

## What Does It Take to be a School Board Director?

*Amanda Tanner, Board Director, District 5*

Serving as a School Board Director gives a person the opportunity to wear many hats, and interact with all types of people, both in the community, and at the regional and state level. The minimum time commitment is roughly 10-15 hours per month, however if you choose to become involved at the regional or state level, you could spend much more time making a difference in education. Over the last 5 years I have been in office, I have been very proud to watch my board colleagues participate in many committees at the state level including the Legislative Committee, Resolutions Committee, Nominations Committee, and Annual Conference Planning Committee, to name a few.

What does a school director do during those 10-15 hours per month? We attend two regular public meetings, typically every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 6:30pm, we attend a work session every 1st Wednesday at 4:00pm, and we have a full day retreat in July. The time also includes preparation for meetings, emails, occasional special meetings, and communicating with constituents as requested. In addition, we have an option to attend the Washington State School Directors' Association (WSSDA) Annual Conference each November. This conference alternates between Spokane, WA and Bellevue, WA and provides 3 days of trainings, networking, and sessions with school directors, student representatives, and administrators from all over the state. I look forward to learning and growing during the WSSDA Annual Conference, it is always very inspiring.

**How do I become a member of the Pullman School Board?** The position of School Board Director is a publically elected position, and the term is 4 years, with no term limit. There is a rotation, and every two years some districts are up for election. In November 2023, Districts 1, 2, and 3 will be up for election, and in November 2025 Districts 4 and 5 will be up for election. Eligibility to run for a school board position includes residing in the district you are running for (Districts 1-5), and being eligible to vote. If you are interested in running for the school board position in your director area, you must file with Whitman County

Auditors Office in May for the November election.

**What is a Director District?** The Pullman School District is represented by 5 people, each residing from a different area of town, or Director District. We have a physical boundary map available on our district website. To find out which district you live in, please visit: [www.pullmanschools.org](http://www.pullmanschools.org) and go to **School Board | School Board-District Map**. The boundary map was recently updated and adopted in 2022, based on the 2020 census, to ensure equitable geographic representation. The boundary map serves as a tool to keep our board diverse, bringing in people from different areas and neighborhoods in town. Although the members serve from different districts, we all truly serve all constituents.

**What are the responsibilities of the School Board?** It is the School Boards responsibility to review, revise, evaluate, and adopt district policies and goals, select the Superintendent and provide them with regular evaluations, and approve the budget. We also serve as a liaison between the board, schools, and constituents, and provide clear and transparent communications.


The role of School Board Director is challenging and rewarding, and I feel honored to be serving the Pullman School District. For additional information, please visit [https://www.pullmanschools.org/school\\_board](https://www.pullmanschools.org/school_board).

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PULLMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT PRESENTS

### HIGHLY CAPABLE PROGRAM INFORMATION NIGHT

This event will be held virtually and will be open to all families interested in learning more about Pullman School District's Highly Capable Program.



There will be videos posted to the district website ([www.pullmanschools.org](http://www.pullmanschools.org)) on Tuesday, March 6 that will explain the program and referral process. The videos will be viewable by the public until Friday, March 17.

Questions? Please contact us at:  
 Email: [instructionalprograms@psd267.org](mailto:instructionalprograms@psd267.org)  
 Phone: (509) 332-3144

## Pullman High School Presents



Disney  
**NEWSIES**  
 THE BROADWAY MUSICAL

Live on Stage  
**March 09-11 and 16-18**  
 7 pm Shows + 2 pm Sat Matinee





Pullman High School  
 510 NW Greyhound Way  
 \$5 Students / \$10 Adults

## 2023-2024 ENROLLMENT PORTAL OPEN NOW!

**ENROLL ONLINE**

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- ✓ Documentation of student's age
- ✓ Medically verified and up-to-date vaccination records or an exemption form
- ✓ Ages & Stages Questionnaire (kindergarten only)

(509) 332-3581 | [enrollment@psd267.org](mailto:enrollment@psd267.org) | [www.pullmanschools.org/enrollment](http://www.pullmanschools.org/enrollment)

## Pullman High School 2023-2024 Course Registration Process

Juston Pollestad, Pullman High School Principal

Although it may still seem like winter on the Palouse, it is not too early for PHS to be thinking about course options and offerings for next year. For our current 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th graders, this process will begin in late February.

The transition from 8th grade to 9th grade is an important process and we focus our time and effort towards facilitating a successful passage for students from middle to high school. One of the first transitions for our 8th grade students will be to attend PHS on February 24th for an elective fair hosted by our CTE, Music, and Art departments. This event will take place during the day as a school activity. Students will receive information about classes offered and take a tour of elective classrooms.

We are excited to display our vast number of elective classes to our soon to be Greyhounds. PHS is confident that our wide selection of elective classes will strike an interest in each student.

Our CTE, Music and Art elective classes include:

Foods and Nutrition, Textiles, Culinary, Woods, Metals, A.P. Computer Science, Engineering, Drafting, Veterinary Science, Ag Communications, Ag Biology, Ag Physical Science, Plant Science, Sports Medicine, Photography, New Media, Advanced Media, Yearbook, Leadership, Economics, Marketing, Orchestra,

Choir, Band, Guitar, Drama, Painting, Ceramics and Drawing.

To continue supporting our 8th grade students with registering for their classes, we will provide a webinar on March 16th for students and families to watch. On March 17th, our PHS counselors will visit LMS to help students with the registration process.

Our current 9th, 10th and 11th grade students will begin this process with whole-class meetings and wrap up with registration during Hound Time classes near the end of March.

Spring registration is a good time for parents/guardians and their students to review academic plans. This includes initiating a discussion about your son or daughters plans beyond high school. Have those plans changed recently? If so, do we need to consider a different academic plan? Have we looked carefully at the requirements for acceptance for your student's specific goals after high school?

We recommend students continue to challenge themselves academically and take a collection of rigorous courses that build a strong academic record. That goal needs to balance with including classes that keep the workload manageable and student motivation high. If you have questions about classes, please contact PHS. Our staff will be happy to help answer those questions.



**HIGHLY CAPABLE PROGRAM  
REFERRAL WINDOW OPEN  
MARCH 6 - MARCH 17, 2023**

Highly Capable students are those who perform or show potential for performing at significantly advanced academic levels when compared with others of their age, experiences, or environments. Parents/guardians, teachers, students, and anyone else with direct knowledge of a student's abilities may refer a student for highly capable services.

Referral forms for current K-11th grade students to receive highly capable services during next school year will be accepted through March 17.

For more information on the referral process or to find referral resources, please visit our website at: [https://www.pullmanschools.org/departments/instructional\\_programs/highly\\_capable\\_program](https://www.pullmanschools.org/departments/instructional_programs/highly_capable_program)  
After March 5, the referral link will also be available here.  
For further questions, please contact the Instructional Programs Office at (509)332-3144.

### Las recomendaciones para el programa de altas capacidades se aceptarán del 6 al 17 de marzo de 2023

Los formularios de recomendación para que alumnos actuales de kínder a 11.º grado reciban servicios para altas capacidades durante próximo año escolar en curso se aceptarán hasta el 17 de marzo. Los padres, tutores, maestros, estudiantes y otras personas con conocimiento directo de las capacidades de un estudiante pueden recomendar a un estudiante para servicios para altas capacidades.

Para recibir más información sobre el proceso de recomendación o para encontrar recursos para las recomendaciones, use el enlace siguiente. Después del 5 de marzo aquí podrá encontrar también el enlace para hacer recomendaciones.

[https://www.pullmanschools.org/departments/instructional\\_programs/highly\\_capable\\_program](https://www.pullmanschools.org/departments/instructional_programs/highly_capable_program)

[pullmanschools.org](https://www.pullmanschools.org) – departamentos – enseñanza y aprendizaje – programa de altas capacidades

Si tiene preguntas adicionales, llame a la Oficina de Programas Educativos al teléfono (509) 332-3144.

### 将于2023年3月6日至3月17日接受高能力项目推荐

将于3月17日之前接受幼儿园至11年级学生在下一学年获得高能力服务的推荐表。家长/监护人、教师、学生和其他任何直接了解学生能力的人士都可以推荐学生获得高能力服务。

要详细了解推荐流程或获得推荐表，请访问以下链接。此处还将在3月5日后显示推荐链接。

[https://www.pullmanschools.org/departments/instructional\\_programs/highly\\_capable\\_program](https://www.pullmanschools.org/departments/instructional_programs/highly_capable_program)

[pullmanschools.org](https://www.pullmanschools.org) – 部门 – 教学 – 高能力项目

如有其它疑问，请联络教学项目办公室：(509) 332-3144。

### سيتم قبول الإحالات الخاصة ببرامج القدرات العالية في الفترة من 6 مارس إلى 17 مارس 2023

سيتم قبول نماذج الإحالة الخاصة بتلاميذ الصفوف من صف الروضة إلى الصف الحادي عشر الحاليين لتلقي خدمات برنامج القدرات العالية خلال العام الدراسي القادم حتى يوم 17 مارس. يحق لأولياء الأمور/الأوصياء، والمعلمين، والتلاميذ، وأي شخص آخر لديه معرفة مباشرة بشأن قدرات التلميذ إحالة التلميذ للحصول على خدمات برنامج القدرات العالية.

للحصول على مزيد من المعلومات حول عملية الإحالة أو للعثور على موارد الإحالة، يُرجى الاطلاع على الرابط أدناه. سيتوفر رابط الإحالة بعد يوم 5 مارس هنا أيضًا.

[https://www.pullmanschools.org/departments/instructional\\_programs/highly\\_capable\\_program](https://www.pullmanschools.org/departments/instructional_programs/highly_capable_program)

[pullmanschools.org](https://www.pullmanschools.org) – الأقسام – التعليم والتعلم – برنامج القدرات العالية

إذا كانت لديك أسئلة إضافية، فيرجى التواصل مع مكتب برامج التدريس على الرقم (509) 332-3144.

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 employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Civil Rights Coordinator and Title IX Coordinator, Assistant Superintendent, (509) 332-3144, and Section 504 Coordinator, Director of Special Services, (509) 332-3144, 240 SE Dexter Street, Pullman, WA 99163. Applicants with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations in the application process by contacting the Personnel Coordinator at (509) 332-3584.

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