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## **BHSD Voices - 2018 Year In Review**

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Hello, this is Sean Gallagher — Superintendent of Brookings-Harbor School District here to wish you Happy Holidays and take a moment to reflect on some of the highlights from our school community in 2018.

First, we kicked off the 2018 year with an expansion of our Extended School Day Program at BHHS to three days per week for tutoring services.

In May, the district celebrated its first ever Student Achievement Night at the high school featuring exhibits & awards for excellence.

In June, we celebrated the achievement of 108 new graduates that earned over \$100,000 in scholarships and more than 1,700 college credits thanks to our district's growing partnerships with regional colleges.

Last summer we completed our second major seismic safety retrofit project. This work was made possible by over \$4.5 Million in grants that the district has received from Business Oregon in the last two years.

The district recently expanded and renovated the career technical education facilities at Brookings-Harbor High School using funding from Measure 98. This included adding additional space for hands-on learning classes such as welding, robotics, construction, and art.

Starting this school year, K-School now provides free breakfast and lunch to all students at no charge through the Provision 2 federal food program. We know that full bellies, help students stay focused in the classroom.

Just recently our district entered into an agreement with the City of Brookings to create a Truancy Court as part of an overall strategy to improve student attendance through frequent check-ins and accountability measures to keep students in school.

These are just a few of the highlights from 2018. I am grateful to our innovative teachers and staff and to our parents and community for all the efforts throughout the year to ensure that “Every Student Can Succeed.” I’m filled with Bruin Pride when I see the hard work of our students helping them reach new heights. Happy New Year!