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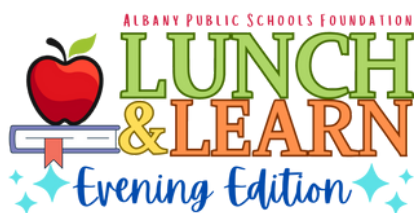
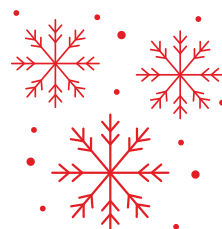
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Give the Gift of Learning!

Change a student's life with your year-end gift!

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Lunch and Learn Evening Edition

November 13th

Learn how to navigate the PERS retirement process at this FREE event. All GAPS Staff are invited!

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Bottle Drop Holiday Give 2025

November 15 - December 2

Bottle Drop is matching all donations by 20%!

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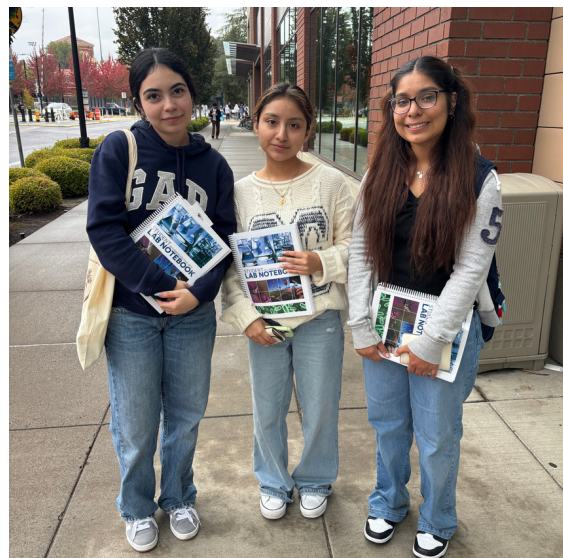
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APSF Scholarship winners from SAHS getting their OSU chemistry textbooks

"We must find time to stop and thank the people who make a difference in our lives." – John F. Kennedy

Greetings from Albany Public Schools Foundation~

On October 25th our community came together for the annual iCelebrate Kids Gala & Auction (even though the weather was less than ideal). Our guests enjoyed participating in several activities, including bidding on silent and live auction items, joining in the fun of the Heads & Tails game, and trying their luck with raffle ticket purchases for a Downtown Albany Package- which included gift cards to Sybaris, Vito's Trattoria, Brick & Mortar and Wine Crush.

Thanks to the generosity and support of our sponsors, donors, attendees, volunteers, and everyone in-between, we are delighted to announce that we ***exceeded our fundraising goal for the event!***

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who attended, especially our sponsors and most importantly, Honeymint Pediatric Dentistry who was our Golden Apple Sponsor for the second year in a row. Your support plays a vital role in making a meaningful difference in the lives of students in our community. If you were unable to attend this year, we hope you can join us next year. Please mark your calendar as we have set the date for next year's gala: **October 24th, 2026**

One of the reasons we work so hard on our fundraising events is so we can give money away! **We are pleased to announce we will be awarding \$106,500 in Classroom Grants.** We are so excited to help teachers and students with this funding that will provide new learning experiences.

Our scholarship committee is hard at work to finalize our scholarships for 2026. If you have ever wondered how you could make a difference in our community, starting a scholarship with us is one of the best ways. It is extremely easy to do, and we will take care of all the details. Please give Andrea, our Director of Programs, a call to set up an appointment. **Deadline is December 1st.**

As we enter into the season of giving, please consider the Albany Public Schools Foundation in your year-end giving plans. Your donation can go towards Classroom Grants, our Student Assistance Program, Peely's Teacher Supply House or area of greatest need. With your support we can truly make a difference to students in our community.

I wish you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving. Enjoy the fall colors and take time to slow down and enjoy your family and friends.

Thank you for your continued support!

Take care-



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With your generous support, the Albany Public Schools Foundation opens new opportunities for students. Kids facing socio-economic challenges and other issues deserve an equal chance for success. You can help us achieve our vision and give **every student, every opportunity to succeed.**

STUDENT ASSISTANCE



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GRANTS



Providing New
Learning Experiences

SCHOOL SUPPLIES



Free School & Classroom
Supplies for Teachers through
Peely's Teacher Supply House

Change a student's life with your year-end donation of \$50, \$100, or more

Since 1984, the Albany Public Schools Foundation has been making a difference for students. Your generosity will help increase our impact for years to come.
Thank you for investing in Albany students!



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IGNITE A FUTURE OF POSSIBILITIES

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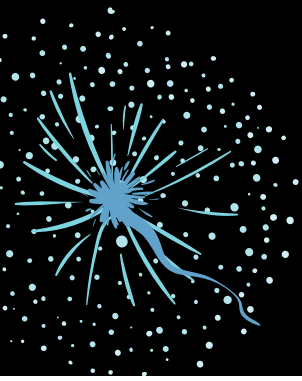
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Thank You

THANK YOU to everyone who attended iCelebrate Kids 2025, to our sponsors who made this possible, to our volunteers who helped put all of this together, and to our auction item donors for making this event one worth remembering. We hope you will all attend next year for iCelebrate Kids 2026!

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH, 2026
LINN COUNTY EXPO CENTER



WATCH:

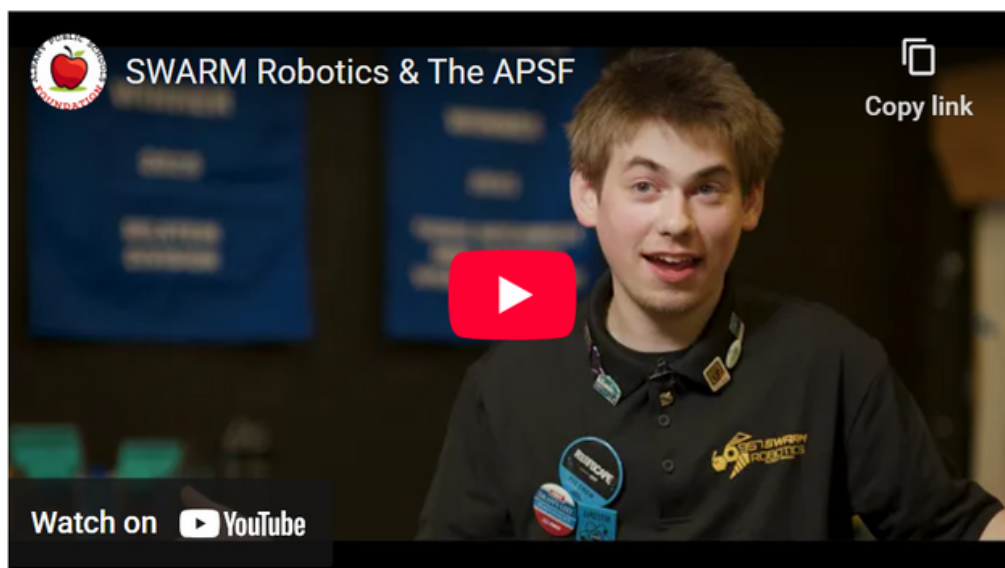
We premiered two new videos at iCelebrate Kids 2025 that we now have available on [our YouTube channel](#).

See exclusive, full length interviews from our 2025 Ask Video as well!

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- Projects connecting 2 or more schools collaborating together on a big project or program
- Any GAPS staff can apply!

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ALBANY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

LUNCH & LEARN Evening Edition

Thursday, November 13, 2025

7pm-8pm

Located at Comfort Inn Suites of Albany

100 Opal Ct, Albany, OR 97322



Navigating the 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.

With Guest Speaker Erik King, CFP, Bridges Wealth Management

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.*

Free!

Coffee and desserts will be provided.

Free to attend!

Register by Nov. 10th to let us know you're coming!

RSVP on our website at Albanypsf.org

>Events >Lunch & Learn Evening Edition

RSVP Here



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**HOLIDAY GIVE
2025**

NOVEMBER 15 - DECEMBER 2

**BOTTLE DROP WILL MATCH
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Upcoming Events

Nov. 8	North Albany IGA Holiday Open House 11am-2pm <i>We'll be there with a table!</i> Enjoy free samples, a hot chocolate station, beer & wine tastings, kids craft room, raffle prizes, and a visit with santa!
Nov. 11	Veterans Day APSF Office Closed
Nov. 13	<u>Lunch and Learn Evening Edition</u> 7pm Comfort Inn Suites How to navigate the PERS retirement process <i>ALL GAPS staff are invited!</i>
Nov. 15- Dec. 2	<u>Bottle Drop Holiday Give</u> Turn in your Blue Bags or Donate to the APSF through your Green Bag account, and Bottle Drop will match your donation by 20%!
Nov. 27 & 28	Thanksgiving APSF Office Closed
Dec. 6	Albany Downtown Twice Around Parade



[View our full Event Calendar](#)

SAVE THE DATE



March 14, 2026



April 25, 2026



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