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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

### October 5th

Saturday School 8:00-11:00AM in 174DR

### **October 11th**

**End of First Quarter** 

### **October 14th**

No School—Teacher Workday

### October 15th

No School—Teacher In-Service

#### October 19th

Saturday School 8:00-11:00AM in 174 DR



### A Message From Principal Dan Bollinger

Hello Palisade Families~

I can't believe we are nearly one-quarter of the way through the school year. The first quarter has been good for many reasons—fall sports are in full swing and are nearing an end; our freshmen are adjusting to their new environment and our expectations, while seniors are beginning to make concrete plans for life after high school. Homecoming week was eventful and energizing. Our staff and students continue to say that this year's Homecoming was the most spirited in memory. For that, we credit and applaud our student council (STUCO) and alumni organization! Thank you to PHS students, staff, and the Palisade community, too, for being so positive and for engaging in all the activities.

Homecoming week is an occasion for spirit and celebration and it's a time when I can easily point to examples of students and staff being intentionally kind and positive. However, I am proud to say that I can easily point to examples of kindness and positivity before and after Homecoming too. It is evident in little ways, like our students holding doors for one another, picking up after themselves and others, or thanking their teachers. When those small, intentional acts of basic kindness and respect become part of a school's culture, it changes the whole feel of a building. It's what makes PHS's environment both safe and welcoming, and I want to thank our students and staff for continuing to act with such intentionality.

It reminds me, actually, of a clip I saw on the Ellen DeGeneres show. The segment featured a couple of students, and Will Smith commented on the students' story. One of the students had been made fun of for wearing the same clothes to school each day. The other student was complicit, laughing while the teasing ensued. However, that student reflected on his behavior and realized he needed to apologize. In apologizing, he also gifted the bullied student new clothes. The apology was videoed and went viral on Facebook. Will Smith's response echoes the message I hope to share: "What you did felt so small, but I promise you that is exactly how human beings are supposed to interact with each other. Somebody is having a hard time, you help them. It's that simple." Perhaps this quote will resonate with our parents and students the same way it resonated with me as a principal. Being a good person doesn't require heroic, deeds; being good means being human.

Thank you for being human to one another!

-Dan

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# Are you interested in advertising in our PHS newsletter?

It goes out at the beginning of every (school) month to over 1,100 families as well as to some of our Palisade Community!

Call 254-4800 ext. 25242 for pricing and more information today!



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There is more to the college going process than just a flyer regarding a parent webinar or a bus tour to a local college. I give my clients the individual attention throughout the entire school year and summer to maximize their chances. You can't afford to wait.

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### Counselor's Corner

#### **ALL STUDENTS**

Log on to your Naviance account to make sure that your current email and phone number listings are correct. Check your Naviance account regularly for information on upcoming college visits. Once you add a college to your Naviance list, you will get an automatic invitation to meet with that college's rep when/if they visit PHS. If your email is up-to-date, you will receive several notifications throughout the year about scholar-ships and college information.

To get started, go to the PHS home page at <a href="http://phs.mesa.k12.co.us/">http://phs.mesa.k12.co.us/</a>. Click on the counseling tab then go to "Naviance Student" at the bottom. Students: Use your Student Vue username and password to log on. Parents who want to be added to their student's account can have one set up by emailing Marylane.Seriani@d51schools.org.

#### **ASPEN COLLEGE FAIR**

Sunday, October 6th from 10 am to 2 pm at Aspen High School. This is the largest college fair for hundreds of miles in all directions. Learn about a variety of schools and their programs, talk with admission representatives from around the country, and learn more about the college admissions process! Families are encouraged to attend. If you are riding the bus, seats are limited! Sign up in the counseling office. Pre-registration is required. Register at <a href="https://www.cwscollegeoutreach.org">www.cwscollegeoutreach.org</a>.

#### **SENIOR WORKDAY-Taking Care of College Applications!**

Wednesday, October 2nd is Senior Workday. Our counselors will be available in the library to help students with college applications throughout the school day. Students will be released from classes in small groups. This is Free Application Week for Colorado Mesa University and several other colleges and universities in Colorado.

#### **ASVAB TEST**

The ASVAB Military Career Exploration Test will be held on October 15th, from 9:00am -12:00pm at GJHS. Sign up in the counseling office. Test results are not released to recruiters.

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#### Colorado Leadership Seminar (HOBY)

The HOBY Colorado Leadership Seminar's goal is to provide sophomores from Colorado high schools with the opportunity to improve their leadership skills through education, understanding and individual responsibility.

The 2020 seminar will be held at the University of Denver from -TBD!

If you are interested in nominating your student for this experience, please email Ms. Borgmann in the counseling office. Lisa.Borgmann@d51schools.org For more information, see the HOBY website at http://www.hobycolorado.org/

College Road Trip

School District 51 is excited to offer a road trip to Colorado Mountain College in Glenwood Springs on Tuesday, October 29th. This trip is free of charge for any student interested; however, the trip has a limited amount of seats so priority will be given to upperclassmen who have their permission slip turned in on time. Stop by the counseling office to sign up by October 25th.

#### **COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Naviance is kept current and is an excellent source for scholarship information. Make sure to check your email for scholarship alerts.
- Students should check Naviance frequently. Go to the college tab, scroll to the bottom of the page for scholarship list and search.
- Check with the college you plan on attending for scholarships they offer.

#### The Daniels Fund Scholarship

The Daniels Scholarship Program provides a four-year annually renewable college scholarship for graduating high school seniors in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming who demonstrate exceptional character, leadership, and a commitment to serving their communities. It is a "last dollar" scholarship that pays toward tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and miscellaneous educational expenses. Scholars may attend any nonprofit accredited school in the United States. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.DanielsFund.org/Scholarships">www.DanielsFund.org/Scholarships</a>. This is a highly competitive scholarship! Applications and recommendations must be completed and submitted online at DanielsFund.org by November 15, 2019 at 4:00pm MST.

The Daniels Scholarship Program provides the opportunity for highly motivated students to earn a bachelor's degree that helps them build a successful career and rewarding life. Daniels Scholars are honest, respectful, self-reliant, and compassionate. They are proud Americans who value our free enterprise system and are prepared to give the world their very best shot. It is a "last dollar" scholarship that pays toward tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and miscellaneous educational expenses. Scholars may attend any nonprofit accredited school in the United States.

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### **Upcoming Events**

Date	Event	Loca- tion	Grades	Information
Oct. 2 <sup>nd</sup> (Wednesda y) All Day	Senior Work Day	PHS Li- brary	Seniors only	Seniors will dedicate one hour to work side by side with counselors completing college applications, searching for scholarships, planning a military career/training or searching for careers through the Colorado Workforce Center.
Oct.6th (Sunday) 10am-2pm	Western Slope Col- lege Fair (Aspen)	Aspen HS	Fresh- Senior	This is the largest college fair on the Western Slope. 200+ colleges from across the US. Sign up in the counseling office by September 30 <sup>th</sup> . Pre-registration is required at www.cwscollegeoutreach.org.
Oct. 15th (Tuesday) 9am-12pm	ASVAB Test	GJHS Cafeteria	16 Years +	The ASVAB test is available free in the Grand Junction High School Cafeteria. Students interested in military careers or wanting a good career assessment should take this test. Scores are NOT automatically reported to recruiters. See the PHS Counseling Office for more information and to sign up. October 15 <sup>th</sup> is a teacher in-service day so students will not be missing classes to take this test. Sign up by October 10 <sup>th</sup> in the counseling office.
November 18 <sup>th</sup> (Monday) 5:30-6:00 pm 6:00-6:30 6:00-7:30	Future Planning Workshop/ ASCENT Info Ses- sion	PHS	Jr's/ Seniors	Future Planning Workshop for Juniors & Seniors 5:30-6:00  ASCENT Info Session from 6:00-6:30  FAFSA Help-6:00-7:30 Experts from CMU's Financial Aid Office will be here to help families complete the FAFSA as well as provide help with difficult questions and circumstances

College Visits in PHS Library:

Bard College Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00am

Hastings College Oct. 1st @ 9:30am

Montana State University Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 12:40pm

Ft. Lewis College Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am

Willamette University Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> @ 12:30pm

CU Boulder Oct. 28th @ 9:00am

If you have any questions about any of these events, please come by the counseling office or call us at 254-4800 opt 3.

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### For students enrolled in an **AP (Advanced Placement) Class:**

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This year, the timeline for registering for AP exams has shifted from the Spring to the Fall. Actual testing will still take place in May 2020; however, registration is happening now!

All students enrolled in an AP class at PHS must also enroll online at: myapcollegeboard.org. Students have "join codes" provided by their teachers. If your student is struggling to create or access his/ her account, then he/she must call: 1-888-225-5427.

As students register at myapcollegeboard.org, they'll be asked whether they intend to test.

By Sept 27, all students were to have confirmed whether they'll test, and, by that time, students should have also paid for their exam(s). If you missed that deadline, it's not too late!!

College Board's ordering deadline is Oct 4, so, between now and then, students should CONFIRM THEIR INTENT TO TEST AND PAY MS. HAWKINS. We will only order an exam if it's been paid for.

While it seems students cannot indicate their eligibility for a fee reduction when registering online (free/ reduced), students are absolutely able to receive a reduced rate by confirming their eligibility with Ms. Hawkins, our SBA Secretary in Accounting. All students who intend to test must see and pay Ms. Hawkins directly. The fee is \$99 per exam unless free/reduced, then \$20. Students can pay with cash or by check or credit card.



If you're a parent or guardian of a student enrolled in an AP class, please check-in with him/her about this timeline:

-Aug 23: Deadline for enrolling online at myapcollegeboard.org. Even if students miss the deadline, they can and must still register.

-Sept 27: Deadline for indicating whether students will test. Students log in at myapcollegeboard.org to make those changes.

-Oct 4: Payment and ordering deadline. Students must submit payment to Ms. Hawkins. Exams will not be ordered until payment is received.

-Nov 15: After this date, late exam orders will incur a \$40 fee.

If you or your student has questions, please speak to your AP teacher or contact Ms. Anderson, in the main office.

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## College & Career Information

### Senior Year At-A-Glance

As our school year rolls on into September, it seems like the holiday break is right around the corner. As time flies, many of our students are occupied by different things. Freshman are finally feeling comfortable and confident, figuring out what it takes to be successful in high school. Our sophomores and juniors are worried about upcoming tests or the big game next week. Seniors, well, seniors already have the countdown started to graduation day. Many in our senior class will continue their education into a university or community college, enlist in the military, or start contributing to the workforce.

For those continuing their education, before they hit graduation day it seems like there is a million things that need to be done. I want to help ease this burden by providing seniors with a timeline and checklist for the year. My hope is to make the transition from high school to college as painless and easy as possible.

In the checklist, there are items to consider with specific dates and some that are more of a range. To clarify, every school does things in a little different timeline so it is important to be familiar with certain deadlines. From admission applications to scholarship deadlines, please be aware of different dates.

As your College and Career Advisor I am here to help navigate everything on the checklist. Please don't hesitate to call or email if any questions or issues arise.

Thank you,

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# **PHS Booster Club**

















Come Join Us!

# Wednesday, October 2nd

for our Booster Club meeting and for this month's Dining at Dos night! These occur on the first Wednesday of each month from 4-9 p.m. at the Dos Hombres Restaurant in Clifton. A portion of the receipt is donated to that months' PHS organization at no extra cost to the customer.

This month's Dining at Dos will benefit the PHS Spanish Club!





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## **Seniors Mark Your Calendars!**

Attention Class of 2020!!!

### **SENIOR PICTURE & QUOTE INFORMATION**

### DEADLINE:

STATE BULLDOGS

Wednesday October 23rd, 2019 by 3:15pm to room 190C

<u>Late Fee:</u> Any photos turned in <u>after Wednesday October 23rd</u> will be subject to a \$20.00 fee.

Photos WILL NOT be accepted after Wednesday December 4th. 2019
...no exceptions

#### Senior Picture Requirements – Digital Copies ONLY

- -Senior's name is printed neatly and spelled correctly on the CD or Flash Drive
- -Photo is saved as a .jpg file. Do NOT submit a photo that has been pasted into a Word document
- -Photo is a minimum standard of 3.0 mega-pixel resolution (300 dpi). Any lower resolution will be rejected
  - if not, photo will look extremely pixelated compared to other photos. Your photographer will know how to fix this.
- -Photo is vertical. No horizontal photos will be accepted
- -Only one person is featured in the photo
- -Photo does not have any of the following: photographer watermark, soft focus, black and white, double images or clothing inappropriate for school. These will not be allowed, busy backgrounds and excessive shadows or anything that obscures identification will not be accepted
- -Props will be allowed however they must be school appropriate and meet the following guidelines: no weapons, drug affiliation, and inappropriate language on prop/dothing, signs of animal cruelty etc.

### Notes:

- Do not turn in your one and only copy
- Do not turn in a CD/USB with more than one photo on it
- The CD/USB will not be returned until Yearbook Distribution day. Digital photos from professional photographers will only be returned with permission from the photographer
- All photos submitted are up to the yearbook staff and/or administration discretion
- Quotes must be school appropriate and may be turned down if they are too long

### **Attention Parents of Seniors:**

Baby Ads are all digital this year! You can design your own to look exactly how you want for your Senior. There are flyers with step-by-step instructions located in the main office and also outside of room 190C. The pricing and size options are also on the flyer.

Please call the Yearbook Staff at 254-4800 ext. 25242 with any questions!

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