



# FALCON FLASH

Cascade Heights Public Charter School Family Newsletter | December 03, 2018

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## From the Principal's desk

Dear Falcon families,

The first third of this year has flown by!

We've come incredibly far and accomplished much in a short time. Our teachers are leading their classrooms with intention and expertise, our office is finding new and exciting ways to involve parents and the community in every possible aspect of school business. Our Board has begun the process of welcoming new members and developing their processes. Our parents partnering with teachers have helped with grants, volunteered time to make existing programs more multi-sensory, improve our facility and safety, and the PTA along with your support was able to completely fund classroom stipends with the Jog-A-Thon fundraiser!

We've had parents and community members donate reading centers, reading curriculum, recess equipment, healthy food for snacks, items for multi-sensory learning initiatives, cameras, science materials, musical instruments, and more.



Support our School!

**Reminder...**

**Deadlines for  
Scrip orders**

- Mondays 12/10, & 12/17

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Cascade Heights students have benefited from high-impact events, inspiring guest speakers, innovative core-knowledge activities, an increased number of field trips, overnights and on-site experiences that other students don't have access to anywhere else! The energy is high and a powerful force in our community. You can feel it in the halls, in the classroom and in the positive feedback that is coming in waves from all around us.

In the next several months you can expect to see additional gym improvements, pioneering changes to our environmental efforts, improved reading curriculum in the classrooms and many other positive changes. All of this is due to the support of our teachers, families, the North Clackamas School District, the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation Department and the general community.

This time of year means so many different things to all of us, and however you choose to spend your time, we wish you a happy season!

PS. January's Falcon Flash Newsletter will be distributed on Monday, January 7, 2019.

Thank you for being on this journey with us!

Mrs. Macy



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### Parent's Night Out is December 7<sup>th</sup>

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class is fundraising for their Ashland trip. If you need a night out, this is a great opportunity to help support the 8<sup>th</sup> graders and have fun.

**When:** Friday, December 7

**Time:** 5:00pm to 8:00pm

**Location:** Cascade Heights Public Charter School

**Cost:** \$20.00 per child



## Falcon Member Spotlight: John Weaver



### Get to know John Weaver

Mr. Weaver began his CHPCS career eleven years ago at the old campus. He initially taught P.E. outside, rain or shine and then celebrated the move here into his nostalgic gymnasium.

Mr. Weaver graduated from Western Oregon University in Monmouth, Oregon. He has always been a natural athlete and had a high interest in sports, fitness, and health. He has a personal stake in helping students find success in health at school.

Fun facts about Mr. Weaver: He is a skillful dancer and passionate Trailblazer fan. He loves woodworking, fort building, and making birdhouses and other wood crafts. He enjoys the outdoors and introducing his children to activities including hiking, swimming, biking, and playing games. Currently, he is serving as a mentor to other P.E. teachers in the area due to his outstanding efforts at Cascade Heights!

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### Check out your neighborhood school sports youth programs

Did you know that CHPCS students can participate in neighborhood school sports youth programs? You can locate various sport programs found on specific school websites, such as the one below for more information on youth sports:

<https://www.nclack.k12.or.us/rockcreek/page/youth-sports>



## Our Community and Partners

*Thank You*

### Falcon Families and North Clackamas Parks and Recreation

We are grateful to our Falcon Families who generously donated recess equipment to our students and school. In addition, we have a shed to store the recess equipment and it will be managed by our 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

We are also grateful to North Clackamas Parks and Recreation for filling in our bark chips on the playground to help make it safer for our students. In addition, North Clackamas Parks and Recreation provided CHPCS with new basketball backboards and hoops! And during Winter break, our gym floors will be re-done.





## Our Community and Partners

Are you or someone you know in need of community resources?

The Family Support Center at the Wichita Center can help! The North Clackamas Family Support Center is a community-based program that provides services, resources, and information to individuals and their families. The following are services that they provide:

- Food Pantry: Operating hours are Monday - Thursday 10:00am – 4:00pm
- Clothes Closet: Available to students K-12 grade enrolled in North Clackamas School District. Operating hours are Monday - Thursday 10:00am - 3:30pm
- Homeless education/resources
- Backpacks & School Supplies
- Lunch Buddy Program
- Dental Health Solutions (Smile Squad)
- Hygiene Supplies (toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, etc.)

Wichita Center also takes donations and have volunteer opportunities. To see how you can make a difference and get involved, visit their website <https://www.nclack.k12.or.us/wichita> or call (503) 353-5663.



## PTA Corner



### Spirit Week is December 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>!

As a community, we were able to raise nearly **\$15,000.00**

from our Jog-A-Thon. This money is used to fund teacher stipends which is what pays for hands on supplies, guest speakers, and other multisensory experiences which directly benefits every student. Because everyone did so well, we are pleased to announce the promised themed dress days.

**Note:** Please keep in mind that our goal is a fun week, however if a student elects not to participate in Spirit Week [for any day of the week], regular school uniforms are required.

Spirit Week	Description
<b>Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>Pajama Day!</b>	Students may wear appropriate pajamas and slippers. To ensure student safety, feet must be covered with shoes that may be worn outside and for PE.
<b>Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>College/Career Day</b>	What college is your student looking forward to? What do they want to be when they grow up? Doctor, lawyer, physicist, military, dancer, firefighter, law enforcement? The sky is the limit! Students may celebrate a college or career with their attire. Look around the house and piece together appropriate attire! Jeans may be worn with a college shirt if students are going that route. The college or career must be evident, just street clothes is not an option.
<b>Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Super/Hero Day</b>	We all have heroes, today is the day to show them off! Students may celebrate a personal hero or dress as a superhero. Please be sure that students can still participate in PE and recess safely. Please leave fake weapons at home.
<b>Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Core Knowledge Day</b>	Our last theme of the week is Core Knowledge. Each class has chosen one topic of study for their students to represent. All costumes need to be school appropriate and allow students to safely participate in PE and recess. <b>Kindergarten:</b> Animals; <b>1<sup>st</sup>:</b> Ancient Egypt; <b>2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> Insects; <b>3<sup>rd</sup>:</b> Vikings; <b>4<sup>th</sup>:</b> Pirates; <b>5<sup>th</sup>:</b> Plants; <b>6<sup>th</sup>:</b> The Prince and the Pauper; <b>7<sup>th</sup>:</b> The 1920's; <b>8<sup>th</sup>:</b> The 1950's

## Calendar of Events

Did you know? Our Calendar of Events is also on <https://cascadeheights.org/> under News & Events

### December

### Time & Location

12/07/18 (Friday)	<b>Parent's Night Out</b>	5:00pm to 8:00pm
12/10/18 (Monday)	<b>Teacher Tea</b>	8:00am - TBD
12/24/18 – 01/04/19	<b>Winter Break</b> School resumes Monday, 01/07/2019	

### January 2019

### Time & Location

01/07/19 (Monday)	<b>School Resumes</b>	
01/09/19 (Wednesday)	<b>PTA Meeting</b>	6:30pm – Library
01/11/19 (Friday)	<b>School Field Trip</b>	
01/14/19 (Monday)	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	6:30pm – Library
01/21/19 (Monday)	<b>MLK JR Day Holiday</b> <b>No School</b>	
01/22/19 (Tuesday)	<b>Coffee in the Library</b>	8:00am – Library
01/29/19 (Tuesday)	<b>2019-2020 Kindy Applications</b> <b>Due. Lottery takes place</b> <b>Friday, 02/01/19</b>	
01/31/19 (Thursday)	<b>All School Assembly</b>	8:00am - Gymnasium