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Upcoming Dates

- **10/23-24:** Parent Teacher Conferences
- **10/23:** VB Senior Night vs Corbett
- **10/25:** Speech and Debate home tournament, Robotics League Meet 0
- **10/27-10/31:** Student Council Boo Basket Fundraiser
- **10/28:** Fire Drill
- **10/31:** Trunk or Treat @ 6, FB Senior Night @ 7
- **11/7:** 9 Week Progress Grades
- **11/11:** No School Veterans Day
- **11/12:** Parent Advisory Council Meeting, Fall Sports Banquet



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Lunch Menu



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NKN HIGH SCHOOL

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Cream Cheese Bagel ¹	Breakfast Pizza ²	Blueberry Muffin ³
		Tater Tot Casserole	Bacon Cheese Burgers	Peppy Chicken Rotini
Waffles ⁶	Banana Bread ⁷	Pancake on a Stick ⁸	Breakfast Sandwich ⁹	Cinnamon Rolls ¹⁰
Hot Dogs & Baked Beans	Nachos	Chicken Alfredo	Chicken Burgers	Pizza Sticks
Pancakes ¹³	Biscuits & Sausage ¹⁴	Yogurt & Grahams ¹⁵	Pumpkin Bread ¹⁶	Oatmeal Rounds ¹⁷
SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS	ENCHILADAS & FIESTA RICE	CHICKEN RAMEN	SHEPARD'S PIE	CHICKEN JAMBALAYA
Breakfast Bar ²⁰	Scr. Eggs & Sausage ²¹	Cream Cheese Bagel ²²	PK-12 Parent/Teacher Conference ²³	PK-12 Parent/Teacher Conference ²⁴
Corn Dogs	Chicken Tacos	Orange Chicken Over Rice	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
French Toast ²⁷	Blueberry Muffin ²⁸	Pancake on a Stick ²⁹	Breakfast Sandwich ³⁰	Cinnamon Rolls ³¹
Cheesy Breadsticks With Marinara	Burritos	Mac & Cheese	Chicken Strips & Fries	PIZZA DAY

HELP US CELEBRATE NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK OCT 13-17. FEEL FREE TO JOIN US FOR LUNCH AND EXPERIENCE OUR FAVORITE ETHNIC DISHES!!!

A variety of fresh fruits and vegetables are available daily on our offering bar. All of our breads and pastas are whole wheat or whole grain. GF options are available. Fat free and 1% milks are offered daily. Whole grain cereals are an option for breakfast.



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 Hand-Crafted
 Available Daily
 for Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Waffles 3 Lasagna Soup & Garlic Bread	Banana Bread 4 Nachos	Yogurt Parfaits 5 Chicken Alfredo	Biscuits & Sausage 6 Cheese Burgers	Oatmeal Rounds 7 Crispy Drumsticks
Breakfast Bar 10 Hot Dogs	11 VETERAN'S DAY NO SCHOOL	Cream Cheese Bage 12 Tater Tot Casserole	Breakfast Pizza 13 Chicken Burger	Blueberry Muffins 14 Pepperoni Calzones
French Toast 17 Cheesy Breadsticks & Marinara	Pumpkin Bread 18 Enchiladas	Pancake on a Stick 19 Spaghetti	Breakfast Sandwich 20 Chicken Strips & Fries	Cinnamon Rolls 21 Peppy Chicken Rotini
Pancakes 24 Corn Dogs & Tots	25 GRADE DAY NO SCHOOL	26	27 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!	28

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Student Life- Homecoming Edition



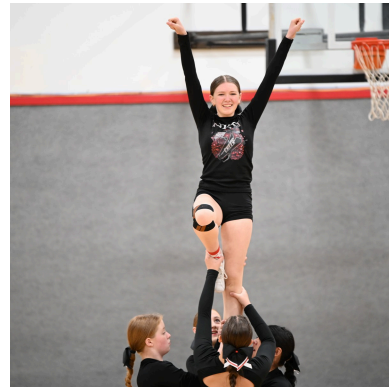
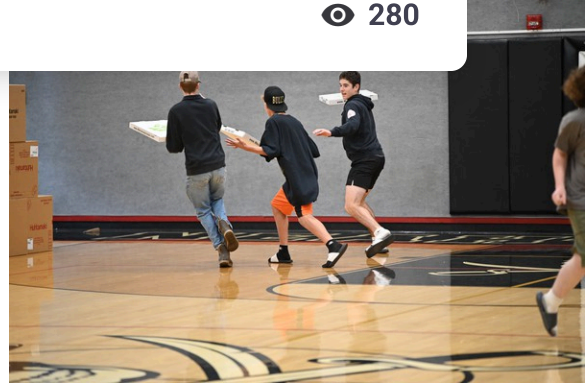
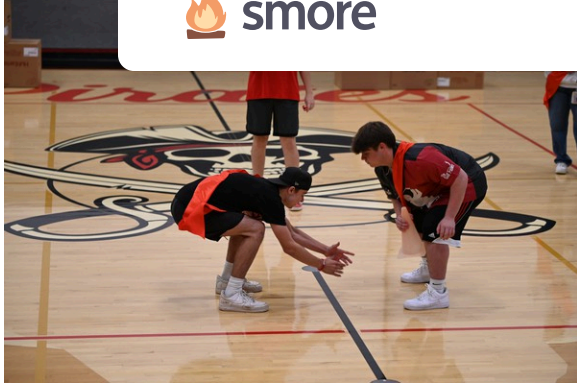


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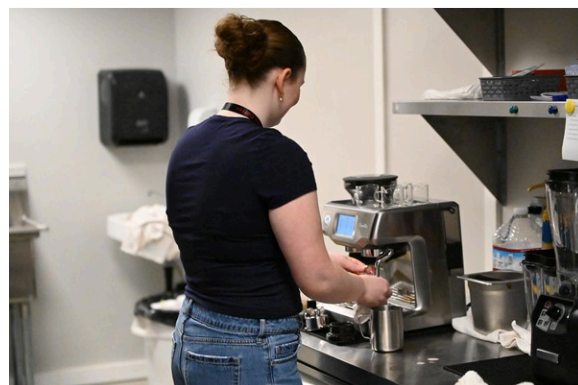




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☠️ *Crossbones Coffee is ready for business!* ☠️



Halloween Costume Guidance

We will allow students to wear costumes on halloween this year.

Please see the guidelines for school below:

- Apparel does not disparage or marginalize any group (culture, religion, ethnicity, gender, etc)
- Apparel does not mention of violence, drugs, alcohol, profanity, sexual references, or gangs
- You must be able to sit, walk, breathe, see, and hear (no masks that cover the whole face, face paint is okay)
- No pretend prop weapons such as water pistols, knives, or swords, etc.
- No gore, fake blood, etc.
- If you are unsure about the appropriateness of your costume, please contact an administrator.



THE 10 GENRE CHALLENGE

SIGN UP IN THE LIBRARY BEFORE DECEMBER 1ST!

This is for students interested in exploring many of the fiction genres in the library!



Genres students can read in to qualify for the challenge: Classics, Historical Fiction, Romance, Realistic Fiction, Novels in Verse, Horror, Mystery, Humor, Sports, Adventure, Science Fiction, Dystopia, Supernatural, Animal Fiction, Fantasy, and Graphic Novels.

This challenge is also for students who like non-fiction!



There are four specific non-fiction genres that also qualify for this challenge: 001-499- Social Science and Languages, 500-699- Sciences, 700-899- Arts and Literature, and 900-999 - History.

Timeline for the Challenge

Sign up in the library today!

Read 8 books in different genres by March 9th.

Go on the field trip to Powell's on Saturday April 25th.

Read 4 books in different genres by December 1st.

Read 10 books in different genres by April 20th.

Sign up in the library today!



Focus on books in our school library!



The majority (at least 6) of the books should be checked out from our library so that Ms. Harmon and Ms. Fowler can view your reading history.

Series books only count for one genre...



While we love that you are reading a series! Good for you! We really want you to read lots of different books - so all the books in a series count for one of your genre reads.

You don't need to read every single genre.



There are many genres to choose from - you will only need to read from 10 of the 20 genre options in our library.



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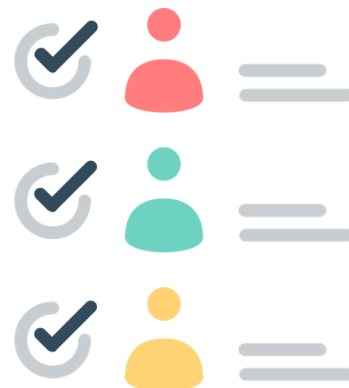


Attendance Matters!

Attendance Incentives

Every month, the HS will be recognizing the class with the highest rate of Regular Attenders. Regular attenders are the students who have a 90% or above attendance rate. **Congratulations to the Junior class for winning the month of September with a 81% of students attending 90% or more of the time.**

- Freshman: 75%
- Sophomores: 77%
- Juniors: 81%
- Seniors: 68%




Overall Regular Attender Rate: 75%



Tutoring Information

Mr. Lehr offers after school tutoring every Thursday from 4-6. Signups are in the main office!

Community Events and Resources



All Ages Walk-in Vaccine Clinic

OCTOBER 13, 2025 - NOVEMBER 24, 2025

Monday 10:00am - 4:00pm
Wednesday 9:00am - 4:00pm

TCCHC Main Street Clinic
800 Main Ave, Suite A, Tillamook, OR

Se habla español

No appointment required


COVID-19
Ages 6+ booster

Flu
Ages 6+ booster

Pneumonia
Ages 6+

Vaccines for parents, kids, aunts, uncles, siblings, friends, caregivers - anyone!

*Eligibility for vaccines varies by age.



Clínica de vacunación sin cita para todas las edades

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Lunes 10:00am - 4:00pm
Miércoles 9:00am - 4:00pm

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Edades 6+ booster

Gripe
Edades 6+ booster

Neumonía
Edades 6+

Vacunas para padres, hijos, tíos, tías, hermanos, amigos, cuidadores - cualquier persona

*La elegibilidad para las vacunas varía según la edad.



Tillamook County WELLNESS
A Program of Oregon Health Division

BRIGHT FUTURES Start Early

Did you know 80% of your child's brain development happens during the first 3 years of life?

The first three years are a time of incredible growth and brain development. Home visiting programs and parenting support services help families build strong foundations through guidance, connection, and care. Whether it's your first baby or your third, you don't have to go it alone—support is here to help your family thrive.

Home Visiting Programs
Voluntary, in-home support and assessments from trained professionals to promote children's health and school readiness.

Parenting Support Services
Education, coaching, and resources to help parents nurture children's growth, learning, and emotional well-being.

Early Head Start gives our children the educational support needed to better guide our daughters and sons' lives and future.



HOME VISITING PROGRAMS

Program Name	Key Features	Program Hours	Location	Age	Cost	Eligibility	Staff
Home Visiting	• Personalized support and guidance • Home visits by trained professionals • Support with parenting, child development, and school readiness	Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm	Home	0-5 years	Free	Resident of Tillamook County, Oregon Income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level	Home Visiting Staff
Parenting Support Services	• Parenting classes and workshops • Support with child development and school readiness • Support with family planning and contraception	Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm	Home	0-5 years	Free	Resident of Tillamook County, Oregon Income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level	Parenting Support Staff

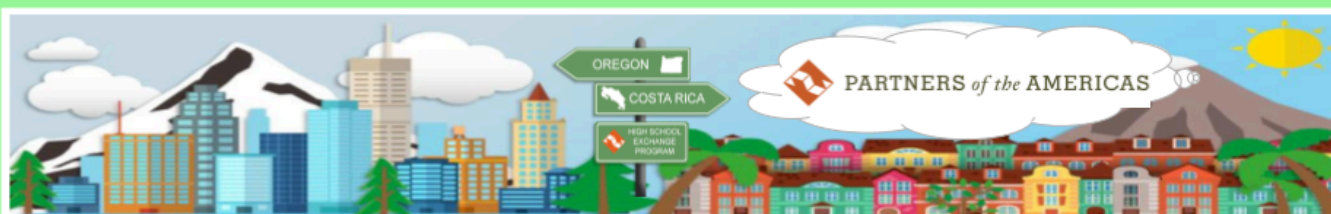
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HOST A COSTA RICA STUDENT!

Build friendships, share cultures, and create amazing memories when your family hosts a Costa Rican student **for just 4 weeks.**

Dec 7, 2025 - Jan 3, 2026 or Jan 4, 2026 - Feb 1, 2026

LEARN
MORE!

ZOOM INFO SESSION

CHECK
IT OUT!

Join us online to get info, ask questions, and hear from past host families.

Tuesday, October 28th @ 7PM

Link : bit.ly/ORCRzoom

Apply online at www.partnersorcr.com



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Oregon - Costa Rica 4 Week Hosting Program

WHO COMES?

Costa Rican high school students who have been carefully and competitively selected to represent their country will be in Oregon for eight weeks. Each student lives with a family and shadows their host sibling at high school. They are supported by English speaking chaperones who regularly check in and provide guidance for students and host families as needed.

WHEN?

Families will host a Costa Rican student for one of the 4 week sessions shown below:
December 6, 2025 – January 2, 2026 OR January 6, 2026 – February 3, 2026.
Costa Rican students will shadow their host student at high school during that 4 weeks.

HOW TO APPLY?

All hosting families must have a high school student in the household. If you and your family are interested in hosting a Costa Rican student, you can find out more info and take the next steps on our website: <https://www.costa-rican-exchange.com/apply-to-host>

WHY HOST A COSTA RICAN HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE STUDENT?

- To provide an international experience and develop cross-cultural skills in English
- To promote international understanding/friendship between people of Oregon and Costa Rica
- To provide students from both countries with the broadening experience of other cultures
- To learn about our summer travel opportunity to Costa Rica available for Oregon students

ZOOM Info Session - Tuesday October 28th @ 7PM

Join us to get info and ask questions.
Link to join Zoom Info Session: <https://bit.ly/3CZ8a8m>

CONTACT INFO

Website: www.costa-rican-exchange.com

Email: info@costa-rican-exchange.com

Hosting Coordinators:

Jane VanPelt 871.212.7506

Jennifer Grogan 503.281.5331



*Yes, as long as the same gender student has their own bed. A separate room is required for opposite gender students.

3) Does our family have to speak Spanish?

No! The Costa Rican student comes to Oregon to improve English skills.

4) Do I have to be taking Spanish to host? Nope!

5) Is it expensive to host?

Your family is responsible for the room and board (food) for the Costa Rican student. The student brings their own personal belongings. Your cost is just an additional month to feed for 4 weeks.

6) What happens if the Costa Rican student gets sick?

Costa Rican students come to Oregon with their own medical insurance. Chaperones are ready to help out in all medical situations as needed.

7) Do we have to look special food?

No! Let the Costa Rican student experience your normal routine meals.

8) What does the Costa Rican student do about high school?

The student attends high school with regular host responsibilities, but does not enroll in separate classes. The teachers do not need to assign or grade anything extra. Costa Ricans may be in rooms for the Spanish teacher and some programs to give a Costa Rican Presentation in any classes as requested.

9) What happens if we have questions?

Costa Rican chaperones accompany the students and will be in Oregon to assist host families and students. The Host Program Coordinators and PMA Committees are also available to assist you.

10) What if my family has travel plans?

Include the Costa Rican student in your plans! They are typically adventurous and eager to see more of our amazing state and country. We have had students travel throughout the country during their exchange.

HISTORY

Partners of the American was founded in 1986 as the "people to people" component of John F. Kennedy Administration's Alliance for Progress. Oregon and Costa Rica were among its "Partner" Partners. The first need for Latin American countries to form a partnership to provide friendships, cultural exchanges, and assistance in various forms. The Oregon-Costa Rican high school student exchange program was "born" in 1986 when a Spanish teacher from Salem, the Margaret Davis, saw "Oregon Students for 4 Weeks" in Costa Rica. The high school exchange program between Oregon and Costa Rica has continued successfully for over 40 years! Today, Partners is a private, non-profit organization, enjoying the support of countless individuals, international corporations and foundations. The high school student exchange Committee arranges for host families for Costa Rican students to live with while they are in Oregon. This committee also selects Oregon students and programs them to travel to Costa Rica in June-August.

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