



PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Parent Newsletter

August/September 2020

All Information is Subject to Change

STUDENT PICTURES

We are excited to once again work with Christmas City Studios for underclassmen student portraits. They will photograph:

Students with Last Names M – Z

◇ Thursday, September 17

◇ Friday, September 18

Students with Last Names A – L

◇ Monday, September 21

◇ Tuesday, September 22

Information about specific photo assignment dates will be forthcoming.

There will also be additional make-up dates:

◆ Thursday, October 29

Students with last names M – Z

◆ Tuesday, November 3

Students with last names A – L

WELCOME BACK ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR ALL STUDENTS

MONDAY, AUGUST 31*

*** ALL Students Should be on Their Schoology Accounts**

➔ The first day of Face to Face Instruction for Hybrid Students with last names A – L will be **Monday, August 31, 2020**.

➔ The first day of Face to Face Instruction for Hybrid Students with last names M – Z will be **Wednesday, September 2, 2020**.

DAILY SCHEDULE – School will start at 7:40 AM and will end at 2:30 PM. Morning LCTI students will attend homeroom at Parkland High School prior to receiving a bus transfer to LCTI.

LATEX REMINDER – Several students at PHS have severe airborne Latex allergies. To protect these students, PHS is a “Latex Free” Environment. Please do not send items containing Latex (especially balloons) to the school.

LATE ACTIVITY BUS REMINDER – The school district provides one late activity bus run each school day. The activity bus will depart from the back of the D-wing at 4:20 PM on the days students are in school. Only students engaged in school sponsored and supervised activities are eligible to use the activity bus. Students staying at PHS for activities beyond 4:20 PM must arrange for transportation home.

VIRTUAL PARENTS MEETING

All PHS parents are invited to a virtual meeting on **Monday, August 31 beginning at 7 PM**. The meeting will include a presentation of the policies and practices at PHS. This meeting will be especially helpful to parents new to the high school, and will provide an excellent update for all returning parents. We look forward to meeting with all of you.*

VIRTUAL PARENTS NIGHT/OPEN HOUSE

PHS will host its annual Parents Night/Open House on **Tuesday, September 8 beginning at 7 PM**. On this evening, you will have a virtual opportunity to “visit” the entire school, hear from teachers, and learn more about our programs and activities. We hope you plan to attend.*

VIRTUAL PARENT FORUM MEETINGS

The mission of the Parent Forum is “to facilitate open communication between school and home in a collaborative effort to enhance the high school experience of all students.” This forum is open to all parents and/or legal guardians of Parkland High School students. Please refer to your parent newsletter for any reminders or updates regarding the Parent Forum. The virtual meeting dates and times for this school term are as follows:

Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 7 PM

Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 7 PM,
Fall Workshop

Wednesday, November 18, 2020, 7 PM

Wednesday, January 20, 2021, 7 PM

Wednesday, March 24, 2021, 7 PM,
Spring Workshop

Wednesday, April 21, 2021, 7 PM

* Parents will receive a communication prior to each Parent Forum meeting giving them access to the virtual meeting.

* Parents will receive a communication prior to the virtual Parents Meeting and Parents Night/Open House giving them access to these virtual meetings.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents:

I hope you are enjoying a wonderful summer with family and friends as this pandemic has certainly tested the resolve of everyone. The 2020-2021 school year will soon be upon us, bringing forth challenges none of us have experienced in the public school system. As a parent who is sending his three sons to school, I know my first concern is the safety of my children and I'm sure you share those same concerns.

With that in mind, let me share a bit about what school will look like. Safety is paramount and practically everywhere students look they will see safety guidelines in effect or reminders of them. For example, students will see students and staff wearing face coverings, sanitizing stations visible in all areas of the building, hallways lined with tape noting social distancing protocols, hallway signs directing students into one-way traffic patterns, and staff members visibly enforcing these safety precautions. Prior to the start of school, a video will be shared with students so they can acclimate to these new safety driven expectations. Maybe most importantly, the student population on a given day will be approximately 1,000 students – or about 1/3 of our normal population – creating a less dense situation where students can pass through the hallways and eat lunch with plenty of personal space. These are just some of the safety measures we are instituting this year, but if you are looking for greater details the secondary building plan is included in the [School District Health and Safety Plan](#). We understand that little to no learning will occur in an environment where students do not feel safe so we are committed to safety protocols so students can resume the Parkland education we all believe in!

Most importantly, parents, we need your cooperation and commitment to daily completion of the **Student Wellness Form** in partnership with school efforts to maintain a safe learning environment for students and staff. If you check “yes” to any of the questions on the Student Wellness Form, please keep your child home and you will be contacted by a school nurse to discuss your concerns. Opening schools in this environment is a shared commitment by parents and school. By working together we hope to remain in session as long as possible this year. (Note: a link to the Student Wellness Form will be sent in a separate communication.)

As with every start to school, Parkland has some new faculty members for the upcoming school year. Joining our teaching staff will be: Ronald Bealer (Technology & Engineering), Nia Fratrik (Spanish), Jill Hammer (Spanish), Kaitlin Heintzelman (Biology), Kelly Hess (French and Social Studies), Stephanie Knowlton (Special Education), Jacqueline Miller (Physics), Lee Rizzotto (Guidance Counselor), and Angela Turczyn (Mathematics). I am sure these professionals will blend in well with Parkland High School's outstanding team of educators.

Parkland is proud of our very diverse student body and the climate it expects all students to maintain so all students are safe and secure in their learning. Our students overwhelmingly demonstrate exemplary behavior but in today's political climate it is a good time to discuss school appropriate conversation topics with your child, including how to best respond to situations where inappropriate dialogue may be shared. Please talk with your child so he/she understands that speech which is divisive or destructive regarding race, color, religion, ethnicity, sexuality, gender, age or handicap/disability will result in swift and severe disciplinary consequences. I'd like to thank you in advance for your cooperation on this topic as we all agree that students who feel safe and secure are most likely to be academically successful.

I would just like to remind everyone that we are presenting a virtual 9th Grade Parent Orientation on Monday, August 31. You will receive directions to the 9th Grade Parent Orientation presentation on August 31. On Tuesday, September 8, PHS will present its virtual Open House so look for a communication arriving September 8 with directions to the presentation.

The goal of this monthly newsletter is to keep parents and students informed of high school events and other critical information. The information in this newsletter is integral to your child's success so please read its contents regularly and review it with your student. The amount of information might be overwhelming at times, but should you have any questions please contact the high school so our staff can assist you.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office if I can be of assistance to you. Have a great year!


Sincerely,



James E. Moniz II
Principal
monizj@parklandsd.org

KEY ITEMS FOR RETURNING TO SCHOOL

- ⇒ Students should complete the **Student Wellness Form** EVERY DAY before entering the school building. A link to this form will be sent in a separate communication.
- ⇒ Students should bring a backpack with them each day they attend school. No lockers will be in use.
- ⇒ Students should have their Chromebook fully charged every day they come to school. No charging stations will be available.
- ⇒ Students should always have their School ID with them when they come to school. The PHS Cafeteria is now cashless, and the student's school ID will be used for payments.
- ⇒ Parents should deposit money in their student's [MySchoolBucks.com](https://myschoolbucks.com) account, or deliver a check (made payable to PSD Cafeteria) to the Food Services office at 2219 N. Cedar Crest Boulevard, Allentown, PA 18104. Please allow time for delivery if using the U.S. Postal Service.
- ⇒ Online students should be on a schedule too. Assignments for the week will be posted every Monday in Schoology.
- ⇒ Parents may want to view the [August 4 Parent Forum Meeting](#) for more information, if they have not done so already.

PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL HYBRID CALENDAR						
SEPTEMBER 2020						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	31 Last Names A-L Day 1	1 Last Names A-L Day 2	2 Last Names M-Z Day 1	3 Last Names M-Z Day 2	4 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY	5
6	7 LABOR DAY	8 Last Names A-L Day 3	9 Last Names A-L Day 4	10 Last Names M-Z Day 3	11 Last Names M-Z Day 4	12
13	14 Last Names A-L Day 5	15 Last Names A-L Day 6	16 e-Learning Day	17 Last Names M-Z Day 5	18 Last Names M-Z Day 6	19
20	21 Last Names A-L Day 1	22 Last Names A-L Day 2	23 e-Learning Day	24 Last Names M-Z Day 1	25 Last Names M-Z Day 2	26
27	28 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY	29 Last Names A-L Day 3	30 Last Names A-L Day 4			

COUNSELING CORNER

Welcome to the 2020-21 school year. The Parkland High School Counseling staff is available to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have regarding your son or daughter's academic program for the upcoming school year.

NEW GUIDANCE COUNSELOR



Parkland High School welcomes Mr. Lee Rizzotto to its guidance counseling ranks. Mr. Rizzotto has been a special education teacher for the past 12 years, the last 10 at PHS.

A lifelong Allentown resident, Mr. Rizzotto earned his Special Education degree from Millersville University and master's degrees in Classroom Technology and School Counseling.

Guidance Department Head, Mr. Eric Roberts says, "Mr. Rizzotto is an outstanding educator. He has been an important member of our learning community for the past decade. With his student-first approach to learning, he will continue to provide great opportunities for our students. We welcome him enthusiastically."

Mr. Rizzotto will work with students in grades 9-12 with last names in the range of SCJ - THE.

COLLEGE-BOUND SENIORS

Seniors must complete a transcript release form prior to submitting college applications to the Counseling Office.

Students and parents (if the student is under 18 years of age) must sign this form giving PHS permission to release official academic records to colleges/universities. Students

indicate on the form whether SAT and ACT scores are to be removed from the high school transcript prior to processing college applications.

If a college is requesting a counselor recommendation, the student must complete a recommendation profile form highlighting individual achievements during the past four years.

Seniors need to remember to contact teachers early in the school year if they wish to request a teacher recommendation. A copy of the recommendation profile can be helpful to teachers when preparing student recommendations.

Seniors need to remember that ten school days are required to process college applications. Please pay close attention to application deadline dates. Submit your materials as early as possible to the Counseling Office. Seniors need to inform their counselor if they are processing an application online. Applications processed through online delivery systems (Common App or Coalition App) require official transcripts and secondary school information. In order to ensure timely processing of your online applications, communication with your counselor is vitally important.

AP CLASSES

Students will now need to register for Advanced Placement exams using an online portal system through College Board's website.

Teachers will be distributing the link and access code to all AP students starting in mid-September.

Students will need to know their College Board username and password. If they do not have an account, one will need to be created. Once logged in, students will use the access code to join their AP class(es). On the portal they will have access to many beneficial resources to assist them in the course. Additionally, they will have to indicate if they are taking the AP

exam. All AP students will need to indicate their exam status sometime in early November. Students taking the exam must pay a fee, but they cannot use the portal to pay. No test will be ordered for a student indicating "yes" to the exam without the fee having been paid. Information regarding fee waivers is available to those students and families experiencing financial hardship. A processing fee will be charged for each exam ordered from the College Board but cancelled by the student. The 2020-2021 Advanced Placement Bulletins will be available in the Counseling Office in January. Please contact Mr. Jeremy Gordon in the Counseling Office at 610-351-5900, ext. 73521 regarding any questions about Advanced Placement Testing.

SENIOR ATHLETES

Senior athletes who have not completed the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse form should do so as soon as possible if they are interested in participating in collegiate sports at Division I or II levels.

NCAA procedures for the college-bound student athlete are available online at www.eligibilitycenter.org. Transcript requests should be made through the Parchment system.

JUNIORS AND SOPHOMORES

Juniors and sophomores are encouraged to take the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test) scheduled for Saturday, October 17, 2020 at PHS.

The College Board only allows this test to be administered once each school year.

Registration information will be available in September. **Due to COVID-19, the PSAT test date is subject to change.**

PSAT

COUNSELING CORNER . . .

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTING

Registration procedures for the 2020-2021 SAT Reasoning Test and SAT Subject Tests are posted online at the College Board website, www.sat.org/register. The College Board requires a student photo as part of the registration process and late registration options have changed. The above changes are all part of enhanced security regulations put in place by the College Board. Due to COVID-19, all SAT test dates are subject to change.

SAT

ASVAB TESTING

The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) will be offered at PHS in late September.

The date will be announced when it is secured, but is subject to change due to COVID-19. The ASVAB is an excellent opportunity for juniors and seniors to complete a career aptitude test that examines different academic, mechanical and technical areas. Students interested in a military career must take this three-hour exam. The exam is free of charge and administered by military testing personnel at the high school; however, there is no obligation to meet with military recruiters if a student completes the test. Registration for the ASVAB test will take place in the Counseling Office during the first few weeks of school.

STUDENT SCHEDULES

Student schedules are currently being completed by the counseling staff and will be made available the first day of school. If a student is considering a schedule change, request forms will be available on the [PHS website](#). Schedule change policies and procedures can be referenced in the PHS Registration Information and Course Descriptions Book.

DID YOU MOVE?

If a student has moved over the summer to a new residence within the Parkland School District, proof of residency (2 forms) must be presented to the Counseling Office as soon as possible. Please call if you have any questions regarding this procedure.

The Counseling Office will be staffed every day throughout the month of August. Please feel free to contact us at 610-351-5610 if you have any questions or concerns.

PHS UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday	8/26	Virtual 9th Grade Orientation
Monday	8/31	First Day of School — All Students Should be on their Schoology Accounts
		Welcome Back! Students with Last Names A — L Report for First Day of Classes
		Virtual Parent Orientation 7 PM
Wednesday	9/2	Welcome Back! Students with Last Names M — Z Report for First Day of Classes
Friday	9/4	School Closed — Holiday
Monday	9/7	School Closed Happy Labor Day!
Tuesday	9/8	Fall SAT Prep Registration Begins
		Virtual Parent Open House 7 PM
Wednesday	9/16	Virtual Parent Forum 7 PM
Thursday	9/17	Picture Day for Students with Last Names M — Z
Friday	9/18	Picture Day for Students with Last Names M — Z
Monday	9/21	Picture Day for Students with Last Names A — L
Tuesday	9/22	Picture Day for Students with Last Names A — L
Friday	9/25	Last Day for Fall SAT Prep Registration
Saturday	9/26	SAT Exam 7:45 AM (PHS)
Monday	9/28	School Closed — Professional Development
Tuesday	9/30	ASVAB Testing
		Virtual SAT Prep Class 3-5 PM or 6:30-8:30 PM



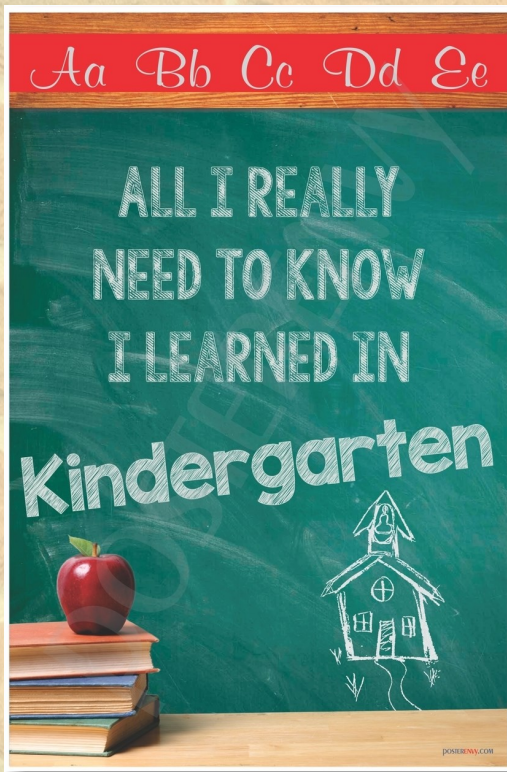
VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

A New Year. A New Beginning.

The abrupt end to the school year in the spring left many pieces of the Visual and Performing Arts puzzle ready to go but nowhere to be featured. Our Spring Musical, *Tuck Everlasting*, did have a very exciting and heartwarming virtual opening put together by the Director, Mr. Anonia, and his staff. During the weekend dedicated to Parkland's Festival of the Arts, we did our best to flood the Parkland News Network and YouTube with art shows from all levels, and performances by Indoor Percussion, Indoor Color Guard, and the Varsity Dance Team. It was great to see so many students contribute and, with a little luck, this year we can have a more "in person" experience for Parkland's Festival of the Arts (FOTA). There is a theater expression "The Show Must Go On." Those words are going to be put to the test this upcoming school year like never before. The A-wing is hard at work looking for solutions to the challenges that are present as this year begins. The students and staff are dedicated to continuing the quality of all Visual and Performing Arts in the high school, so stay tuned for information as it becomes available.

FALL PLAY

The fall play, *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*, will be the first play to be cast, rehearsed, and performed virtually. The proposed dates for this performance are **October 8 – 10 at 7:30 PM**. More information on how to view the play and any changes in that date will be communicated through the Parkland website and other district-wide communications. This fun yet insightful play is based on the best-selling book of the same name by Robert Fulghum. Set the time aside now so you have the chance to watch it in October.



Trojan Art Gallery

September 2020	Tyler Krisher
	- Ceramics and Sculpture
October 2020	2020 East Central PA Scholastic Art Awards
November 2020	Sarah Locke
	- Crafts, Quilts, 3-D Work
December 2020	Ashley Foster
	- Painting
January 2021	PHS Art Students
	- Drawing/Jewelry & Metals 1
February 2021	PHS Art Students
	- Painting/Ceramics
March 2021	PHS Art Students
	- Photography/Computer Graphics
	- Crafts
April 2021	PHS Art Students
	- Portfolio Prep/AP Studio and Drawing 3
	- Craft Independent Study
May 2021	Senior Art Awards
May 13, 2021	PHS Art Show - Art Studios
May 13-15, 2021	Festival Of The Arts (FOTA)

2020 NAFME ALL-NATIONAL MIXED CHOIR

Two Parkland High School students, **Brycen Geiger** (Bass 1) and **Zachary Evans** (Bass 1), were accepted into the 2020 National Association for Music Education (NAFME) All-National Mixed Choir. This year's event is tentatively scheduled to take place in Orlando, Florida in November.

ENSEMBLES

Dance Team, Marching Band, Color Guard, and Percussion are getting ready to start their work to be prepared for whatever comes their way. All of us are anxious to be working collaboratively as soon as possible.

THANK YOU

The A-wing wants to thank everyone for their support of the arts during this unprecedented year. We will produce as much quality art as we can while keeping our students and staff safe and healthy. Art helps unite communities and heal the wounds after any devastating setback. That is why we will be back and eventually stronger than ever.

ATHLETIC NEWS

PIAA DELAYS THE START OF FALL SPORTS 2020 FOR TWO WEEKS

On August 21, 2020 the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) Board will reconvene. Between now and then, voluntary workouts may continue. PIAA remains committed to providing a season for each sport during the 2020-2021 school year.

FIRST OFFICIAL PIAA PRACTICE DATES FOR THE EPC LEAGUE:

First Day of
Practice:
**August
24**

First Day of
Practice:
**September
8**

First Day of
Practice:
**September
14**

- ◆ Golf
- ◆ Girls Tennis
- ◆ Cross Country

- ◆ Girls and Boys Soccer (JV and Varsity)
- ◆ Field Hockey (JV and Varsity)
- ◆ Girls Volleyball (JV and Varsity)
- ◆ Cheer

- ◆ Football (Jr. High, JV and Varsity)
- ◆ All Middle School Sports:
- ◇ Cheer
- ◇ Cross Country
- ◇ Football
- ◇ Field Hockey
- ◇ OMS Volleyball
- ◇ SMS Volleyball

All physicals and paperwork **MUST** be turned in one week **PRIOR** to your student athlete's first practice day!

FIRST COMPETITION DATES

August 27, 2020	Golf
August 31, 2020	Girls Tennis
September 11, 2020	Cross Country
September 25, 2020	Girls and Boys Soccer (JV and Varsity)
September 25, 2020	Field Hockey (JV and Varsity)
September 25, 2020	Girls Volleyball (JV and Varsity)
October 2, 2020	Cheer (JV and Varsity)
October 2, 2020	Football (Jr High, JV and Varsity)
October 2, 2020	All Middle School Sports:
	Cheer, Cross Country, Football, Field Hockey, OMS Volleyball, SMS Volleyball



Please remember the first day of school is now August 31.

INFORMATION FROM THE HEALTH ROOM



The start of this school year will be different than any other we have experienced, but the goal of our nurses and Health Room staff remains to maintain the health, safety and wellness of every student to ensure success in the classroom.

If your student has any health condition updates, please contact the Health Room staff to provide the updated information.

MEDICATIONS

All medication, prescription and nonprescription, must be brought to the school by a parent and/or guardian along with the accompanying forms from the physician at the start of each school year or as your child requires medication to be administered during school hours.

Emergency Medications (epinephrine auto injectors and asthma inhalers) may be carried by your student during the school day if the physician indicates this on the Medication Form. Carrying emergency medications at the high school level is encouraged because of the many activities the students are involved in.

All medications, prescription and nonprescription will continue to require a doctor's order and the completion of the Medication Administration Consent and Licensed Prescriber form to be administered during school hours.

Forms are available for download on the [PHS website](#).

Please see the medication policy on the website for complete information.

Please complete the Wellness Form for each of your student(s) every morning prior to coming to school.

For information regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19), please refer to the Parkland School District website.

JUNIORS

All eleventh grade students, as mandated by the State, need to have a physical examination. This is best done by your family physician but may be done by the School Physician if you choose. A sport physical for a PIAA high school sport may be used to complete this requirement. The form for the school physical you receive in the mail is the preferable paperwork to be completed. However, copies of the physical forms used for the driver's permit are accepted for the student's school physical. Completed forms should be placed in an envelope marked "Health Room" and turned in at the Main Office to be placed in the Health Room mailbox. Please notify the Health Room as to how you plan on completing this requirement.

The required immunization deadline for twelfth grade students for their 2nd dose of meningococcal vaccine (MCV) at age 16 or older has been extended to **October 31, 2020**. Students need to show proof of this immunization to the Health Room staff on or before October 31, 2020 or risk exclusion.

SENIORS

GUIDELINES FOR STAYING HEALTHY

The Health Room Staff would like to remind you of some guidelines to stay healthy and decrease the spread of illness during this school year. If your student, in the morning prior to school is experiencing the following symptoms, please do not send him/her to school even if your student has a test or sporting event:

- fever of 100 degrees or more
- vomiting
- diarrhea
- severe head cold, persistent cough or severe sore throat

It is advised that a student should be fever free for 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications, before returning to school.

If you have questions, please contact your student's School Nurse.
The contact information for the Health Room staff is located on the [PHS website](#).

DRIVER'S EDUCATION

WELCOME SOPHOMORE STUDENTS

Obtaining your learner's permit and driver's license is an exciting time, but one that requires safe and sound practices.

CLASSROOM THEORY COURSE

Parkland School District provides a comprehensive classroom theory course which will help your student become a good, safe and defensive driver. It traditionally consists of four classroom periods of instruction each 6-day cycle for one semester (either fall or spring).

This year the delivery of the curriculum will be revised to include the same theory principals using a hybrid model, including classroom instruction, Zoom meetings, and Screencast-O-Matic lessons managed through Schoology.

BEHIND-THE-WHEEL TRAINING PROGRAM

An optional 6-hour Behind-the-Wheel (BTW) training program is available through the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit 21 (CLIU-21). Students who successfully complete this program will be eligible to take their driver's license test at Parkland High School, eliminating the need to make an appointment at the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).

ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- ◆ Students are eligible to obtain their Pennsylvania learner's permit ON or any day after their 16th birthday.
- ◆ Learner's permits are ONLY issued through the DMV. Pennsylvania driving manuals are available online in PDF format along with the permit application on the



[DMV website](#). The DMV is open Tuesday through Saturday from 8:30 AM to 4:15 PM. A new office is now open at 1710 Hoover Avenue, Allentown, PA 18109 in addition to the existing Airport Road facility.

- ◆ The classroom theory portion is NOT required to obtain your learner's permit but IS REQUIRED for the BTW course.
- ◆ An alternative to the classroom theory course is an online course offered through the CLIU-21. Students and parents **must** save the original certificate of completion and submit a copy of it to the Counseling Office upon completion. (Please note that the in-school classroom theory course includes guest speakers/presenters, driving simulators and demonstrations not included in the online course).
- ◆ For complete information about the online theory course or the BTW program, visit www.cliu.org/driversed. Contact the CLIU-21 directly at 610-769-4111 x1299 or via e-mail at driversed@cliu.org if you have any questions regarding either program.
- ◆ **All students** are required to complete a minimum of 65 hours of supervised driving during the 6-month practice period once they obtain their learner's permit. The 65 hours is to include 50 hours of daytime driving, 10 hours of nighttime driving and 5 hours of driving in inclement weather. The 6 hours of BTW instruction can be included in this total.

LIBRARY LINES

Help Is Available

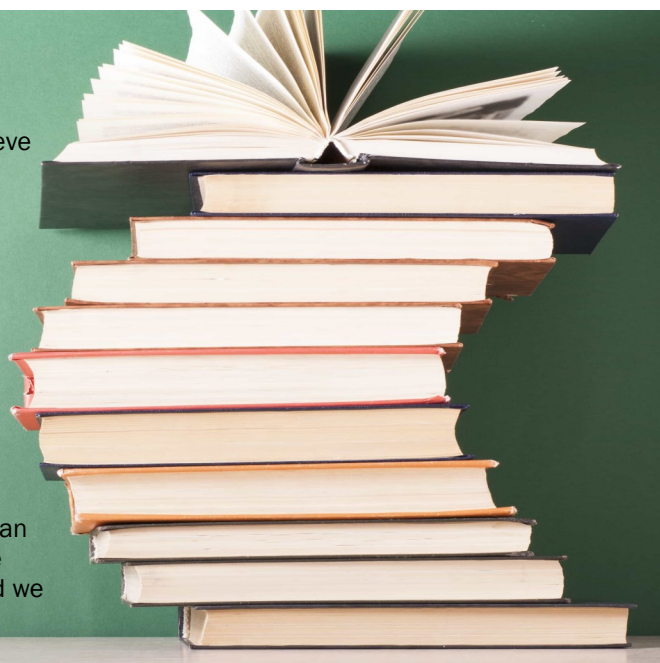
The staff of the PHS Library is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic goals, regardless of in-person or virtual assistance. Mrs. Dickerson and Mrs. Brader will be available to help students navigate through the research process using our collection of databases, our Destiny catalog, and SORA, our virtual library.

New Practices

We are planning some new practices for in-person school, including entry flows, appropriate spacing of work areas, and no-contact checkouts. Although we are in the process of working through how to operate in this new world, we pledge to give all students the attention they need.

Library Schoology Group

Students are now part of a PHS Library Schoology group where we plan to release changing information. Mrs. Dickerson and Mrs. Brader are always available via e-mail or Google Meet. Education is our goal and we will all work through these new challenges together.



STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SAP)

We would like to welcome you and your student(s) to the 2020-2021 school year. It is certainly a school year like no other. The Student Assistance Program is ready to provide services to you and your students in whatever manner necessary.

SEMINARS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS POSTED IN SCHOOLOGY

We are requesting that you and your student check Schoology weekly as the SAP team will be delivering many educational seminars and announcements through this mode. Schoology will enable you to view the seminar with your student if you wish, or it can simply be viewed by your student in the comfort of your home.

MARS

The Mid Atlantic Rehabilitation Services (MARS) will continue to offer their assessment in order to find mental health or drug and alcohol services for your child. Many of these services will continue via Telehealth during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mentoring Program

We will be offering a mentoring program that will be available for students that are hybrid or in the full E-Learning format.

Trauma Groups

The most important addition to our SAP services this year are trauma groups. Many families have been through a very stressful ordeal since March, so we will now have a structured platform to help your children with this trauma.

Other groups will also be offered and will be able to service both hybrid students as well as E-Learning students.

SAP services will continue to grow and change as needs present themselves throughout this school year.

If you have any questions, please e-mail Mrs. Fitch at fitchl@parklandsd.org.

PARENTS



POST PROM

Party

MAY 8-9, 2021

The Post Prom Party provides a safe Environment where students can continue the party after the prom.

Please Join
the Virtual Planning Sessions
for This Year's Event
On These Dates at 7 PM*

No Meeting in September
Tuesday, October 13, 2020
Tuesday, November 10, 2020
No Meeting in December
Tuesday, January 12, 2021
Tuesday, February 16, 2021
Tuesday, March 9, 2021
Tuesday, April 13, 2021
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Saturday-Sunday, May 8-9, 2021 Post Prom
Tuesday, June 1, 2021 Wrap-Up Meeting

* communication with virtual meeting links to come

PARKING PERMIT APPLICATION and LATE START/EARLY DISMISSAL REQUEST FORM NOW ONLINE

Both the PARKING PERMIT APPLICATION for students who plan to drive to school and park a vehicle at PHS during the school year and the LATE START/EARLY DISMISSAL REQUEST FORM can be found in Schoology and on the PHS website [here](#). Please follow the instructions in the forms.

JUNIORS CLASS OF 2022

Please remember to pay your class dues of \$20. Send cash or check to Mrs. Sarah Yenser in Room C241. Make checks payable to Parkland High School and put "Class of 2022" in the memo space. Contact Mrs. Yenser with any questions.

Senior CLASS OF 2021

Class of 2021 dues must be paid by April 2021. Dues are a one-time payment of \$20. Cash or checks should be made payable to Parkland School District. Payments may be dropped off or mailed to Mr. Greth in C146. If you have any questions please e-mail Mr. Greth at grethj@parklandsd.org.

Parkland High School students, sisters **Ankhitha Manjunatha** and **Akshatha Manjunatha**, won "Outstanding Entry in the Senior Division" for their group website at the National History Day national competition in June. Ankhitha and Akshatha have been participating in National History Day since they were in seventh grade, and were able to successfully progress to the national competition several times.



Congratulations!

All yearbook information is available on the website at:
<https://sites.google.com/a/parklandsd.net/par-key/>

2021 *Par Key* YEARBOOK INFORMATION FOR SENIORS

● PURCHASE INFORMATION

● Every senior should have a yearbook!

- ◇ The lowest price of the year is \$80+ tax until **September 25, 2020**.
- ◇ The price will be \$85+ tax from September 26, 2020 through April 25, 2021. (This will be the last day for advance orders.)
- ◇ Order online by January 31, 2021 and for \$7 extra, students can get their yearbooks personalized.

● SENIOR YEARBOOK PHOTOS

- The last day to schedule an appointment at the studio of Frank Mitman, the official school photographer, is **December 21, 2020**. Call 610-433-2110. **Yearbook only photographs are free.**
- The photographer will be available in the PHS auditorium lobby to take photos of seniors who have not visited the studio:
 - ◇ 9 AM — 2 PM on Tuesday, September 22, 2020
 - ◇ 9 AM — 2 PM on Thursday, September 24, 2020
 - ◇ 9 AM — 2 PM on Monday, November 23, 2020
 - ◇ 9 AM — 2 PM on Tuesday, November 24, 2020.
 - ◇ 9 AM — 12 PM on Wednesday, November 25, 2020.

● SENIOR DEDICATIONS

- These are paid advertisements to congratulate your senior.
- ◇ The deadline is **December 11, 2020**.
- ◇ Prices start at \$55; if you did not purchase from Frank Mitman, there will be a \$10 fee to have a photo sent from his studio.

● SENIOR BABY PICTURES

The cost is \$5 and submission deadline is **November 13, 2020**.

How to submit:

- ◇ Scan and e-mail the photo to: yearbook.parkland@gmail.com
- ◇ Submit to Mrs. Abdelaal in D131 before school or during period 1.*
- ◇ Mail to: Parkland High School,
Attn: Mrs. Abdelaal
2700 N. Cedar Crest Blvd.
Allentown, PA 18104*
- ◇ Drop it off at the Main Office with payment.*

* Please label the back of the photo with your student's full name.

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APPOINTMENT FOR THE 2020-2021 YEARBOOK!

Call Frank Mitman Photography:
(610) 433-2110

Or Visit www.FrankMitman.com
to schedule your appointment!

For More Information, visit

<https://sites.google.com/a/parklandsd.net/par-key/>

Fall SAT Prep

Parkland High School will be offering a virtual Fall SAT Prep class to prepare students for the SAT Exam on **Saturday, November 7, 2020**.

This virtual course will help students prepare for the verbal section of the SAT by providing practice, test taking strategies, and test simulation in the areas of critical reading, evidence based writing and contextual vocabulary.

This virtual course will help students prepare for the math section of the SAT by providing practice, test taking strategies, and simulated test taking in the areas of algebra, geometry and trigonometry including problem solving; data analysis and practice in ratios, rates and proportional relationships.

The course will consist of ten two-hour sessions, five for each of the verbal and math components of the SAT. To prepare for the upcoming PHS test date on **Saturday, November 7, 2020**, the course will be offered on the following dates:

September 30 (Wednesday)	October 21 (Wednesday)
October 5 (Monday)	October 26 (Monday)
October 7 (Wednesday)	October 28 (Wednesday)
October 14 (Wednesday)	November 2 (Monday)
October 19 (Monday)	November 4 (Wednesday)

Important Information about the class:

- This 10-class session virtual course will begin on Wednesday, September 30, 2020 and continue until Wednesday, November 4, 2020.
- Classes will be held on Monday and Wednesdays. Students will have a choice of an after school session from 3:00 – 5:00pm or an evening session from 6:30 - 8:30pm.
- **Class will be held via Zoom or Google Meet at the discretion of the instructors.**
- In the interest of scheduling, students must select one session and may not combine after school/evening sessions.
- The cost for the 10-class session course is \$90.00 to cover class materials; checks should be made payable to **Parkland School District** and either mailed to Parkland High School, attention Janice McLeod or dropped off by the front desk of the main office. (Please note "Student ID#" and "SAT Prep" in the memo line.)
- Register for the class using this link: <https://forms.gle/WpE7Xxc3zhZHdJp8A>
- Course registration deadline is Friday, September, 25, 2020. Register early, as space is limited.

If you have any questions regarding these classes, please contact Janice McLeod at 610-351-5900 ext. 73508 or mcleodj@parklandsd.org.