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LAST CHANCE to get your tickets for iCelebrate Kids!

Registration deadline is October 21st!



SNEAK PEEK at our Auction Items for iCelebrate!

We have something for everyone in our Silent and Live auctions - *PLUS*
Check out our **NEW WEBPAGE OF ALL OUR LIVE AUCTION ITEMS**

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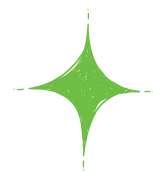
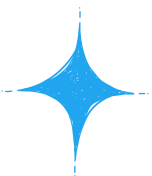


iRetire - PERS Edition

November 5th

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

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Also in this Newsletter:

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"October is a gentle reminder to embrace every season of life"

Fall greetings from the Albany Public Schools Foundation-

School is in full swing, and Peely's Teacher Supply House has been bustling. It's exciting to know teachers can get essential classroom supplies without paying out of pocket. To support Peely's, [visit our website and shop our wish lists](#)—it's quick and easy.

iCelebrate is almost here, and we invite you to celebrate our achievements while helping us raise vital funds. Bid on outstanding silent - and live - auction items, enjoy delicious treats during the Dessert Dash, and enter our raffle for gift cards to some of Albany's finest restaurants. Your support helps us continue serving Albany students. If you can't attend but would still like to give, please call us, and we'll raise a paddle in your honor. [Register Here!](#)

A special thank you to all the sponsors, table sponsors and individuals who have purchased tickets to our event. We appreciate your support!

Now is the time to start thinking about **2027 scholarships**. Did you know that anyone can create a scholarship? You can support a student in memory of a loved one, in your family's name, or on behalf of your business. Every scholarship makes a meaningful difference in a student's life. Please confirm your commitment by November 16th; payment is due by February 1st. If you have questions, please reach out to Andrea Recek, our Programs Director.

I look forward to seeing you all at our iCelebrate Kids Gala & Auction. Enjoy this beautiful fall weather and thanks so much for all your support.

Take care,



Peggy Burris

Executive Director
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TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!



iCelebrate Kids

ALBANY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

iCelebrate Kids Benefit Gala

An Autumn Evening of Giving:

Harvesting Hope for the Future

DINNER & LIVE AUCTION FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

Linn County Expo Center

Silent Auction | Wine Pull | Raffle | Dessert Dash



REGISTRATION CLOSES OCT. 21

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

LEARN MORE AND GET YOUR TICKETS

albanypsf.org > Events > iCelebrate Kids



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Sneak Peek at our auction items!

Check out our NEW Webpage and see ALL of our Live Auction item packages that we will have up for bid this year

[View Live Auction Items](#)

Or go to albanypsf.org > Events > iCelebrate Kids > 2026 Live Auction Items



A DAM Good Tailgating Package

Two Tickets to TWO OSU Football Games at Reser Stadium, at The Toyota Club Level:

- Saturday, November 7th - OSU Beavers vs. Texas State Bobcats
- Saturday, November 21st - OSU Beavers vs. Utah State Aggies

Package also includes:

Authentic Beaver merch, OSU cooler, OSU folding chairs and tote bags, gas grill and implements, soft shell portable cooler, snacks and drinks.

Donated by Oregon State Athletics, Xtreme Grafx, and Friends of the APSF



Coffee Lover's Package

DeLonghi True Brew Coffee Machine with Bean Extract Technology One-Touch simplicity to brew a perfect cup of coffee just the way you like it, every time. Features a built-in conical burr grinder, 5 brew styles (Light, Gold, Bold, Over Ice and Espresso-Style), 6 brew sizes, and auto-clean functionality. No pods or filters necessary.

Package also includes: Four bags whole bean coffee from Weekend Coffee Roasters. Blends include Rise n'Shine, Cacao, House Blend, and Espresso Blend. Roasted at Medium-Dark.

Donated by Inkwell Home Store and Weekend Coffee Roasters



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. 23rd - 11am-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



SIGN UP ONLINE

Or go to Albanypsf.org
>iCelebrate Kids
>Scroll down to Volunteer



SATURDAY
OCTOBER 24, 2026
4PM-9PM



LINN COUNTY EXPO CENTER
3700 Knox Butte Rd E
Albany, OR 97322

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iRetire

PERS EDITION

ALBANY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION



Thursday, November 5, 2026

6pm – 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!

Free to attend!

Coffee and desserts will be provided.

RSVP on our website at albanypsfs.org
>Events > iRetire - PERS Edition

RSVP Here



Thank you to our Sponsor





CLASSROOM GRANTS

Applications Open
September 1 - October 19



Scan to Learn More
Or go to

**ALBANYPSSF.ORG/WHAT-WE-
DO/CLASSROOM-GRANTS/**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
WWW.ALBANYPSSF.ORG**

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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.

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Upcoming Events

Sept 1 - Oct. 19	Classroom Grant Applications Open
Oct. 21	Deadline to register for iCelebrate Kids Register Now!
Oct. 24	iCelebrate Kids Benefit Gala Doors open 5pm - Linn County Expo Center
Nov. 1	Daylight Savings Time Ends Turn clocks BACK one hour
Nov. 5	iRetire - PERS Edition 6-8pm, Comfort Inn Suites of Albany <i>All GAPS Staff invited to attend!</i> <i>This is a FREE event!</i>
Nov. 11	Veterans Day APSF Office Closed
Nov. 26-27	Thanksgiving



[View our full Event Calendar](#)

SAVE THE DATE



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