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Wilson's Prom Requirements

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Wilson's junior and senior prom is approaching. It will be held on May 13th, 2016; at Harro East Ballroom from 7pm to 11pm. Students must meet a certain criteria based on the prom policy in order to participate.

The prom policy is rooted on attendance, citizenship, behavior, and academic effort. Students are required to have 90% attendance for the 3rd marking period with no more than two Fs. Also, students can not have any suspensions during the 3rd or 4th marking. And, at the prom, participants are forbidden from wearing anything too revealing.

Marianna Pyatt-Ramos, a junior at Wilson High School, describes prom-time as exciting and believes that it is important because it gives juniors and seniors a day to have fun with their peers without the stress of graduation. She believes that students will meet all the requirements for prom if they want to go, especially if they believe that it is an important event in their high school experience.

In order to attend the prom, students and parents must sign a prom contract. Also, guests that do not attend Wilson are welcome but have to sign a different contract that outlines expectations and requirements.

The contracts and requirements are used to assure that students will work to their full abilities and are not meant as a punishment. If students follow all of the requirements they will be sure to be eligible to attend prom.





Community Service

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Community Service is unpaid work, intended to be of social use, that is done to help out a community or business.

At Wilson Magnet High School, seniors are required to complete twenty hours of community service to graduate.

Choosing what to do and finding time to do it can be stressful.

It is very important to help out your community to make it a better place.

Community service hours can be completed by volunteering at any not-for-profit organization or even helping out a teacher at school.

Julissa McGuire, a senior at Wilson, has finished over twenty community service hours. She did them at a place called “Camp day dreams” in August of 2015. McGuire stated, “I wanted to make a difference without getting something in return.”

McGuire said that helping out at the camp was a really fun experience and that it was great working with kids.

It is important to help out and participate in the community. While the experience is a requirement to graduate, you can have a good and memorable time.

Community service can be fun—it doesn’t have to be hard work with no pay. There are a variety of jobs to choose from at many different places. Be sure to choose one that you will enjoy working at too!





Marine Educator's Workshop

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For a week this past February, four Wilson teachers tested their own strength and drive by living the life as a United States Marine.

The Marine Educator's Workshop gave the teachers a chance to experience boot camp similar to a Marine recruit. The teachers experienced reception (where recruits leave behind their civilian lives), drill & ceremony, physical fitness, and basic marksmanship. They also built up their confidence through the confidence course and by repelling a forty-foot tower. Throughout the workshop, Drill Sergeants were available to create an almost authentic experience.

In boot camp, the Marine recruits face many challenges to test their strength, ability to act under pressure, and their mental toughness. Along with that, Drill Sergeants teach Marine etiquette, morals, and the history of the Corps. While at Parris Island, the teachers saw a glimpse of what it was to be a recruit.



Along with the training, the teachers attended classes that outlined the jobs and training available to Marines, financial support to help pay for full tuition, and scholarships available to students in college. They also learned about the health benefits and housing available to Marines.

By the end of the workshop, the teachers were able to see how a civilian transforms into a United States Marine. The teachers will be able to use the information they gathered to inform their students about possible career choices.



While training, benefits and help with college are great incentives, military service isn't for everyone. Only half of the teachers that attended admitted if, they were to do it over, they would join. Mr. Burns, current English at Wilson stated, "I wouldn't join the Marines but would join the Army. And I did. I encourage everyone to serve their country as a career or for the experience."

If you are in good academic standing, not sure about college, or looking for something different, call a recruiter. Maybe you too can become one of the few and the proud.



David Cay Johnston

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David Cay Johnston is a man who struggled in his early years and turned to journalism for a way out of poverty.

David Cay Johnston is a journalist from San Francisco, California. As a senior in high school, Johnston was already married and struggling to support a wife and child. At the age of

nineteen, while struggling to make ends meet, he was recruited because of his math talents for a weekly newspaper. While the job was very fun for Johnston, his ability with math got him noticed and jump started his career.

Johnston is known for writing about monopolies and limited competition in trade with a focus on the tax system. Johnston says that people would be shocked at how much money the rich make from taxes. This is shown in his book *Temples of Chance: How America Inc. Bought Out Murder Inc. to Win Control of the Casino Business*. In this book, Johnston states that, through deductions, Trump reported a negative income to the Federal Government giving him a zero tax liability.

At a time when it was hyped as the best in the world, Johnston also exposed the corruption in the Los Angeles Police Department. With almost 3 years of work, Johnston showed how the LAPD covered up crimes, was involved in politics, and misused its power.

Although he won the Pulitzer Prize for Beat Reporting in 2001, Johnston believes that his biggest personal accomplishment is when he helped solve a case which freed an innocent man. After the LAPD convicted an individual for murder, Johnston investigated and found the actual murderer, saving the man who had been mistakenly identified from prison.

Looking back, Johnston believes that hard work got him to where he is today. He worked long hours and many jobs but believes that hard work is what made him successful.

For people who want to pursue a career in journalism, he believes that you should study the theory and principle about what you're reporting about. You should know the origins and all sides of the argument before you make up your mind about where the story is. A journalist should also become an expert at grammar. But, most of all, always listen—whether you're reporting or taking advice. You never know what you may learn.





The Star Room

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The Star Room, at Wilson high School, is a place where students can get advice from adults to help with conflicts that they are having with other peers. Students can have a conversation with an adult on how to solve a conflict without using violence.

The Star Room is not just about conflicts, students can go and hang out during their lunch period, get help with their classes, and get assistance when filling out applications (either college or job).

Most students at Wilson don't know about the Star Room. It has been a program here at Wilson for past two years but this is the first year that Wilson had workers actually to staff it for the whole day.

The staff says that the students really like the star room because it makes them feel comfortable, it has been beneficial to their conflict resolution skills, and, because of that, students are staying away from conflicts. When students come to the Star Room there are less conflicts going on in the school.

If you are having conflicts or problems, come to the Star Room (room 24 in the basement) for a listening ear and some friendly assistance.





Bernie Sanders Wants College to be Seen as an Opportunity not a Hefty Bill

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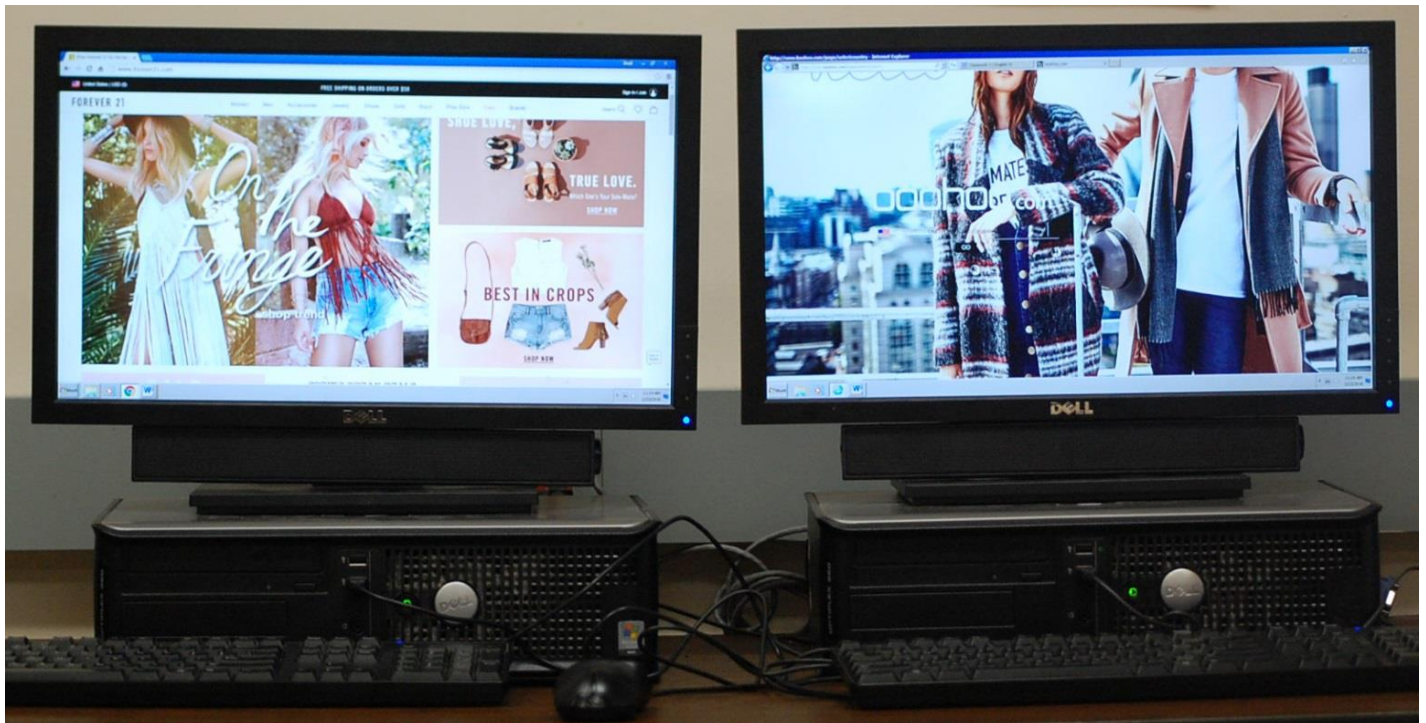
If elected as our next president, Bernie Sanders wants to make an education bill that makes public colleges and universities free. He believes that students should not have to repay hefty tuition bills for the rest their lives. Having more college educated citizens with less debt will help the United States grow as a nation.

Sanders believes that raising taxes for Wall Street in order to off-set student's college tuition will help college available to more individuals. Federal and state governments would make up the difference with tax revenue.

The reason why people are paying so much in tuition is because of a significant drop in Pell grants and scholarships. The government does not invest a lot of money towards the younger generation's future as it did in the past. Student debt levels are approaching up to two trillion dollars. according to feeltheburn.org, and this number continues to grow. The cost of college is so high that students often have to cut back their market expense which hurts our economy.

David Cay Johnston, journalist who specializes in tax law, agrees with Sanders that college should be free to students because it would encourage more people to attend. Johnston states, "The government can invest money in wars but not its young students." He thinks the government should put money towards educating the younger population so they can qualify for better jobs. Johnston reminisces back to when he was going to college and says it cost him thirty dollars (at today's value). He thinks that college should still be like that to this day.

Making college free for the public would benefit our country. With Sanders' education plan, the ability to go to college would not be based on income but determined by your own aspirations.



Online Shopping

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Shopping online and looking for deals/sales from trustworthy websites may not be easy. Luckily there are websites that have sales daily as-well-as websites that allow you to use coupons.

Online shopping does have many advantages. One of them is being able to quickly find so many good deals on a variety of items. Informed Buying says, “Internet shopping lets you compare prices from hundreds of dealers. You can shop around the world and take advantage of the best price.” You can compare deals from anywhere in the world from your own home.

One of the best ways to save money while online shopping is looking for coupon codes. Coupon codes are (assigned at random) letters and numbers that you find at a variety of places on the internet. You enter these codes on a retailer’s website where it says, “Enter promotional code” or “enter promo code.” Some websites may even allow you to get free shipping, discounts, or other perks when buying your items. Some websites known for giving coupon codes are retailmenot.com and coupon cabin.com. There are also other websites that have more up to date coupon codes.

Many teens enjoy saving their money and even get excited when they find great deals. Fadumo Mohamud, a senior at Wilson, says that she enjoys shopping at Rainbow, an online site that specializes in selling well-made clothing, shoes, and accessories at very low prices. And Mohamud says that, “they have better girl’s clothes than other stores.”

There are also many trustworthy websites that do not have actual stores but have decent reviews and amazing deals. One of the many websites is boohoo.com. Trustpilot, an independent service that rates websites, states that 84 % of its users rate boohoo over three stars 59.1% gave this website five. Overall, boohoo has a 7.5 out of 10 rating. Although a lot of the people complained about the shipping, they did mention that they have good quality clothing for good prices. .

Online shopping gives you access to a wider variety of stores, many outside of the United States, having so many deals online that you may not find at your local mall. It’s convenient and saves you a lot of money.

It’s simply just a smart way to shop.



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**Attention: Poets, Photographers,
Writers, & Artists**
**Wilson's Literary Journal is looking
for YOU!**
 Gather up your original writing, artwork, and
 photographs and submit to
Room 200
 For inclusion into the 2015-2016 Literary
 Journal

Attention Students!
 Are you interested in joining the Outdoor
 Club?
 They take trips to Stoney Brook,
 Letchworth Park, Hunt Hollow ski resort
 and camping trips!
 There's no signing up! Just stop in (room
 320) to speak with Mrs. Dow after school.
 Outdoor club crew meets the 2nd and 4th
 Tuesdays of every month!

The sale of Wilson prom tickets!

Prom 2016!

Friday May 13, 2016
 7:00-11:00pm.
 Get your tickets in the Cafeteria during your lunch period

\$40
 Per Person

Tickets on Sale:
**April 22-
 29, 2016**

+ ARE YOU INTERESTED IN GIVING BLOOD? **+**

Report to Mr. Burns in room 200 to sign up
 for the
Wilson Blood Drive

Date: April 27th
9 am - 1 pm

Can be used as community service hours (If needed)

MAKE SURE YOU MAKE A APPOINTMENT OR YOU CANNOT PARTICIPATE

In Order To Donate You Must...

- ❖ Eat breakfast
- ❖ Get well rested
- ❖ Bring a PHOTO ID

Attention All Students
EXTENDED DAY

Subjects:

- English I,II,III (room 200 or 208)
- Spanish (room 120)
- Chemistry (room 026)
- Living Environment (room 304)
- Math (room 220)
- Global/Us (room 106)
- Personal Project/Comp. Sci (room 330)

Tuesdays and Thursdays students can stay after from 2:45 to 3:45 to get the extra help they need.

SIGN UP IN THE MAIN OFFICE



Questions or Comments?

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