



August / September 2021

PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Parent Newsletter



All information in this newsletter is subject to change.

Welcome back announcements

First Day of School

The first day of the 2021-2022 school year for ALL STUDENTS will be **Monday, August 30, 2021**.

LCTI Students - LCTI will be closed on Monday, August 30. Please refer to School Messenger sent on Thursday, August 19 for further information.

Daily Schedule

School will start at **7:40 AM** and will end at **2:44 PM**. Students will be able to enter the building at **7:15 AM**. Morning LCTI students will attend homeroom at Parkland High School (PHS) prior to receiving a bus transfer to LCTI.

Late Activity Bus

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 **4:30 PM Monday - Friday** 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 4:30 PM must arrange for transportation home.

Virtual Parents Presentation*

Monday, August 30

All PHS parents are invited to a virtual presentation on Monday, August 30 beginning at 7 PM. The presentation will include information regarding the policies and practices at PHS. This presentation will be especially helpful to parents new to the high school, and will provide an excellent update for all returning parents.

Virtual Parents Night/Open House*

PHS will broadcast its annual Parents Night/Open House on **Thursday, September 9** beginning at 7 PM. On this evening, you will have an opportunity to hear from your son or daughter's teachers, and learn more about our programs and activities from the comfort of your own home. We hope you plan to join us. If you have questions or concerns about a particular course following the teacher presentations, please contact your child's teacher.

**Links to both of these presentations will be forthcoming.*

From the principal's desk

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I hope you are enjoying a wonderful summer with family and friends. I also hope you and your children had a chance to vacation and spend some quality time together without the stress of school. It has certainly been a challenging stretch of life for adults, let alone high school students. As dim as that may seem, I am also encouraged by how much we learned during last year. As a person who loves interacting with kids, I am thrilled we are back to school five times a week. I am excited to see Parkland students and teachers develop and thrive in our classrooms again – and not so dependent on learning through a laptop. While we certainly do not have all the answers, we know a lot more about Covid than we did last year and now have the added potential for vaccinations of high school students and staff. Call me an optimist, but we are definitely a lot closer to the end of the pandemic than we were last year and that focus helps me get through the muck we have to traverse when situations outside of our control (such as the Delta variant) challenge us.

After some of the lessons learned last year, our goal this year is to do whatever we can to have our students in school five days a week. This is most important to students, teachers, parents and administrators. This belief, combined with the importance of student and staff safety, will require us to be flexible and make sacrifices when needed. [Parkland's face covering matrix](#) is an example of the flexibility and balance we will need to have five days a week of school while still operating safely for students and staff. We realize this is a frustrating situation for some as we start the school year, so we are implementing mask breaks throughout each day. A review of the High School Safety Plan will show that PHS will not be as restrictive as last year, but we still have important mitigation strategies we are implementing. Some of the examples include continuing the one-way hallways in most areas, limiting lunch tables to four students each, allowing (but still limiting) locker usage, and continuing with a heavy focus on hand sanitizing. On the first day of school a video will be shared with students so they can acclimate to these directions. One last item around safety includes monitoring your child's health and the biggest suggestion is to play it safe and keep an ill child home while following the student wellness directions.

One important item which has been a focus of our administrative team all summer is the rebuilding of stronger student/teacher relationships and ensuring students feel welcome and excited in coming to or returning to PHS. The impact of the pandemic has posed many challenges and it is incumbent upon us to rebuild important Parkland traditions for our students.

One way we plan to strengthen teacher-to-student and peer-to-peer relationships is through our adoption of the **Character Counts Program**. This six-pillar program will be embedded in activities twice a month during homeroom periods, as well as reinforced by teachers through their classroom practice. To reinforce how important the start of school is to our students, the first pillar we are focusing on in September is Caring.

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Parent Forum Virtual 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 this monthly Parent Newsletter for reminders or updates regarding the Parent Forum.

The virtual meeting dates for this school term are as follows on
Wednesdays at 7 PM:

September 22, 2021

October 20, 2021- Fall Workshop

November 17, 2021

January 19, 2022

February 16, 2022

March 23, 2022

April 20, 2022 - Spring Workshop

May 18, 2022

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

Parkland High School Safety Plan and Key Items for the Return to School



- ⇒ Face coverings are required on District transportation, when working with District athletic trainers and upon entering Parkland High School. Please see the [Parkland High School Safety Plan](#) for more information.
- ⇒ Students should always have their School ID with them when they come to school.
- ⇒ The PHS Cafeteria is cashless, and the student's School ID will be used for payments. Breakfast and lunch are free again this school year, but if a student wants to purchase extras or an a la carte item, parents should deposit money in their student's [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.



Find these forms online



Parking Permit Application

This form is for students who plan to drive to school and park a vehicle at PHS during the school year. Find the form online [here](#) and follow the instructions.



Late Start/Early Dismissal Request form

This form is for students with study halls scheduled at the start or end of their school day who wish to start late or leave early and can provide their own transportation. Find the form online [here](#) and follow the instructions.



Working Papers

This form is for students under the age of 18 who want to apply for a job. Find the form online [here](#) and follow the instructions.

If you have questions about any of these forms, please call the Main Office at 610-351-5600.

From the principal's desk

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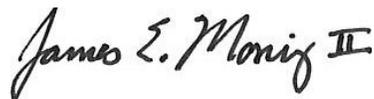
This year the administrative team is also thrilled to have longtime English teacher **Peter Sherman** join the main office crew as an assistant principal. Mr. Sherman will be working with students whose last names begin RON-Z. As with every start to school, Parkland has some new faculty members for the upcoming school year. Joining our teaching staff will be: **Eden Alden** (Spanish), **Shadab Ashraf** (ESL), **Sarah Brandt** (Psychologist), **Joshua Dieter** (Mathematics), **Aime DiNardo** (Deaf/Hard of Hearing), **Michael Facchiano** (Social Studies), **Nia Fratrick** (Spanish), **Natalie Gabrie** (English), **Felicia Johnson** (Biology), **Robert Keller** (Special Education), **Justin Lessel** (Social Studies), **Melissa Miller** (English), **Shelby Morgan** (Social Studies), **Kora Murphy** (Special Education), **Mary Musselman** (Spanish), **Bethany Pepe** (Family & Consumer Sciences), **Abigail Reiker** (Mathematics), **Tyler Rosario** (Business), **Sydney Sniezek** (English), **Gena Stoverink** (English), **Ania Tahmassian** (Mathematics), **Alyssa Tauber** (Art), **Chelsea Vermeulen** (Mathematics), **David Wacker** (Technology & Engineering) and **Linda Weller** (English). I am excited about the talents of these professionals and know they 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 with your child school appropriate conversation topics and how to respond to situations where inappropriate dialogue is 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 would 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.

Considering the current level of community spread, the administrative team is making two modifications to the Parkland School District Calendar. **Ninth Grade Parent Orientation, scheduled for Monday, August 30 and Open House (Thursday, September 9) will be conducted virtually.** Prior to these events, you will receive directions to view these presentations.

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
Parkland High School
monizi@parklandsd.org



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

Online students

Monday, September 13
3:15 - 5:15 PM in the
auditorium

9th grade

Monday, September 13

10th grade

Tuesday, September 14

11th grade

Wednesday, September 15

Retakes

Tuesday, October 26
in the auditorium lobby

Ordering instructions will come home with students the first week of school.

August / September Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30 Day 1 First Day of School "B" Schedule	31 Day 2 "B" Schedule	1 Day 3 "B" Schedule	2 School Closed due to weather	3 Holiday School Closed	4
5	6 Labor Day Holiday School Closed	7 Day 4 "B" Schedule	8 Day 5	9 Day 6	10 Day 1	11
12	13 Day 2	14 Day 3	15 Day 4	16 Professional Development Day School Closed	17 Day 5	18
19	20 Day 6	21 Day 1	22 Day 2	23 Day 3 "B" Schedule	24 Day 4	25
26	27 Day 5	28 Day 6	29 Day 1	30 Day 2		

Schedule change with new dismissal time

To assist with District transportation issues during K-12 dismissal, the length of the instructional day has been modified (reduced by 9 minutes) this school year. Basically, each period is reduced by one minute (see revised schedule at the right). The instructional day for students will begin at 7:40 AM and conclude at **2:44 PM**.

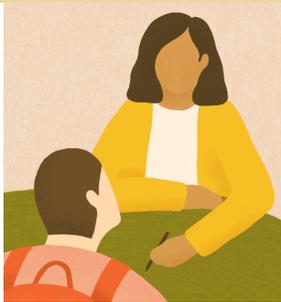
Any additional changes to these schedules will be posted on the school website and communicated via Schoology and School Messenger.

BELL SCHEDULES

PERIOD	A SCHEDULE (Regular Day)	B SCHEDULE (Homeroom)	C SCHEDULE (Early Dismissal)	D SCHEDULE (2-Hour Delay)
	7:35 Warning Bell	7:40-7:50	7:35 Warning Bell	9:35 Warning Bell
1	7:40-8:28	7:54-8:36	7:40-8:22	9:40-10:08
2	8:32-9:15	8:40-9:22	8:26-9:04	10:12-10:37
3	9:19-10:02	9:26-10:08	9:08-9:46	10:41-11:06
4	10:06-10:49	10:12-10:54	9:50-10:20	11:10-11:39
5	10:53-11:36	10:58-11:40	10:24-10:54	11:43-12:12
6	11:40-12:23	11:44-12:26	10:58-11:28	12:16-12:45
7	12:27-1:10	12:30-1:12	11:32-12:02	12:49-1:18
8	1:14-1:57	1:16-1:58	12:06-12:31	1:22-2:01
9	2:01-2:44	2:02-2:44	12:35-1:00	2:05-2:44
5 Minute Warning Bell for Bus Departure	2:47 Buses depart at 2:52	2:47 Buses depart at 2:52	1:03 Buses depart at 1:08	2:47 Buses depart at 2:52

- > Lunch periods are assigned during periods 4, 5, 6 or 7.
- > PM LCTI students will eat lunch period 4 or 5 and are dismissed at 11:25.
- > AM LCTI students will eat lunch at LCTI and return for class Period 6.

- ❖ Students who are approved for "early dismissal" must leave the school building and property immediately upon dismissal.
- ❖ Students who are approved for "late arrival" may not enter the school until 10 minutes before their first class.
- ❖ All students must leave the school building and property immediately upon dismissal unless they are involved in a PHS-sponsored and supervised, after-school activity.



Counseling corner

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 in the Counseling Office the first day of school. Schedule change policies and procedures can be referenced in the Parkland High School Registration Information and Course Descriptions Book.

Welcome to the 2021-2022 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.

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.

Did you move over the summer?

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.

CHARACTER COUNTS!

Reinforcing our District's commitment to educating the whole child, Parkland High School is implementing the **Character Counts Program**. Character Counts is the nation's most widely used character development framework. It is based on shared beliefs and consensus values and is currently being implemented in schools, youth sports, and civic organizations. Character Counts has no ideological or political agenda other than strengthening the moral fiber of the next generation by promoting consensus ethical values.

The Six Pillars of Character Counts are: **Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship**. By utilizing the TEAM (Teach, Enforce, Advocate, and Model) process we expect to strengthen these values and our students' ability to make good choices. We will be reinforcing one pillar monthly beginning with Caring in September.



Banners representing the six pillars of character are on display from the upper level rotunda at the front entrance of PHS.

Juniors and Seniors ASVAB offered September 22

The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) will be offered at Parkland High School on Wednesday, **September 22**. 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.

Juniors and Sophomores Take the PSAT on October 16

Juniors and sophomores are encouraged to take the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test) scheduled for **Saturday, October 16, 2021** at Parkland High School. The College Board allows this test to be administered only once every school year. Please mark this date on your calendar for future reference. Registration will take place in the Main Rotunda outside of the counseling office in mid-September.

College-Bound Seniors



DON'T FORGET TO REMEMBER

Submit your transcript release form before sending college applications

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 Parkland High School 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.

Complete recommendation profile form if recommendations needed

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.

Ten school days are required to process college applications

Seniors need to remember **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.

Athletes applying to Division I or II schools should complete NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse form

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 the 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.

Register to take the SAT

Registration procedures for the 2021-2022 SAT Reasoning Test 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.

* See page 29 for information about the Fall 2021 SAT Prep Course available to juniors and seniors who wish to take the SAT on November 6, 2021.

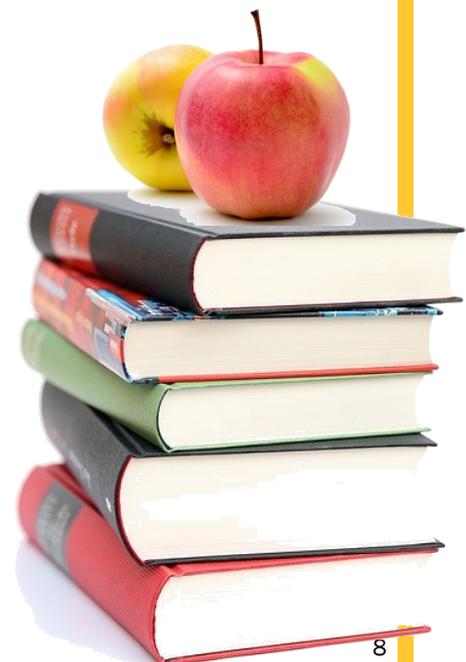
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Upcoming events

- Wednesday
August
25
Freshmen / Sophomore / New Student Orientation 7:40 - 11 AM
Lehigh Valley Health Network COVID Vaccine Clinic 1-3 PM (cafeteria)
- Monday
August
30
Welcome Back
All students report for first day of classes 7:40 AM
"B" Schedule
Virtual Parents Meeting 7 PM
- Tuesday
August
31
"B" Schedule
- Wednesday
1
"B" Schedule
- Friday
3
Holiday - School Closed
- Monday
6
Labor Day Holiday - School Closed
- Tuesday
7
"B" Schedule
Garter Bowl Sign-ups begin
Fall SAT Prep Course Registration begins
Fall Play tickets go on sale 12 PM
- Thursday
9
Parent Open House 7 PM (virtual)
- Friday
10
Football vs. Nazareth 7 PM (Orefield Stadium)
- Saturday
11
Patriot Day
Family Show auditions





Welcome Back to School

Sunday
12

Grandparents' Day
Family Show auditions

Monday
13

9th grade picture day (auditorium)
Online student pictures 3:15 - 5:15 PM (auditorium)

Tuesday
14

10th grade picture day (auditorium)
Last day for Garter Bowl Sign-ups

Wednesday
15

11th grade picture day (auditorium)

Thursday
16

Professional Development Day - School Closed
Lehigh Valley Health Network COVID Vaccine Clinic 9 - 11 AM (cafeteria)

Friday
17

Student Involvement Fair (rescheduled for Monday, 9/20/21 due to weather)
Football vs. Freedom - Youth Night 7 PM (Orefield Stadium)

Saturday
18

Girls Volleyball Invitational

Monday
20

Annual Safe2SaySomething training for students
Student Involvement Fair
Family Show tickets go on sale 12 PM

Wednesday
22

Autumn begins
ASVAB Testing 7:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Parent Forum meeting 7 PM (virtual)

Thursday
23

"B" Schedule

Friday
24

Fall SAT Prep Course Registration closes 3 PM

Wednesday
29

Fall SAT Prep Classes 3 - 5 PM (PHS) or 6:30 - 8:30 PM (virtual)



HOMECOMING

TOGETHER
AS ONE IN
21

2021

PARKLAND HOMECOMING



Garter Bowl

Garter Bowl sign-ups for all girls will be held **September 7-14** during all lunches.

Sign-ups for LCTI students will be held during homeroom **September 8 - 14** in the Auditorium lobby from 7:15 -7:35 AM.



The cost to play is \$15. All participants must have the required paperwork submitted by Friday, September 24 in order to begin practices. There will be a mandatory meeting with coaches on **September 14** at 3 PM in the cafeteria where the coaches will detail practice schedules. Participants will receive a mouthpiece and personalized shirt.

The Garter Bowl game will be held on Wednesday, **October 13** at the Orefield Stadium beginning at 6 PM. A rain date is scheduled for Thursday, October 14.



Football Game

The Homecoming football game vs. Bethlehem Catholic High School will be played on Friday, **October 15** at 7 PM at the Orefield Stadium.

Dance

The Homecoming Dance will be held on Saturday, **October 16** at 7:30 PM in the PHS cafeteria.



parents

You're invited to

Join Us

*Post Prom Party
2022*

*Saturday, May 7 - Sunday, May 8
11:30 PM - 5 AM*

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

Please join the planning sessions for this year's event on the following **Tuesdays at 7 PM in the PHS Library Classroom:**

No Meeting in September

October 12, 2021

November 9, 2021

No Meeting in December

January 11, 2022

February 8, 2022

March 8, 2022

April 5, 2022

May 3, 2022

June 7, 2022 - Wrap-Up Meeting



**Education is the
most powerful
weapon which you
can use to change
the world.**

Nelson Mandela

Visual and performing arts

Trojan Art Gallery

Barbara Kozero is a multi-media artist/educator whose work has been exhibited both regionally and nationally.

Kozero's work includes ceramic and mixed media sculpture, mosaics and drawings. The subject matter is often humorous or whimsical.

Her work will be on display in the Trojan Art Gallery throughout the month of September.



**LOOK OUT 2021-2022
WE ARE COMING BACK BIGGER AND
BETTER THAN EVER**

As we enter the beginning of a new school year, we are more excited than ever to be back in the art studios, the rehearsal rooms, the music rooms, the dance floor, the stage and all of the other places that were so difficult for us to get to last year. Our students and faculty have continued to work on their craft and skills and we are ready to hit the road running. In fact, we have already begun.

Practices and rehearsals for the upcoming school year's music and dance performances are already in progress. The Dance Team, Strolling Strings, Marching Band, Color Guard, and Chorale all spent time in the building this summer getting ready for the upcoming year. After a full year without live performances, you can bet these groups are anxious to get in front of some fans. Come out to the first home football game to support the team and our Trojan Marching Band. These students and their directors are hard at work preparing for an exciting season.

It is never too early to mark your calendar for the 2022 Festival of the Arts (FOTA) scheduled for **May 19-21**. We are always looking for additional artists, sponsors, and volunteers.



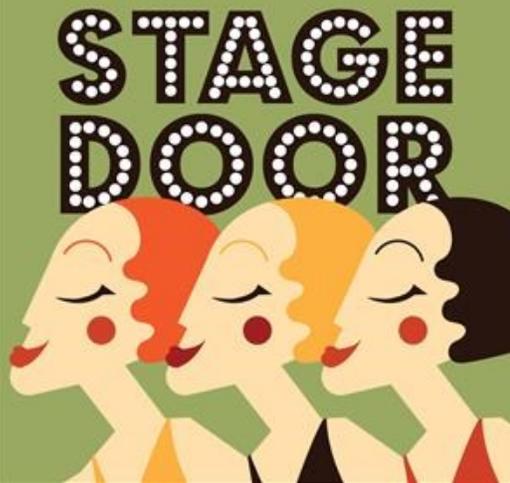
The A-Wing wants to thank everyone for their support of the arts during this unprecedented period. We will produce as much quality art as we can while keeping our students and staff safe and healthy. Art helps unite communities and heal the wounds after any devastating setback. That is why we will be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

Fall Play

The Fall Play, the Edna Ferber and George S. Kaufman classic, *Stage Door*, was cast before school closed, and rehearsals began in earnest on August 16.

The play concerns a group of young women who have come to New York to study acting and find jobs. The setting is Mrs. Orcutt's boarding house, where the hopes and ambitions of sixteen young ladies are revealed in scenes of entertaining comedy. The play takes place in the 1930's and features a large cast of interesting characters. The struggles and the successes of the "stars" on the rise will entertain the audience with their humor and wit along with passion and love. The show is appropriate for middle school ages and above.

Stage Door will only have two performances (October 8 and 9 at 7:30 PM) so make sure you get your tickets early. We hope to host large crowds of audience members hungry for live theater. Admission prices are \$10 for students and seniors (65+) and \$12 for adults. Tickets will go on sale on Tuesday, September 7 at noon. They are only available through our ticketing partner, www.showtix4u.com.





Family Show

Auditions for our Family Show, *Disney's Moana, Jr.*, will take place on September 11 and 12. Audition packets will be available on Ms. Roposh's website.

Disney's Moana Jr. is a 60-minute musical adaptation of the 2016 Disney animated film, bringing the adventures of Moana and her village of Motunui to life onstage. *Moana Jr.* features all the beloved songs from the film, written by Tony®, GRAMMY, Emmy, and Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Lin-Manuel Miranda, Opetai'a Foa'i, and Mark Mancina, including "How Far I'll Go," "Shiny," and "You're Welcome."

This thrilling and heartwarming coming-of-age story follows the strong-willed Moana as she sets sail across the Pacific to save her village and discover the truth about her heritage. Moana and the legendary demigod Maui embark on an epic journey of self-discovery and camaraderie as both learn to harness the power that lies within. With empowering messages of bravery and selflessness, *Moana Jr.* is sure to bring out the hero within each of us.

Tickets for this family-friendly show are \$10 for students and seniors (65+) and \$12 for adults. These tickets will go on sale September 20 at noon and can be ordered at www.showtix4u.com. The November show dates and times are available on the site. Do not wait to get your choice of seats for this popular show.



Art is a form of love. Art
is the ultimate gift. Art
heals life.

Robert Genn



Athletic news

Spring Sports Season

The 2021 spring sports season ended as follows:

Boys Volleyball
Won the District XI Championship

Boys Tennis
Won the District XI Championship and the EPC Championship

Baseball and Boys Lacrosse
Finished 2nd in the District XI Tournament

Girls and Boys Track Softball and Baseball
EPC Division Champions

Parkland High School teams completed the 2020-2021 season with 3 EPC and 5 District XI Championships.

Moving forward to fall

Parkland Athletic Department is now rolling into the fall season with a great sense of excitement. Participation rates are again high with over 800 students playing fall sports. We are looking forward to an exciting fall campaign.

PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Come Catch All The Fun! Get Your Ticket Early!

Athletic General Admission Season Ticket

Football	Boys Basketball
Field Hockey	Girls Basketball
Boys Soccer	Wrestling
Girls Soccer	Boys Lacrosse
	Girls Lacrosse

By purchasing your Season Ticket
you receive one game for FREE

Contact Athletic Office for pricing

ONE PASS—ALL HOME REGULAR SEASON EVENTS!!!

FOOTBALL RESERVE SEAT SEASON TICKET AVAILABLE \$20

**Individual Ticket Price:
Adult \$5
Student \$3
Per Home Regular Season Game

Parkland High School
2700 N. Cedar Crest Blvd.
Allentown, PA 18104





ADVERTISE ON THE PARKLAND ATHLETIC FIELDS

Alumni Recognition Photos in the trophy case

The Parkland Athletic Department recognizes current NCAA Division I and Division II Parkland alumni by placing signed photographs of them in our cafeteria lobby trophy case.

These pictures stay there until graduation from the students' respective colleges and are then permanently displayed on the walls of our ticket sales area at PHS.

If you are a current college athlete or have a child who meets the criteria for recognition, please send us an **8" x 10" autographed**, glossy action photo from their college media guide or action shot from a game.



The photo can be dropped off at PHS or mailed to:

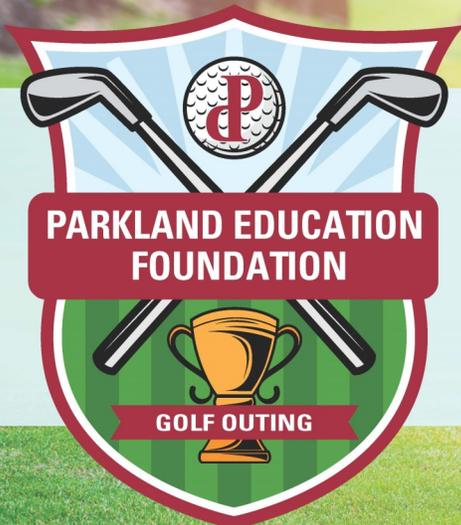
Parkland High School
Athletic Office
2700 N. Cedar Crest Blvd.
Allentown, PA 18104



To Advertise

Contact Nicole McGalla at mcgallan@parklandsd.org if you are interested in advertising.

Soccer field: \$500
Football field: \$2,000



SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY 10.1.21

BROOKSIDE COUNTRY CLUB



Parkland School District
Education Foundation
PreServing Excellence. Building a Dream

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER ONLINE, VISIT WWW.PARKLANDSD.ORG/FOUNDATION



Information from the Health Room

The 2021 – 2022 school year is upon us. As some aspects of the return to school will look more normal, others will continue to be similar to last school year. 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.

Reminders from the Health Room staff

* If your child has any health condition updates, please contact the school nurse to inform her of this information.



* All students or persons entering the Health Room suite will be **required to wear a mask** during their visit (see the District Health and Safety Plan [here](#).)

* **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. 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.

* **Emergency medications** (epinephrine auto injectors and asthma inhalers) may be carried by the 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 in which the students are involved.



Seniors Immunization requirement

The required immunization deadline for 12th grade students for their second dose of meningococcal vaccine (MCV) at age 16 or older is **September 8, 2021**. Students need to show proof of this immunization to the school nurse on or before this date or risk exclusion. COVID-19 vaccines are available to those age 12 years of age or older. Speak with your physician and consider getting vaccinated.



Health forms available online

All Health Forms are available on the PHS Website under Health Services [here](#).



Contact Information

If you have questions, please contact your school nurse. Contact information for the Health Room is located on the PHS Website [here](#).



Symptom Guidelines for sending your child to school

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 child, in the morning prior to school, is experiencing the following symptoms, **please do not send him/her to school**, even if they have 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 twenty-four hours without the use of fever reducing medications before returning to school.

Juniors

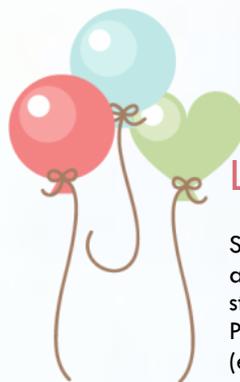
Required physical examination

All 11th grade students, as mandated by the State, need to have a physical examination. 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.

Please notify the Health Room as to how you plan on completing this requirement.

Completed forms should be placed in an envelope marked "Health Room" and given to the Main Office to place in the Health Room mailbox.



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.

For information regarding COVID-19, please see the [district website](#)

Parkland COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

**Parkland High School
August 25, 2021
1 - 3 PM**



Driver's Education

Sophomores

All sophomores are required to take Driver's Education

Welcome to the 2021-22 School Year. Mrs. Andreoli is looking forward to meeting each of you. All Sophomores are required to take Driver's Education and should have it on their schedule for either Marking Period 1 and 2 or Marking Period 3 and 4 unless you have completed the summer session. Any student who has completed the Online Theory Course through the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit - 21 (CLIU-21) is reminded to submit your certificate to the Counseling Office in order to have the course deleted from their schedule.

Juniors and Seniors

If you have completed Driver's Education with Mrs. Andreoli and have not received your certificate, please stop by Room D133 when walking to or from the cafeteria.

All Students

All students are eligible to take the Behind-the-Wheel program offered by the CLIU-21. Students must complete either the in-class or online theory AND possess their Pennsylvania Learner's Permit. For complete information, go to the CLIU site [here](#). Any questions about the Behind-the-Wheel program should be directed to driversed@cliu.org or by calling 610-759-4111, ext. 1299.

Why is Driver's Education so important even though it does not affect GPA?

Unfortunately, car crashes are the primary cause of fatalities among drivers and their passengers between the ages of 16 and 21. In fact, in Pennsylvania, about 20 percent of the auto accidents in the state in 2015 were directly caused by a young adult between these ages.

Teens and young adults tend to have a feeling of invincibility -- a car accident will never happen to them. In reality, about 33 percent of teens have texted or e-mailed while driving and drivers under the age of 20 make up the largest percentage of distracted drivers nationwide. A teenager who is talking on a cell phone while driving, not only doubles his or her risk of an auto accident, but also has a slowed reaction time comparable to a 70-year old driver.

Source: Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of PA

Parents

Please spend a moment every time you are in the car with your child to review or draw attention to signs, hazards, or safe driving practices. This is the BEST time for your child to apply and reinforce safe and defensive driving tactics we discuss in class. Each PHS Parent Newsletter provides a 'talking topic' for you to use as well. Discussing safe driving and consequences of mistakes is important even after your child receives their license.

Happy Grandparents Day



SOCIAL MEDIA INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

DETAILS

The PHS Social Media Crew Program is an internship program designed to introduce students to the world of Communications with real-world experience that can be put on a student's resume or portfolio! Students with an interest in journalism, communications, photography, podcasting, graphic design, video production, marketing, and/or public relations are encouraged to apply. The interns will meet twice per month after school at PHS with opportunities to cover events, create spirit campaigns, and to learn from guest speakers/industry professionals with the goal of sharing information about the many great things happening at PHS.

TO APPLY

Go to www.parklandsd.org/social-media-crew [here](#).

ANY QUESTIONS? CONTACT mcgallan@parklandsd.org or send a message via Schoology.

This program is part of the Community Relations and Development Office at Parkland School District with Director Mrs. McGalla serving as the advisor. The internship is open to all Parkland High School students who are in good academic standing.



Listen UP:

**IF YOU'RE NOT
LISTENING, YOU'RE
NOT LEARNING**

Welcome to the PHS Library

What to expect

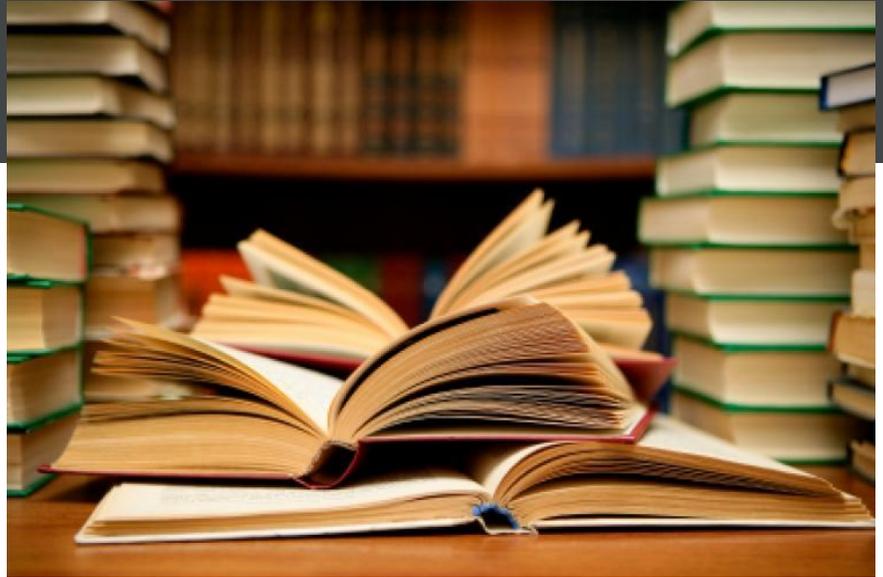
The staff of the PHS Library is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic goals, regardless of in-person or virtual assistance. Mrs. Dickerson and Mrs. Brader will be available to help students navigate through the research process using our collection of databases, our Destiny catalog,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

In-person in the Library

We are keeping our best practices for in-person school including entry flows, appropriate spacing of work areas, and no-contact check outs. Whatever challenges this year may have, we are determined to remain innovative to meet all our students' needs.

New pedal cycles

Thanks to a generous grant from the Parkland Education Foundation, the Library now has four under-desk pedal cycles available. These are great for kinesthetic learners or for those who just want to let out some energy while they read or study.



Freshmen and new students

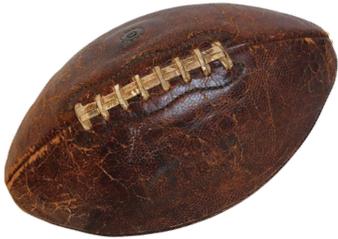
During the month of September, the Librarians will meet with all incoming freshmen to give them an orientation of how to best use the Library's resources. If you are new to PHS and not a freshman, stop by the Library during a study hall, before or after school, and the Library staff will give you an overview.

Overdue items

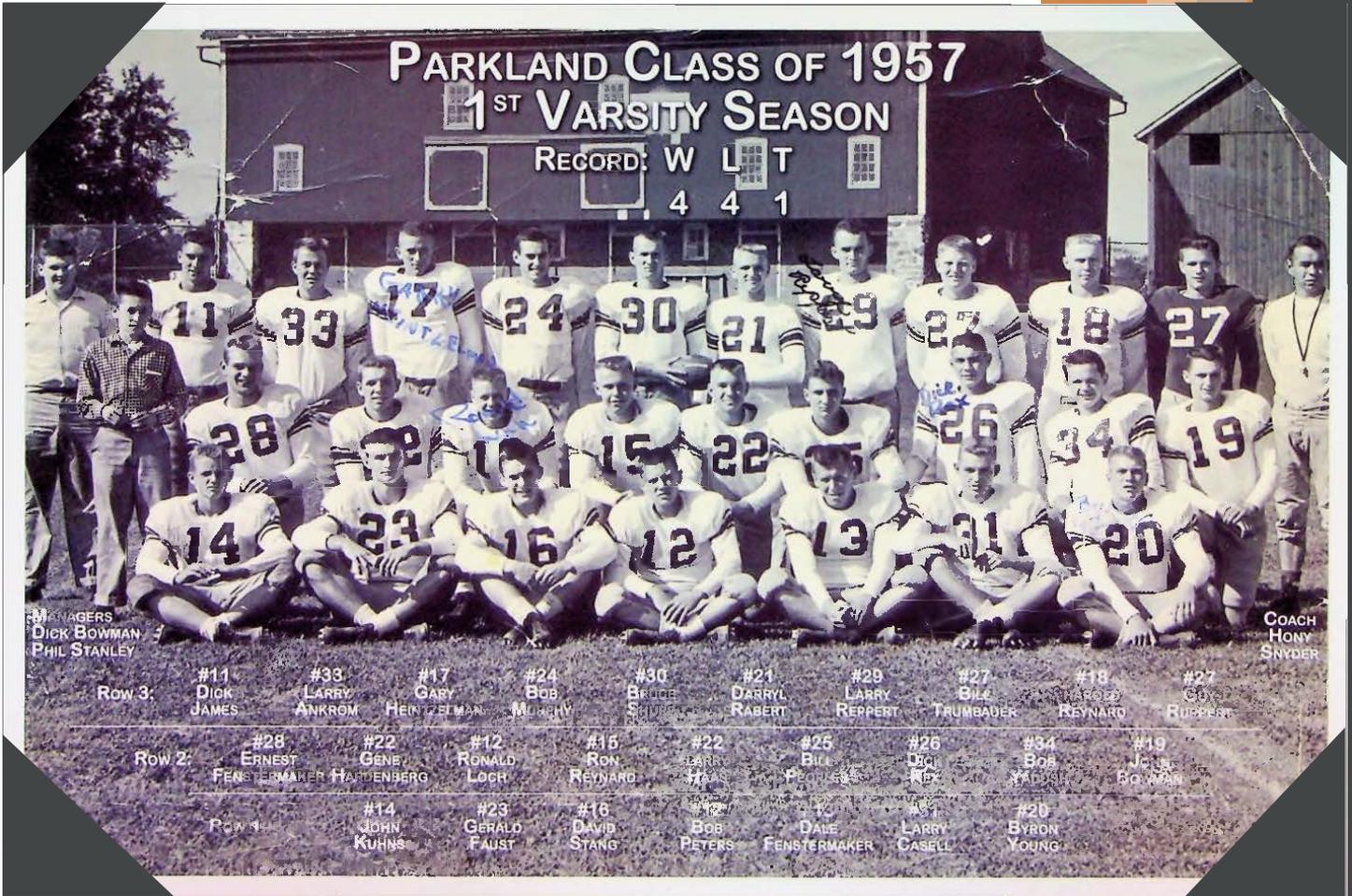
If you have any library materials, or class novels from previous years, you can return them to the Library without penalty.

All students are part of a PHS Library Schoology group

The PHS Library Schoology group is where the Library plans 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. Stay tuned to Schoology throughout the year for Library events and new resources.



*First Parkland Varsity Football Team
~ 64 years ago ~*



From the Archives



Student Assistance Program (SAP)

Tips for a successful school year



The Student Assistance Program (SAP) team has been busy over the summer updating existing programs and creating new ones to better serve your children. We are excited to work with you and your child in the 2021-2022 school year. Please take some time to review our information on the PHS website [here](#). As we approach the new school year, please see the tips below to help your child start his/her school year successfully:

Encourage your child to get plenty of rest.

Having an adequate amount of sleep is imperative to a successful high school career. Students who tend to sleep less than eight hours a night may not be as awake or alert during the day. In addition to school work, if your child plans to participate in after-school activities or sports, he/she will need to rest up to do his/her best.

Encourage your child to keep his/her locker organized.

There are several types of locker organization systems available. Choose a shelving system that allows him or her to store his/her books and folders in an upright position. In addition, encourage your child to hang a magnetic, dry erase board on the inside door to help him/her keep track of the day's to-do list.

Create a homework area in your home.

Choose an area that is free of distractions, such as a desk in your child's room or at the dining room table, so he/she can concentrate on school work.



Discuss expectations for the school year that you have for your child.

Review the progress on these expectations weekly or biweekly.

Watch for symptoms of anxiety in your child.

Anxiety is also accompanied by what we call thinking distortions or negative thinking patterns such as all or nothing thinking, jumping to negative conclusions, mind reading or catastrophizing. Many of the beliefs that go along with these thoughts are, "I can never do anything right! I have no friends. Nothing is ever going to turn out right. I know that they (my parents, my friends) are upset with me. Or I know that they don't like me." Discuss coping strategies with your child.

Encourage your child to eat a healthy breakfast and lunch.

If your child is not a big breakfast eater, then speak to your child about eating a protein bar or smoothie.

Encourage your child to get involved with activities.

Sit with your child and review the list of after school sports, clubs, and activities. Have your child select at least one item to join.

Encourage and remind your child to prepare for the next day.

Have your child plan his/her outfit and have books, instruments, sporting equipment, and other items in one spot so nothing is forgotten.



If you have any questions or you are interested in SAP services, please feel free to call 610-351-5700 and ask for a member of the SAP team.



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August 1, 2021

Dear Parkland Parents/Guardians,

Parkland School District's top priority is to ensure that all students learn in a safe and secure school environment. The District has emergency operation plans that are updated annually and reviewed by our District's crisis management team and emergency first responders to ensure our readiness to respond to an emergency or crisis. Parkland School District will continue to work collaboratively with emergency first responders to implement the regulations enacted by the School Safety Act (House Bill 1142) of 2018. The District has implemented an in-house risk and vulnerability program through collaboration with local law enforcement that focuses on physical site security, policy enhancement, and behavioral health programming.

Act 18 of 2019 requires schools to implement threat assessment standards and practices in all public schools for the start of the 2021-22 school term. The purpose of this legislation is to create multi-disciplinary teams that will assess and resolve threats of violence towards the school community.

Annually, our staff and students will regularly practice monthly fire drills, biannual bus evacuation drills, a weather emergency drill, and biannual security-based lockdown drills.

In spring 2018, the school district's administration met with representatives from our community's police, fire, and ambulance departments to review our monthly fire drill procedures. As a team, we decided to change our fire drill response to allow the staff in each building to "evaluate" before we "evacuate" when the fire alarm sounds. Since childhood, most of us have been conditioned to immediately leave the school building when the fire alarm is heard. The unfortunate reality today is that we need to take proactive steps to ensure our school's population are not evacuating into a potentially dangerous setting. Of course, if any staff observes any signs of an active fire (fire, smoke, odor), the staff and students will immediately evacuate the building.

The goal of any protocol is to familiarize students and staff with procedures, so they will feel comfortable, safe, and secure in the event of a real emergency. We recognize that participating in such drills may heighten anxiety for some students, especially those new to the district or even new to a building. To lessen that concern, our staff will discuss the school security drills with students in an age-appropriate context.

Please talk to your child about the importance of being prepared in the event of an emergency. Our aim is to help the students feel comfortable throughout the drill. Please refer to the information at the district website under [Safety and Security](#) to learn more about the procedures in the event of an emergency.

Keeping our students safe and secure is a community effort. We appreciate parent support in working with the school to this end. If you have any specific questions about safety and security, please feel free to contact your child's principal.

Thank you,

Anthony M. Naradko, Ed.D.
Director of District Safety and Security
Parkland School District



Class dues



Class dues are a one-time-only payment of \$20 during your student's high school career. Cash or checks are acceptable forms of payment. Checks should be made payable to Parkland High School and should reference your student's graduating class in the memo line.

Class dues should be delivered to the attention of your student's class advisor(s). Please contact the class advisor(s) with any questions.



Senior class advisor
Mrs. Sarah Yenser
Room C241
yensers@parklandsd.org



Junior class advisor
To be announced



Sophomore class advisor
Miss Casey Gruver
gruverc@parklandsd.org



Freshmen class advisors
Mrs. Lori McClure
mclurel@parklandsd.org
Mrs. Kim McHenry
mchenryk@parklandsd.org

SUMMER PASSES INTO AUTUMN IN SOME
UNIMAGINABLE POINT OF TIME, LIKE THE
TURNING OF A LEAF.

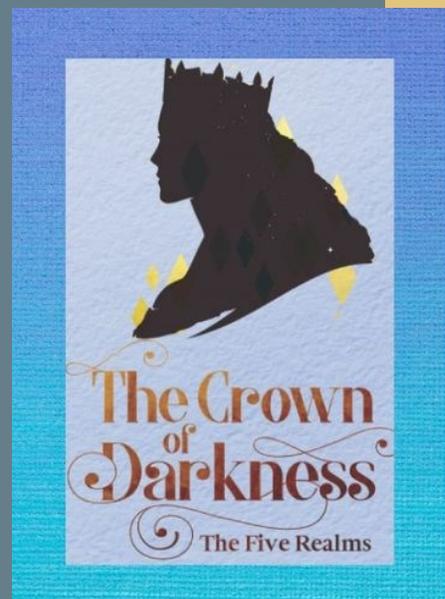
- HENRY DAVID THOREAU -

Congratulations

PHS students now published authors

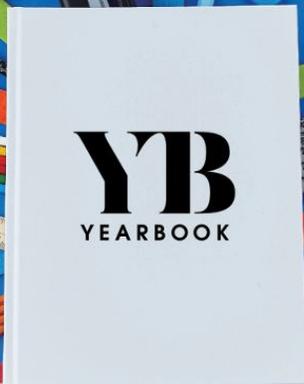
Congratulations to Parkland High School students, **Kali Hurst, Eva Roy, Naarah Roy** and **Brinley Trone** on publishing their book *The Crown of Darkness (The Five Realms)*.

To purchase your own copy of their book, please visit [this site](#).



The best school supply of all.

Par Key's 2022 Yearbook



All 2021 yearbooks are sold out, so do not delay in ordering your 2022 yearbook in advance to be guaranteed a book.

April 29, 2022 is the last day for advance orders this school year.



SENIORS

SENIOR YEARBOOK PHOTOS

To have a senior portrait featured in the yearbook, please schedule an appointment with Frank Mitman the official yearbook photographer, by calling: 610-433-2110. **Yearbook-only photographs are free.**

Portrait sessions must be scheduled by **December 22, 2021** in order to be included in the yearbook. The school photographer will be available at Parkland High School in the auditorium lobby on the following dates to take photos of seniors who have not visited the Frank Mitman studio:

- Monday, November 22 from 9 AM - 2 PM
- Tuesday, November 23 from 9 AM - 12 PM
- Wednesday, November 24 from 9 AM - 12 PM

SENIOR BABY PICTURES

You may submit a baby photo of your senior for \$5. All photos must be submitted digitally using the Google form link [here](#). **The deadline is Friday, November 12, 2021.** Payment (cash or check made payable to Parkland High School) may be dropped off to Room D131 with a note including the senior's name and ID# or these can be mailed to: Parkland High School, c/o Mrs. Destiny Beck, 2700 N. Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown, PA 18104.



SENIOR DEDICATIONS

The yearbook staff is once again offering dedication ads for parents and guardians to congratulate their graduating seniors. These personal messages will appear in color in the yearbook, creating another opportunity to make this yearbook memorable for the Class of 2022. These are paid dedications and prices start at \$55. **The deadline is December 10, 2021.**

All dedications must be submitted digitally using the Google form link [here](#). If you did not purchase a photo package from Frank Mitman, there will be a \$10 fee to have a photo sent from his studio. More details can be found on the Par Key website. Payment (cash or check made payable to Parkland High School) may be dropped off to Room D131 with a note including the senior's name and ID# or mailed to: Parkland High School, c/o Mrs. Destiny Beck, 2700 N. Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown, PA 18104.



DEADLINES AND PRICING

September 13, 2021 -	\$83
September 24, 2021	
September 25, 2021 -	\$85
March 4, 2022	
March 5, 2022 -	\$90
April 29, 2022	

- Prices listed do not include tax.
- Personalization offered until January 31, 2022.

SUPPLEMENT PAGES

2021 supplement pages can be picked up at the Cafeteria Par Key Table if you did not receive yours in the mail over the summer.



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August 15, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Parkland School District is committed to improving its programs to increase the safety and security for our school community. It will implement the mandates recommended by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency as promulgated in Act 18 of 2019.

The purpose of threat assessment is to proactively mitigate violence and resolve conflict that underlie threatening behavior. This research-based approach is considered best practice and therefore endorsed by the Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Secret Service. Threat assessment is considered a vital component to any comprehensive school district safety program.

The law requires each school entity to establish at least one threat assessment team for the assessment of and intervention with students whose behavior may indicate a threat to the safety of the student, other students, school employees, school facilities, the community, or others. The District has elected to create a threat assessment team at each building. It also establishes notification and referral requirements and procedures for when a team makes a preliminary determination that a student's behavior may indicate a threat to the safety of the student, other students, school employees, school facilities, the community or others. In order to carry out its duties, the threat assessment team must be given access to certain student data that is usually kept confidential, to the extent such access is permissible under federal law. County agencies and departments are required to consult with the threat assessment team in order to help the team carry out its duties, to the extent such agencies can do so in compliance with various state and federal laws.

The Parkland School District Safety and Security Department webpage will host additional information relative to threat assessment. Feel free to contact your building principal or myself with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Anthony M. Naradko, Ed.D.
Director of District Safety and Security
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Parkland School District will conduct the annual *Safe2Say Something* training for 6th-12th grade students on Monday, September 20, 2021. The purpose of this annual training is to create basic awareness of the program.

In 2018, the Pennsylvania General Assembly passed Act 44 mandating the establishment and use of the "*Safe2Say Something*", an anonymous reporting system starting in every Pennsylvania school on January 14, 2019. The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) has established *Safe2Say Something* and will manage and maintain the program. The OAG, in partnership with Sandy Hook Promise hosts the *Safe2Say Something* App, website and PA-based 24/7 Crisis Center Hotline at 1-844-SAF2SAY.

Safe2Say Something is a school safety program that teaches students, educators, and administrators how: to recognize the signs and signals of individuals who may be at risk of hurting themselves or others; and to anonymously report this information through the *Safe2Say Something* App, website, or 24/7 Crisis Center Hotline.

The following provides an overview of how the program works in schools through 5 easy steps:

1. A tip can be submitted via mobile app, website, or by calling the PA based 24/7 Crisis Center.
2. The tip is then triaged by the Crisis Center to gather enough information to act on it.
3. The tip is delivered to the impacted school and as needed, local law enforcement via 911 County Dispatch.
4. The school will assess any at-risk individuals, and if needed, law enforcement will be included.
5. The school then closes out the tip and reports actions taken as a record for their school.

The Parkland School District Safety and Security Department webpage will host this information as well as the links to make a *Safe2Say Something* Student Report. Feel free to contact your building principal or myself with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Director of District Safety and Security
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Parkland High School will offer an SAT Prep Course this fall to help students prepare for the SAT Exam that will be administered on **Saturday, November 6, 2021.**

Students who participate in this course will receive preparation for both the verbal and math portions of the SAT exam. The **verbal** classes 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. The **math** classes 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 10 two-hour sessions, five for each of the verbal and math components of the SAT exam. Students may register for one SAT prep session: either an after-school session (3 - 5 PM) at PHS or a virtual evening session (6:30 - 8:30 PM).

Important information about the course:

- ◇ The 10-class session course will begin on Wednesday, September 29, 2021 and continue through Wednesday, November 3, 2021.
- ◇ Classes will be held Mondays and Wednesdays.
- ◇ Students will have a choice of an after-school session from 3 - 5 PM or a virtual evening session from 6:30 - 8:30 PM as seen in the schedule on the right. In the interest of scheduling, students may **only** select one session, after-school or evening, and may not combine after-school and evening sessions.
- ◇ **The cost for the 10-class session is \$90** to cover class materials. Checks should be made payable to Parkland School District. Please mail the check to Parkland High School, attention Mrs. McLeod or drop off your payment in the designated drop box at the front desk of the Main Office.
- ◇ **Register for the class using the Fall 2021 SAT Prep Course Registration form on the school website.** Course registration opens **Tuesday, September 7, 2021.** Registration closes on **Friday, September 24, 2021 at 3PM.** Registration is on a first-to-sign-up, first-to-pay basis only, so register early as space is limited.
- ◇ The course textbook will be available for students who have completed the online registration AND whose payment has been received. The book is theirs to keep. Fully registered students will receive confirmation of their registration and information about textbook distribution via e-mail.
- ◇ Once a student receives their SAT Prep Book, the \$90 fee is non-refundable.



Fall 2021
SAT
PREP COURSE
for Juniors and Seniors

AFTER-SCHOOL SESSION 3 - 5 PM AT PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL
OR VIRTUAL EVENING SESSION 6:30 - 8:30 PM

The following schedule will be utilized for the SAT Prep Course this fall:

	Last Names A - L	Last Names M - Z
Wednesday, 9/29	Verbal	Math
Monday, 10/4	Math	Verbal
Wednesday, 10/6	Verbal	Math
Wednesday, 10/13	Math	Verbal
Monday, 10/18	Verbal	Math
Wednesday, 10/20	Math	Verbal
Monday, 10/25	Verbal	Math
Wednesday, 10/27	Math	Verbal
Monday, 11/1	Verbal	Math
Wednesday, 11/3	Math	Verbal

NOTE: There will be no class on Monday, October 11 due to school closure for staff development.

If you have any questions regarding the SAT Prep Course, please contact Mrs. McLeod at 610-351-5615 or e-mail mcleodj@parklandsd.org.



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If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself.”

Henry Ford