



The Girls' Swim Team has an excellent record thus far (wescoathletics.com) and great participation. Here, the team before the 9/18 meet vs. Lynnwood. Photo by Wayne Pridemore.

Curriculum Night Thursday, October 2nd

Come at 7:00 p.m. (earlier for freshman parents and parents with kids in 0 or 7th period classes) to meet your student's teachers and get a taste of a day at Shorewood. General meeting is in the gym at 7:00 p.m. Come prepared to join PTSA and Boosters. Print and fill out your schedule ahead of time [page 4](#).

PSAT, Healthy Youth Survey, Parent Survey

October brings several events: the PSAT will be offered on October 15th to juniors who sign up and to all sophomores [page 4](#); the Healthy Youth Survey makes its annual appearance [page 4](#); school accreditation means that Shorewood parents are asked for their input [page 8](#). Look to November for an information night on the Common Core State Standards [page 8](#).

Homecoming Begins Next Week

See the PTSA [Parent Guide to Homecoming](#) to learn about this highlight of the school year, including why you are asked to *not* buy red flowers. Support all of our sports teams [page 9](#). Refer to swasb.com dress up days and contests. And, read about the Prom Shop at the Works [page 11](#).

Parent Participation Requested

PTSA seeks a coordinator for Staff Appreciation and a grant writer interested in the arts [page 2](#). Homecoming seeks chaperones [page 13](#). The counseling office could use supplies for students in need [page 5](#), and if you have unused instruments, please consider donating them [page 11](#).

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PTSA Reflections

Arts Competition

Kathy Henderson, Reflections Chair

"The World Would Be A Better Place If..." is the 2014-15 Reflections National PTA Competition theme. A student may submit an original entry in: Literature; Music Composition; Photography; Visual Arts; Film/Video; Choreography/Dance. The deadline for entries is October 31st. Fifteen finalists will be selected from Shorewood to go on to the Shoreline Council competition in November 2014. The State Reflections Arts competition is adjudicated in April 2014. For details and rules, go to: the [Shorewood PTA website](#) or [Washington State PTA Reflections page](#). Watch for more information posted at school. If you have questions, contact [Kathy Henderson](#).

Volunteer for PTSA

To volunteer—for anything for SW PTSA—send an email to swptsa@gmail.com. In the email, include your name and the year your youngest child will graduate. You will receive occasional emails asking for volunteers and you can respond if and as you wish.



Volleyball vs. Issaquah 9/16. Photo by Wayne Pridemore. [Wesco league standings](#).

Show your support for Shorewood PTSA

Amy Grady, Membership/Pass the Hat Director

Membership Goal: 462

Pass the Hat Goal: \$14,000

Curriculum Night on October 2nd is your big chance to join PTSA and donate to our *only* fundraiser, the Pass the Hat donation drive. While we accept donations anytime, we formally pass the hat at the Shorewood Curriculum Night. Your donations to the PTSA are much appreciated and are essential for providing a variety of programs. Download the [Membership Form](#) from the [PTSA Website](#) and turn it in at the Open House on the 2nd of October. Or, save time and paper by [joining online](#). Thank you for your support!

Can you Share Your Love of Food? Our Staff? Art? How much do you love our fabulous staff? Can you help us show it?

Shorewood PTSA is in need of a PTSA member to coordinate Staff Appreciation. You would have help and financial resources—there is a line item in the PTSA budget to cover some expenses (though not enough for candlelight dinners!). Responsibilities include:

- setting staff appreciation event dates with school administration,
- planning the event menus,
- assigning food preparation including asking for help via the volunteer list and/or a site like Perfect Potluck,
- advertising events to staff, and
- ensuring things run smoothly at the events (coordinating help for food drop off, set up, and clean up)

Is this your thing? Contact [Patty Sanders](#) to say yes!

Are you passionate about Art? Are you interested in grantwriting?

We are in need of a PTSA member to write a Shoreline Arts Foundation visual arts grant for Artists in Schools to enable students to create works to be displayed in the school. The application deadline is November 13th. Read more: [Artists in Schools](#). If this is right up your alley, contact [Patty Sanders](#). Thank you!

PTSA Extra: Education Funding and Online Safety

See [page 10](#) for a follow up on the State Supreme Court decision and news about a national PTA student contest promoting digital safety.

After Shorewood



A resource for all Shorewood families, run by PTSA/ school volunteers in cooperation with the Shorewood Administration, Counseling Department, and Career Center. We support families as they help their

students figure out life After Shorewood, whether the goals involve college, vocational school, or a career.

Opt-In Weekly Emails

After Shorewood sends an email once a week to parents who opt in. Each email includes:

- information on a theme;
- parent tips by grade level;
- upcoming college (and other future-related) events at Shorewood and in the Seattle area;
- scholarship opportunities;
- recommended resources & articles;
- short features of selected colleges.

.This fall, during college application and testing season, the emails are heavy on the colleg information. We plan to look at many non-college options and events in later issues. To get on the list, send an email to aftershorewood@gmail.com with "weekly email" in the subject line and we will sign you up! We will not share your email address.

Who runs this Effort?

Volunteers who contribute to After Shorewood: Mandi Counter, Jeri Jacobsen, Marianne Stephens, and Lisa Surowiec.

We welcome your input and suggestions. What would be helpful for your family? Do you have ideas for email themes or parent sessions? How can we better cover options for all students? Email us at aftershorewood@gmail.com.



Like us on Facebook! Search for After Shorewood (and for Shorewood PTSA 6.12.105).



Shorewood Marching Band during the Rotary Cup Halftime 9/26. Photo by Wayne Pridemore.

Testing, Testing: What is it All About?

Why do students take the PSAT? I hear it doesn't count.

The Preliminary SAT does and does not count. Scores count only for a good purpose: some students qualify for a scholarship program based on junior year scores. The test does not count in the sense that scores are not automatically sent to colleges, and that is a good thing. Sophomores taking the PSAT will gain experience, and all students taking the test can anticipate possible SAT scores. According to student goals, families can figure out a range of school options, and decide whether they want to pursue extra test preparation. See [PSAT Scores](#), school PSAT information on [page 4](#), and official info on the [College Board site](#).

My student doesn't know what will be on the PSAT. Should she prepare?

Degree of preparation is up to each family. Since the scores will not have negative consequences, it is fine to simply take the test. However, the experience may be less stressful if students know how the test is structured and practice a bit. Explore [Get Ready for the PSAT/NMSQT](#).

What tests come after the PSAT?

The main college admissions exams are the SAT and the ACT. The tests differ, but are used in the same way: most four year colleges use SAT or ACT scores as one of several components of a student's application. We recommend that students take both the SAT and ACT in the winter of junior year, and then, depending on their goals, retake whichever test they like better if higher scores are desired.

How much do scores matter?

It depends. A few schools (the ones in the news for being extremely competitive) do require high scores for admission. However, most schools weigh transcripts more heavily than scores, have reasonable score thresholds, and recognize that test scores do not define a person. Scores can matter for scholarships, such as the [WUE scholarships](#) for many state schools in the West.

My student's scores seem low for his GPA. Why?

These tests are very difficult. While there are probably hundreds of students at Shorewood with a GPA close to 4.0, there are very few students who get close to perfect scores on these tests.

Other than the PSAT, can I take a practice SAT or ACT?

Since students control which scores are sent to colleges, you can take the real SAT and ACT to see how they go and then retake if needed. Or, you can take practice tests on your own using either online or low-cost materials from a bookstore. At least two local test prep companies, Prep Northwest, and Princeton Review, have practice test programs that include feedback.

October 2nd Curriculum Night Schedule

Write your student's courses, teachers, and room numbers in the blanks below.

6:30 Optional Session: Being a Freshman Parent, Career Center

6:45 - 6:55 Period 0/7 _____

7:00 - 7:10 General Meeting in the Gym

7:15 - 7:25 Period 1 _____

7:32 - 7:42 Period 2 _____

7:42 - 7:52 Announcements for PTSA and Boosters (stay in Period 2)

7:59 - 8:09 Period 3 _____

8:16 - 8:26 Period 4 _____

8:33 - 8:43 Period 5 _____

8:50 - 9:00 Period 6 _____

Healthy Youth Survey October 14th

Elaine Swanson, Assistant Principal

Shorewood High School will administer the Washington State Healthy Youth Survey to grade 10 and 12 students on Tuesday, October 14th. The survey will be administered at the conclusion of period 2. Please use this link to find out more about the survey. The survey asks questions about risk for injury, health outcomes and alcohol and drug use. Schools, communities and state and local health departments use survey results to support our youth and reduce their risks. The Healthy Youth Survey is voluntary and anonymous.

Schools, school districts, counties and state agencies use the results to better understand our students and to provide them with the services they need. Results are used for planning, evaluating and improving programs and obtaining money to support them. See: [Healthy Youth Survey Parent Flyer](#)



The Shorewood Boys' Water Polo Club earned a second place finish in the Rogers Tournament in Puyallup 9/26-27, and a third place finish in the Auburn Tournament 9/19. Congratulations, players! For information about the club, contact Coach Nick Maxwell at Nicholas.Maxwell@ShorelineSchools.org, or join the summer team at the Innis Arden Pool next summer! Photo by Vicky Latz. Girls' Water Polo competes in the spring.

Flu Shot Clinic

Wednesday, October 22nd, 3-7:00 p.m. in the Commons. Students under 18 need to come with a parent. Bring your insurance information.

PSAT October 15th

Jaime Hoener, Counselor and

Assistant Principal Elaine Swanson

On Wednesday, October 15th, all 10th grade students and those 11th graders who register will take the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) 7:50-11:15 a.m. This test provides practice for the SAT®, and measures critical reading skills, math problem-solving skills and writing skills. The most common reasons for taking the PSAT are to:

- Reveal student potential for college prep coursework.
- Receive feedback on students' strengths and weaknesses on skills necessary for college study.
- Help prepare for the SAT.

The PSAT is offered only one time, nationwide, each year. All juniors are strongly encouraged to sign up, regardless of whether they took it last year. Detailed results arrive in December, perfectly timed for spring SAT preparation. It also is the qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship Program. Fee waivers are available for qualifying juniors. The cost is \$14, payable to the SW business office. Juniors should sign up by October 10th. All sophomores will take the test, free of charge, due to a district-wide program.

Regular classes with periods 1, 3, 5 will begin at 11:30 a.m. Buses run on the regular schedule. Grades 9 and 12 will need to provide their own transportation if arriving when classes begin. Rooms will be open on campus for quiet study beginning at 7:50 a.m. for those students not testing.

For more information, see: [PSAT-NMSQT The College Board](#) [After Shorewood Q&A on the PSAT](#)

Counselors' Reminders

Pam Richards, Counseling Department Chair

Seniors, please see several reminders on [page 6](#).

Thank you to the generous members of the Shoreline community. The PTSA has provided emergency food for students in need, and many community members donated basic school supplies for students who don't have access to necessary materials. Students and teachers are grateful!

Did you know ...that approximately 30% of our student population are in poverty? Your generosity with basic needs makes a difference! If you are interested in donating supplies, the following items are in demand: backpacks, flash/index cards, colored pencils, and calculators.

Chinook Book: if you have an expiring Chinook coupon book, please consider donating any unused bus or ferry tickets to the counseling office for students in need (a few of our students live part time with guardians across the Sound and require ferry transportation for school).

ALL GRADES

Foster the skills of self-advocacy! [page 6](#)

National College Fair November 1st Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 1st, the [Seattle National College Fair](#) will be downtown at the Washington State Convention Center. We are fortunate to have this massive fair come through our area. This is an inspiring opportunity for younger grades to see the opportunities that await after high school. And of course it can help juniors and seniors with their post-high school planning. [Register ahead of time](#) (it is free) so that you don't get stuck in a long line. Also, do some research to make the most of your time, since the fair can be overwhelming: [Tips for Attending a National College Fair](#); [List of Schools Attending](#).

Free & Reduced Lunch \$\$\$ If there is any chance your family might qualify for free/reduced lunch, it is worth your while to submit the paperwork to the district office. It is confidential and any SW staff can put it inter-district mail for you. You will hear back within about a week. Qualifying for free/reduced lunch allows your student to access to a wide variety of scholarships, fee waivers and enrichment opportunities. Forms are in the counseling and main offices (or download the [Free & Reduced Lunch Application](#)). It is in many languages; please encourage anyone you know to apply if there's any chance they might qualify.

Important online tools for parent/guardians: Login information is being sent to all families with information about Data Dashboard and Naviance. These are excellent tools for keeping tabs on your student's school performance (including links to teacher emails, online grades, etc) and college/career options. If you have trouble logging in, inform Registrar J'Nell Swanson: jnell.swanson@shorelineschools.org.

Contact Your Counselor

We encourage students to drop in during their free time, including before school, breaks, lunch, and after school. Students can also sign up on our clipboards, and we will send them a note to class.

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2014-15 SAT/ ACT Dates

Register for the SAT and ACT directly, not through school. Shorewood is a testing site as long as you sign up early. Fee waivers are available for students eligible for free/ reduced lunch; see your counselor.

SAT & SAT Subject Tests

Test	Sign up by
November 8	October 9
December 6	November 6
January 24	December 29
March 14	February 13
May 2	April 6
June 6	May 8

register at sat.collegeboard.org

ACT

Test	Sign up by
October 25	October 3*
December 13	November 7
February 7	January 9
April 18	March 13
June 13	May 8

register at actstudent.org
* Late fee required

Cultivate Self-Advocacy

Shorewood Counseling Staff

Colleges and employers tell us that skill in Self Advocacy sets young adults apart. As you know, teenagers often want their parent/guardians to advocate for them. Consider resisting the urge, and, instead, encourage your student to practice these skills while in high school, which is a safe environment, so that they are ready to do so as adults.

Examples of student self-advocacy:

- Have a concern or question about class? Go to the source: talk to your teacher! Before or after class is a good time to ask, or to schedule another time to meet. SW teachers are appreciative of students' efforts to problem-solve directly.
- Talk to your counselor! Your counselor is here to help you with all sorts of questions, planning and/or concerns. Counselors are available every day for drop-ins, or students can sign up on clipboards and we will send a note to class.
- Nervous to ask the question or talk to the adult? Try emailing first. Parent/guardian can help write the email, but it should come from the student's email account for direct communication.

Thanks for helping your student learn to be a self advocate!



Tennis leads the Wesco 3A South [standings](#). Match vs. Glacier Peak. Photos by Wayne Pridemore.

Counselor Notes for Seniors

Pam Richards, Counseling Department Chair

Graduation Requirements: All seniors should have received a graduation requirement summary in the mail. If you did not receive it, contact your counselor. If there are any questions, please let us know. Requirements are set by the district and state and must be fulfilled in order to graduate in June.

October 9th College Application Workshop and College Essay Tips

6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Theater! We will review the process at SW, including requesting transcripts, using your Naviance account, and requesting letters of recommendation from staff. A UW admissions representative will be here to give Essay Tips. Set yourself apart and let your character shine through with these top tips from someone who has read hundreds, if not thousands, of essays. Seniors and parent/guardians are welcome to attend.

Need letters of recommendation? Most private schools require letters of recommendation from counselors and teachers. Counselors' letters are a required part of the Common Application. Be sure to complete your Brag Sheet and get this information to teachers and counselors a.s.a.p. Of course, ask staff before requesting them in Naviance. Counselors and teachers names can be found in the Naviance list.

College Bound Scholarship: if your senior signed up for College Bound in middle school, be sure he/she has the information needed to utilize this amazing scholarship. Counselors are checking in with all of the seniors in our College Bound database and making sure each senior has the information from the state. Please let us know if you have any questions.

College & Career Center News

Erika Spellman, College & Career Readiness Coordinator

10/9 - College Application Night at Shorewood. 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Topics include Common Application, Naviance, Online Applications, Transcript requests, Essay Tips, Letters of Recommendation.

10/13 - Career Speaker Monday - during lunch in Career Center - topic tbd. Contact Mrs. Spellman for more information.

10/31 - Field trip to the National College Fair at the Washington State Convention Center in downtown Seattle. Sign ups will begin on October 1st and permission slips will be due Tuesday October 21st. We have 40 spaces reserved so be sure to sign up with Mrs. Spellman as soon as possible. Space is limited.

NAVIANCE is our college & career readiness platform that connects academic achievement to post secondary goals. To log in to your student/parent account click [here](#) or on the Naviance icon on the Shorewood [home page](#). Visit the [Naviance page](#) of the new [College & Career Center website](#) for more information.

COMMUNITY SERVICE opportunities can now be found in Naviance on the community service page.

SCHOLARSHIPS, both local and national, can be found in the Naviance database. Parents, please log in with your student. Check the Naviance listings for full requirements of the following scholarships.

AES Engineers Scholarship, \$500, due 10/6. Seniors & college students. Based on character, determined by essays.

Horatio Alger Association, \$20,000; due 10/25. Students must show critical financial need, demonstrate the ability to overcome adversity, and more.

Zombie Apocalypse Scholarship, \$1500, due 10/31. : "Imagine that your high school/college has been overrun with Zombies..." see full prompt on Naviance.

WHAT'S AHEAD!!

Boeing IT STEM Visits - Boeing's IT Department is coming back this fall to connect with students interested in STEM and IT careers. They will have several campus visits in classrooms and the Career Center. Dates tbd; stay tuned.

College Essay Workshop November 6, 2:45-3:45 in the Career Center. College admissions representatives and Shorewood staff will review senior college essays and give constructive criticism. Free and students are encouraged to bring multiple copies of their essays for review.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCE: Career Cornerstone Center for young women interested in exploring career paths in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Visit: <http://www.careercornerstone.org/women.htm>.

For information on any of the above please reach out to [Erika Spellman](#), College & Career Coordinator.

College/ Military Visits

October is prime time to make connections with the many college and military representatives visiting Shorewood. See the [Calendar](#) and make arrangements with your SAS teacher for morning events.



The Cross Country team has a record 116 kids on the roster! Here, runners compete 9/25 on a Martha Lake course. Photos by W. Pridemore.



Left: Football vs. Everett. Photo W. Pridemore.

Welcome to our new Dean of Students

Rebbecah Emanuel is an educator in the Shoreline School District, and has been serving students and their families since 1998. Rebbecah earned an Undergraduate Degree at Montana State University, a Masters at Grand Canyon University, and is currently earning a Principal's Certificate at the University of Washington Danforth Program. Rebbecah is committed to serving *all* students and ensuring that every student has access to an excellent education. Rebbecah Emanuel has been a teacher, Athletic Director, and Activities Coordinator before her appointment as our Dean of Students. Welcome to the Shorewood.

Parent & Family Input Needed for Performance Review

Rick Robbins, Shoreline School District

We need to hear your voice! Shorewood is conducting a thorough self-study to audit its instructional programs. Surveys of students, parents and staff are a required part of this accreditation process. Please log on between October 2nd and 31st to respond to the survey and comment about your experiences at Shorewood: <http://www.advanc-ed.org/survey/public/1944787>

Your responses, gathered by the international accreditation agency AdvancED will be totally confidential. Survey results are one of the key performance indicators used in the school improvement and accreditation processes. Schools, colleges and universities undergo periodic reviews to audit the quality of their instructional programs. This year, both Shorewood and Shorecrest High Schools are engaging in a full accreditation review designed and monitored by AdvancED. Shorewood was last accredited during the 2008-09 school year.

AdvancED accreditation evaluates five standards of performance: 1) Purpose and Direction; 2) Governance and Leadership; 3) Teaching and Assessing for Learning; 4) Resources and Support Systems; 5) Using Results for Continuous Improvement. These standards, with 33 indicators, are assessed through an internal process. That Internal Review includes an analysis of performance data, a detailed self-assessment, stakeholder surveys, collections of evidence, data gathering, a school improvement plan and an executive summary.

This comprehensive school report will be reviewed in the spring by a team of educators who will visit Shorewood to review the report, examine evidence, observe classrooms, interview stakeholders and assess systems. The results of these two comprehensive reviews will produce a rating that will compare Shorewood High School to an international standard of performance.

Curious about Common Core?

There are lots of stories in the media about Common Core State Standards. If you are curious about what the standards are and how they affect your student, come to the Common Core and Smarter Balanced Information Night on Wednesday, November 12, 7-8:30 p.m. in the Shoreline Room at the Shoreline Center. "Smarter Balanced" is the name of assessments that are aligned with the Common Core.

For more information:

- [Event listing](#) on District Calendar
- [Common Core State Standards Initiative](#)
- [Washington State Learning Standards](#)
- [Smarter Balanced Assessments](#)

Curriculum Preview

Terri Poff, Shoreline Schools Director of Teaching & Learning

Parents and guardians are invited to learn about the Family Life and Sexual Health (FLASH) program and preview the instructional materials during the a public review on October 22nd, 6:30 – 8:00 PM in the Ballinger Room of the Shoreline Center, 18560 1st Ave NE.

You will be able to learn program objectives, review materials, identify resources, and ask questions. If you are unable to attend but want more information, please contact your child's school or teacher. According to state law and district policy, a parent or legal guardian may excuse their child from participating in any, or all, classes related to sex education after they have previewed the materials. If you do not want your child to participate, you must notify the school in writing. You may complete and return the form, Student Participation in Health Education, or write a letter requesting that your child be excluded.



On September 26th, Shorewood won the Rotary Cup with a 33-7 win over Shorecrest. Fans, bands, and performance teams congregated for the annual community photo marking our friendly cross-town rivalry. Photo by Rod Mar for Shoreline Schools.

Home Athletic Events During Homecoming

Our community is encouraged to support all of our athletic teams during Homecoming October 6-18. For complete schedules, see wescoathletics.com.

10/6	MON	Boys JV Tennis vs. Meadowdale (Shorewood Courts)	3:30 PM
		JV Football vs. Meadowdale (Shorewood Field)	5:00 PM
10/7	TUE	Girls Swim vs. Kamiak (Shoreline Pool)	3:30 PM
		Boys Water Polo* vs. Roosevelt (Shoreline Pool)	9:00 PM
10/8	WED	Boys Tennis vs. Mountlake Terrace (Shorewood Courts)	3:30 PM
		Sr./ Jr. Boys Volleyball (Gym)	7:00 PM
		Sr./ Jr. Girls Volleyball (Gym)	
10/9	THU	Cross Country Home Meet vs. Arlington (Hamlin Park)	3:45 PM
		Girls JV Soccer vs. Marysville-Pilchuck (Shoreline Stadium)	5:00 PM
		Girls JV Volleyball vs. Shorecrest (Gym)	5:15 PM
		Girls Varsity Soccer vs. Marysville-Pilchuck (SL Stadium)	7:00 PM
		Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Shorecrest (Gym)	7:00 PM
10/13	MON	Boys JV Tennis vs. Edmonds Woodway (Shorewood Courts)	3:30 PM
		JV Football vs. Lake Washington (Shorewood Field)	5:00 PM
10/14	TUE	C & JV Volleyball vs. Lynnwood (Gym)	5:00 PM
		Varsity Volleyball vs. Lynnwood (Gym)	7:00 PM
10/15	WED	Varsity Tennis vs. Shorecrest (Shorewood Courts)	3:30 PM
		Boys Water Polo* vs. Bellevue (Shoreline Pool)	9:00 PM
10/16	THU	Girls JV Soccer vs. Stanwood (Shoreline Stadium)	5:00 PM
		Varsity Soccer vs. Stanwood (Shoreline Stadium)	7:00 PM
10/17	FRI	Varsity Football vs. Edmonds-Woodway (Shoreline Stadium)	7:00 PM

*Water Polo is a club rather than a regular Shorewood sport. Schedule on [Shorewood calendar](#).

Fall Athletics News

Vicki Gorman, Athletic Director

The pre-season contests are concluded and we are into our league play. Please check Athletic Results on our [Shorewood website](#) or [wescoathletics.com](#).

Congratulations to two Athletes

Football: Aaron Okamura was highlighted as a Herald Friday Night Star after the SW opening game against Everett 30-14 win. [Prep Football HeraldNet 9.5.14.](#)

Volleyball: Delaney Hopen was in the preseason review as one of the [Top Five Volleyball Players to Watch HeraldNet 9.9.14.](#)

Student Accomplishment

Jennifer Givens-Helms, Community Based Transition Program Teacher

A student in the Community Based Transition Program turned a volunteer experience into a paid position! Melissa Jametsky-Foy did a volunteer internship at Marshalls, and then was hired to work 20 hours/ week. Congratulations to Melissa! Further information: [Community Based Transition Program](#).

State Education Funding Update

Suzanne Gugger, PTSA Legislative Director

"It is the paramount duty of the state to make ample provision for the education of all children residing within its borders..."

—Article IX, Section I, Washington State Constitution



Breaking News!

The Washington Supreme Court is holding the Legislature in contempt for its lack of progress on fixing the way the state pays for public education. If lawmakers do not complete their plan by the end of the 2015 Legislative Session, the court promises to and impose sanctions.

History of Basic Ed funding in Washington

In 1977, the Basic Education Act created a state funding formula based on ratios of staff to students. By 1980, The State funded 84.3% of K-12 education, leaving local districts responsible for only 7.5% of the needed funds. The shortfall was raised by districts through levies and bonds. In 1983, "basic education" definition was expanded to include special education, bilingual education, remediation assistance and transportation.

In 1993, the Education Reform Act created high performance-based standards but no funding solution. Since then, school districts have provided over 20% of the necessary money for education. This places an unfair burden on local communities—especially in districts where levies are difficult to pass—when it is the State's responsibility to provide for education of *all* children.

In 2007, the McCleary family and 30 state school districts (including Shoreline) filed a lawsuit charging that the state was not fulfilling its paramount duty. The court ruled that the state is not meeting its duty and ordered the legislature to fully fund education. Since then, the legislature has failed to institute funding changes and—though there have been minor funding increases—has failed to meet the progress mandated by the State Supreme Court.

Why should you care?

In the 2014-15 Shoreline Schools preliminary budget, revenue will come from:

- 63% State (from statewide sales and property tax revenues)
- 23.9% Local Levy (property taxes)
- 7.9% Fees and transfers
- 5.9% Federal Funds distributed to the State to distribute to school districts

In Washington, per student funding is low and local levies are covering basic needs when they should be covering extras like enrichment, curriculum materials, nursing and family services, library support, staffing, and more.

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Shorewood Cheerleaders volunteered to cheer on the walkers in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day fundraiser for breast cancer on Saturday, September 20th at a pitstop for 2 1/2 hours. Photo by Vicki Gorman.

PTSA Issues & Priorities

In October, our Legislative Representative will attend the 2014 State PTA Legislative Assembly. Representatives from across Washington will decide which issues deserve the most attention. See the issues under consideration [here](#) and learn more on this [State PTA website](#) (look up issues under the Home tab).

National PTA Digital Safety Campaign

Technology opens new opportunities, but there are things you need to know to make positive, safe decisions. National PTA has partnered with LifeLock to share awesome ways families can create an open, evolving conversation about positive, safe decisions when using digital tools.

#ShareAwesome Contest

Teens, #ShareAwesome photos and captions that correspond to a weekly theme. Your pics of awesome online and/or offline behavior should directly or indirectly demonstrate positive ways to incorporate digital into everyday life. Prizes:

- Grand Prize: \$2500 scholarship and a Microsoft Surface Pro3; the winner's school will win a #ShareAwesome assembly
- 10 finalists will each receive a Microsoft Surface Pro2

See the [#ShareAwesome Contest Site](#).



City of Shoreline image.

Celebrate Sunset

Join with neighbors and friends to Celebrate Sunset, our new community gathering space in the Richmond Highlands neighborhood. Saturday, October 4th, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Sunset School Park, 17800 10th Ave. NW, Shoreline.

Activities include:

- Hillwood soccer games
- Shorewood drill team bake sale
- Boy Scout hot-dog BBQ fund raiser
- Shorewood pep band and drill team
- Craft and sport activities for youth
- Community garden harvest party

At 12:00 noon, there will be a dedication of the new public art installation "Sunset" paid for by a City of Shoreline Neighborhood Mini-Grant, Richmond Highlands Neighborhood Association, and the Friends of Sunset Park.

Boy Scout Troop 325

Local Boy Scout Troop 325 meets Mondays at 7:15 p.m., First Lutheran Church, 8th Ave NW in Shoreline. Scouts is for young men 11-18 who would like outdoor adventures, making friends, and leadership opportunities. In the last two years, our scouts have attended adventure camps in Oregon and on the Hood Canal in Washington, cycled on the Iron Horse Trail, and backpacked in the Cascades and Olympics. For information, contact [Andy Simonsen](#) 425.640.8066 or see [Troop 325](#).



The Shorewood Community, bedecked in blue, came out in force for the annual Rotary Cup. Photo by Wayne Pridemore.

After School Fun from the City of Shoreline

The Rec: Free drop-in teen center for middle school to 18 year olds! Come hang out with friends and enjoy the following free activities: Hoops, pool, ping-pong, foosball, breaking, board games, art, food, movies, and more. Monday: Closed, Tuesday-Thursday: 2:30-7:00 p.m. Friday: 2:30 p.m.-12:00 a.m. Saturday: 7:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.

[Rec]ord: Calling all current and future musicians! Whether you are looking to pick up an instrument for the first time or wish to build upon your abilities, this is the place for you. Over 8 weeks we will explore the basics of song writing, band development, performance, and recording in a fun and casual setting. Recording session at Shoreline Community College included.

Freefall 2014: Freefall is this October! Do you consider yourself a B-Boy or B-Girl? Whether you wish to compete or just watch, come join the Shoreline Youth and Teen Development Program for our annual Fall break dance jam. Contest and performances to be announced.

For more information, please contact [Austin Edge](#) 206.801.2643.

Prom Shop at The Works

Need clothes for Homecoming? Come check out the great selection of formal and semi-formal wear, shoes, jewelry, and accessories for guys and girls, tween to teen, on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Appropriate clothing for school dances and special occasions. Donations of any of these items will be gratefully accepted. The Works is open to all Shoreline School District families and is located in the portables at North City Elementary, 810 NE 190th Street, Shoreline. ID is required and can be a Washington State Driver's License or Shoreline school ID. They have great stuff!

Old Instruments? Give them Music 4 Life!

With a new grade of Shoreline elementary students just starting in music education, there is a great need for donations of gently used clarinets and other instruments. Every year, donated instruments make it possible for Shoreline kids to participate in music. For details, visit [Shoreline Music4Life](#) or [contact David Endicott](#). Music4Life is a partnership of the school district, local Rotary clubs, and other community organizations.



Act for the Arts



ArtsEd Washington has an arts education awareness and action campaign, Act for the Arts. Sign up for weekly emails, or simply check the [Act4Arts website](#). Emails include fun facts and things you can do to boost arts education.

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October 2014

10/2	THU	Picture Retakes (Alumni Room)	7:30 AM
10/2	THU	Club Fair (Courtyard)	11:45 AM
10/2	THU	Curriculum Night page 4	
		Being a Freshman Parent pre-session (Career Center)	6:30 PM
		0 or 7 period session (some students)	6:45 PM
		General Meeting (Gym) and class periods	7-9:00 PM
10/6-10		Homecoming Dress Up Week, Dance Tickets on sale	
10/7	TUE	PTSA General Membership Meeting (Career Center)	7:00 PM
10/9	THU	College Application Night (Theater) page 6	6:30-7:30 PM
10/13	MON	Boosters Meeting (Career Center)	7:00 PM
10/14	TUE	Healthy Youth Survey (altered schedule) page 4	
10/15	WED	PSAT (altered schedule) page 4	7:50-11:15 AM
10/15	WED	Homecoming Event: Sr. vs. Jr. Volleyball SW Gym	7:00 PM
		Boys and Girls matches will be played	
10/15	WED	Orchestra Concert (Theater)	7:30 PM
10/17	FRI	Homecoming Assembly (altered schedule)	12:30 PM
10/17	FRI	Homecoming Game vs. Edmonds-Woodway (SL Stadium)	7:00 PM
10/18	SAT	Homecoming Dance (Commons) page 13	9-11:59 PM
10/20	MON	Winter Sports Informational Meetings	9:40 AM
10/22	WED	Flu Shot Clinic (Commons; parent permission needed) page 4	3-7:00 PM
10/22	WED	FLASH Curriculum Preview page 8 (Shoreline Center)	6:30-8:00 PM
10/23	THU	Choir Concert (Theater)	7:30 PM
10/24	FRI	Principal's Coffee (Library Conference Room)	8:30 AM
10/24	FRI	Early Release	10:45 AM
10/27	MON	No School: Staff Workday	
10/28	TUE	Band Concert (Theater)	7:30 PM
10/30	THU	Fall Sports Pep Rally	9:40 AM
10/30	THU	Jazz Night (Theater)	7:30 PM
10/31	FRI	Reflections Arts Contest Entries due (Main Office) page 2	2:45 PM
10/31	FRI	Field Trip to National College Fair (limited spots) page 7	

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11/1	SAT	National College Fair (downtown Seattle) page 5	12-4:00 PM
11/4	TUE	General Election: Vote!	
11/4	TUE	PTSA General Membership Meeting (Career Center)	7:00 PM
11/6	THU	Veteran's Day Assembly (altered schedule)	9:15 AM
11/6	THU	College Essay Workshop (Career Center) page 7	2:45-3:45 PM
11/6	THU	Culinary Arts Dinner (reservations required) info	6:00 PM
11/10	MON	First Day of Gymnastics	
11/12	WED	Common Core & Smarter Balanced Information Night	7:00 PM
		Shoreline Room, Shoreline Center page 8	
11/13-16		Fall Play: Anything Goes (Theater)	
11/17	MON	First Day of Fall Sports	
11/20-23		Fall Play: Anything Goes (Theater)	times TBA
11/21	FRI	PTSA/ Principal Coffee (Library Conference Room)	8:30 AM
11/26	WED	Early Release: Thanksgiving Holiday	10:45 AM
11/27-28		No School: Thanksgiving Holiday	
12/1	MON	No School: Staff Workday	

College/ Military Visits

Schedule and locations subject to change: verify in the Career Center or on the [Shorewood calendar](#). Visits in the Career Center unless otherwise specified. A SAS pass is required for morning events.

10/1	University of Arizona	9:40 AM
10/2	Whitman College	9:40 AM
10/2	Pacific University	12:15 PM
10/2	University of Rochester	12:15 PM
	Alumni Room	
10/3	Oregon State University	12:15 PM
10/6	Western Washington U	9:40 AM
10/6	Evergreen State College	12:15 PM
10/7	Nagoya University in Japan	9:40 AM
10/7	Northern Arizona University	12:15 PM
10/8	Linfield College	9:40 AM
10/10	University of Oregon	10:45 AM
10/15	Scripps College (for women)	9:40 AM
10/15	Biola University	12:15 PM
10/15	Christian College Fair	6-8:00 PM
	King's High School, 19303 Fremont Ave.	
10/16	Oberlin College	8:30 AM
10/16	Colorado College	12:15 PM
10/16	Earlham College	12:15 PM
	Alumni Room	
10/17	Emory University	10:00 AM
	(time may change)	
10/20	Whitworth University	9:40 AM
10/20	Hamline University	12:15 PM
10/21	Northwest University	9:40 AM
10/21	University of Redlands	9:40 AM
	Alumni Room	
10/21	Reed College	12:15 PM
10/21	U.S. Army	12:15 PM
10/22	Pacific Lutheran University	12:15 PM
10/23	William Jessup University	9:40 AM
10/24	UW Bothell	9:40 AM
10/24	Macalester College	9:40 AM
	Alumni Room	
10/29	Hartwick College	9:45 AM
10/29	Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific U	9:45 AM
10/29	Willamette University	12:15 PM
10/30	Morehouse College	9:45 AM
10/30	Montana State University	2:35 PM
10/31-11/1	National College Fair, Washington State Convention Center, Seattle.	



Soccer vs. Lakewood. Photos by W. Pridemore.

October 6-18 (with the PSAT in between)

Homecoming is a major highlight of the entire year. See the [ASB website](#) and the [Daily Bulletin](#) for current details.

Naming the Freshman Class

Every year, the Senior Class bestows a name on the Freshman Class. The class keeps this name all four years.

Colors

Each class has a color for assemblies and designated days. The color can change year to year.

Homecoming Court

Students voted to choose five senior men and five senior women for the [Homecoming Court](#). The King and Queen will be announced at the Assembly.

Events

For a list of athletic events, see [page 9](#), the [Shorewood calendar](#), or [Wesco Athletics](#). The community is encouraged to support all athletic teams during Homecoming. Dress-up days and lunchtime contests will be detailed on [swasb.com](#) in early October and announced daily.

10/6-10/10	Homecoming Dress Up Week
10/6-10/13	Homecoming Dance Tickets on sale at lunch
Wednesday 10/15	Seniors vs. Juniors Volleyball, Gym 7:00 p.m. Both boys and girls matches will be played
Thursday 10/16	Gym Decorating 7-9:00 p.m.
Friday 10/17	Senior Class Photo at Lunch, Assembly 12:20 p.m.
	Homecoming Game SL Stadium 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 10/18	Homecoming Dance 9-Midnight

Homecoming Dance October 18

About 1000 students attend the Homecoming Dance. This year's theme is *A Night on Broadway*.

Who Attends

Students can go as couples or singles. Many students, especially girls, go in groups. Sometimes boys ask girls to the dance in elaborate ways, but this is not necessary. (Girls appreciate flowers, however.) A Shorewood student may bring a guest from another school, but the guest must be cleared in advance and some restrictions apply. See [swasb.com](#) for the required clearance form, which is due by October 10th.

Who Pays

Usually, boys pay for tickets and dinner, and girls pay for pictures. Photo packages run from \$15-\$60.

Tickets (verify prices on [swasb.com](#))

Tickets \$10/ person or \$20/ couple in advance; \$15/

Dance, continued

person or \$30/ couple at the door. Advance ticket sales in the commons during lunch starting October 6th. When students buy tickets, they may sign up for early pictures.

Attire

Most boys wear dress shirts, slacks, and ties. Sportcoat optional. Girls wear semi-formal evening wear. Dresses are usually short, not full-length. The WORKS, open Wednesday evenings, has a Prom Shop with semi-formal attire for both girls & guys. [page 11](#)

Flowers

The boy often gets a corsage for the girl and the girl gets a boutonniere for the boy. Talk about colors, but please *do not* buy red flowers; the petals stain our new floors. Most girls prefer wrist corsages.

Coat Check

Students will be able to check their coats and other items at a parent-staffed, secure coat check station.

Location

The dance will be held in the commons, and students will enter from the courtyard. Watch for signs directing you to the picture and coat check locations.

Pictures: sign up for an early photo time

If students sign up for an early photo appointment (when they buy tickets), they can avoid standing in line. Without an appointment, students might wait in line.

Chaperones

The administration and many staff will attend, along with 30 parent chaperones. To volunteer, contact [Karen Berquist](#) or [Marianne Stephens](#), PTSA Homecoming Coordinators. Volunteers must complete the State Patrol Clearance form in the front office by October 8th.

Rules

- Shorewood students *must* have Shorewood photo ID.
- Guests have to be cleared in advance and will need photo ID.
- Once admitted, students cannot leave and come back.
- There is a strict *no alcohol, no drugs* policy. If students are suspected of drinking or being impaired, their parents will be called to pick the students up. Per school parking agreements, illegal substances are not allowed in cars on school property.
- Dancing must be appropriate.

Want more information? Consult [www.swasb.com](#).