

BOARD REPORT

Hope in Action

Allison Munch-Rotolo, Board President

Greta Thunberg is a Swedish high school student who recently turned 16. Greta wears her light brown hair in two long braids that are occasionally disheveled, and she favors comfortable clothing like zip-up hoodies and joggers. In December 2018, she addressed the United Nations Climate Change Conference. In January 2019, she participated in the World Economic Forum in Davos. Her speaking voice is soft, gentle, and minimally-inflected. Her facial expressions are similarly opaque, which has the effect of conveying wisdom beyond her years.

Greta speaks openly of the anxiety and depression she experiences when thinking of the future—undoubtedly there are others who feel these things too. Here is some of what she said in a November 2018 TED talk:

What we do or don't do right now, me and my generation can't undo in the future. So, when school started in August of this year, I decided that this was enough. I set myself down on the ground outside the Swedish parliament. I school struck for the climate. Some people say that I should be in school instead. Some people say that I should study to become a climate scientist so that I can "solve the climate crisis." But the climate crisis has already been solved. We already have all the facts and solutions. All we have to do is wake up and change. And why should I be studying for a future that soon will be no more when no one is doing anything whatsoever to save that future? And what is the point of studying facts in the school system when the most important facts given by the finest science of that same school system clearly means nothing to our politicians and our society?

Greta Thunberg is not the first teenage activist to reach a world-wide audience, nor is she the most eloquent. But while Malala Yousafzai (youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize) spoke for the right of girls to receive an education, Greta points out the fundamental hypocrisy in teaching science, but then ignoring that same science in our everyday policy decisions. And she questions the point of education at all, when the future seems devoid of hope.

The mission of the Pullman school district is: Ensuring learning while challenging and supporting each student to achieve their full potential. In my personal opinion, supporting our students includes assuring them through our words and actions that we won't simply ignore climate change, that we will actively work to give them the bright future they deserve.

In 2018, **Pullman High School** was designated as a Washington State Green School Leader by the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) in recognition of its progress in areas recognized by the U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon Schools program. In 2019, **Jefferson Elementary School** is being recognized as a certified Washington Green School for water-wise and other activities conducted by its **PTA-led Green Team**. As a district, we are making progress, but there is always more we can (and should) do in these areas. As Greta says, "the one thing we need more than hope is action. Once we start to act, hope is everywhere."

Please feel free to contact me with your ideas about environmental sustainability in schools.

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The Pullman School District Board of Directors and the Pullman School District shall provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities programs without regard to race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation (including gender expression or identity), marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, participation in the Boy Scouts of America or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district will provide equal access to school facilities to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. District programs will be free from sexual harassment.

The following employee has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: **Roberta Kramer**, Assistant Superintendent, Pullman School District Administrative Offices, 240 SE Dexter Street, Pullman, WA 99163, 509.332.3144. Applicants with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations in the application process by contacting the Personnel Coordinator at (509) 332-3584.

PHS Senior Party 2019

For more than 30 years, parents and volunteers have planned and supervised a celebration for the PHS graduating class. This annual event provides a safe, alcohol- and drug-free environment for our Graduates. This year's party will be held June 8, 2019 at Zeppoz.

Donations of all size help offset the costs associated with this event and keep the cost down for the Graduates who attend. The support of the Pullman community means a great deal to our Graduates, and helps send them off with an appreciation for the wonderful place they call home.

Here are a few ways to donate:

1. A cash donation we will gladly pick up. Please do not mail cash!
2. Merchandise we will gladly pick up. Please send us an email at: PHSeniorpartycommittee@gmail.com to schedule a convenient time for you.
3. A check made payable to: PHS Senior Party Committee, and mailed to the address below.

For those of you that have given in the past, we thank you for your support and hope we can count on your generosity once again. All donations are welcome and greatly appreciated! If possible, please have all monetary and merchandise donations into the committee by May 15, 2019.

On behalf of the 2019 Senior Class and Party Committee, "Thank you" in advance for your support of our Graduates, and GO HOUNDS!

Sincerely,

Darla Herzog and Elizabeth Martin
Senior Party Committee Co-Chairs

PHSeniorPartyCommittee@gmail.com

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PO Box 1106
Pullman, WA 99163

The Pullman Education Foundation offers \$10,000 in college scholarships for graduating seniors at Pullman High School. Applications and more information can be found by visiting the Counseling Center College Funding page at phs.pullmanschools.org/. Deadline for all PEF applications is April 12.

Friends (\$10-49)

- Carol Dahl
- Jenny Hawk
- Kim Holapa
- Gerald Hooper
- Carolyn Joswig-Jones
- Tosha Killinger
- Kristi Kurle
- Cindy Nazerali
- Kelly Newell
- Nick and Zuma Lee Staba
- Julie Tarlyn
- Scott Goodwin and Miranda Thompson

Partners (\$100-499)

- Sandra Albers
- Angelo Baladez
- Lee and Maxine Bamesberger
- Connie Brown
- Matt and Lynda Carey
- Carol Chipman
- Richard and Kathy Emtman
- Sue Friel
- Jan and Herb Hill
- Jack and BettyJo Hilliard
- Joe and Sharon Hindman
- Sue and Mike Hinz
- Gloria Tinder and Glen Hower
- Sara Jane Perino
- Pullman Disposal
- Joan Reilly
- Justin and Amy Rogers
- Carol Sayles and Mike Rydbom
- Janice Stewart
- Ned Warnick
- Rick and Lennis Watts

Optimists (\$50-99)

- Lani Walton and Curt Albrecht
- Mike and Shirley Allert
- Mitch and Mary Jo Chandler
- Patrick and Trisha Doumit
- Danielle and Dan Kallaher
- Kim Munson
- James Onstad
- Ann Parks
- Carin Pavish
- Stephanie Pierce
- Mike and Christine Sodorff
- Kristi Tattershall
- Mike and Vivian Werner
- Pat Wright

Leaders (\$500+)

- Midge Bashaw
- Chuck and Sue Hilliard
- Amy and Chip Tull

The Pullman Education Foundation would like to thank the following for their generous donation to the Annual Appeal made by December 31, 2018. Contributions to the Annual Appeal can be made at any time to Pullman Education Foundation, PO Box 151, Pullman, WA 99163.

Coffee with Bob

Join us for updates from Superintendent Maxwell!



12-1pm at the District Office
240 SE Dexter Street

2018-2019 Dates

- October 29
- November 26
- December 11
- January 8
- February 4
- March 7
- April 11
- May 2
- June 5

Questions? Contact Shannon Focht: 509.332.3581 or sfocht@psd267.org

Child Find 2018-2019

Early Childhood Developmental Screening

PULLMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ensuring Learning While Challenging and Supporting Each Student to Achieve Full Potential

- WHO:** Children - Birth through 5 years of age who are living in the Pullman School District. If your family is living in a temporary situation, you may contact the district in which you are currently staying for a screening.
- WHAT:** This screening is an opportunity to identify, locate, and evaluate children who might have a disability and to address potential concerns.
- WHEN:** Friday mornings during the 2018-2019 school year:
- * September 7th
 - * October 5th
 - * November 2nd
 - * January 11th
 - * February 1st
 - * March 1st
 - * April 12th
 - * May 3rd

WHERE: **Community Child Care Center/Head Start**
530 NW Larry Street (aka Greyhound Way) (behind Pullman High School)
Pullman, WA



For more information or to schedule an appointment please contact:
Instructional Programs Office
Pullman School District
Phone: 509-332-3144



The Pullman School District complies with all federal and state rules and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veterans or military status, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to designated youth groups. This holds true for all district employment and opportunities. Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the Assistant Superintendent, Pullman School District Administrative Offices, 240 SE Dexter Street, Pullman, WA 99163, 509/332-3144. Applicants with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations in the application process by contacting the Personnel Coordinator at (509) 332-3584.

PULLMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

WHEN THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019
9 AM - 3 PM

WHERE PIONEER CENTER
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
240 SE DEXTER STREET

PLEASE BRING BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND IMMUNIZATION RECORDS



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