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MEDIA ADVISORY

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Select RSD Schools to Celebrate 'Lights On Afterschool'

What: Three Redmond School District schools to host activities in honor of [Lights On Afterschool Day](#).

- M.A. Lynch Elementary to offer obstacle ropes course with competitions and prizes for students. Students will decorate an energy efficient light bulb which we will be sent to the state capitol in support of after school programs.
- Obsidian Middle School students have partnered with Brightside Animal Shelter. Students will be visiting the shelter to provide an update on Bella, the rabbit adopted from the shelter at the beginning of the school year. Students will also be delivering hand sewn dog pillows as well as their contribution to the Brightside "Bottles and Cans" drive.
- Vern Patrick Elementary, in partnership with the Vern Patrick PTC, is hosting a family movie night from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the school gym.

When: Thursday, October 17, times vary by location.

Where: [M.A. Lynch Elementary School](#), 1314 SW Kalama Ave., Redmond
[Obsidian Middle School](#), 1335 SW Obsidian Ave., Redmond
[Vern Patrick Elementary School](#), 3001 SW Obsidian Ave., Redmond

Background Information: Governor John Kitzhaber recently signed a proclamation making October 17 'Lights On Afterschool Day' in Oregon. More than 9,000 similar events happen across the nation emphasizing the importance of keeping the lights on and the doors open for afterschool programs.

"This governor enthusiastically endorses *Lights On Afterschool* and commits our state to engage in innovative afterschool programs and activities that ensure the lights stay on and the doors stay open for all children after school," stated Kitzhaber.

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