



The Bridge

Making community connections

LHS Choir Welcomes Cascade Chorus for Joint Concert

On Thursday, November 10th, Lowell High School will host a special fall performance featuring our own LHS Concert Choir and very special guest, the Cascade Chorus. This amazing group, based in Eugene, is a large men's choir in the "barbershop" tradition (four-part, a capella singing). Currently in their 76th year of existence (!), the choir always delivers an exciting, animated, and highly entertaining performance, singing everything from show tunes and oldies pop/rock to folk tunes and classic Americana.

Lowell Music is honored to host and sing with them on this joint program -- please spread the word to friends, family, and neighbors to attend this special event! 7:00pm in the LHS Cafetorium (Old Gym).

Free admission, donations accepted.
We look forward to seeing you at the show!



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The Lowell School District is looking for feedback from our community as we work to continuously grow and make Lowell a better place to live and learn. The Oregon Department of Education has asked that all school districts in the state develop plans for continued improvement, and your feedback is the first important step for our local community.

Please take a few minutes to provide us with your valuable feedback. Just scan the code (at right) with your phone and answer a few survey questions. All information helps to inform future planning for Lundy Elementary and Lowell High School. Thank you very much!



Students OF THE MONTH

This year, the staff of Lowell High School decided to shake things up for student of the month! Instead of one junior high student and one high school student selected school-wide, now each and every one of our teachers gets to award a junior high and high school student for our monthly trait. These traits will spell out the words RED DEVILS.

The month of September, was R for Respectful. We had a terrific group of students that were awarded student of the month for exhibiting RESPECT during the month of September.

Our Junior High award recipients: George Burchell, Maya Golan, Tyler Harris, Kylie Greer, Nathan Waters, Jeremiah Griffin, Jade Clark, Eli Pickett, Ben Thurman, and Walker Straight.

Our High School award recipients: Brooke Davis, Allie Oleman, Lydia Plahn, Vaeda Crawford, Lily Savio, Callum Plahn, Colyn Vosika, Lehi Zylstra, Dalla Plagmann, Amelia Cushman, and Aly Curry.

We are looking forward to next month's nominees for ENCOURAGING. Way to go Red Devils!



LOWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

PARENT CLASS NOVEMBER 17TH

Our first parent class this year will be exploring the topics:
Explosive Child
Love and Logic

Thursday, November 17th
 5:30 to 7:30 pm




Located in the Lowell High School library. Dinner will be provided and childcare will be available from LHS leadership if needed.

If you are interested, please register by November 7th using this QR code



Space limited to the first 10 families. If there is enough interest, a follow up session may happen

Questions? Please call 541-937-2124

RED DEVIL REPORT

Lowell Athletics Update

JR/SR HIGH WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION

Registration is free and easy at www.familyid.com/organizations/lowell-school-district.

Athletes must complete registration and upload their bi-annual physical exam prior to participation.

High School Girls Basketball — *Head Coach: Janet McNamee*

Parent Meeting: Monday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m.
Lowell High School gym

First Practice: Monday, November 14 at 6:00 a.m.
Lowell High School gym

Social Media:  Lowell Red Devil Girls Basketball

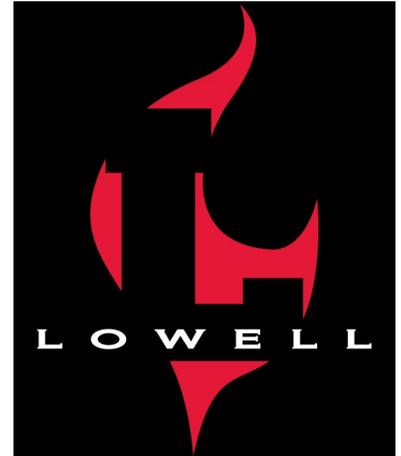
High School Boys Basketball — *Head Coach: Kory Roberts*

First Practice: Monday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m.
Lowell High School gym

High School Coed Wrestling — *Head Coach: Lincoln Casarez*

First Practice: Monday, November 14 at 3:15 p.m.
Lowell High School wrestling room

Social Media:  lowell_wrestling



Junior High (6-8) Girls Basketball — *Head Coach: Chelsea Chittim*

The season is already underway, but it's not too late to join!

Contact Athletic Director Mollie Garcia-Cash at mgarcia-cash@lowell.k12.or.us for more details.

Junior High (6-8) Boys Basketball — *Head Coach: TBD*

The season will begin in January, but it's not too early to sign up!

Please register on FamilyID and keep an eye on The Bridge for more details.

Junior High (5-8) Coed Wrestling — *Head Coach: Alvin Riggs*

Parent Meeting: Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m.
Lowell High School gym

First Practice: Thursday, November 3 at 5:30 p.m.
Lowell High School wrestling room

All game/event schedules can be found at lowell.k12.or.us/athletics.

OTHER ATHLETICS EVENTS

K-4 USA Wrestling (Coed) — *Head Coach: Alvin Riggs*

Registration: Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m.
Lowell High School Gym

\$51 USA Wrestling Membership must be purchased at usawmembership.com

First Practice: Thursday, November 3 at 7:15 p.m.
Lowell High School wrestling room

Basketball Family Fun Night

Hosted by the Lowell High School basketball teams
Tuesday, November 22 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Lowell High School gym

City Beat by City Administrator Jeremy Caudle

City Hall moving to 70 N. Pioneer Street

City Hall will start operating at 70 N. Pioneer Street on November 21. The library section of the building will open in early December, as we are waiting on shelving and new books to arrive. We will hold a community celebration and ribbon-cutting when we open the library.

The city recognizes and thanks the following partners who have made this project a success:

- ◆ The Lowell community for helping us meet our fundraising goals. Since 2020, the community has made over 220 individual donations with total donations over \$30,000.
- ◆ The Ford Family Foundation for funding library construction
- ◆ Lane County Economic Development for funding a conference room for free use by business and community groups
- ◆ State Library of Oregon for funding IT hardware and software for the library
- ◆ Business Oregon for low-interest financing
- ◆ Roundhouse Foundation for funding the opening day book collection
- ◆ The Jerome S. and Barbara Bischoff Library Subfund of the Oregon Community Foundation for funding the opening day book collection
- ◆ The Pilcrow Foundation for donation of children's books
- ◆ General contractor Bridgeway Contracting for donating time and materials for exterior improvements
- ◆ City's architect on the project, Wilson Architecture
- ◆ City's library consultant on the project, Penny Hummell Consulting
- ◆ Our library volunteers for hours of processing our collection to get it ready for opening day

Actions by City Council and other committees/commissions

At the October 4 regular meeting, City Council took the following actions:

- Received a resignation letter from Planning Commissioner Mary Wallace

At the October 13 meeting, the Parks Committee discussed improvements to Paul Fisher Park, purchasing more shade trees, and holiday activity planning.

At the October 18 joint meeting with City Council and the Planning Commission, the City Council appointed Jason Pickett and Bill George to the Planning Commission. There was also discussion about the development code updates that were presented at the September 28 community meeting.

At the October 18 regular meeting, City Council authorized placing an order of \$13,021 for new library books.

Upcoming meetings – Meeting details available here:

<https://www.ci.lowell.or.us/calendar/month/2022-11>

Land use applications that are pending before the Planning Commission are now available here: <https://www.ci.lowell.or.us/planning/page/pending-land-use-applications>

Until further notice, all City Council and committee meetings will continue to take place at the Lowell Rural Fire Protection District station, 389 N. Pioneer Street.

- November 1 @ 7:00 pm – City Council
- November 2 @ 7:00 pm – Planning Commission
- November 3 @ 7:00 pm – Parks Committee
- November 8 @ 7:00 pm – Blackberry Jam Festival Committee
- November 15 @ 7:00 pm – City Council
- November 16 @ 7:00 pm – Planning Commission

Meet our new Venture Catalyst!

Melissa Prestinario is the East Lane Venture Catalyst with RAIN. Melissa focuses on Oakridge, Lowell & the McKenzie region.

Melissa Prestinario is an entrepreneur and marketing & event specialist. She founded her first company, Seat-Slicker, in 2012 and brought it to the national market in 2017. She is a mentor to fellow entrepreneurs, bringing a passion for others who take a chance and build their dreams. She is a natural connector and problem solver. She is a humanitarian who has committed to the service of others both locally and abroad. She holds a BA in Creative Writing and MA in Classic Literature.

Connect with Melissa: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/mjprestinario/>



A promotional poster for an open house event. The background is light blue with raindrops. At the top, it says "Let's make it RAIN!" in yellow and blue. Below that, it asks: "ARE YOU INTERESTED IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP OR DO YOU SIMPLY HAVE A BUSINESS IDEA BUT NOT SURE WHERE TO START?" and "ARE YOU A LOCAL BUSINESS OWNER OR COMMUNITY PARTNER?". A starburst graphic says "MEET MELISSA, LOWELL'S NEW VENTURE CATALYST". The event details are: "Join Us Monday, November 7th 5:30 to 7:30PM Open House @ Stomping Grounds 113 E. MAIN STREET". A gear graphic says "BEER, WINE & SNACKS PROVIDED". At the bottom, a circular logo for "STOMPING GROUNDS Coffee Shop" features a tree and the text "Lowell Oregon".

FROM THE LOWELL FIRE DISTRICT

By Chief Lon Dragt

**FORM
OR-ED-SBH**

Notice of Supplemental Budget Hearing

Oregon Department of Revenue

- For supplemental budgets proposing a change in any fund's expenditures by more than 10 percent.

A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for Lowell Rural Fire Protection District, for the
(District name)
current fiscal year, will be held at 389 N Pioneer Street Lowell, Oregon 9745.
(Location)

The hearing will take place on November 9, 2022 at 7:00 a.m. p.m.,
(Date) (Time)

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons.

A copy of the supplemental budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after November 1, 2022
(Date)
at 389 N Pioneer Street Lowell, Oregon 97452, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. p.m. and 4:00 a.m. p.m.,
(Location)

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGES

AMOUNTS SHOWN ARE REVISED TOTALS IN THOSE FUNDS BEING MODIFIED

FUND: General Administration Materials and Resources

Resource	Amount	Expenditure—indicate Org. unit / Prog. & Activity, and Object class.	Amount
1. Grant	\$ 75,330	1. Communication Equipment	\$ 75,330
2.		2.	
3.		3.	
Revised Total Fund Resources	\$ 707,079	Revised Total Fund Requirements	\$ 493,299

Explanation of change(s):

Received a grant from Cedric Hayden Infrastructure to upgrade radio communications.

FUND:

Resource	Amount	Expenditure—indicate Org. unit / Prog. & Activity, and Object class.	Amount
1.		1.	
2.		2.	
3.		3.	
Revised Total Fund Resources		Revised Total Fund Requirements	

Explanation of change(s):

November is Check Your Smoke Alarm Month

November is the month that everyone should take the time to check their smoke and carbon monoxide alarms for proper operation and to ensure the batteries are good.

Smoke and carbon monoxide alarms save lives. For more information go to www.lowellfiredistrict.org or contact the District office at 541-937-3393.



In and Around the Community

Tree of Joy

We are excited to serve the children of the Lowell/ Fall Creek Communities again this year with the Tree Of Joy. The tree, which will provide gifts to children 12 years and under, will be located at Stomping Grounds Coffee Shop, 113 E. Main Street in Lowell. Beginning Saturday, November 19, 2022, tags will be available to select from the tree.

If you would like your child(children) to be included in the “Tree of Joy“ program and you did not receive a form, you can pick one up at Stomping Grounds Coffee. Forms must be received on or before November 14th. Please return forms to P O Box 535, Lowell OR 97452. An envelope is included with the forms at Stomping Grounds Coffee.

Please return WRAPPED gifts back to Stomping Grounds Coffee by December 17th, with the original tree tags attached. Gift pick up will be Sunday, December 18th between 12:00 PM and 2:00 PM at THE GEORGE HAKE CENTER located at 4 East Lakeview Drive, Lowell. If you have any questions please email Michelle at lowelltreeofjoy21@gmail.com.

Lowell Food Pantry is Open to Serve!

The Pantry is open on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. On the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, the Pantry is open for Bread Day from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

The Pantry is located in the George Hake Center on Lakeview Street (behind the football field). Questions? Please call Shawn Brady at 541-912-1538.



Coats are Available for Winter

There are coats and other winter clothes available at the Clothing Bank, located in the George Hake Center (4 East Lakeview Street) on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. Hours are from 2:00—5:00 p.m. The clothing bank provides free items to anyone in need and all sizes are available. Clothing donations are welcome on days that the clothing bank is open, or contact Brandy Stewart at 541-530-0123 or Stewartx6@fastmail.fm.





Save the Date

Youth Accidental Overdose Prevention

Thursday, November 17th
Straub Hall, University of Oregon

This event focused on preventing youth accidental overdose is presented by the Center on Parenting and Opioids, Lane County Public Health, and the University of Oregon Collegiate Recovery Center in collaboration with community partners. We will provide education and resources to help parents and youth feel confident preventing accidental overdose. Information and resources will include:

<p style="text-align: center;">For Parents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information on local trends and fentanyl • How to talk to your teen about overdose prevention • Fentanyl awareness • Naloxone training • Information on medication storage • County and district updates 	<p style="text-align: center;">For Youth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information from UO peer educators on overdose prevention for self and peers • Fentanyl awareness • Naloxone training • Information about community-based resources
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For registration/information, go to shorturl.at/gnqR6

Bridge Lighting Event Coming December 3rd!

Mark your calendars for this annual Lowell tradition. More information will be coming in the next edition, however, if you would like to help decorate the bridge ahead of time, please contact City Hall at 541-937-2157. Decorating will happen the weekend prior to Thanksgiving.

This year’s event will include singing, refreshments, and even Santa and Mrs. Claus! Transportation will be provided from the high school parking lot since parking at the bridge is limited.

See you there!

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Lowell School District #71
65 South Pioneer Street
Lowell, OR 97452

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On the web: www.lowell.k12.or.us

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City of Lowell and Lowell Rural Fire Protection District.*

Upcoming Meetings and Events: November 2022

- 1—**City Council Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m., 389 N. Pioneer St.**
Clothing Bank/Food Pantry; 2-5 pm; Hake Center on Lakeview
- 2—JH Girls Basketball v. Oaklea, 4:30 p.m.
JH Football v. Monroe, 5:30 p.m.
Lowell Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., 389 N. Pioneer
- 3—Lowell Parks Committee, 7:00 p.m., 389 N. Pioneer Street
- 4—**No School! Teacher Grading Day**
Varsity Football v. Knappa, 1st Round State Playoffs—1:00 p.m.
Texas Hold 'em Poker, Lowell Grange, 6:00 p.m.
- 6—Breakfast at the Lowell Grange, 8:00-11:00 am, 51 E. 2nd Street
- 7—JH Girls Basketball @ Lincoln MS, 4:30 p.m.
RAIN Open House @ Stomping Grounds Coffee, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- 8—Blackberry Jam Festival Committee, 7:00 p.m., 389 N. Pioneer
- 9—JH Girls Basketball v. Oakridge B only, 4:30 p.m.
Lowell Fire District Board meeting; 7:00 p.m., Main Station
- 10—LHS Choir Concert, 7:00 p.m., LHS Cafetorium
- 11—**Veteran's Day — No School, City Hall closed**
- 11/12—Varsity Football State Quarterfinals, TBD
- 14—JH Girls Basketball @ Fernridge MS, 4:30 p.m.
- 15—**City Council Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m., 389 N. Pioneer St.**
Clothing Bank/Food Pantry; 2-5 pm; Hake Center on Lakeview
- 16—JH Girls Basketball @ Central Linn Elementary, 4:30 p.m.
- 18/19—Varsity Football State Semifinals, TBD
- 19—Texas Hold 'em Poker, Lowell Grange, 6:00 p.m.
- 23—**No School! Morning conferences**
JH Wrestling @ Oakridge, 6:00 p.m.

- 24-25—**Thanksgiving Holiday—No School, City Hall closed**
- 25—No Senior Potluck this month; see you next month!
- 28—JH Girls Basketball v. Harrisburg A only, 4:30 p.m.
School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., PDC at Lundy Elem.
- 29—JH Girls Basketball @ Eugene Christian, B only, 4:00 p.m.

Coming in December:

- 1—Boys/Girls Varsity Basketball @ Triangle Lake, 5:30/7:00 p.m.
- 5—JH Girls Basketball v. Monroe, B only, 4:30 p.m.



Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour
the night of Saturday, November 5th!