

## PCFC E-News

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**Reflections** - Hurry! Hurry! Hurry! There are a few more days left until the Reflections deadline. This is your chance to show your stuff! Let's show what the creative and talented PCFC students can do with this year's theme, "Beauty is..." Create and be recognized for your unique talents in the categories of Visual Arts, Photography, Literature, Musical Composition, Choreography/Dance and Film/Video. Use your imagination to interpret this year's theme: "Beauty is...". So hurry and pick up an entry form packet at the office today! Remember, all submitted pieces must be your own original creation! Explore, express and enjoy! Completed entries must be turned into the office by 2:30 pm on Monday, November 2. Please contact Melanie Vargas, Reflections Chair, with questions at [melanie@vargas.com](mailto:melanie@vargas.com) or 425-766-4595.

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**Winter Sports Registration:** Registration is taking place through November 6<sup>th</sup>. Your student can register during lunch, only complete packets are accepted. Please make sure to stop by the Bookkeeper's Office before going to the Athletic Office. Skyline Gymnastics tryouts are November 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> @ Skyline, Issaquah Gymnastics tryouts are November 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> at Gymnastics East in Preston. All other winter sports tryouts / practices start November 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Math Update:** Are you aware that the state will soon begin mandating that secondary students pass math end-of-course assessments in order to graduate? Do you know how many secondary students and parents in the Issaquah School District are generally happy with their math experience? Are you concerned about conflicting math curriculum recommendations from the state? Then please come to one of the two remaining Issaquah School District math conversation nights: Tuesday, Nov. 3, at [Liberty High](#); and Monday, Nov. 16, at [Skyline High](#). These nights will focus in particular on the current geometry and algebra curriculum adoption and more broadly on families' overall math experience. Parents will be invited to discuss the rationale for the recommended curriculum, *Discovering Mathematics*, with teachers and administrators; to test-drive the recommended materials; to hear the results of the District-wide math survey taken by almost 10,000 students and parents; and to provide feedback about what type of math supports their students need. This is a comprehensive effort to understand families' math experiences so the District can better serve all levels of learners. More information about the geometry and algebra curriculum adoption, including FAQs and links to the new state standards, is [available online](#).

What's happening outside of school? Check out [Pacific Cascade's Community Fliers](#) electronic bulletin board.

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