

# PANTHER PRIDE

## WESTON HIGH SCHOOL'S FAMILY NEWSLETTER

2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR

ISSUE NO. 8

### Vision Statement

All Weston High School students think creatively and critically to problem-solve through project-based, hands-on, applied and relevant learning.



### Mission Statement

Weston High School is a diverse school of choice providing innovative learning opportunities that prepares students for college, career and life.

## OPEN DOORS REENGAGEMENT PROGRAM MS. MCART

The Open Doors Reengagement Program at Weston High School has been a very busy place these last few months! We currently have 46 enrolled students with several more in the process of applying. Recently our students presented to the school board, and the program has caught the attention of many interested supporters including Congressman Rick Larsen, who visited the facility in early February, and was very supportive of the work being done.

One aspect that has been especially attractive to our students is our

partnership with Work Source Snohomish County. Early this year Work Source put together a package of job skills classes that were offered in early March for Open Doors students looking for work, or looking to improve their resumes or interview skills. Work Source is also actively developing more internship opportunities.

We are proud to announce that Open Doors recently celebrated the graduation of our first student, and we are looking forward to another student completing her GED in the next month

or two. She is only one test away!

Good things are definitely happening in the Open Doors world, stay tuned for more!



## YOUR SCHOOL OF CHOICE

### “BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE!”



## FINAL REPORT CARDS

BY MR. NELSON

You may access your students final report card on Family Access.

Final report cards will not be mailed out this year.

## IMPORTANT DATES

May 28, 2019

No School  
Memorial Day

June 1, 2018

Graduating Senior Field Trip

June 5, 2018

WCAS Science testing  
9:40am-11:30am

June 6-7, 2018

WCAS testing make ups  
8:30am & 1:00pm

June 13, 2018

WHS Graduation  
BPAC at 6:30pm

June 15, 2018

All School Field Trip  
MPOP formerly EMP

June 18, 2018

Last day of school  
Release at 11:20am



## GRADUATION DETAILS

BY MRS. BROWN

Weston's commencement ceremony will be held on Wednesday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30pm at the Byrnes Performing Arts Center. The doors will be open at 6:00pm for friends and family and seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

For graduating seniors, there will be two required rehearsals. You **must** attend both rehearsals in order to walk during the ceremony.

- June 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am: Graduation rehearsal! Students will be taking the bus from Weston to the Byrnes Performing Arts Center to rehearse. We will return to Weston at about 11:00am to have lunch and seniors are then free to leave for the remainder of the school day. Please note that students must ride the bus from WHS to the BPAC for this rehearsal!! We have passed out permission slips for you to complete and turn in no later than Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- June 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm: Graduation dress rehearsal and pictures! We will practice with your cap, gown and tassel at the BPAC. If you are speaking as part of the ceremony, please be at the BPAC at 4:30pm to practice using the microphone.

Now is the time to order your cap and gowns! Jostens Northwest is the vendor that we use to order cap and gowns along with other class of 2018-related memorabilia. To order, please visit [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) and search for Weston High School. You will need a cap, gown and tassel in order to march with us on June 13<sup>th</sup>. If you are unable to purchase a cap and gown, we do have a limited number to loan out (you will have to purchase a tassel).

We will have a slide show of pictures from the school year playing at the commencement ceremony and we would like to add baby pictures of our seniors! If you'd like to submit a baby picture and a senior picture, we would love to show them off in the slide show.

We are looking forward to celebrating your hard work and accomplishments! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach us at [lorcutt@asd.wednet.edu](mailto:lorcutt@asd.wednet.edu) or (360) 618-6340.



# VIDEO GAME PROGRAMMING

BY MR. HAUK

Students in the video game programming class were excited to start working on their games for the upcoming statewide Super Showcase Competition. The theme for this year's competition is that the video game must take place in one single room. Games can be any style including adventure, RPG, and strategy games. The students worked in teams of up to four members. Teams had to determine which members would be in charge of production, level design, character design, programming, and art/animation assets. Teams created their games using the Zero Engine from Digipen Institute of Technology.

The competition lasted for eight weeks, culminating in the statewide showcase event at Highline Performing Arts Center on May 20. There were designated times after school available for teams to work on their games outside of class. Each school was allowed to send two teams to the statewide competition. We hosted a local showcase event to determine the top teams that got to compete at the state level where they competed in the comprehensive high school division. There were also teams from regional skills centers that competed in a separate division. If you have a student in the video game programming class, please ask them about their games and how their project went. Videos of last year's statewide showcase are available at the following URL: <http://capitalcomtech.info/2017/05/22/2017-state-game-design-super-showcasecontest/>.



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The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

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