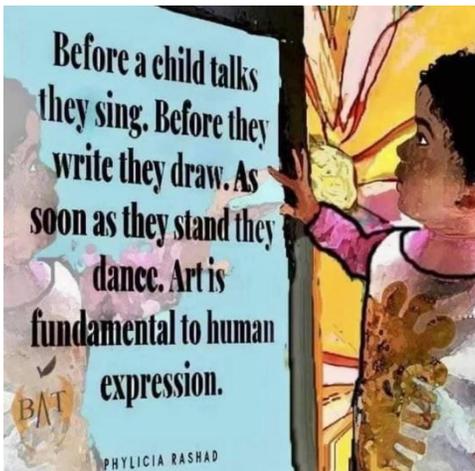


Ashbrook Compass



May 27, 2021



Celebrating the Arts at Ashbrook!

Ashbrook students are so lucky! Well, it's not entirely luck that their parents chose this school for their educational foundation. It's also not by luck that Ashbrook values and prioritizes a strong arts education; in fact, it is quite intentional and has been for over 23 years. When Mr. and Mrs. Gore founded Ashbrook, they strategically planned from the beginning to design a school with a robust arts program and facilities to support the arts as they too desired a school where their children would receive daily art instruction as part of a well-rounded education. As other schools continue to cut the arts programs to make room for more testing, Ashbrook remains strong ensuring we provide every student with the opportunity to benefit from daily arts education with our talented specialist teachers. Not only are the arts fun and engaging, but they also develop our students' skills in critical thinking, motor development, decision making, language, social and emotional development, problem solving, self-confidence, and self-expression. All of the skills students learn through our

arts programs integrate into the rest of their core subjects leading to overall higher academic achievement. Now that is something to celebrate!

Thank you Mr. Olson, Mrs. Coon, Ms. Kimberly, and Ms. Weber for the well-rounded education you provide our students every single day! Please enjoy their Celebration of the Arts virtual show they prepared for you.

Rachel Sechler
Interim Head of School

CHALLENGE – NURTURE – CARE - 2021

From the Specialists:

Ashbrook tradition calls for a celebration of the arts in the spring and that is happening now. We appreciate how wonderful it is to work with your kids in such a supportive school. We recognize how much you value the arts and physical education. You support us and what we do every year in countless ways. It is an honor to do this work.

We hope you see that despite the strange circumstances this year, we are still learning, working, playing, and enjoying ourselves every day. We hope you enjoy the video, and that it sparks interesting conversations with the students doing all these wild and wonderful things.

Erik Olson, Olivia Coon, Kayla Weber, and Kimberly Gifford-Olbrich

Next Week:

May 31 -- Memorial Day; **No School**

June 2 -- PTO meeting via Zoom (details below)

Upcoming Dates:

June 16 -- Field Day

June 17 -- 8th grade graduation, 1 pm

June 18 -- Last Day of School; half-day, dismiss at 12 noon

Updated -- [2020-21 School Year Event Calendar](#)

New -- [2021-22 School Year Event Calendar \(DRAFT\)](#)

Ashbrook Mask Policy Continues

While we acknowledge that there have been a lot of changes to the statewide mask policy, **masks will continued be required at Ashbrook** through the end of the year. We will continue to monitor the situation over the summer and determine best practices for next fall in late August.

Ashbrook Travel Policy Reminder

We are following the Oregon Health Authority and [Benton County Health Department guidelines](#) that recommend a 14-day quarantine if your unvaccinated student travels out of state over the Memorial Day break.

Robin Ippoliti Scholarship--Essay Contest Winner

We are pleased to announce that we received several essays submitted for the Robin Ippoliti Scholarship. Congratulations to Keira Lin for being this year's recipient of the \$1000 scholarship award!

PTO Meeting June 2

Come one, come all to the next PTO meeting! We'd love to have you join us and learn more about the PTO. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 9:00 am on Zoom.

When: Wednesday, June 2 at 9 am

Enrollment Update

We will provide regular updates to our school community regarding student enrollment numbers for the 2021-2022 school year. If you have not already started the enrollment process for your student, their spot is no longer reserved. Based on that, here is the availability for each grade given our plan to implement the new distancing guidance next year:

Grade	PS	PK	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
Spots available	7*	7*	8	8	7	4	6	10	12	3	6

*PS/PK are now able to be separate programs due to the high interest in enrollment.

2021-22 Enrollment Links:

[Family Handbook](#)
[Enrollment Contract](#)
[Payment Plans](#)

Deadlines:

6/15 - Early bird discount for lump sum tuition payments due

6/30 - Lump sum tuition payments due

8/2 - 10-month payment plan begins

If you have questions regarding tuition payments, payment plans, tuition insurance, or financial aid please contact Elaine in the office.

Recommend Ashbrook and Receive \$100 as a Thank You

Recommendations are the #1 reason other families come to Ashbrook. If you refer a family to Ashbrook and they go through the Admissions process, we will give you a \$100 credit toward your tuition or a \$100 gift card to your favorite store as a thank you for helping reinforce our enrollment efforts!

Summer Writing Workshop -- **early bird pricing ends June 19**

Ashbrook is offering a Summer Writer's Workshop for current 4th-8th grade students. This opportunity is designed for students interested in reinforcing expository writing skills acquired during a year of distance learning, reducing the impact of summer loss, and entering the next grade "writing-ready." **Students are invited to take any or all of the 4 weeks offered**; the units run July 19-August 13, meeting 5 days a week, 8:30am to 12:30pm. Spots are available on a first come, first served basis and are open to Ashbrook and non-Ashbrook students.

For more information, click [HERE](#) for the full information flyer or complete the registration form [HERE](#).

The Ashbrook Summer Camp Program -- 3 weeks have a waiting list!

We're offering 8 weeks of camps, 5 days a week 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Sign up for one week or all eight. The program is tailored to current PS through 3rd grade students. Priority will be given to current Ashbrook students, but if space is available we will open spots to non-Ashbrook students who meet our qualifications for attendance in the program.

Click [HERE](#) to view the Summer Program information sheet that includes the themes for each week and a link to RSVP so you can save a spot for your student. COVID-safe protocols will be followed.

Current COVID Information

At this time, Benton County has 120 cases per 100,000 for the 5/9/21 - 5/22/21 time frame.

If your student has been exposed to COVID, your student MUST quarantine for 14 days.

[Benton County Health letter on new quarantine guidelines](#)

[Benton County Health Quarantine Visual Quick Guide](#)