



PORT ORFORD - LANGLOIS SCHOOL DISTRICT MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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SUMMER IS CLOSING IN

By Aaron Miller Superintendent

Welcome to the second to the last edition of the Port Orford Langlois School District (POLSD) Newsletter for the 2024-25 school year, with one more edition coming your way in June to share what's happening over the summer. This newsletter is intended to keep you up to date on the many great things that are happening within the

walls of Driftwood Elementary and Pacific High School.

Spring break has passed. State testing consumes a good portion of our days at school. Our only home track meet has come and gone. Students have shared a wide range of personal academic projects during our first ever "Academic Showcase Day" at Pacific High School. Graduation will quickly be upon us.

While this school year comes to a close I urge you to participate in your child's academic, social and athletic endeavors. Their involvement and participation in activities in and out of school are so

critical to their overall development, and your support for them is crucial. Enroll them in one or more of our summer programming options. Get them into swim lessons. Take a family outing and have some family fun together! Enjoy the summer, and watch your kids grow!

Again, we hope you enjoy reading about the many positive activities happening here in the District, and if you have any questions, or there is anything specific you would like to see addressed in a future article, please give us a call at the District Office (541-348-2455).

MEET ASHTON WOOD: AN EDITOR OF THE JOLLY ROGER

An introduction to the student who applies his dedication to editing

By Skylla Larson, Student

If you've ever picked up a copy of the Jolly Roger, Pacific High School's student-run newspaper, chances are you've read something that Ashton Wood helped bring to life. Wood, a junior here at Pacific, is the editor of the Jolly Roger. That means he's the one who goes through all of our articles, helps make them better, and works with other students to make sure everything fits together just right. He says his favorite part of journalism is "figuring out how to put an article together, like putting puzzle pieces together to form a completed puzzle." And honestly, that's a pretty good way to describe what he does.

Wood was born on July 21, 2008 in Coos Bay, but he's lived in Port Orford his whole life. When he's not working on the paper, Wood spends time playing music. He's been playing piano

since he was six and started guitar about five years ago. He also likes playing video games sometimes, but music and writing are definitely his main interests. He joined journalism because he liked writing and thought it would be a good class to try, but it turned out to be more than that. Now, he's planning to stay in journalism for his senior year as well. His goal is to help make sure the paper is consistently good and that all the stories flow well together.

"Editing has been the hardest part," he said. At first, he left comments on people's articles with suggestions, but now he just fixes the mistakes himself. That's part of why he's the editor now—he really stepped up and took responsibility for making the paper better.

Wood is also a big baseball fan. He fell in love with the sport after going to a professional game at Wrigley Field in Chicago in 2019. He had plans to play

the next year, but then COVID hit. The following year, he played for two all-star teams and even won a state championship in his first season. The next season, when he was 13, his team's fortunes were less fruitful as they failed to record a victory, which he says was rough. Despite losing on the field, he met some of his best friends as teammates. After that, he played two years of high school baseball, but had to stop because OSAA no longer permitted Pacific to co-op with Bandon's team. Even though he's not playing baseball right now, he remains interested in the sport. He wants to be a sports writer for MLB someday, but screenwriting sounds fun to him, too. He does plan to go to college, with Liberty University being a potential destination.

Whether it's sports, music, or writing, Ashton Wood puts a lot of heart into everything he does. The Jolly Roger wouldn't be the same without him.



POLSD SUMMER ENRICHMENT CAMPS

By Brittany Pogwizd, Community Liaison

We’re excited to announce another fantastic season of Summer Enrichment Camps for incoming Kindergarten through 9th grade students!

Our program is different from traditional summer school — thanks to grant funding, we’re able to offer a wide range of creative and active camps. From single-day adventures like Rock Climbing to multi-week programs that build early literacy skills and get kids outdoors like Ready, Set, Learn, there’s something for everyone!

Enrollment is online this year!

Visit www.2cj.com/sec to sign up. It’s quick and easy for parents and staff — don’t miss out on a summer of fun, learning, and adventure!

Summer 2025 Camp Lineup:

Rock Climbing: 1st - 9th grade

Role Playing Games: 5th - 8th grade

Ready, Set, Learn: Kindergarten - 4th grade

Volleyball Camp: 3rd - 9th grade

CAD (Computer-Aided Design): 6th - 9th grade

Young Writers & Illustration: 3rd - 8th grade

Robotics: 4th - 9th grade

Soccer Camp: 1st - 9th grade

Weird Science: 1st - 6th grade

Cheer Camp: 3rd - 8th grade

Leadership Camp: 7th & 8th grade

Kinder Camp: Kindergarten



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, May 13: PHS Track @ Sutherlin – 4pm

Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16: PHS Play – Midsummer Night’s Dream – 6:30pm

Monday, May 19: Budget Committee Meeting and School Board Meeting – 5:30pm

Friday and Saturday, May 23 and 24: PHS District Track Meet – Site and Time TBD

Monday, May 26: No School – Memorial Day

Thursday and Friday, May 29 and 30: PHS State Track Meet – Site and Time TBD

Thursday, June 5th: Senior Walk 10:30 am

Friday, June 6th: Class of 2025 Graduation 5 pm

Check out this opportunity! ↓

SPONSORED BY POLSD SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Port Orford – Langlois School District Summer Reading Challenge!

This program is sponsored by our grant-funded summer programs and will provide all current K-8th grade students who sign up will receive 5 free books.

We’re partnering with the Port Orford Library and Langlois Library to make this accessible for all students.

How it works:

- Each student will receive one book to start.
- Once finished, complete the reading card provided.
- Bring the card to your local library to be entered into a prize drawing.
- Pick out your next book!

Complete the below form and turn it into the front office by May 23rd to participate in this program!

