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Bethel School Honored for Sustainability Efforts

Through an ongoing, collaborative partnership between the Bethel School District and City of Eugene, Willamette High School (WHS) was selected as the winner of the [2014 Oregon Sustainable School Award](#) by the Oregon Department of Education. WHS also received the 2014 Oregon Pillar 2 Award for healthy, safe, students and staff. The Sustainable School Award acknowledges a comprehensive approach to sustainability in four content areas: environmental impacts; healthy, safe, students and staff; education for sustainability: environmental and social literacy; and social sustainability.



Bethel neighborhood schools enhance neighborhood livability and high-quality school programming. The schools provide a long-term investment in the community and the economy while maintaining opportunities for academic enrichment, an improved quality of life, and a vision of hope for the future. As a result of Willamette's achievements, the school has also been nominated for a national Green Ribbon School Award by the U.S. Department of Education. The Green Ribbon Award will be announced on Earth Day on April 22.

The City of Eugene has been partnering with the Bethel School District over the last year as part of a pilot program that integrates investments in buildings, curricula, educational programming, and ongoing facility operations.

For more information, contact [Stephanie Scafa](#) at 541-682-5652.

Spring Break for Kids and Teens at Eugene Public Library

During spring break, all locations of the Eugene Public Library will host "The Amazing Spaghetti Magic and Fun Show" for kids. Admission is free.

The Amazing Spaghetti – performer Daniel Freed – brings tons of laughs and interactive silliness. Catch the show on Wednesday, Mar. 26, at 3 p.m., at the Bethel Branch; or Thursday, Mar. 27, at 3 p.m., at the Sheldon Branch. There will be two shows at the Downtown Library on Tuesday, Mar. 25, at 1 and 3 p.m. (Downtown only: pick up free tickets starting 30 minutes before each show.)



Also, while school's out, teens are invited to a free screening of "The Hunger Games: Catching Fire," on Wednesday, Mar. 26, at 2 p.m., at the Downtown Library. Snacks are included! For more information, please contact the Eugene Public Library at 541-682-8316 or www.eugene-or.gov/library.

Recreation's Spring Break Camps Offer Variety and Fun

Kids get their choice of physical play, using their imaginations, having an adventure or creating art at the Recreation Division's selection of spring break camps. Recreation is offering 10 camps for spring break, Mar. 24 - 28, for children ages three to 18. In Tots Soccer Academy, experienced coaches will introduce three- to five-year-old youngsters to the world's most popular sport. Petersen Barn Preschool Camp will keep kids, ages three to five, busy with indoor/outdoor games, silly challenges and plenty of art and craft fun.



It's "Old School Cool" at KidCity Adventures Camp. Youth in grades K - 5 choose arts, sports, water games, pool parties and more. Participants in 8th grade, and younger, will learn passing, shooting, dribbling, and ball handling at Water Polo Camp.

At Construction and Contraption Camp, six- to nine-year-olds will use their intellect to imagine, design, build and craft crazy contraptions, catapults and castles. Then it's Spy vs. Spy Camp as the Alpha Team tracks the Echo Team, where campers make and break codes and create and complete mental and physical challenges, and hone tracking and evasion skills.

Youth ages 10 - 15, attending Camp Arrowhead will travel to a wilderness destination to learn survival skills, including archery, tracking, camouflage, and first aid. Tweens and teens, ages 10 - 15, work together on service projects that earn them activities such as canoeing, sand-boarding, and hiking in Counselor-In-Training Camp. Spring Break Quest Camp is designed for individuals, ages 12 - 21, with physical disabilities.

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Third Annual Eugene Sunday Streets Final Report Available Online

In 2013, the Eugene Sunday Streets program expanded to two events - July 21 in downtown and September 8 in Bethel. More than 5,200 people came out to enjoy the city's largest public spaces - its streets - by foot, bicycle, wheelchair, roller blades, skateboard, and more, along the car-free Sunday Streets routes. View the final report at [2013 Eugene Sunday Streets Final Report](#).

Public Works Engineering, with support from many other City divisions and departments, puts on the Sunday Streets program to improve the health of Eugene residents, reduce dependence on motor vehicles and encourage walking and biking, increase environmental and climate change awareness, improve neighborhood livability, and create new opportunities for businesses by recirculating money directly into the local economy.

Eugene Sunday Streets partnered with staff from Library Recreation and Cultural Services to make Sunday Streets Downtown a "Summer in the City" event. Sunday Streets Downtown also partnered with dark30 sports to launch the TrackTown City Center Mile and Rolf Prima Criterium races by sharing part of the route in the morning and lending support with route closures.



Each event featured more activity booths and food carts than the previous two years, and the sponsorships from local businesses and organizations continued to grow. The program achieved its fundraising goal and is looking forward to continued partnership with community partners to grow the program and make the 2014 events even more successful. Contributions from sponsorships, vendor fees and individual donors raised \$27,000, and another \$26,000 worth of advertising and entertainment was given through in-kind donations of services.

Eugene Sunday Streets 2014 plans to have an open street event in two different neighborhoods next summer during the fourth year of the program. The events will be located in central Eugene along 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street highlighting the new WJ Skatepark and in the Harlow Neighborhood. For more information, visit www.eugenesundaystreets.org, or [2013 Eugene Sunday Streets Final Report](#), or contact Transportation Options Coordinator Lindsay Selser at sundaystreets@ci.eugene.or.us or 541-682-5094.