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A Message from Principal Dan Bollinger

Hello Palisade Families~

Though we've been emailing you with our back-to-school plans and updates, this is our first official newsletter of the year. This is a good time to thank you, our PHS families, for all the support you've given your students and our staff at the start of a most unusual year.

Last year, I wrote about our limited homecoming activities, as there was no football game. Fortunately, it happened at a later date. Good news, this year we get to communicate about the homecoming activities. This year the homecoming week is September 20th through 25th, starting with an assembly on September 17th, and capped off with the dance on September 25th at 7:00PM.

Athletically, we are off to a great start! Football, volleyball, boys soccer, softball, boys tennis, cross country, mountain biking, boys golf, and cheer who are all competing at this time. You might hear the marching band after school working as hard as ever with high expectations. The fall play, "Shakespearean Haunted House" will be performed on October 22nd, 23nd, 29th and 30th. Recently announced with practice underway is the musical performance "Annie Get your Gun" on January 13th through the 15th. You won't want to miss these performances!

I can't say enough good about our teachers and how hard they are working to help students feel comfortable and get reacquainted with course content. I've also received many positive emails and phone calls from families recognizing those efforts.

Lastly, a friendly reminder while the weather is still warm, the dress code is still in play. Following the dress code helps us maintain a professional healthy learning environment for students. We welcome parent support in enforcing the dress code as consistently as possible. A copy of our dress code can be found on our website or in your student's Dog Timer.

Thank you,

-Dan

UPCOMING DATES

Homecoming Week Sept. 20th-Sept. 24th

Homecoming Dance
September 25th

September 25th PHS Main Gym 7-11p.m.

No School: Ed. Effectiveness Day September 27th

> Parent/Teacher Conferences September 29th 3:30-7:30p.m.

Snack and Study
Sessions

Wednesdays and Thursdays afterschool in the library from 3:30 to 5:00



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OPTIONAL PSAT/NMSQT -WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

Who: Sophomores wanting extra test practice and Juniors looking to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship. The National Merit is extremely competitive. More information can be found at http://www.nationalmerit.org

How to Sign Up-Cost is \$20 (fee waivers available to those who qualify)

Students sign up with Ms. McCullough in the DP Office in the Library and submit payment to the Budget Office

Deadline to Sign Up: September 10th

Date: Wednesday, October 13th

Location: At PHS-Test begins at 9:00 am-Students will be notified of testing location

Additional Information: Bring calculator and extra batteries.

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. If you add colleges you are thinking about 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 scholarships and college information.

To get started, go to the PHS home page at http://phs.mesa.k12.co.us/. Click on the counseling tab then go to "Naviance Student" at the bottom. Students: Use your StudentVue username and password to log on. Parents who want to be added to their students account can contact MaryJane.Seriani@d51schools.org.

COLORADO WESTERN SLOPE COLLEGE FAIR (ASPEN COLLEGE FAIR)-SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3 10:00-2:00

The Colorado Western Slope College Fair (Aspen College Fair) is again VIRTUAL this year. All attendees are asked to register on their website at www.cwscollegeoutreach.org

DISTRICT #51 COLLEGE FAIR-WEDENSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

The Colorado Council Day/Night Fair Committee is bringing a college fair to the Grand Valley! Over thirty in state and out-of-state schools will be represented. Details will be shared once they are finalized!

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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 www.DanielsFund.org/Scholarships. This is a highly competitive scholarships.

Are you interested in advertising in our 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 members!

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

ATTENTION STUDENTS!

Breakfast burrito sales are back! We are selling them every Thursday. You can pre-order your sausage or bacon breakfast burritos by scanning the QR code on the breakfast burrito posters around the school. We can deliver them to you during the 1st block, or you can pick them up during the passing period. Burritos are \$2.00 each and salsa on the side is an extra \$0.25. Happy eating!



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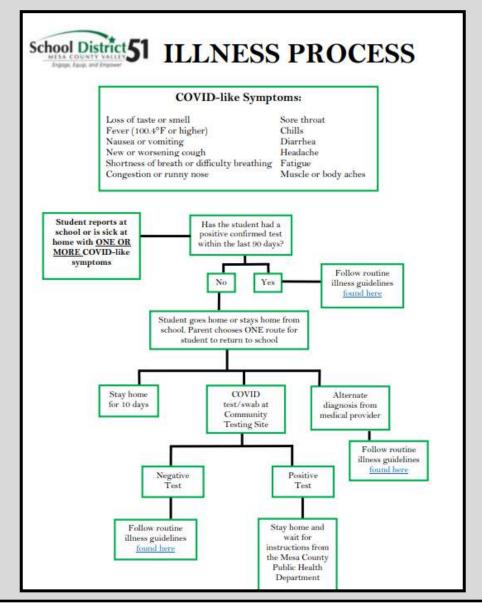
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Hello from the Health Office!

We would like to provide you with the D51 Illness Protocol Flowchart. Remember, if your student does not feel well or is showing any potential COVID related symptom(s) please keep them home and follow the steps outlined in the flow chart.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in helping us keep our students and staff safe

and healthy!



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Attention Class of 2022 Parents, Families & Students

Attention Class of 2022!!!

SENIOR PICTURE & QUOTE INFORMATION

DEADLINE



Wednesday, October 20th by 3:15pm to Room 190C!!!

<u>Late Fee:</u> Any photos turned in <u>after Wednesday</u>, October 20th will be subject to a \$25.00 fee.

Photos WILL NOT be accepted after Thursday, December 2nd, 2021

Senior Picture Requirements

Both photos AND quotes must be turned in by the due date!

They cannot be changed once you have submitted them, unless you would like to pay the late fee of \$25

- -Digital Copies ONLY! (USB flash drive, CD, or email in a jpg file to: Hannah.Martinez@D51schools.org)
- -EARLY GRADUATES: you must also turn in your photos and quotes by this date. Please clearly indicate that you are an early graduate on your email or device when you submit your photo/quote!
- -Submitting a CD or USB flash drive: please only submit one photo. The student's first and last name must be clearly displayed on the CD or USB device; quote must also be turned in with the device. Devices will not be returned until yearbook distribution day (in May).
- -Submitting by email: email only one photo in a .jpg file format to the Ms. Martinez (please do not email it to other PHS staff members or to a yearbook staff member to get it to us). The email must also include your quote if you wish to have one.
- -Photo must be 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 must be vertical, no horizontal photos can be accepted.
- -Photos cannot have any of the following: photographer watermark, double images, busy backgrounds and/or excessive shadows or anything that obscures identification of you.

IMPORTANT

Please respect the following dress/photo expectations for the photo & quote that you choose to submit:

- Photos/quotes submitted with any reference to guns/ weapons, drugs, gangs, or sex will be rejected
- Any strapless tops or exposure of butt cheeks will not be permitted
- Minimal or incidental cleavage and midriffs will be reviewed by the three-stage panel

NOTE:

Any photos or quotes that are in question, will be at the discretion of a three-stage panel of students, staff, and administrators to determine if a new photo or quote will need to be submitted.

Baby Ads for your Senior are due by February 10th, 2022

There will be more information regarding Baby Ads, how to create them, and available sizes for purchase in the October newsletter.

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ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AT PALISADE HIGH SCHOOL

WE ARE PRINCIPLED

"IB Learners strive to be PRINCIPLED: [We] act with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness, justice and respect...[we] take responsibility for their own actions and the consequences that accompany them."



WHAT IS ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT?

- a behaviour (on purpose or not) that results in, or may result in, the student or any other student gaining an <u>unfair</u> advantage.
- · Looks like:
 - <u>plagiarism</u>: the representation of ideas, words or work of another person without proper, clear, and explicit acknowledgement.
 - <u>collusion</u>: supporting misconduct by another student, as in allowing your work to be copied or submitted for assessment by another student.
 - <u>duplication of work</u>: reusing your work for a different assessment.

THE HONOR CODE

"On my honor, this assessment (exam/paper/project) reflects my own thinking and effort."



PACK (Perseverance estitude. Character. and Knowledge) is about more than just grades. Good grades are the result of a student who perseveres, develops character, cultivates a positive attitude, and values knowledge.

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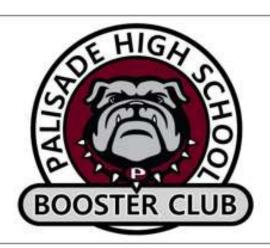
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WELCOME BACK!!

We are excited to see your friendly faces again and hope this year is going well so far!

For those of you who were not at Back to School Night, we have all NEW BULLDOG GEAR!!

Baseball caps, shirts, hoodies and lanyards
will be available in the Athletic Office starting Sept. 7

We are always looking for volunteers and assistance with supporting our students through the Booster Club.

Please email palisadebooster@gmail.com for more information!

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Parent Introduction to Schoology

This year Palisade High School is launching the use of Schoology as our learning management system. While Schoology is much more than a grade reporting system for teachers, students, and parents, it is likely to be the primary use for parents.

Login: (your account has been created for you, so you will <u>not</u> need to create one or use a code) Your first step as a parent is to make sure you have access to your Schoology account. To do this follow these steps:

- In the Chrome or Safari browser, access Schoology by going to https://app.schoology.com
- 2. Click "forgot password"
- 3. In this screen, put in the email on file with the school district This is the email where you receive district information
- 4. You will received an auto-generated email from Schoology (check spam or promotional folders if you don't see it in your inbox)
- 5. Use the link in the email to set your password.
- 6. Use this email and password to access schoology at https://app.schoology.com

You have successfully logged out. Sign in to Schoology All fields are required gmmsfakept Mesa County Mesa County Mesa County Valley School District No. 51 555706973 Grand Junstion, CO 81501-8063

In Student Account:

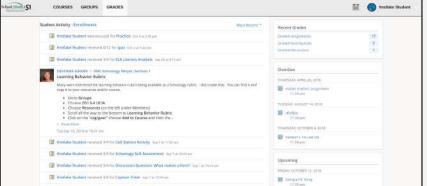
When you initially login, Schoology takes you to your student's account. If you have more than one student enrolled in D51 and Schoology, click on the arrow next to your students name in the top right corner and make the appropriate selection.

Getting to Grades:

From your home screen, click on **Grades**

From the grades drop down, click on **Grade Report**





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This screen shows an overview of all your student's classes. Click on a specific class to expand the information available for that class, the overall grade is at the end of the assignment information. More information about what is contained in this screen will come in a later communication.



Note: Keep in mind that a dash does not mean an assignment is missing.

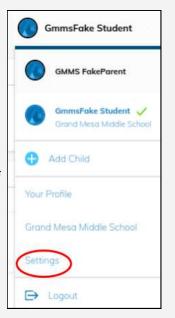
Schoology Settings:

There are some settings that you might want to set in Schoology. You can access the settings by clicking on the name in the upper right hand corner of the screen. Then choose Settings from the menu.

There is a notifications tab that allows you to sign up for weekly summaries for your student. It is recommended to set those to Tuesday or Wednesday instead of Friday.

Messages sent to parents through Schoology will come to the email you have linked

to Schoology as well as the Schoology account itself.



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Schoology vs ParentVue

Schoology is our Learning Management System (LMS). Currently all staff at Palisade High School are using Schoology to report progress and grades.

Schoology

Access assignments See progress in course work Access current course grades

—To be clear, Schoology is the place that you should check for the most accurate grades, NOT ParentVue and StudentVue

ParentVue

School registration information Access test scores (CMAS, PSAT etc.) Final semester grades Meal Balance

Mobile Access: There are two pathways to access Schoology on a mobile device.

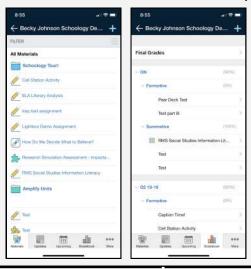
- 1. Download the Schoology App from the App Store (iOS) or the Google Play Store (Android)
- 2. Open Schoology on a Mobile Browser (Safari/Chrome). To do this, follow the log-in directions above.

Many of the same features on the full site are available on the **mobile version**, and screenshots and details are listed below.

Course Dashboard
Student View
Enrollment
Courses
Grades

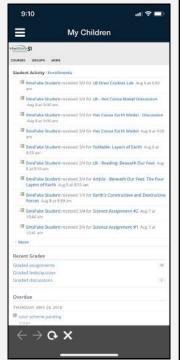
You can also select your student to

be able to see Course Materials & Grade Reports



<u>Schoology Mobile Menu Screen</u> to see courses, grades, and materials





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