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Important

Dates

School Support Opp.

FBLA Induction
Ceremony Room 174DR
Thursday November 3

Parent/Teacher

Conferences

Thursday November 10
3:30—7:30p.m.

Wrestling Info. Meeting

Friday November 11
7:00pm PHS Cafeteria

Speech & Debate

Saturday November 12
Eagle Valley Festival

H.S Honor Orchestra

Sunday November 13
7:00—8:00 @ CMU

Booster Club Meeting

Monday November 14
6:00 at PHS Library


Marching Band Award Night

Tuesday November 15
7:00—9:00 PHS Auditorium

No School

Thanksgiving Break
November 21-25

A Message From Principal Dan Bollinger

 **H**alf of the year is nearly over and I remember the second half goes even quicker. Graduation planning with seniors will start and before you can blink it will be the day.

Fall sports are either completed or winding down. Each of the activities had some great moments, and others that we can learn from. I would challenge each and every one of you to attend both a sporting event as well as an activity like a play, musical, or concert. This year, the marching band had an opportunity to perform in St. George, Utah, where they were crowned champions and took home the High Visual and High General Effect caption awards. They competed against many top quality bands representing many states as well. The young men and women had a fantastic year, finishing 2nd in the state. The marching band, band parents, and Mr. Mason put in hundreds of hours to produce amazing performances, and we congratulate them!

The community advisory council continues to be a rewarding and inspiring aspect to my position. The opportunity to meet and hear many voices outside of PHS is very insightful for both the parents as well as myself. I try to have presentation each month so parents understand what is happening within the school and the complexities within. Many good ideas and advice come from the meetings. Our next meeting will be January 10th. I would love to increase the number of participants getting more ideas and wider representation would be fantastic!

I was recently speaking with my wife on a road trip to Denver to watch some football and soccer. We started to discuss the importance of adults in the lives of the children. It seems that sometimes we get irritated, frustrated, and emotional when our children make a mistake. I am not by any means, saying that there should not be consequences for their behavior, but these consequences and our responses should also be tied to the learning. I think it is very important to keep in mind our purpose: to help them grow. WE need to understand that if the kids were perfect, they wouldn't need us. This made me think of a quote in an article written by Scott McPherson:

Respect children. Don't always assume you know best. Yes, for practical daily reasons sometimes they just have to water-ski along behind your day. But when ever possible really try to see their behavior as having less to do with you and life's rules and more to do with their own individuality and how that meets this great big world. Because ultimately your job isn't to teach them who to be come—it's to help them realize who they already are" (Disadvantaged Youth, 2014).

It is our job to guide our children whether we are teachers, parents, administrators or any other adult in a child's life. It is our job to allow them to learn from mistakes and continue to emphasize and encourage a growth mindset.

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Purchase a Baby Ad and/or Buddy Ad Today!

Deadline: Friday November 4, 2016

Late Fee: Any ads turned in after Friday November 4th by 3:00p.m will be subject to a \$10.00 late fee

Photos WILL NOT be accepted after Friday November 18, 2016—no exceptions!

Baby Ad Requirements:

- Only applies to those graduating during the current school year
- Only one student per ad (unless they are siblings)
- Inappropriate photos will not be allowed; please use your discretion

What is a Buddy Ad?

We are allowing friends, sport teams, family members etc. to purchase ads to show their support of a special group or individual.

This applies to any student attending Palisade High School.

- Please abide by the word limits: messages that are too long will be edited to meet the standard.
- Photos, dedication and payment must be sealed in an envelope for submission
- Payment must accompany the photo (with or without message)

Prices for Baby/Buddy Ads



One Eighth Page = \$50

-45 words & 1 photo

-50 words & no photo

Quarter Page = \$85

-50 words & 2 photos

-75 words & 1 photo

-125 words & no photo

Half Page = \$165

-125 words & 4 photos

-150 words & 3 photos

-175 words & 2 photos

-200 words & 1 photo

-225 words & no photo

Full Page = \$320

-unlimited photos

-unlimited words

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WHO IS PALISADE HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB?

Palisade High School Booster Club is a group of parents, coaches, school administrators and community members who support all clubs, teams and extracurricular activities of Palisade High School. Our mission is to enhance, assist and encourage enthusiastic support for all Palisade High School programs. The Booster Club provides financial support, athletic fee scholarships, assists with travel expenses, fulfills wish lists and promotes school spirit. Fundraising efforts and contributions enable the Booster Club to achieve our mission. Without fundraising we would not exist. We provide this through a program that encourages participation.

The parents and volunteers who are involved make such an impact for Palisade High School. They help our kids achieve their clubs and sports dreams by stepping in to raise funds to provide the necessities and frills that school budgets do not. In addition, being a part of the Booster Club allows you to “get to know” other parents, coaches and administration. With that said, let this be a formal invitation for you to become a valuable part of the Palisade Booster Club.

Our next few meetings for the Booster Club will be Nov. 14th, Dec. 12th and Jan. 9th at 6:00 in the PHS library.

We hope to see you there!

- 1 PHS Booster Club has a fund raiser at Dos Hombres in Clifton on the first Wednesday of every month.



Families come to Dos to eat and a portion of their receipt is donated to the Booster Club by Dos Hombres, at no extra expense to the customer.

The hours are 4pm to 9pm. This month the date is November 2nd.

- 2 Our monthly meeting is November 14th

in the PHS Library at 6pm.

Everyone is encouraged to attend.

SAVE THE DATE

**COMING
UP**

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CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT/CMU EARLY SCHOLARS MEETING THURSDAY NOV. 10th, 6:30PM-7:30PM

Junior and Senior students (along with parents) interested in enrolling for SPRING CMU classes to earn both high school and college credit must attend a meeting on Thursday, November 10th at 6:30pm in room 324W. At the meeting we will discuss how the process works, complete necessary applications, and search for CMU classes to fit the students' needs. The following conditions apply:

College courses must align with the student's ICAP (Individual Career and College Plan as noted in Naviance).

The student must have exhausted all the course offerings at PHS in the given academic area.

Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA and a PLAN or ACT test score of 17 in Reading (for all CMU classes) and 19 in math (for all CMU math classes).

This meeting is not required for tech scholars-those in WCCC classes next semester

Contact Lori Starr in the PHS counseling office if you have questions: 254-4800 Opt. 3.

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 "Naviance Family Connection" in the right-hand column. Students: Use your Student Vue username and password to log on.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Naviance is being kept current and is an excellent source for scholarship information.

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 for which you may qualify.

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SENIORS: ACT

If you plan to re-take the ACT test, register online at www.actstudent.org. The registration deadline for the December 10th test is November 4th.

FINANCIAL AID NIGHTS

CMU will be hosting a financial aid information night on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 @ 6:00pm in the University Center Ballroom. Learn about the financial aid process, take a campus tour (offered at 4:30), and attend information sessions with the CMU Ambassadors.

SPANISH FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Unified Financial Aid Night for Spanish speaking families will be November 3rd at 6:30pm in the Central High School Library. Come learn about the financial aid process for college bound seniors which will be presented in Spanish. There will also be experts there to help undocumented students identify resources to help pay for college.

CAREER AND COLLEGE PREP CLASS

Juniors enrolled in our new Career and College Prep class this term have already researched their personal strengths, likes and skills. They have also explored careers and created an action plan and presentation for the career they most love. They have written resumes, cover letters, completed job applications, and participated in a mock job interview. Next: finding the college or training option that best fits their passions and budget, along with finding scholarships and funding sources.

COLLEGE VISITS

We will have a representative with CSU Pueblo visiting us on November 2nd. @ 12:00pm, a representative with UCCS on Nov. 9th @ 9:00am and a representative with Colorado Christian University on November 10th @ 9:00am. If you are interested in learning more about these schools, stop by the counseling office to sign up.

ATTENTION ACCEPTED SENIORS

Colleges communicate important information with you through your student online portal (ie: MavZone @ CMU or MyCUBoulder @ UC Boulder). Don't miss out on scholarships, housing information, class registration or important dates and activities. Check your portal at least once a week.

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