

Monday-Friday, February 19-23: Mid-winter Break, No School Friday, March 22: Snow Day Make-up

Friday, March 8: PTSA Glow Dance 7-9pm

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## PTSA NEWS



Congratulations to all the students who took part in the 2023-2024 National PTA Reflections program with the theme "I am Hopeful, Because..."

Special congratulations to Ciel Ha for the outstanding film and Crystal Claire-Zhang for the exceptional literature pieces that have advanced to the State Level. Both of you will receive the prestigious Reflections Marble Victory Trophy along with a gift.

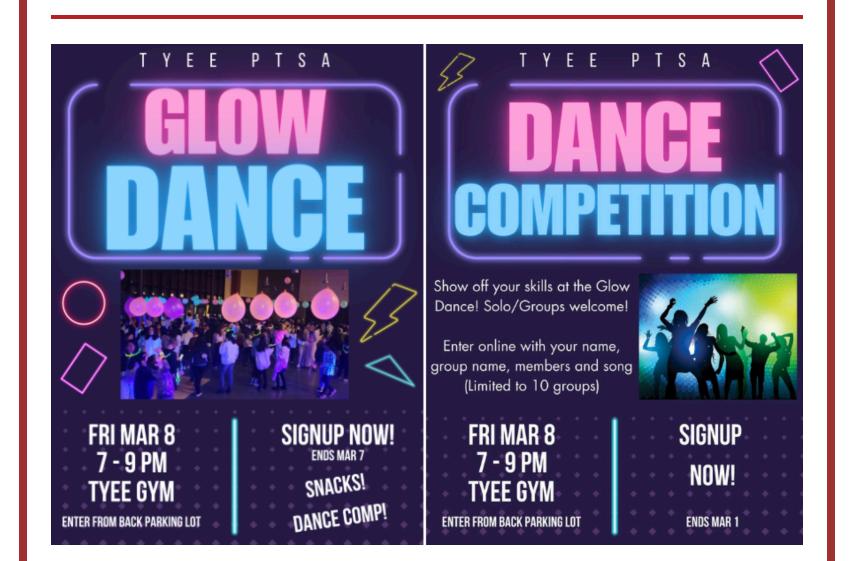
For the other participating students, you will be recognized with the Reflections Medallion and a gift. Details about when you can pick up your rewards will be communicated to you soon. Great job, everyone!



**Science Club's Success in Regional Science Bowl** 

Congratulations to the fourteen Tyee students who participated in the Regional Science Bowl Middle School Competitions at the University of Portland on February 3rd. Tyee Team 1, comprised of Max Zheng, Andrew Chen, Evan Cen, Nathan Duldulao, and Jingqi Li, placed in the top 16 at the Regional.

We extend our congratulations to all the participants of the Regional Science Bowl. A special thank you to the Science Club Coaches for their dedication in running the weekly club, and to all the parents for their unwavering support. We hope to continue inspiring a passion for science exploration and learning within our Tyee community.



## **Tyee Glow Dance**

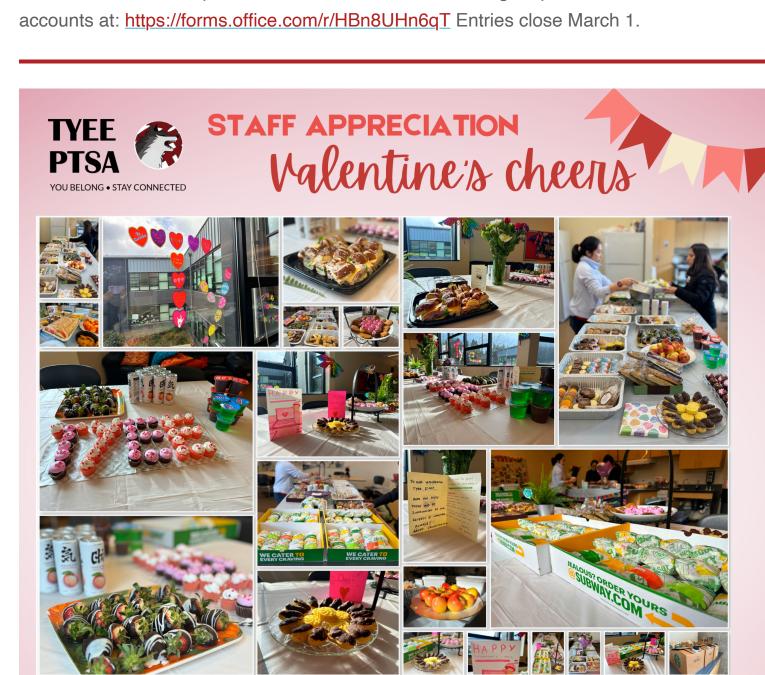
Join us for the Tyee Glow Dance on Friday 3/8/24! Doors open at 6:45pm, event is 7:00pm - 9:00pm in the Gym, open to current Tyee students only. Enter by the back parking lot doors. Free entry and snacks provided.

Sign up for the Glow Dance before Thursday Mar 7th. Pre-registration and Parent Permission is required to attend this event. Students will not be allowed entrance if not registered in advance. Adherence to BSD Student Code of Conduct is required for all Student Social Events. The registration link will be available soon.

PTSA and ASB membership is not required to register. Volunteers are needed to help ensure the event goes ahead. Please sign-up to volunteer at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D44AEA92AA1F49-47985684-volunteers

Glow Dance Competition

The Tyee Glow Dance is coming up on Friday March 8! Show off your dance skills at the dance! Solo or Groups welcome! Students need to sign up with their school district



**Staff Appreciation - Valentine's Cheers Recap** 

Tyee PTSA hosted a staff appreciation Valentine's luncheon on Tuesday, February 6th. A heartfelt thanks to staff appreciation chairs Lynn Zhang and Valeri Makam for their outstanding leadership in organizing this event. We extend our gratitude to all the students who wrote warm-hearted cards. Additionally, we appreciate the parents who generously contributed sweet treats, including cupcakes, cookies, brownies, and fruits. Special thanks to the parent volunteers who contribute their time to set up and clean up. Your support is invaluable, and we couldn't have done it without you.

A big thank you to the following volunteers for their hard work and dedication: Chandy Yos, Seo Yeon Kim, Maggie Qin, Hillary Nordwell, Archana Sood, BongHyun Shin, Chris Aminoto, Katherine Yu, Peggy Wang, Sweta Shah, Jeonghae Park, Dandan Jiang, Lili Chen, Vicki Premo, yunkyong yi, Sheila Kishore, Maggie Qin, Wendy Yu, Tobias Mayer, Regina Anderson, Soo Shin, Jing Yang, Enyu Zhang, Kelli Lane, Lalitha Subramanyam and Becky Park.



Following the January 17 school closure, March 22 is now a regular school day for students. If you have already made plans for that day, please note Bellevue School District's pre-arranged absence requirements:

- Bellevue School District allows each student 5 pre-arranged absence days per school year. These absences are excused and can be used for family events, travel, extracurricular events, private school interviews, etc.
- To excuse an absence, complete the pre-arranged absence form before the absence. Students must get their teacher and parents' signatures. After obtaining all teacher signatures, students should submit the completed form to the attendance office at least 3 days before the planned absence.
- For more information and to access the pre-arranged absence form, visit: <u>https://bsd405.org/tyee/report-an-absence/</u>



**Chinese Placement Assessments for next year** 

In the coming 2024-25 school year, the Chinese 3 course will be available to Tyee students for the first time. Tyee students may register for the Chinese course of their choice. While the best pathway for new and novice learners is to take Chinese 1A, 1B, and 2 – our community has many students with heritage, native, and dual-language learning background in need of a different pathway. Beginning next year, students may register DIRECTLY for Chinese 1B, Chinese 2, or Chinese 3 course – skipping prior course requirements.

Current Tyee 6th & 7th grade students may request an in-person assessment for Chinese 1B, Chinese 2, or Chinese 3 with Ms. Sun Burford, our Tyee Chinese Teacher. The assessment will measure 5 components: speaking, listening, reading, writing, and typing. If your student plans to take Chinese next year and would like to be considered for placement, please complete the form in the link, and we will contact you to arrange an assessment: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/NGxTxnVbPc</u>

# BSD NEWS

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# 24/7/365 Mental Health Care Coordination Service for Bellevue School District 405 Students, Staff, and their Families

Getting help can be a daunting process. Let our Care Companions<sup>™</sup> find the help you need for depression, anxiety, stress, and more.

# Mental Health Care Service for BSD Families

24/7/365 multilingual support – A multilingual team is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to help you understand options, call providers on your behalf, and schedule an appointment. Call 888-515-0595 at any time. Multilingual support is available. A dedicated Care Companion will help you every step of the way to research options, secure appointments, and follow up to make sure it's a good fit.

- Care regardless of insurance Connect to care with any coverage including
- Medicaid, Medicare, and sliding scale options for those without insurance.
  Easy access to care Use Care Match, the self-serve website, to find a provider or services on your own.With a network of over 350,000 providers and services, Care Solace will help you find the right help at the right time at no cost to you.



**Spring for Schools is Next Month** 

Join us as we cultivate the next generation with a garden party! Funding raised through Spring for Schools yields critical programming in Bellevue School District. Our annual fundraiser joins community leaders, corporate stakeholders, and philanthropic individuals who are committed to making sure that all 18,000+ students at 28 schools in the District can blossom through programs and enrichment opportunities critical to their growth as students and future leaders of our community.

Join or host a table, get a drink and meal with friends, and stroll through the showcase of student work that our donors support.

- When: 5:00 8:00 PM (program starts at 6:00 PM) on Saturday, March 30th
- Where: The Meydenbauer Center: 11100 NE 6th St, Bellevue, WA 98004
  <u>Registration</u>



Arabic Language Evening 2/28

Middle and high school students and families are invited to learn about our 2024-25 online class offerings. Ahlan wa Sahlan. Please attend our Arabic language evening on Wednesday, February 28, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Sammamish High School Library. Learn more about our Arabic language classes held online for middle and high school students, meet our teacher, Manar Chaaban, and meet current students and families. Participate in activities like tatreez (embroidery) and dabkeh (folkloric dance), and enjoy food and art demonstrations. Come in your best Arabic cultural outfit (Thobe or Abaya) to enter a friendly fashion competition. Baklawa, Maamool (date cookies) and Moroccan Mint tea will be provided. BSD secondary students who choose to enroll in Arabic language classes will attend class online through Bellevue Digital Discovery during their regular school day at their home school. If possible, please let us know if you plan to attend Microsoft Forms this online Please through form: Questions? email chaabanm@bsd405.org.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

# **Multicultural Night at Newport HS**

# Newport High School: 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Multicultural Night!

We would love to see you and your friends and family at Newport High School on Friday, March 1st from 6:00-8:30 pm. Check out our student-run booths of different cultures, have dinner at one of the food trucks, and come watch the performances! We hope to celebrate and acknowledge the diversity and culture within our student body and community, and hope you enjoy as well!



Welcoming Spring with the Celebration of Nowruz

Nowruz, meaning "New Day," is a cherished and ancient festival that centers on the spring equinox and marks the official start of the Iranian New Year. Nowruz is a timely celebration rooted in uniting people cross-culturally along the Silk Route and, in our era, strengthening the ties among people (Persians, Azerbaijan, Kurds to Afghans, Tajiks, Turks, and Uzbeks) based on mutual respect and the ideals of peace. The 3700-year-old festival was recognized by the United Nations in 2009 as the Intangible Cultural Heritage, which embodied peace and solidarity.

This year, Nowruz commences on March 19, 2024, at 8:06:26 PM Pacific Time, symbolizing themes of rebirth, healing, hope, patience, and health. The festivities of Nowruz extend for two weeks, embodying the spirit of renewal and unity.

Please <u>read this article</u> for more information regarding Nowruz.

# NEWPORT GIRLS

#### Spring Girls Basketball - Starting March 21st

Starting March 21<sup>st</sup>, join us at the Tyee Middle School Gym for Spring Skills Training. Our coaches will help the girls work on their basketball skills and organize scrimmages. The fee is \$150 and it is open to girls of all experience levels in 2nd – 8th grade that eventually will go to Newport High School! Most sessions will be on Tue/Thu and it runs through May 30<sup>th</sup>. Based on skill level, there will be 2 time slots:

- 6:15-7:45pm: Beginner/Intermediate skill level
- 7:45-9:15pm: Advanced skill level

Register: https://newportgirlsselectbasketball.sportngin.com/register/form/636746508 Email newportgirlsselectbasketball@gmail.com for more details on how to register.

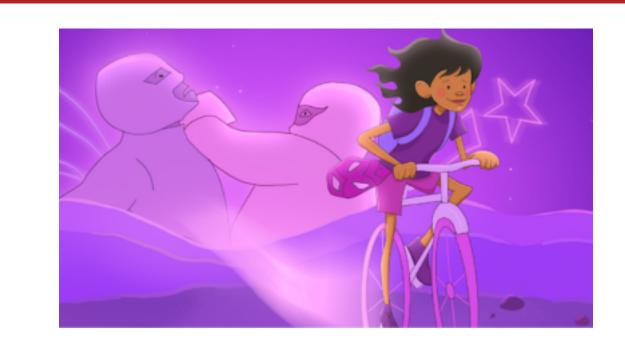


## Free Drop-In Tutoring

Bellevue High School's Science Olympiad has started a program called Tutor Time. They are hosting free drop-in tutoring sessions for students K-12 in all subjects. Sessions are held every Saturday at various KCLS libraries. If you would like more information, please reach out to them at <u>tutortime.bhs@gmail.com</u> or visit their website: <u>https://tutortime.my.canva.site/</u>

Here is their schedule for the month of February:

February 17th: Mercer Island Library Large Meeting Room from 12-2pm
February 24th: Redmond Library Meeting Room 1 from 4-5:30pm



#### SCT Presents 'Luchadora!'

# Thursday, February 22, 2024 — Sunday, March 17, 2024 Event Website

Seattle Children's Theatre - Charlotte Martin Theatre

Transport yourself to the world of lucha libre—Mexican wrestling, with this inspired adaptation of the Chinese legend Hua Mulan. The discovery of a worn pink wrestling mask prompts Nana Lupita, a Wisconsin grandmother, to share her coming of age story growing up in 1960s Texas. As we follow Lupita's journey, we witness her life as a daring teen tomboy; bike riding with her friends, working at her father's flower stand, and lucha libre. When a World Championship match is announced, Lupita's excitement explodes; she anticipates seeing it until she discovers her ailing father is one of the wrestlers. With the help of a magical mask maker, Lupita secretly trains to take her father's place. She soon finds it difficult keeping her secret from her friends and, most importantly, her father.

February 22, 2024 at 6:30pm is our **Pay What You Can** performance of *Luchadora!* Call our Ticket Office to arrange your Pay What You Can ticket for this performance at any price!



Family Magic Show at the Seattle Center

Sunday, March 3, 2024 — Saturday, June 1, 2024 Theatre Puget Sound at Seattle Center, 305 Harrison St, Seattle

Seattle Magic Show presents the only monthly public Family show in Seattle. Take the whole family to the Center Seattle for the 1 hour interactive stage magic show. For nearly 40 years Magician Raymond has performed his creative and innovative magic to thrilled audiences at theme parks, theaters, schools and special events. Now you can take your family to see this fun and amazing show at the Seattle Center. Raymond has perfected the art of family entertainment by crafting strong stage magic with engaging presentations for all ages. Unlike many "Kids Magicians" Raymond's focus is not on "tricks" but rather using magic as a metaphor for the power of imagination and what is possible. The show is fast moving, exciting and fun but with purpose and meaning. There will be two shows at 1 pm and 2:30 pm. Go to www.seattlemagicshow.com for details and Theater information. Advance purchase of tickets are available on www.eventbrite.com.

#### Tyee PTSA Executive Committee

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