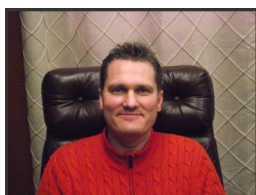


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# The LOGOS Word

## Welcome New & Returning Students!



### Letter from the Principal

Summer's almost gone...and how the time has flown! At Logos, our goal has always been to do the ordinary extraordinarily well. Everyone knows there is no magic pill in education. Success is only achieved through consistency and hard work. Because time goes by so fast, be mindful that only those who

faithfully work their education plan will see their desired success. We are so thrilled that you are brave enough to home school! Our desire is to help you provide your children with new opportunities as they move toward graduation, college, and career. Significant improvements have been made this year with the number of work sample requirements lowered, less testing, and better Campus Classes. We have a new curriculum catalog and some new out-

standing online curricula. Several fabulous new ES's have been hired, and we are growing in enrollment every day! As always, please let us know how we can serve you better!

—Joe VonDoloski



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## Parent Advisory Committee

### P.A.C.

**Parent Advisory Committee**  
We at Logos want to bring the programs, tools, activities and resources that YOU would like to see at Logos to assist you in enriching your home-schooling. P.A.C. is the place to bring your sug-

gestions, ideas, and willingness to serve in a very small way. Here are a just a few areas you may be interested in seeing developed or help with: Parent Education Nights, Family Social Events, Box Tops for Education, Field Trips, Bulletin Boards, Pizza Hut

Book-It, Washington, D.C. Educational Tour, Community/Service-Learning, Logos Garden, Campus beautification, Toys for Tots, and more. Join us on **Tuesday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 6:45 pm**, Logos Campus. Questions, contact Bev Huard via email: [b.huard@logoscharter.com](mailto:b.huard@logoscharter.com)

### Tutor Available!

Advanced Science and Math Tutor  
Licensed Civil Engineer  
James Pearson is available for one on one tutoring.  
James has been providing tutoring for Grace and Cascade Christian High School @ \$20/hour.  
He also is "Highly skilled" in Auto Cad Drafting, Civil Engineering, Fine

Woodworking, Advanced Wood-Shop Techniques and Construction. He can provide individualized tutoring based on your child's interests. James is the husband of our ES, Catherine Pearson.  
James can be reached via email: [james@charter.net](mailto:james@charter.net) or by phone at 541-778-2927



### Hoo Raa!

Show Your School Spirit  
Around Town and Wherever You Go

**Logos Apparel**  
available to order online  
now through Sept. 15th!

Click here to be directed to the Logos website  
[LPCS](#)

# High School News

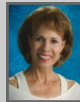
The Preliminary SAT (**PSAT**) is a standardized test that provides firsthand practice for the SAT and measures reading, math, and writing skills needed for college (and for success in most jobs and careers). After the test, a score report will tell students how their skills measure up.

Who should take it?  
10th and 11th grade students

When: Oct 12, 2011

Where: At a Local Public High School  
(Location to be determined soon)

Contact: Kathy Offutt, Logos College Counselor at 541-535-2001 or email at:  
[k.offutt@logoscharter.com](mailto:k.offutt@logoscharter.com)



## Logos High School Student Body Activity Committee

We are a student lead, parent supported committee with the goal of planning, organizing and executing activities and events of special interest to the Logos High School Student. We need your ideas and enthusiasm to help us develop an amazing Logos High School Community! Our next work session meeting is Thursday, Sept. 22nd, 7:00 PM at the Logos Campus. All Logos High School Students and interested parents are welcome!



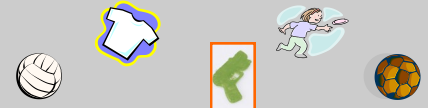
## H.S. Service Learning Opportunity

Deliver Hearts With A Mission—Back to School Supplies Mon. Sept. 26th Time TBA  
Sign up via email to: [b.huard@logoscharter.com](mailto:b.huard@logoscharter.com)  
Please put "Hearts" in the subject line, your name and grade in the body of the text.

## Logos High School Park Event and Tie-Dye Wars

When: Friday, September 16th, 11 - 3  
Where: [Fichtner Mainwaring Park](#) (near the volleyball courts)  
What: A H.S. back-to-school mixer  
What to bring: A sack lunch, lawn chairs/blanket, volleyballs, basketballs, footballs, futbols (soccer balls) frisbees, and for the tie-dye wars, a white t-shirt, squirt guns (no super soakers please) and a towel.

*Come out and meet with new and old Logos High School friends and have some fun! Questions contact, Patty Fincher at: [p.fincher@logoscharter.com](mailto:p.fincher@logoscharter.com) or phone: 541-773-1888*



## MEET THE LOGOS FOUNDERS

In the spring 2009, a group of parents and community members in Jackson County, envisioned an innovative approach to K-12 education which would individualize and personalize learning. This school would be called Logos Public Charter School. The vision was to offer a standards based, *personalized learning* program, supported by the principles of multiple intelligence, service learning, technology and vocational readiness to students in grades K-12 that would provide a high standard of academic excellence, accredited HS Diplomas, promote parental choice in education, and serve home school families. John VonDoloski was the Project Director who brought in Helen Blausler and Joe VonDoloski to form the Development team.  
The rest, as they say...is history.



John VonDoloski

**John** married Jessica Napier on January 6th 2001. Since then, they have had eight children: Josiah, Bethany, Levi, Linda, Julia, Kaylee, Kelsey, and John Andrew with baby number nine due in December '11. They are currently homeschooling the oldest four children.

John graduated from Corunna High School in Corunna, MI in 1995; received a Finance Degree from Central Michigan University in 1999, and a Diploma of Pastoral Ministry from Immanuel Baptist Pastors College in Corunna, MI in 2003.

John and his family moved to Medford in 2005 to pastor Liberty Baptist Church in White

City. His burden for homeschooling and providing tools and resources to homeschool families led him to explore a Charter School grant for Personalized Learning in Oregon. The grant was approved in December of 2009 and the school was up and running in August of 2010 with John serving as the Project Director.



People marry for better or worse. **Joe** got better with Heidi. Joe has been graced with five children the three oldest are enrolled at Logos, Zoe, Joe Jr., Martin, Jackson, and Karis. Joe is a family man. He has been involved in education for most of his life and currently is the CEO of Logos Public Charter School in Medford.



Joe VonDoloski

## JOHN ~ JOE ~ HELEN

He previously pastored a church in Northern Michigan. His goal is to provide for his children the education he wished he would have gotten.  
**Joe is bothered by:** small-talk, plagiarism, illogical arguments, social functions, routine, and incompetence.  
**Joe sometimes frustrates others by:** living in the future, being wordy, not handling criticism well, not going with the flow, and being independent.

For fun, he drives a 2010 Camaro. He used to fish, hunt, and golf all the time, but now he has 5 kids... Person who has had the biggest impact on my life: Without question my mother who passed away in 03.  
Favorite quote: "A bulldog can take a skunk every time but sometimes it just isn't worth the stink."



Helen Blausler

**Helen** is our Systems Analyst and a member of the initial development team. She acquired her B.A. in Business Administration from American Intercontinental University. Previously, Helen was the business manager for a private wild land firefighting company and spent time as the "flower-cleaner" for Rogue River Florist. She has also worked as a private tutor. Helen first became an entrepreneur at the tender age of eight, when she and her sister set up a cherry-selling stand on the sidewalk. It was a huge success!

## LOGOS PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL CORE VALUES

**L**earning – that is *Personalized*  
**O**pportunities – that are *Capitalized*  
**G**oals – that are *Realized*  
**O**rganization – that is *Recognized*  
**S**upport – that is *Maximized*



# Logos June 2011 Snapshots



## Service-Learning

**Let's Get Involved!** Service-learning is community service with an academic learning component. Students participate in hands-on projects that meet a need in their community, in doing so, students develop good character and career skills. At Logos Charter School, our mission is to provide a *personalized learning* program which can include flexible learning in multiple environments. Service-learning successfully accomplishes this goal. Logos will conduct school-wide projects and ideas for individual service-learning. If you are already volunteering in the community, share your experiences with your ES.

For service-learning ideas visit:  
[http://www.pueblo.qsa.gov/cic\\_text/family/spirit/spirit.htm](http://www.pueblo.qsa.gov/cic_text/family/spirit/spirit.htm)

  *~Hearts With A Mission~*  
 The only teen shelter in Jackson Co.

### Back to School Supply Drive

*Please bring any of the following new back-to-school supplies to Logos on or before Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> and place in the box in the school entry area.*

**Backpacks,** Pencils, Pens-Blue or Black, Red Pens, Colored Pencils, Pencil Pouches, Pencil Sharpeners, Color Markers, Crayola Crayons, Erasers-Pink/Pearl Highlighters, Thumb Drives, Ruler w/metric, Scissors, Kleenex-small pkg, Glue Sticks, Tab Dividers, Notebook Paper -Wide & College Rule, Quadrille Graph Paper, Solar Calculators, Scientific Calculators, 3 Ring Binders - 1" & 2", Spiral Notebooks - College Rule, Pocket Dividers, "Pee Chee" type Notebooks, Protractors, Sticky notes.

### Why Volunteer?

Why are so many students interested in serving their communities? Because they want to:

- Make a difference
- Develop new skills
- Prepare for college
- Explore career paths
- Have fun working with friends
- Feel good about themselves



Although the efforts of one person may seem small, every act of service can have an important impact on someone ... and millions of individual volunteers can create a revolution of sorts. Whatever your reason for volunteering, once involved, it's easy to get hooked - to "catch the spirit" of community involvement. Volunteering can expand your horizons and become a satisfying, lifelong commitment.

## Upcoming Field Trips

**FIELD TRIPS**—Logos Field Trips are organized for Logos Students only and will be limited in size. Generally, on all field trips parents will drive students and meet at the trip site. Some field trips will be age/grade specific, please respect these guidelines; you may contact the field trip administrator to *request* permission to bring a sibling outside of the age group specified, this will be granted if space permits. Additionally, to make more room for student participation, it is requested that we minimize adult attendance. Consider taking turns with another Logos parent to bring students.

### Butte Creek Mill & E.P. Historic Museum K-8 Field Trip Tues. Sept. 20th 10:30 AM



We will split into two groups visiting the Water Grist Mill & Historic Eagle Point Museum. After the tours you may want to explore the covered bridge, take a picnic to the park across the creek from the Mill, or stop off at the Hamish Wayside off Hwy. 62. Register via email: [fieldtrips@logoscharter.com](mailto:fieldtrips@logoscharter.com) put Butte Creek Mill in the subject line, include names & grade of students in the body of the texts. Visit these links for more information: <http://buttecreekmill.com/>, [Eagle Point Points of Interest](#)

### Meet the Pioneers-Jacksonville Cemetery 7th-12th Grade Fri. Oct. 14th (Early Evening TBA )

Guests will have a special guided one hour tour. Spirits in period dress greet each tour group, share their tales of travel west to Oregon and talk about their lives in Jacksonville and the Rogue Valley during the mid and late 1800's. The stories are about actual people and families who lived and worked in the area. They are as historically accurate as possible with a lot of research and preparation going into each year's production. Some stories maybe sad, some funny, but all are interesting and fascinating and you won't be bored! Come and meet these early "movers and shakers" up close and personal.

**Registration and Payment (\$10/pp) must be received by Sept. 14th This event sells out!** Register via email: [fieldtrips@logoscharter.com](mailto:fieldtrips@logoscharter.com) put Pioneers in the subject line, name & grade in the body of the text. Mail checks to Logos.



# Doing the Ordinary Extraordinarily Well



Welcome to the new school year! Ordering is in full swing and as our numbers have doubled this year, so have the orders. For that reason, I ask that you please be patient. Materials are being ordered as quickly as possible. In addition, please wait for your ES to bring the materials to you rather than picking them up yourself, as we need to follow a protocol for record-keeping purposes. If you have any curriculum questions, or would like to preview books before ordering, email me to set up an appointment at [a.sanders@logoscharter.com](mailto:a.sanders@logoscharter.com)

Thank you!

-April Sanders, Curriculum Director

## Testing Information

One of our goals at Logos is to identify each student's academic strengths and weaknesses and to provide the necessary tools to be successful. We utilize a variety of assessments to make sure students are making adequate progress throughout the year.

**DIBELS** measures essential early literacy skills that must be mastered to become a good reader. Younger students identify beginning sounds and word parts, while older students read several passages & answer comprehension questions. These tests are given to kindergarten – 6th grade students by the ES working 1:1 with each student.

**STAR Reading and Math** are online tests for reading comprehension and math skills for 1st – 12th graders. The tests show the student's grade equivalent which helps when choosing curriculum and materials. Afterwards, your ES will review the results and discuss future instructional goals.

**Oregon Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (OAKS)** is a collection of tests administered annually to 3rd grade – high school at all Oregon public schools. These tests assess students' mastery of Oregon content standards in reading, math, writing, science and social science. This helps the parent and ES to see what the student has accomplished and those areas still needing instruction. Students take the OAKS online and receive a score upon completion. Each grade level has a specific benchmark goal per subject. This year, optional tests will be administered in November and mandatory testing during spring semester. Families will be scheduled through their ES.

Additional information is available on our school website or from your ES.

Call or email me anytime. I would be happy to answer your testing questions or concerns.

Valerie Barr  
Director of Student Services  
[v.barr@logoscharter.com](mailto:v.barr@logoscharter.com)  
541-842-1926

## Upcoming Activities/Events

### It's Harvest Time! Lend a Helping Hand to the Access Food Share Garden!



Food Share Gardens are sponsored by ACCESS. We are in harvest season now, and in the gardens most mornings to water and pick. We have gardens in Rogue River, Gold Hill, Central Point, Medford and at the VA in White City. Children age 6 and above are invited with a parent to come and help harvest. For more information contact ACCESS Food Share Garden Developer Nan King at: [freshaccess@accesshelps.org](mailto:freshaccess@accesshelps.org) or via phone at: [541-779-6691 ext. 309](tel:541-779-6691).

### Remembering 9-11-01 Rogue Valley Chorale Presents:



**Homeschool Science Camp**  
Tuesday Sep. 6 - Sep. 10, Lincoln City  
Contact: Darren Nettrouer, 503-472-8352  
[Director@HomeschoolScienceCamp.com](mailto:Director@HomeschoolScienceCamp.com)  
Homeschool Science Camp is committed to teaching students about the wonders of natural things and events, in the context of a

"hands-on" outdoor classroom with a Biblical perspective and an emphasis on creation. Registration deadline: August 23.  
<http://www.homeschoolsciencecamp.com/>

### The Forgotten Corner - Southeastern Oregon

Sunday Sep. 11 - Sep. 17, Malheur Field Station  
This family adventure will be a joint venture with Foundations in Genesis of Idaho (FIGI) and Design Science Association (DSA). Expect five full days of: exploring and discovering. More info on <http://creationencounter.com/tours>

### Homeschool Day at the Oregon Garden

Tuesday Sep. 13, Silverton  
Contact: Cindy Quam, 503-584-7256  
The Oregon Garden would like to invite all age 5-12 homeschool students to a fun-filled day of outdoor learning. Learn about the natural world and be inspired with fun science and art activities at hands-on, self-paced learning stations.  
<http://www.oregongarden.org/homeschool.html>

## More Upcoming Local Activities/Events

### KID TIME!

Discovery Experience  
New Location: 106 N. Central  
Medford, OR 772-9922

**Buy One Get One Free Admission**

Valid through 9/30/11  
CODE: Sum11

Buy one admission get the second of equal or lesser value FREE. One coupon per family.

### Mobility Unlimited presents

### The Glass Harvest Festival

Sept. 9th & 10th 10-5  
Sept. 11th 11-4



Free Admission, Thousands of Glass Pumpkins, Glass Demo's  
**Gathering Glass Studio, 322 N. Pioneer St., Ashland, OR**

Mobility Unlimited, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is dedicated to helping working adults obtain the mobility equipment required to live independently and maintain employment.



Build. Learn. Create.

Have fun with  
**The Kids Workshops!**

FREE hands-on workshops designed for children ages 5 - 12 offered the 1st Saturday of every month at all The Home Depot stores between 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Workshops teach children do-it-yourself skills, tool safety along and instill a sense of pride and accomplishment. All kids get to keep their craft and receive a FREE Kids Workshop Apron, commemorative pin and certificate of achievement.  
<http://www.homeimproverclub.com/kidsworkshops.aspx?month=sep>

### Lowes Build & Grow Clinic

Sept. 10th Police Car register at website:

<http://lowesbuildandgrow.com/Home.aspx>



### October 1, 2011 Bear Creek Festival – North Mountain Nature Center

<http://www.bearcreekfestival.net>