floral Parade (aka the Rose Parade) in Portland on June 8<sup>th</sup>! We've been working to get into this event for a couple of years and are gratified at finally making the cut. It will be a fast and furious trip as we board the buses at 6 am to make it to Portland by 10 am parade start. The parade is televised so be on the look out – the band will be towards the end. RHS Band will march in the parade then a mad scramble across town for the Drumline to play in the City Fair at 2 pm. Band members will spend the day at the City Festival going on rides and soaking up Portland's biggest annual celebration.

The Boosters would like to congratulate all our senior band members who will be taking leave of us this year and say 'well done and thank you' for your dedication to the Band plus best of luck in your future endeavors wherever they may take you. And thanks to all our parent and student volunteers this year – from the Spaghetti dinner to uniform helpers to chaperones - your work was needed and appreciated. And a big round of applause to a couple of people whose tireless efforts helping the Band will be sorely missed next year: Colleen Sullivan, our uniform queen, has made sure that each band member was looking sharp and Julia Singer who shouldered the coordination of the Fall and Spring Camps to make them exceptional events. These crucial positions need filling! Time to step up, sophomore and junior parents, and make sure the Band marches confidently into the future.

Early notice: Fall Band Picnic is Thursday, August 29th and Fall Band Camp will be one of the first three weekends after school starts. Watch your snail mail for the Band's special summer mailing and for emails in August.



## RHS ORCHESTRAS CELEBRATE THE SCHOOL YEAR WITH FINAL

### PERFORMANCE

### Six Seniors to Perform Concertos as they Say Farewell to RHS

The three Roosevelt orchestras will perform Thursday evening June 6 at 7 pm in the RHS Theatre with six gifted seniors performing with the orchestras for one final time. The students, and the works they will perform, include:

- Cellist N. Loucks – 1<sup>st</sup> movement of Concerto in A for cello by
- C.P.E. Bach
- Trumpet player A. Pendergrass - Concerto in E flat for Trumpet, by J.B.G Neurda
- Violinist B. Early – 3<sup>rd</sup> movement of Violin Concerto in D, by
- P. Tchaikovsky
- Flutist E. Pengra-Sult – 1<sup>st</sup> movement Concerto for Flute & Orchestra, by Carl Nielsen
- Violist A. Dong – Romanze, by Max Bruch
- Violinist O.i Abdul-Alim - Zigeunerweisen (Gypsy Airs) op. 20, by Pablo de Sarasate

Both the Concert Orchestra (9th graders) and the Chamber Orchestra Viol Consort will perform as well. Don't miss this opportunity to hear some talented musicians before they move on to new challenges in college and beyond!



## ROOSEVELT JAZZ NEWS

**End of the Year School Concerts:** We will have three nights of free performances in June. Jazz Bands 2 & 3 will be at The Royal Room on Tuesday, June 4th at 7pm. The Vocal Jazz Showcase will be at RHS on Wednesday, June 5th at 7:30pm. The Jazz Band will swing at RHS on Friday, June 7th at 7:30pm. Join us!

**Festival Competitions:** April and May were exciting festival months for the jazz groups! Jazz Bands 2 & 3 and Vocal Jazz traveled to the Reno Jazz Festival, where the JB2 Combo placed 1st, Jazz Band 2 placed 6th, and the Vocal Jazz Combo placed 3rd, all in the AA division. Jazz Band 3 earned a 2nd place in the Apprentice 1 division. P. Jones was selected for the Outstanding Trombone award.

**Essentially Ellington:** We are very proud of all of the members of the **Roosevelt Jazz Band for their 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish** in the prestigious Essentially Ellington competition, held in New York City. Out of the 15 finalists, Roosevelt was the only public high school to place in the top three. The top two places went to “Community All-Star” bands from Tucson, AZ and Montclair, NJ. 4<sup>th</sup> place was awarded to the Dillard School for the Arts, from Ft. Lauderdale, FL. (winners in 2011 and 2012). The level of performance demonstrated by all bands and individuals was the highest Scott Brown has ever seen in his 14 years of participating in this festival and competition. In addition to our 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish, the following Sections and Individuals also received recognition: **Outstanding Sections** - Reeds, Trumpets, Trombones. **Individual Awards for Outstanding Jazz Musicianship** – A. Dolde - alto saxophone, D. Arthur - piano, L. Woodle - drums, J. Otten, N. Halpern, J. Gustaveson - trumpet.

### Auditions for the 2013-2014 School Year:

Please read more details on our website at [www.rooseveltjazz.org](http://www.rooseveltjazz.org)

#### Instrumentalists

- Sunday, June 2, 9:30 am - Incoming 9th grade Saxophones & Brass
- Monday, June 3, 2:45 pm - Returning JB2/3 Saxophones
- Wednesday, June 5, 2:45 pm - Returning JB2/3 Brass
- Thursday, June 6, 2:45 pm - All Grades Rhythm Section Auditions

#### Vocalists - sign up for an audition time

- Monday, June 10, 2:45-4:30 pm
- Tuesday, June 11, 2:45-4:30 pm
- Wednesday, June 12, 2:45-4:30 pm

**Thank You!** for supporting us throughout the year. We love having the community swinging with us and could not do it without you!

**All Roosevelt Jazz information can be found on our Booster website.**  
[www.rooseveltjazz.org](http://www.rooseveltjazz.org)

## RHS SCHOOL NURSE RETIRING

Rough Rider Parents—

2013 concludes not only this school year but also my 20+ years as a school nurse. Roosevelt had been my neighborhood school and I felt like I had won the lottery when I came to school nursing and was assigned here. I took the keys to the Health Office and never looked back. Who would have thought that caring for teenagers would be so challenging and yet so enjoyable?

It has truly been a pleasure to work with the RHS students, school staff, and parents. I found that I enjoyed attending the dances even though the music wasn't to my liking, I sat through many games and though we weren't always the best team, any time we beat Garfield I felt pretty smug. The drama department never put on a production that wasn't the best around, our outstanding female conductor leads a talented orchestra that is second to none, and the extraordinary jazz program has people in the remaining U.S. wondering if there is something in our water! The huge and unique CTE department of one leads an engineering program that provides a foundation and proven path to college and career success. Many of our departments have RHS grads or RHS student teachers who choose to return here to teach and they are the voice and example of the RHS experience. The awards and rewards of the teaching staff here are many and will continue far into the future.

RHS students have traveled the world and have, in turn, hosted fellow students from all over the world. Our students speak a multitude of languages, 5 of which they can “spit and polish” up here. Every department from the Bilingual to World languages has teachers your children are blessed to have in their lives. It is humbling to know what our students have accomplished in the past and I can't help but believe that they will continue to make this world a better place for all of us. We have many RHS teachers to thank for their contributions to that end. It was my good fortune to know and work with the RHS staff. There is no doubt that I leave your students in competent hands.

Roselyn M. Lane, RN  
RHS School Nurse

**CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2013!****Graduation Information**

Graduation rehearsal is Tues., June 11 from 10 – 11 AM in the RHS gym. Attendance is mandatory for graduating seniors and commencement seat assignments will be given. If you cannot attend, contact Ms. Boswell immediately at [mrboswell@seattleschools.org](mailto:mrboswell@seattleschools.org).

Commencement is at 8 PM on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at Memorial Stadium. Please arrive at 7 PM. Students should enter on the north gate (Republican St.), enter through the tunnel and pick up name cards. Volunteers will be on hand to assist.

Students should arrive wearing caps and gowns which **will be handed out at school on June 6th in the Commons during lunch**. No decorations or writing on caps or gowns. Dress appropriately for this important occasion: Men wear a shirt with a collar, long trousers, and dress shoes. Women wear a skirt, dress, or nice slacks and dress shoes. No denim or jeans, sneakers, or flip-flop sandals. You may wish to avoid high heels due to open, uneven and steep stadium steps.

Everyone: Caps are to be worn with tassels to the right. Leave purses, flowers, make-up and reading material at home or with your family. If you are attending Spree, bring clothes to change into after graduation.

Parents and guests should plan to arrive early to allow time for parking and walking to the stadium. Doors open at 7:30 and there is another commencement before ours.

**No tickets for this year!** The stadium seats 4,000 people, so try to limit your guests to 8-10 people to ensure that everyone has a seat. Wheelchair seating is available along the center walkway. Please show up early for older guests to navigate the steep stairs.

For students attending SPREE (a PTSA event), buses will leave from the EMP around 10 PM. More information is on the Senior Activities Page at the RHS website, <http://roosevelths.seattleschools.org/>.

Last day of classes is Friday, June 7th. There is a Senior Class Meeting and graduation rehearsal on Tuesday, June 11th at 10 AM, and the Senior Luncheon (\$12/ ticket in advance). For those attending the Luncheon, buses will be parked outside the gym after the rehearsal to take students to the Mountaineers Club.

**Diplomas will be available for pick up in the Main Office as of the second week in August.** Please call first to check office hours, 252-4810.

A more detailed graduation information letter is available on the school website and will be sent home by email soon.



Thank You to Roosevelt Parents for the time and support you give me every year.  
-Marjorie Gamble

**GIRLS LACROSSE**

The Varsity club finished a successful season with a third place finish in the North Sound Conference and with a record of 6 wins and 6 losses. The team started out slowly with a tough non-conference schedule and more than half of their games played in the first 3 weeks of the season. The team found their stride and put together a string of 5 wins in a row before eventually losing their final game to Conference, and eventual State Champion, Lakeside. The Club had three players recognized with All Conference honors. Midfielders A. Leonard and N. Larson, and Defender C. Painter. Congratulations!

The JV club was one of 21 clubs competing in an open division this year. The team finished in the middle of the pack with a record of 5 wins against 8 losses. The team had many first year players who learned valuable playing skills, earned lots of playing time, and had a lot of fun as a team! The club would like to encourage anyone interested in lacrosse to come out and give it a try. There are also opportunities to play this summer locally with the North Cascades Central Sound Region team. They will have opportunities for both middle and high school players to improve their skills and will practice at Thornton Creek (Decatur) Elementary. Check it out at [northcascadeslacrosse.com](http://northcascadeslacrosse.com).