

Mustang Weekly

October 17-23, 2011



School News

SILVER MEDAL SCHOOL! Congratulations to our faculty, staff, and students for winning a "Silver Medal School" designation for RHS in the US News & World Report's first ever "Best High School for [Math & Science](#)" list. This means that RHS has been rated one of the top high schools in the country for math and science. Way to go, RHS!

Extracurricular Activities

SUBMIT YOUR REFLECTIONS ENTRY. This year's [Reflections](#) theme is "Diversity means." The categories are: Visual Arts, Dance/Choreography, Photography, Literature, Film Production, Musical Composition. The last date for entries is **October 28th**. There are entry forms and a copy of the rules for each category in the RHS library, where there is also a portfolio for your completed entry. Collect your entry form, consider the theme and be creative! Questions? Contact [Alison Johnson](#), Reflections Chair.

GYMNASTICS SEASON STARTS SOON. The gymnastics season will begin on **November 7th**. If you are interested in being part of the team, contact [Coach Farr](#).

BLOOD DRIVE. Coming up on **November 21**, the Redmond High School DECA chapter will be hosting a blood drive. We will be working with the Puget Sound Blood Center to help fulfill the great need for blood in the community. High School students account for 16% of the blood used to treat patients, while only 5% of the nation's population gives blood! Students will be able to sign up starting the week of **October 31st**. Those under the age of 18 need parental consent and will be issued a release from to be signed by a parent or guardian and returned. Students, please sign up for this important cause!

GO STANGS! Congrats to the [cross country team](#) for your outstanding performance in the Hole in the Wall Invitational! Congrats to the [golf team](#) for your

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victory over Inglemoor! Congrats to the [soccer team](#) for your victory over Newport! And congrats to [golfers](#) Lyle and Oliver Rudnicki for making it to State!

College & Career Planning

COLLEGE VISITS. College visits give students the chance to meet with an admissions officer and learn more about college opportunities. Please sign up in the Career Center to attend a college visit. Check the [Career Center](#) web site for more information.

College visits for the week of **October 17:**

Monday, October 17

- 7:00 AM [Barnard College](#)
- 2:00 PM [Gordon College](#)
- 2:00 PM [Pacific University](#)
- 2:00 PM [University of Idaho](#)
- 7:00 PM [Washington University in St. Louis](#) @ Redmond Marriott Town Center
- 7:00 PM [Emerson College](#) @ Redmond Marriott Town Center
- 7:00 PM [Chapman University](#) @ Hilton Seattle

Tuesday, October 18

- 7:00 AM [Bates College](#)
- 7:00 AM [Williams College](#)
- 7:00 AM [George Washington University](#)
- 7:00 AM [Northwestern University](#)
- 2:00 PM [University of Arizona](#)
- 2:00 PM [Brown University](#)
- 7:00 PM [Washington and Lee University](#) @ Residence Inn Bellevue
- 7:00 PM [Tulane University](#) @ Renaissance Seattle

Wednesday, October 19

- 7:00 AM [Santa Clara University](#)
- 7:00 AM [Smith College](#)
- 12:15 PM [American University](#)

Thursday, October 20

- 2:00 PM [Carleton College](#)
- 2:00 PM [Lehigh University](#)
- 2:00 PM [Arizona State University](#)

Friday, October 21

7:00 AM [Claremont McKenna College](#)

7:00 AM [University of San Francisco](#)

Saturday, October 22

10:00 AM [Santa Clara University](#) @ Embassy Suites Seattle

Sunday, October 23

1:00 PM [UCLA](#) @ Courtyard Seattle Bellevue/Downtown Hotel

2:00 PM [University of Southern California](#) @ Seattle Marriott Waterfront

COLLEGE ESSAYS: WRITE TO WIN. How do you write successful college entrance essays? What techniques can you use to submit a college application that works? Learn practical strategies to put together a winning application, find out what colleges are looking for when they evaluate essays and get ideas on how to generate a narrative that will get you noticed. Sammamish Library, Tuesday, **October 18**, 7:00 pm [Registration required](#).

WEST POINT INFO SESSION. For sophomors and juniors, the [United State Military Academy at West Point](#) is holding an admissions information meeting on **October 23rd**, from 2:00-4:00 PM at the Washington State Convention Center. This is a perfect time to get information on the steps required to apply to an Academy. Please [RSVP](#) if you plan to attend.

2011 SEATTLE PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS COLLEGE FAIR. Are you interested in a performing or visual arts focus for college? Then don't miss the [2011 Seattle Performing and Visual Arts College Fair](#). It will be held at Fisher Pavilion at Seattle Center on Monday, **October 24** from 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

WASHINGTON AEROSPACE SCHOLARS. Juniors, the [Washington Aerospace Scholars](#) program offers juniors an amazing opportunity to study at NASA-designed curriculum, to work with professional engineers and scientists and compete in hands-on engineering challenges. To participate, you must be a US citizen, and have a minimum 3.0 GPA. [Applications](#) are due by **November 4th**.

HUGH O'BRIEN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR. The [Hugh O'Brien](#) Leadership Seminar offers unique leadership training, service-learning and motivation-building experiences for sophomores. 9,000 students participate annually across the US. For Washington residents, it is held from **May 31st–June 3rd** at Cornish College of the Arts. RHS is able to nominate one sophomore to attend. If interested, see Mrs. Davidson in the Career Center.

COLLEGE PRACTICE TESTS. The RHS PTSA will continue to offer college practice tests this year. Remember, these are ONLY for students to practice. These tests are NOT submitted to colleges and cannot be used for scholarships or college admission. These full-length practice tests are administered by the Princeton Review and test results are provided back to the students in the form of a detailed Score Report that identifies individual strengths and areas for improvement. [Registration Forms](#) for the practice tests are posted on the PTSA web site. The remaining PTSA practice tests for the year will be held on:

Fall Practice ACT: Saturday, November 12th

Winter Mock SAT: Saturday, February 25th

Winter Practice ACT: Wednesday, March 14th

SAT MATH TUTORIAL. Need a little more focused help getting ready for the math section of the SAT? The City of Redmond will be holding a math prep course from **November 1-29**. The course will cover all the basics including Operations, Algebra, Functions, Geometry, Data Analysis, Statistics and Probability. Students complete five practice sections with step by step solutions on missed problems. The cost is \$125 (resident) or \$150 (non-resident). Register at the [City of Redmond](#) web site. Registration # 38151

Senior Info

UW HONORS PROGRAM INFO SESSION. Seniors, the University of Washington [Honors Program](#) is hosting admissions information sessions for students and parents. You will be able to get an overview of the Honors Program and the requirements, walk through the admissions process, and ask questions of students and faculty. It will be held from 6:30-7:30 pm in Kane Hall 110 on the UW-Seattle campus on Wednesday, **October 19th** and Thursday, **November 3rd**.

TICKETS ON SALE FOR GRAD NIGHT 2012! Grad Night 2012 will be a safe, drug- and alcohol-free, all-night celebration that will be held on June 19, 2012. Tickets are now available by mail for only \$130. The price will go up after December 31st. To order your ticket now, complete the [registration form](#) and [release form](#), enclose both with a check payable to RHS Grad Night and mail to: Lisa Wylie, 24633 NE 72nd Street, Redmond WA 98053. Questions? Contact [Deena Polk](#) or [Lisa Wylie](#).

PTSA & Parent Education

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL LIBRARIES! Do you shop at Amazon? If so, every purchase you make can benefit LWSD school libraries and the Lake Washington Schools Foundation. Just go to the [LWSF home page](#). From there, click on the Amazon link. Then, for every purchase you make, 7% will be donated to LWSF and our school libraries.

SUPPORT THE PTSA! Buying supplies for Halloween and your holiday parties? If you shop at [Everything Party](#) in Redmond, Everything Party will donate 10% of your purchase price to the PTSA Senior Class Baccalaureate fund. Please tell the cashier at the beginning of your transaction to ring it up under Redmond High School. What an easy way to help us raise money to support this event which is funded entirely by donations.

Parent Volunteer Opportunities

PARENTS, DO YOU USE MATH IN YOUR LIFE? Teacher David Peabody, who teaches a new class called *Math in Art, Technology, and History* this semester, is looking for adults who use Math in their line of work, even if it isn't specifically

Art, Technology, or History. If you do, he'd like to learn what you do and perhaps ask you to be a guest in the class. Please visit Mr. Peabody's [web site](#) for more info or contact him at dpeabody@lwsd.org.

DECA NEEDS VOLUNTEER JUDGES. On Tuesday, **October 25th**, more than 1,500 Washington DECA students from around the state will participate in a mock competition program at the Fall Leadership Conference in Bellevue. Washington DECA is seeking 200 judges to make this event a success. Can you help? Please download the Mock Competition Registration Form from the [WA DECA](#) web site and return it by October 18.

RHS School Calendar

10.19.2011	RHS - Fall Band Concert
10.20.2011	High School Honor Rehearsal
10.25.2011	LWSD - PTSA Special Needs Meeting

Sports Calendar

For more details, please check [KingCo Athletics](#)

Monday, Oct 17, 2011

3:30pm	Soccer:Girls C Team Game	vs. Roosevelt @ Magnuson Field
6:00pm	Football: JV Game	@ Mount Si High School - Stadium

Tuesday, Oct 18, 2011

4:00pm	Volleyball: C Team Conf.	@ Woodinville High School - Main Gym
5:30pm	Soccer:Girls JV Conf. Match	vs. Roosevelt @ Summit Field
5:30pm	Volleyball: JV Conf. Match	@ Woodinville High School
7:00pm	Volleyball: Varsity Conf. Match	@ Woodinville High School
7:30pm	Soccer:Girls Varsity Conf. Match	vs. Roosevelt @ NE Athletic Complex (NEAC)

Wednesday, Oct 19, 2011

4:00pm	Soccer: Girls C Team Conf	@ Mount Si High School
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Thursday, Oct 20, 2011

2:30pm	Cross Country: Varsity & JV League	vs. Skyline, Ballard, Bothell, Eastlake, Garfield, Inglemoor, Issaquah, Newport, Roosevelt, Woodinville @ Lincoln Park
5:30pm	Soccer:Girls JV Conf. Match	vs. Inglemoor @ Pop Keeney Field
5:30pm	Volleyball: JV Conf. Match	vs. Skyline
5:30pm	Volleyball: C Team Conf.	vs. Skyline
7:00pm	Volleyball: Varsity Conf. Match	vs. Skyline

7:30pm Soccer:Girls Varsity Conf. vs. Inglemoor @ Pop Keeney Field

Friday, Oct 21, 2011

2:30pm Swim & Dive:Girls Varsity & JV Invitational Ballard, Bellevue, Bothell, Eastlake, Garfield, Inglemoor, Interlake, Issaquah, Juanita, Liberty, Lake Washington, Mercer Island, Roosevelt, Sammamish, Skyline, Woodinville vs. Newport @ UW Swimming Pool

5:00pm Football: Varsity Non-Conf. @ Edmonds Woodway

Community Digest

OLD FIRE HOUSE CONCERT! The Old Fire House celebrates a cadre of local bands this month bringing out the best of best of local young musical artists in our area: Friday, **October 21st** at 8 PM, Forgotten Lore, Leadership by Assault, Vice, Cost: \$7

THRILLER RETURNS! Always wanted to be a zombie? Then practice your moves for the third annual "[Thrill the World](#)" benefit at Redmond Town Center on Saturday, **October 29** from 4:00-7:30 PM. All proceeds will benefit [SecondStory Repertory](#). Need to learn the dance moves to "Thriller?" There will be a workshop at 10:00 AM at the Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center on **October 22**.

POW WOW. Join us at the 5th Annual Eastside Native American Education Veterans' Honor [Pow Wow](#) on Saturday, **October 22** at Juanita High School. There will be a Veterans' Celebration at 2:30PM and the Powwow Grand Entry will be at 6:00PM. Admission is free. Everyone is welcome!

HARRY POTTER EXPERIENCE. On **October 22** from 8-10pm, it's Harry Potter movie night at the Old Fire House Teen Center! Bring your swagger and get your Quidditch team together for a night of chocolate frogs, trivia and games. "You are the Chosen One," so dress up and show up! FREE

FIELD TRIP: HAUNTED REDMOND! On Saturday, **October 22** from 9:30pm-12am, the Old Fire House Teen Center is hosting a field trip to explore the most haunted places in Redmond. Be your own ghost hunter and track down otherworldly visages that will leave you laughing and screaming! There are 10 seats available and pre-registration is required. For more information or to sign up, please contact [Samantha Smith](#). Cost: \$5

HOST AN ITALIAN STUDENT: A CULTURAL EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITY. Ergon, in partnership with NorthWest Student Exchange, is seeking families to host a 16-17-year-old Italian exchange student for a semester or year. Italian families are in turn happy to host your child during summer vacations. Ergon specializes in rigorous selection criteria insuring that students are reliable, responsible and motivated, and carefully matches students with host families. Ergon exchange students are proficient in English and have previously attended Mercer Island, Garfield, Roosevelt and Ballard High Schools with positive experiences for students and families alike. Past and present host families are our best references and would be happy to share their experience with our program

with you. Exchanges offer students the opportunity to experience a different culture and build international bridges through friendships and knowledge. For further information, please email [Gunnel Tanimoto](mailto:Gunnel.Tanimoto), Seattle coordinator.

Community Partners

THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS! RHS PTSA, staff, and students wish to gratefully acknowledge our [community partners](#) for their support in helping us advance our mission and fund critical programs that support our teachers and students. Our community partners include:

FRESHMAN LEVEL (\$100-\$250):

[Best In Class Education](#)

[Iron Age Designs](#)

[Discover Yoga](#)

[Regal Financial Bank](#)

SENIOR LEVEL (\$1,000-\$1,500):

[SAT Prep](#)

Thank you community partners! Download our community partnership [invitation](#) to learn how you, too, can become a partner: benefits, partner levels, and why your support is so important to us!

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