

CAREER & EDUCATION

High Schools Open Doors

Showcasing programs for prospective students

Portland high schools are showcasing their programs for current eighth-graders and their families.

Open houses and information nights are preceding the district's high school enrollment and transfer cycle, which runs from Feb. 4 through Feb. 28.

Most schools offer one or more open houses or similar events that include building tours, teacher introductions and academic information. Individual tours are available on request.

Roosevelt High School held an open house two weeks ago. Information sessions are coming for the following high schools:

Benson Technical High School, Feb. 9 and Feb. 24, 6 p.m.

Cleveland High School, Feb. 10, 7 p.m.

Franklin High School Feb. 1 with question and answer sessions on Feb. 9 and Feb. 23

Grant High School, eighth-grade information night, Feb. 10, 6 p.m.

Jefferson High School, middle college information night, Jan. 26, 6:30 p.m.



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All of Portland's high schools, including Benson (above), are opening their doors over the next few days to perspective students for information nights as signup periods for current eighth graders are due.

Lincoln High School, eighth-grade curriculum night, Feb. 9, 6 p.m.

Madison High School, Showcase Night, Feb. 8, 6:30 p.m.

Metropolitan Learning Center

K-12, Jan. 26, 7 p.m.; Feb. 9, 7 p.m.; Feb. 23, 10 a.m.

Wilson High School, eighth-grade family night, Feb. 3, 6:15 p.m.

All students in Portland Public

Schools are assigned automatically by home address to their neighborhood high school. Families who want their children to attend any school other than the neighborhood school must apply

for a transfer.

PPS also offers focus option schools. When there are more applicants than space allows, the school district uses a lottery system to approve applications.

Inspiring Native American Youth

The State of Oregon has awarded a \$54,143 grant to Oregon Museum of Science and Industry's Salmon Camp project to inspire Native American youth

to pursue secondary education in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Funded through a \$1.5 million grant from the U.S. Department of

Education received by Oregon in August, OMSI's award is part of the College Access Challenge Grant Program which awarded grants to 12 pre-college prepara-

tion programs across the state.

OMSI's Salmon Camp project will be implemented with the help of partner organizations, with the goal of engaging Native American youth in hands-on scientific field research with Native American traditions and knowledge.

To achieve this goal, the project will increase the number of Native students reached; will develop math activities aligned with Oregon standards and integrated into program experiences; and will hire a salmon education coordinator.

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