



KEEPING UP WITH PEELY

Every Student. Every Opportunity to Succeed.



Get your tickets NOW for iCelebrate!

Registration closes October 10th

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SNEAK PEAK at our Auction Items for iCelebrate!

We have a Silent and a Live Auction and hundreds of items to bid on!

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Volunteers needed for iCelebrate!

Can't afford to attend, but want to help out? Be a volunteer!

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"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." – Dr. Seuss

Greetings from the Albany Public Schools Foundation!

A new school year began on September 2nd with great excitement as many Greater Albany Public School students returned to class. I am sure they are feeling like the rest of us, that summer went by way too fast.

As the new year starts, we are excited to announce that our **Peely's Teacher Supply House is now open to all grades**. Teachers have been getting themselves registered and their shopping has begun. We are so thankful to our community for their outpouring of support as we held school supply drives at Bi-Mart, Walmart and Fred Meyer. Plus, our community partners stepped up in a BIG way. ATI, Clayton Homes, Citizens Bank-14th Ave branch, OSU Credit Union-North Albany branch, F5, Therapeutic Associates Mid Valley Physical Therapy, Bonaventure (friends' group) and Albany Senior Living by Cogir. With the community's support, teachers now have needed supplies for their classrooms and for students who may not have the supplies they needed to start the year.

In a few short weeks we will be hosting our [iCelebrate Kids Gala & Auction](#) on Saturday, October 25th at the Linn County Expo Center. We are currently working on gathering auction items and making sure our plans are in place to make this gala a huge success. We hope you will join us as we celebrate the programs we support in the schools. Showcasing the students and teachers and the great things they are doing. This event is our largest fundraiser and with your support we can be sure to hit our financial goal. Thanks to Honeymint Pediatric Dental for being our Presenting sponsor.

Back by popular demand, we will be hosting our **Lunch & Learn Evening Edition on November 13th** at 7:00 p.m. at the Comfort Inn Suites. This Lunch & Learn is great for anyone who is employed with the Greater Albany Public Schools District and thinking of retiring or wanting to put plans in place for their future. Our guest speaker and sponsor, Eric King with Bridges Wealth Management, is extremely knowledgeable in what it takes to retire with PERS, social security and what you can do now and, in the future, to make sure you are ready for retirement. If you are an employee with GAPS, please [RSVP HERE](#) today to secure your spot. This is a free event. Light refreshments will be served.

A few weeks ago, we sent out our [Impact Report](#) in the mail and a digital version. I hope you had a chance to take a look at all the Albany Public Schools Foundation and all the ways we support our students. Thanks to many donors and community support, we are able to achieve great things. If you haven't had a chance to make a donation, now is the time. Your gift provides vital support to allow our students every opportunity to succeed.

Thanks for all you do to support APSF and our students!

Take Care.



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iCelebrate Kids

ALBANY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

IGNITE A FUTURE OF POSSIBILITIES

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

Linn County Expo Center

DINNER & LIVE AUCTION

SILENT AUCTION | WINE PULL | RAFFLE | DESSERT DASH



Get Your Tickets Now!

Registration closes Fri. Oct. 10th

Single Ticket: \$80 Table of 8: \$600

[Learn More and Get Your Tickets](#)

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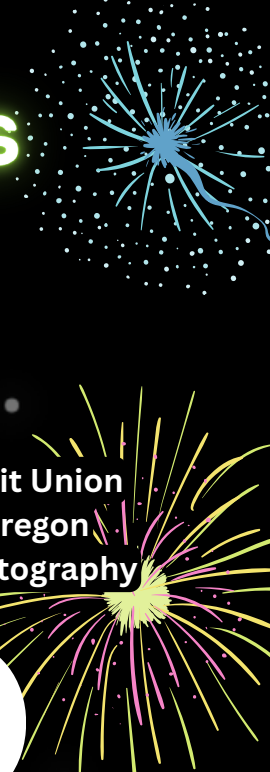
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Sneak Peak at our auction items!



Radiance & Relaxation Basket

Donated by Sequoia Infusion & Aesthetics

- One Botox treatment (up to 45 units) -OR- Dermal lip filler treatment (1 syringe)
- One full face micro needling session
- A curated selection of medical-grade skincare
- A bottle of Airlie wine
- Two relaxing candles



Fishing Excursion for Four

Donated by Chicken Little's Guide Service

Fishing trip for 4 includes all fishing gear, cleaning, fileting, and bagging.

You must bring your fishing license.

Offering Trips in Oregon for:

Winter Steelhead, Spring chinook, Ocean salmon/bottom fish, Fall chinook/coho, crabbing, kokanee



Family Portrait + Luxury Resort Stay

Donated by Bradford Portraits

Exclusive Family Portrait plus Luxury Resort Stay in Newport Beach, California

Be photographed by world renowned Bradford Portraits in Newport Beach, California.

Package includes a 20" wall portrait on canvas with lavish artistry plus a one night stay at the luxurious Westin South Coast Plaza.



CORVALLIS
CLUB

3 month Social Membership to the Corvallis Club

Donated by The Corvallis Club

Social Membership allows full access to all Club Amenities. Social Members can golf twice a quarter (just pay current green fees).



4 Tickets to the Enchanted Forest

Donated by The Enchanted Forest

Tour and Tasting for 8 at Willamette Valley Vineyards

Donated by Willamette Valley Vineyards

This package is good for a private guided tour and tasting for up to 8 guests with a Winery Ambassador, a flight of wines, and a light cheese tray.





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers of all ages to help out with our largest fundraiser of the year!

We Need Help With:

Setup on Fri. Oct. 24th - 10am-5pm

Registration & Checkout - MUST
BE CONFIDENT WITH COMPUTERS

Silent Auction - Closing the auction, matching
items to winners, helping carry items to cars

Heads or Tails Game - Adults & Students
needed (Must be good with people)

Wine Pull - (Must be over 21 years of
age, good with people)

Raffle - (Must be good with people)

Clearing tables - must be 18+ to clear
tables with alcohol glasses on them

Takedown (Around 9pm) - decorations,
linens, garbage, etc



SATURDAY

OCTOBER 25, 2025

4PM-9PM



LINN COUNTY EXPO CENTER

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SIGN UP ONLINE

Or go to [Albanypsf.org](https://albanypsf.org)
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>Scroll down to Volunteer



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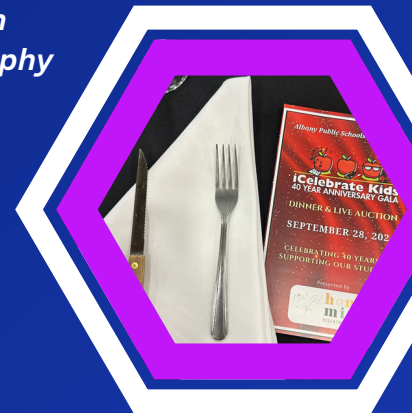
5 Sponsorship Tiers to Choose From!

All tiers include:

- 8 Guests
- 8 Drink Tickets
- Your Business Name on our Website
- Your Name on the Event Powerpoint Slideshow
- Your Name in our Printed Program
- Your Name in our Special Thank You Newsletter

Higher tiers include:

- Your Logo vs. Name
- More drink tickets
- Social Media Promotion
- Recognition on Thank You Sponsors Sign
- Emcee Recognition



Become a Sponsor

Thank you



THANK YOU to everyone who helped out with Peely's Summer School Supply Drive! This was our most successful supply drive yet, and we are so thankful for this supportive community.

It is because of YOU that we are able to do what we do. Albany teachers up through grade 12 will get free school supplies all year round thanks to your support.



FREE SCHOOL AND CLASSROOM SUPPLIES FOR GAPS TEACHERS

Peely's Teacher Supply House is a program of the Albany Public Schools Foundation that helps provide FREE school and classroom supplies for GAPS teachers. In our first year of being open to Pre-K to 5th grade, we have saved GAPS teachers nearly \$15,000 from out-of-pocket expenses on school supplies.

NOW SERVING ALL GRADES! (PRE-K THROUGH 12TH)

TEACHERS REGISTER NOW AND READ FAQ'S ON OUR WEBSITE

albanyps.org/what-we-do/resource-center/teachers/



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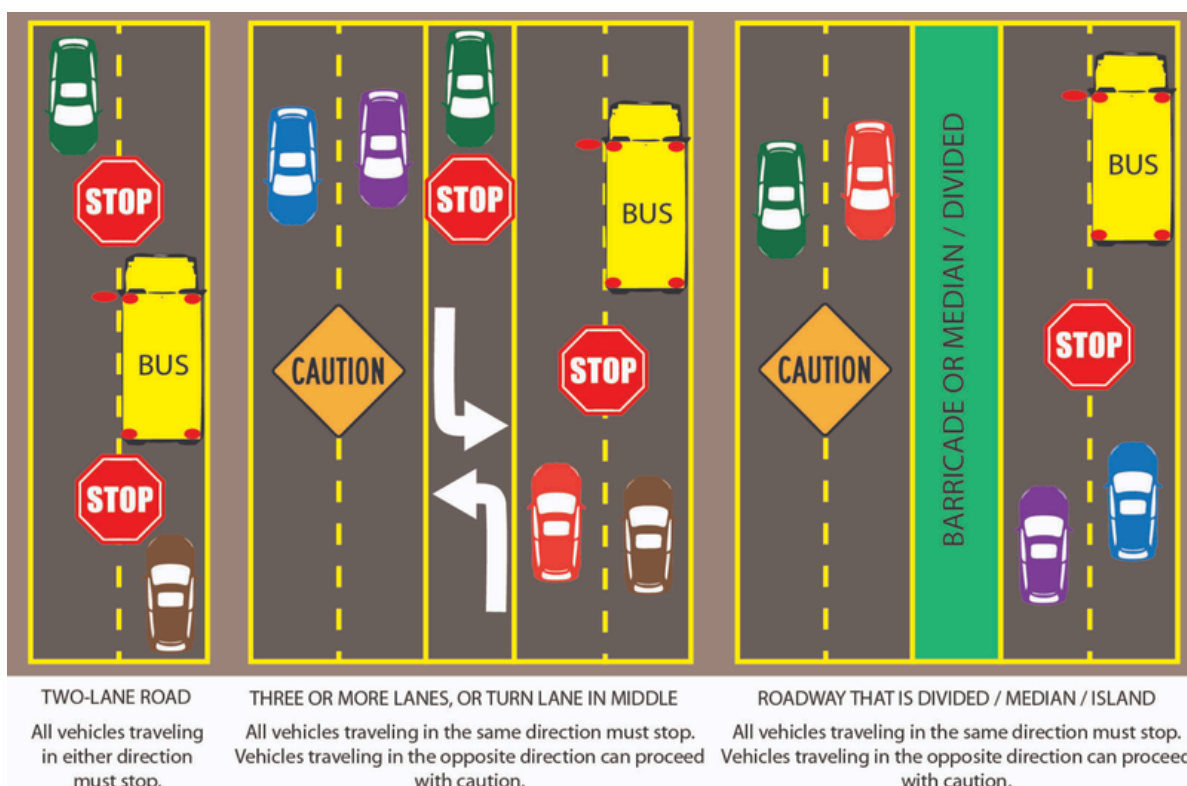


School is back in session! That means school buses are back on the roads, and kids will be walking to and from school. Make sure to keep your eyes out for young pedestrians while driving (especially in school zones), and brush up on school bus laws!

SHARING THE ROAD WITH SCHOOL BUSES

If you're driving behind a bus, allow a greater following distance than if you were driving behind a car. It will give you more time to stop once the yellow lights start flashing. It is illegal in all 50 states to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.

- Never pass a bus from behind – or from either direction if you're on an undivided road – if it is stopped to load or unload children.
- If the yellow or red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, traffic must stop.
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them space to safely enter and exit the bus.
- Be alert; children often are unpredictable, and they tend to ignore hazards and take risks.





CLASSROOM GRANTS

Applications Open
September 8 - October 15



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[Visit Our Website](https://www.albanypsf.org)

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> What We Do > Grants > Classroom Grants

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QUESTIONS? EMAIL PROGRAMS@ALBANYPSF.ORG



Classroom grants support teachers in providing enriching programs and supplies in the areas of art, music, STEM, and health and wellness.

GAPS teachers, staff, and administrators are eligible to apply.



Classroom Grant Project Highlight

Rekenreks (counting frame manipulative) for Liberty Elementary

"All of my students have improved their fluency with addition and subtraction through hands-on work with the Rekenrek. The visual and tactile nature of the Rekenrek helped...all of my students make meaningful connections and turn abstract number concepts into something concrete and understandable.

Thank you for your support in helping me bring numeracy to life in my first-grade classroom. Your generosity made it possible for my students to engage with math in a hands-on, meaningful way, and the impact has been truly lasting."

-Wendy Willard



**Thursday, November 13th, 2025
7pm-8pm**

Located at Comfort Inn Suites of Albany

Free to attend!

Coffee and desserts will be provided.

Guest Speaker: Eric King, CFP, Bridges Wealth Management

Topic: Navigating the Complicated PERS Retirement System

Focusing on the PERS retirement process and how to blend pension income with social security and other retirement assets in a tax efficient manner. Topics also covered are things that people should be considering as they approach retirement.

Who should attend: All GAPS Staff are invited! It's never too early to start planning your retirement!

Recommended to attend if you're within ~5 years of retirement

Thanks to our sponsor!



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Upcoming Events

Sep. 18	The APSF Hosts Greeters for the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce
Sep. 24	APSF will have a booth at the Albany Business Extravaganza Open to the public 2-6pm Linn County Expo Center
Oct. 10	DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR ICELEBRATE
Oct. 25	iCelebrate Kids Benefit Gala Fundraiser Linn County Expo Center Click Here to Get Tickets and Learn More
Nov. 13	Lunch and Learn Evening Edition 7pm Comfort Inn Suites How to navigate the PERS retirement process <i>ALL GAPS staff are invited!</i>



[View our full calendar](#)

REGISTER NOW!



October 25th

Linn County Expo Center

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