

October 29, 2018

Hello Titan Families,

Did you know our graduation rate **increased by almost 4%** from last year, and is 3% above our district average? **We are extremely proud of our school's graduation rate: 89.2% of last year's seniors crossed the threshold and received a high school diploma!** Our goal is to support our scholars so that every single senior receives a high school diploma on time. With your help, we believe this is achievable.

As we enter the month of November, the beginning of our eighth week of school, we should be incredibly proud of our student scholars who are now preparing for our upcoming **Student Led Conferences**. This is a time to reflect upon your child's progress so far, to establish goals and how to meet them, and to celebrate successes! Please join us with your scholar during one of the days listed below.

Our goal for SLC scholar and parent attendance November 8th and 9th: 100%

Last year's attendance:	This year's goal
94%	100%

Scholar Led Conference DATES AND TIMES

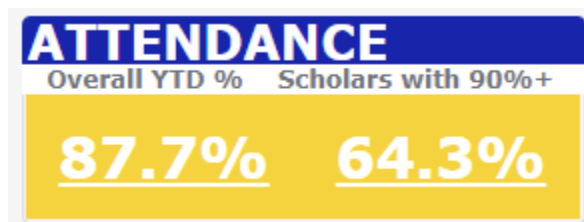
Thursday, Nov 8: 9:00 am-7:30 pm

Friday, Nov 9: 7:00am-11:00 am

Please be looking for a sign-up sheet this week!

We hope you will join us November 8, Thursday, as we share our School Improvement Plan with you at our Parent Support and Advisory Group. We are organizing a **Parent Support and Advisory Group** to give parents and guardians an opportunity to learn about what school staff and administration are doing to improve our work in support of scholar achievement. Would you like to join us? **On November 8, Thursday---the day of SLC—we will convene in the library at 6:30 pm.** You are invited to attend! Please RSVP to Office Manager Melissa Havili by calling (253) 945-2571 or emailing her at mhavili@fwps.org by **November 7, Wednesday**.

ATTENDANCE-We all know how important it is for our students to attend school ON TIME every single day. As a staff, we are monitoring our attendance data for the school. There is a definite relationship between attendance and student success. Currently, 64% of our scholars have attended more than 90% of the school days this year. **Parents and guardians—we ask your help in supporting your child's attendance at school.** Together we can bring that number up. When that happens, we can see student achievement improve as well! More information is forthcoming on our Attendance Policy and what supports we can provide to help.



We are currently looking to hire a tutor for our **after-school homework support** program and apologize that original plans have fallen through. We hope to have that arranged as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience.

Have a great week!

Anali Weatherhead

Here's what's coming up:

- **Early Release** – Oct 31st
- **Halloween:** Wednesday, October 31 (No face masks, make-up, props allowed)
- **Election Day:** Tuesday, November 6. Please make sure you get your ballots sent in.
- **Student Led Conferences:** November 8-9 || 9:00 am-7:00 pm
- **No School for Conferences:** November 8-9 || 7:00 am-11:00 am

Other News:

From the College/Career Center

SCHOLARSHIP BULLETIN

ACT SIX SCHOLARSHIPS: The Act Six Scholarship is a full tuition, full need urban leadership scholarship that may be used at Gonzaga, Northwest University, PLU, Trinity, St. Martin's or Whitworth. Apply online at www.actsix.org/nw/tacsea/. **Deadline: November 6, 2018**

Attention Seniors and Parents— The FAFSA Application is now available! Our College and Career Specialist, Nicole Collopy will be on hand Thursday during Student Led Conferences in Room 267.

Completing the FAFSA/WASFA is required in order to receive any type of financial aid including scholarships through the colleges. A recent news report on KOMO television stated the average financial aid/scholarship is about \$9,000.

It is important to fill out the FAFSA or WASFA as soon after October 1st as possible because some aid (such as grants) has limited pools of money and are awarded on a first come basis based on need

You can access the FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov. Start by clicking on the 3rd link at the top of the screen to create an **FSA ID**. **Be sure to select the 2019-2020 school year as this is when you will begin using financial aid for college**

If you aren't eligible for the FAFSA you may be able to submit the WASFA. Go to www.readysetgrad.org/wasfa for more information and to determine eligibility.

Junior and Seniors State Assessment Re-Tests

We are currently re-testing all Juniors and Seniors that have yet to meet standard on the ELA and Math state assessment.

From the Athletic Director:

The Todd Beamer Titans are finishing the Fall Sports Season with many celebrations!

The Football Team won the NPSL Mountain Division Championship and earned the #1 Seed into the playoffs. The Titans will play Skyline HS this Friday Night, 11/2 for a trip to the State Playoffs on the line.

Kelsey and Kayla Yi both qualified for State in Girls Golf which will be held in Spokane next May. They both qualified at districts competing at Gold Mountain Golf Course. We will be rooting for you in the Spring Kelsey and Kayla!

Cross Country will send two boys to the State Championship Meet in Pasco this weekend with Alonso Banuelos and Austin Steed running their way to State. Good Luck at State Boys!

Girls' Soccer Playoffs Tuesday, October 30 @Ingersoll in Olympia.

Todd Beamer Diver, Stephenie Gunn will represent the Titans at the State Championship Swim and Dive Competition held at King County Aquatic Center next weekend. Best of luck to you Stephenie!

Also, **Head Football Coach Darren McKay** received the prestigious "*Seattle Seahawk High School Coach of the Week*" on October 15th with their victory over Enumclaw and a claim of the NPSL Championship.

Finally, **We are proud of our Varsity Scholar Athletes as they achieved a combined 3.4 GPA in the classroom.** Not only are our athletes performing with excellence in the gym, pool, and field, but also in the classroom!

Go Titans! Go Todd Beamer Scholar-Athletes,

Tim Kuykendall
Athletic Director

For schedules and results for all TBHS athletic events, visit www.NPSL.org

Winter Athletics 2018

Todd Beamer High School | Home of the Titans

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Girls Bowling – Starts October 29

Gymnastics- Starts Nov 5

Girls Wrestling - Starts Nov 12

Boys Swim/Dive - Starts Nov 12

Boys Wrestling - Starts Nov 12

TBHS Communication Plan

It is our goal to keep families engaged by providing relevant and timely information through a variety of different communication channels. Below are details about just a few of the ways we will be communicating school-wide information with you in the coming year.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TBHS.FWPS/notifications/>

Take a minute to “LIKE” Todd Beamer High School’s official Facebook Page. See photos and stay “in the know” about exciting events and activities happening around TBHS.

Official Twitter page: @TBTitans

This page is under construction! We plan to be tweeting good news soon.

School Call-Outs:

We will use our mass mailer/caller to send reminders about deadlines, upcoming events, or other important information we want students and families to be aware of. During the school year, you can expect a “TB Updates” email with relevant and timely information about what is going on around TBHS.

ParentVue/StudentVue

Each student and family has a personalized login to our Learning Management System app, *ParentVue/StudentVue*. When set up and used, this provides a personalized experience for each user and is a “one-stop-shop” for information about each of your students’ progress. If you do not have your access code, or are having trouble with your account, please call the main office at (253) 945-2573 and they can help you get this set up.

TBHS Website <http://fwps.org/tbhs>

This is updated regularly and contains links to information about sports, activities and clubs, photos, news stories, calendars, contact information, and much, much more.

Of course, if you can’t find the answer to your questions on our website, please don’t hesitate to contact our front office by phone or email. We are ready to help you.

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