



October 2021

# PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL

## Parent Newsletter



*All information in this newsletter is subject to change.*

### From the principal's desk

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Our school year certainly had a memorable start as we persevered through Mother Nature and social media difficulties within the first two weeks. The students have done an amazing job assimilating back to the school routine plus all the varied COVID protocols as well. Students are thrilled to be back with their peers and our staff is ecstatic to return to face-to-face instruction. I have also witnessed a great sense of comradery amongst both students and staff in building strong relationships which will be beneficial throughout the year.

We still have some challenges as students are adjusting to **behavioral expectations** which used to be norms in the high school. Recent TikTok videos have encouraged some of our students to make poor choices, completely outside the norm for our community, as they reflect a lack of respect for our school and our students. Social media can have a destructive influence and I would encourage all parents to engage their children in serious talks about screen time usage and the difference between social media idolatry and real life. We have far too many students who do not understand that their actions have consequences.

The Parkland Theater program retakes the stage with the **Fall Production, *Stage Door***, on Friday, October 8 and Saturday, October 9 at 7:30 PM. **This year's show will be special as our actors take the stage for the first time this year and for the final time under the direction of Visual & Performing Arts Director Mr. Mark Stutz.** Mr. Stutz's significant impact on the Arts program has left thousands of students with incredible experiences they still talk about today. Mark is our very first Visual & Performing Arts Director and has passionately played an integral role in the dynamic success of our students and programs. We hope to see you at the show.

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# From the principal's desk

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Our **fall sports teams** are off to an incredible start this year and we hope they continue to improve as they finish their regular seasons and begin EPC and DXI playoffs. What many folks don't know about Parkland unless you live it every day is the work ethic our students display in conjunction with their valuable leadership and citizenship skills throughout the school day. It is extremely hard to make a team here at Parkland but I am just so impressed with the way our student athletes conduct themselves throughout their time in high school and this year is no different. We hope to see everyone at our **Homecoming Football Game** on Friday, October 15 vs BECAHL. We are also very excited for our **Homecoming Dance** Saturday, October 16 from 6-8 PM on the turf.

Special congratulations to the following eleven students for being selected as 2022 National Merit Semifinalists: **Victor J. Cai, Isaac A. Daniels, Shlok V. Dholakia, Vaishnavi Joshi, Aditi Maheshwari, Oludemilade C. Olatilo, Cameron M. Price, Isabel L. Sheridan, Alexander M. Spero, Kevin Tong, Veda S. Vundela.** These talented students have an opportunity to earn one of 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$30 million which will be offered next spring. Earning this level of distinction is a remarkable honor and serves as a testament to the intellectual aptitude and work ethic of these students. Congratulations to the parents of our semifinalists as well.

We recently concluded fall **Keystone exams** for students who did not take their exam at the conclusion of last year. The state did send student Keystone results to Parkland from last spring's test takers. We are taking student data from spreadsheets and sending letters home to spring test taking families so each student can have record of their performance on last spring's exams. The state is also sending Parkland Official Keystone performance letters for each student but those documents will not come to us until later in the year. We are also having "Winter keystones" in January. For any student preparing to retake a Keystone Exam this year, PHS will be holding Keystone "Boot Camps" to review important test content in Algebra and Biology. Supervisor of Instruction, Mr. John Monahan, will advertise these tutoring sessions later in the year so just keep an eye out for them.

For any parent looking to learn more about the college admissions process, I highly suggest attending our virtual parent workshop, "**Post-secondary Planning Workshop**," scheduled for Wednesday, October 20 at 7 PM. This program is very informative and includes COVID updates which impact our Junior and Senior students. I hope you enjoy the program.

Sincerely,



James E. Moniz II  
Principal  
Parkland High School  
[monizj@parklandsd.org](mailto:monizj@parklandsd.org)



## **Important Notice about Yearbook Photos for Underclassmen**

**Any student in grades  
9, 10 or 11 who is  
photographed after  
Friday, November 12  
will not be able to be  
included in the  
2021 Par Key Yearbook.**

**There are no exceptions or  
extensions to this deadline.**



**CHRISTMAS CITY STUDIO**  
[www.christmascitystudio.com](http://www.christmascitystudio.com)  
3200 Farmersville Road  
Bethlehem, PA 18020  
610-691-2109

# October Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Day 3	2
3	4 Day 4	5 Day 5	6 Day 6	7 Day 1 "B" Schedule	8 Day 2	9
10	11 Professional Development Day School Closed	12 Day 3	13 Day 4	14 Day 5	15 Day 6	16
17	18 Day 1	19 Day 2	20 Day 3	21 Day 4 "B" Schedule	22 Day 5 "C" Schedule	23
24	25 Day 6	26 Day 1	27 Day 2	28 Day 3	29 Day 4	30
31 Halloween						

## 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

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

- > 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



## Financial Aid Night

Please Mark your calendars for **October 6, 2021** at 7 PM. Parkland High School will be offering a virtual Financial Aid Night, featuring Mr. Greg Mitton, Director of Financial Aid at Muhlenberg College. Mr. Mitton will discuss the entire Financial Aid process, including the FAFSA form, and both need- and merit-based aid. More information will follow via School Messenger and Schoology.

## Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Update

The FAFSA is the most important form to complete in order to qualify for most types of financial aid including federal, state, local and private grants and scholarships.

The FAFSA becomes available to current seniors on **October 1, 2021**. Families will use “prior-prior” year tax information (2020) to complete the FAFSA. The form can be accessed online at [www.FAFSA.gov](http://www.FAFSA.gov).



## Upcoming Calendar

**October 1, 2021**

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) becomes available to seniors at [www.FAFSA.gov](http://www.FAFSA.gov).

**October 16, 2021**

PSAT/NMSQT administration at Parkland High School.

# PSAT/NMSQT®

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

## College-bound sophomores and juniors

On **Saturday, October 16**, the PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) will be administered at Parkland High School. We strongly encourage all college-bound sophomores and juniors to take the PSAT, which is designed to prepare students for the SAT. Please remember October 16 is the only date the PSAT/NMSQT can be administered to students at Parkland High School for the 2021-22 school year. PSAT registration information, including cost, was announced throughout the month of September.

### Juniors

All juniors planning to take the SAT I: Reasoning Test should register for the PSAT/NMSQT, since it will provide an excellent review of the writing, reading and mathematical reasoning skills needed for later testing. The PSAT/NMSQT score is not posted on the high school transcript and therefore is an excellent opportunity to practice for future SAT Reasoning and SAT Subject tests. As a junior, students taking the PSAT may also qualify for National Merit Scholarships.

### Sophomores

Sophomores are encouraged to take the PSAT as an opportunity to practice critical reading, writing and math problem solving skills. However, sophomores are not eligible for any merit scholarships. Please contact your child's guidance counselor if you have any questions regarding the PSAT and/or SAT offered by the College Board. Additional information regarding both tests can be found at the College Board website at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).



# CHARACTER COUNTS



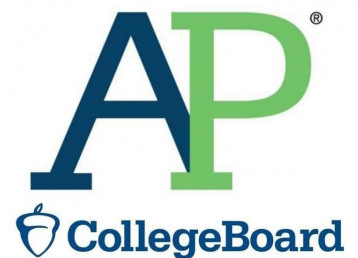
The October theme of our Character Counts program is **Responsibility**. Throughout the month we will discuss the Pillar of Responsibility and how it impacts the high school student environment and beyond. From a parent's perspective, the development of a student's personal responsibility and accountability is a tremendous development in watching a child mature into young adulthood. In the high school environment, we will focus on how understanding responsibility gives students purpose, value, and a sense of direction. We knew returning to school after an 18-month layoff would be a challenge and this month's pillar of responsibility was chosen for this purpose as we further help to hone our students' skills.

## Advanced Placement Testing

There are some changes to College Board's AP program. Students will now need to register for Advanced Placement exams using an online portal system through College Board's website.

**Registration began on Monday, September 13 and will run through Wednesday, November 3.**

Teachers have distributed the link and access code to all AP students. 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 before November 3. For the students taking the exam, a fee of \$96, per exam, must be paid. Please make checks payable to Parkland High School. You cannot pay using the portal. No test will be ordered for a student indicating 'yes' to the exam without paying the fee. 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. Please contact Mr. Jeremy Gordon in the Counseling Office at 610-351-5600, ext. 73521 regarding any questions about Advanced Placement Testing.



## Parchment Exchange - Electronic Transcript System

Parkland High School partners with Parchment Exchange, a service offering new technology to deliver electronic transcripts (eTranscripts) to many colleges, scholarship organizations, the military, NCAA Clearinghouse, and employers worldwide. Current students should never be charged a fee for transcript requests through Parchment Exchange. If Parchment asks for your credit card information, please log out of the system and bring your request directly to the Counseling Office. Seniors can open their Parchment accounts by logging into [www.parchment.com](http://www.parchment.com).

# October

## Upcoming events



Friday  
1

FAFSA becomes available to current seniors  
Homecoming Voting (online)  
Football vs. Whitehall - Shirt Off Your Back/PALS Night 7 PM (Orefield Stadium)



Monday  
4

Tickets for the Family Show: *Disney's Moana Jr.* go on sale 12 PM  
Fall SAT Prep classes 3 - 5 PM (PHS) and 6:30 - 8:30 PM (virtual)

Tuesday  
5

Homecoming Voting (online)

Wednesday  
6

Fall SAT Prep classes 3 - 5 PM (PHS) and 6:30 - 8:30 PM (virtual)  
Financial Aid Night 7 PM (virtual)

Thursday  
7

"B" schedule  
Homecoming Dance tickets go on sale during lunches

Friday  
8

Fall Play: *Stage Door* 7:30 PM (auditorium)  
Football vs. East Stroudsburg South 7 PM (away)

Saturday  
9

Fall Play: *Stage Door* 7:30 PM (auditorium)

Monday  
11

Columbus Day  
School Closed — Professional Development Day

Tuesday  
12

Spirit Week: Tie-dye Day

Wednesday  
13

Spirit Week: Class Colors Day  
Fall SAT Prep classes 3 - 5 PM (PHS) and 6:30 - 8:30 PM (virtual)  
Garter Bowl - Homecoming Court Announced 6 PM (Orefield Stadium)

Thursday  
14

Spirit Week: Sports Day  
Garter Bowl Rain Date 6 PM (Orefield Stadium)  
Boys Basketball Parent and Sign Up meeting 6:30 PM (Cafeteria)

Friday  
15

Spirit Week: Parkland Pride Day  
Homecoming Float Building 7:30 AM (Orefield bus garage)  
Football vs. Bethlehem Catholic - Homecoming 7 PM (Orefield Stadium)





Saturday

16

PSAT exam administration 7:45 AM  
Homecoming Dance 6 - 8 PM (Turf Field)

Monday

18

District Chorus Auditions  
Fall SAT Prep classes 3 - 5 PM (PHS) and 6:30 - 8:30 PM (virtual)

Wednesday

20

Fall SAT Prep classes 3 - 5 PM (PHS) and 6:30 - 8:30 PM (virtual)  
Parent Forum - Fall Workshop: Post-secondary Planning 7 PM (virtual)

Thursday

21

"B" schedule

Friday

22

"C" schedule - Early Dismissal 1 PM  
Football vs. Liberty 7 PM (away)

Monday

25

Fall SAT Prep classes 3 - 5 PM (PHS) and 6:30 - 8:30 PM (virtual)

Tuesday

26

Picture Retakes (Auditorium Lobby)

Wednesday

27

"B" schedule - Hearing Screenings

Friday

29

Football vs. Emmaus - Senior Night 7 PM (Orefield Stadium)

Saturday

30

Homecoming Dance Rain Date 6 - 8 PM (Turf Field)



# Homecoming

## S P I R I T W E E K



Tuesday  
October  
**12**

### Tie-dye Day

Wear your favorite tie-dye clothing

Wednesday  
October  
**13**

### Class Colors Day

9th - wear white  
11th - wear gray

10th - wear black  
12th - wear red

GARTER BOWL  
6 PM  
OREFIELD STADIUM

HOMECOMING  
COURT  
ANNOUNCED

Thursday  
October  
**14**

### Sports Day

Wear your favorite team jersey/t-shirt/hoodie

Friday  
October  
**15**

### Parkland Pride Day

Wear Parkland colors / Parkland gear



TOGETHER  
AS ONE IN  
21  
PARKLAND HOMECOMING







September 13, 2021

RE: Parkland High School Attendance Procedures- 2021-2022

Dear Parents & Guardians,

If your son/daughter must be absent from school OR must leave school early, please follow the procedures outlined below:

1. Secure a Student Leave of Absence Form, which is available online:
  - a. In your web browser, go to the Parkland High School website, <http://phs.parklandsd.org>.
  - b. Click on the "ABOUT" tab at the top.
  - c. Scroll and click on "FORMS/PUBLICATIONS" from drop down list.
  - d. Look under "FORMS" list and click on Student Leave of Absence Form
2. The form should be completed prior to any scheduled absence and/or appointment to leave early.
3. Send your completed form to the correct attendance office as follows:
  - a. Students in grades 9 and 10- [PHSLOA9&10@parklandsd.org](mailto:PHSLOA9&10@parklandsd.org) (Ms. Tracy, Secretary)
  - b. Students in grades 11 and 12- [PHSLOA11&12@parklandsd.org](mailto:PHSLOA11&12@parklandsd.org) (Mrs. Rosa, Secretary)
4. If leaving for an appointment, this form must be sent to the appropriate grade level attendance email so that the student can leave for the allotted time/remainder of day. It is recommended that the form be provided at least 24 hours in advance to allow time for processing. Upon receipt of the form, the appropriate Attendance Office will issue an E-Hall Pass to your child so he/she may leave class, sign out in the main office, and then meet the parent/guardian at the vehicle.
5. If you need to call your son/daughter off from school due to an unplanned absence (ex-illness), a parent/guardian must contact the PHS Attendance Office at 610-551-5655 (then click on the number for your child's grade level as prompted) to report a student's absence. This attendance hotline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If a call is not received, then a Student Leave of Absence Form must be presented upon student's return from school.

Your attention to this procedure will assist us in ensuring that your child's absence and/or requests to leave early are properly and efficiently processed and documented.

Thank you,

PHS Attendance Office



## Trojan Art Gallery

The October display in the Trojan Gallery will feature the photography of Lehigh Valley native **David Haas**. Mr. Haas is a photography professor at Muhlenberg College and the exhibition will feature his own favorite pieces which span over forty year of observation.

# Visual and performing arts

It is hard to believe that we are already saying goodbye to September and welcoming in October. What is even more exciting is the fact that the A-wing has been rehearsing, creating, and preparing to welcome the public back to live plays, concerts and dreams of a more normal year. It will be an extremely busy month.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to see the **2021 Parkland Marching Band**, you only have a few home football games left. This year's program, highlighting the music of AC/DC and My Chemical Romance, is sure to entertain everyone in the family as it transforms the football stadium into a rock concert.

The **Dance Team** is already in practice mode for the basketball season. It may seem like a long time from now, but it will be here before you know it.

**Festival of the Arts Coffeehouse** is returning to the A-wing lobby on Wednesday mornings in a socially distanced format. We will have live music but will not be selling coffee or food at this time. Chairs will be set up in the lobby for students to enjoy the performance from 7:15 - 7:35 AM. We will continue to adapt and adjust the format as needed.

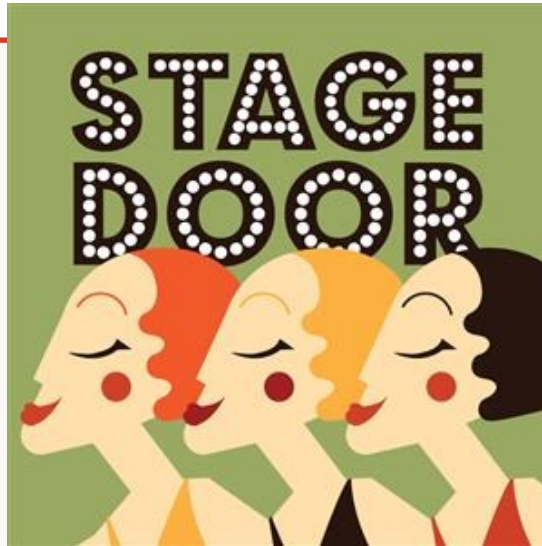


## Fall play

The theatrical season begins with performances of this year's Fall play, **Stage Door**. This classic comedy written by George S. Kaufman and Edna Ferber chronicles the lives of the female residents of the Footlight Club, a boarding house for actresses.

By following the successes and failures in their chosen profession as well as in their love lives, the comedy revolves around professional rivalries as well as the age-old question of which is the more important - craft, stage acting or movie acting.

The show has a two-night run, **October 8 and October 9 at 7:30 PM**. To reserve your tickets, go to [www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com) and search for Parkland High School. Choose your seats and print your own tickets from the comfort of your home or office. Tickets for **Stage Door** will be available at the door one hour before curtain. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and senior citizens (65+). This production is recommended for audiences 14 years and older.



### PLEASE NOTE

**All audience members must wear appropriate face coverings while in the building. Also, the ticketing program will automatically block seats for social distancing purposes. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.**

The logo for Disney's Moana Jr. features the word "Disney" in its signature script at the top. Below it, "MOANA" is written in large, bold, blue letters with a stylized swirl in the letter 'O'. Underneath "MOANA", the letters "JR." are written in a smaller, blue, stylized font, with a blue wave-like graphic behind them. A small "©Disney" trademark symbol is visible on the right side of the "JR." graphic.

# Disney MOANA JR.

## 2021 Family show

The 2021 Family show will be *Disney's Moana, Jr.* 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.

Performances are Friday, November 12 at 7 PM, Saturday, November 13 at 3 PM and 7 PM, and Sunday, November 14 at 3 PM. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for children/students and senior citizens (65+). Tickets will go on sale on [www.showfix4u.com](http://www.showfix4u.com) on October 4 at noon.





## FALL SPORTS



### Fall Sports

We are now well into our 2021 fall sports season.

By the time you read this, EPC conference titles may have already been determined in some of our sports and District XI seedings are beginning to take shape. Our varsity teams continue to be highly successful in all sports offered in the fall season.

- Field Hockey** is 10-0.
- Football** is 3-1.
- Girls Soccer** is 7-1-1.
- Boys Soccer** is 8-1.
- Girls Volleyball** is 8-0.
- Tennis** is 15-1.
- Golf** is 9-6.
- Girls and Boys Cross Country** are both 6-0.

Good luck the rest of the way!



## 2021 HOMECOMING GAME

October 15 at 7 PM

**Parkland vs. Bethlehem Catholic**

Orefield Stadium

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## HOMECOMING DANCE

OCTOBER 16 6 - 8 PM at the Turf Field



# Mark Your Sports CALENDAR

## Winter 2021-2022 Sports Physicals

~ by appointment only ~

Saturday, October 30, 2021  
Parkland High School  
8 - 11:30 AM



Further information is available on the Parkland High School website under Athletics. Please see the SignUpGenius button for the link to sign up. Winter 2021-2022 sports physicals are free.

No student can participate or try out for a winter sport without a full PIAA physical dated after May 31, 2021.

The Parkland Athletic Department understands that it may not be convenient to come to our scheduled free physical event. However, those who miss must get a PIAA physical on their own prior to **November 12, 2021**.

Paperwork for the PIAA physical on the PHS website (<http://phs.parklandsd.org>) under Departments - Athletics - Forms.

All Parkland athletes must get an ImPACT test once during their four years at PHS and before participation.

## Boys Basketball Parent and Player Sign Up Meeting

Boys Basketball will be holding a parent and player sign up meeting for anyone interested in trying out for the Boys Basketball team this year on Thursday, October 14 at 6:30 PM in the Cafeteria. Middle School players and parents are welcome .



The first day of winter sports is  
Friday, November 19.



# Information from the Health Room

Now that the school year is in full swing, the Health Room would like to remind you of some important information. For information regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19), please see the [district website](#). Contact the Health Room with questions.



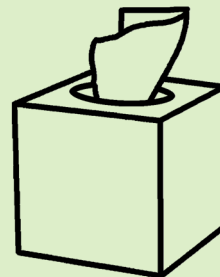
The Flu Season occurs from October through April. With the COVID-19 pandemic, it is more imperative to get the flu vaccine. Check with your doctor about getting the flu vaccine for your student.

To help stay healthy and decrease the spread of illness in the school, we are encouraging all families to adhere to the following guidelines for sending your child to school.

If your student is experiencing any of the following symptoms, **please keep them home from school:**

- 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.



## Colds and Allergies

Please be advised that the Health Room **does not** have cold or allergy medications. If your student has cold symptoms or allergies, please medicate as needed before or after school.

“  
*The mind and body  
are not separate.  
What affects one,  
affects the other.*  
”



## Health forms available online

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

## Juniors

### Return Completed Physicals to the Health Room

All eleventh grade students should return their physicals to the Health Room as soon as possible. Forms are available on the PHS website.



### New Immunization Requirement

The meningitis vaccine is required on or after your student's 16th birthday. Students in grade 11 will be required to have this immunization on the first day of their senior year. The eleventh grade physical is a good time to be sure this immunization is completed.



## Reminders about medication during the school day

Students who need medication during the school day will need to submit a parent authorization and a physician's order for prescription or over-the-counter medications.

All medication, prescription and nonprescription, must be brought to the school by a parent and/or guardian. Forms are available on the PHS website.





# Driver's Education

## Autumn Driving Risks and Tips

Each year, the transition from summer to autumn brings with it the much-anticipated return of colorful foliage, sweater weather, football season and all things pumpkin. However, the beginning of fall also comes with potential driving risks, including slippery roads, decreased daylight, fog and sun glare. Autumn weather can be unpredictable and conditions can change drastically within a matter of minutes. Prepare yourself and your vehicle for the changing of the seasons with the following tips to help you drive safely in the fall.



**CAUTION  
BLACK ICE**

Fall weather can change rapidly from warm to cold, causing roads to ice over overnight.

- Drive slowly and brake gently when driving across overpasses and bridges, as these surfaces tend to frost over before others.
- Be aware of spots where black ice forms on the roadway and drive carefully through these areas.



Extreme changes in temperature will cause your tires to expand and contract, which may lead to a loss of tire pressure.

- Check your tire pressure daily.
- Before starting your vehicle, clear away any frost on your windows and check that your tires are properly inflated and have plenty of tread.

## CLIU-21 Behind the Wheel (BTW) Course Information

Parkland students are eligible to complete the BTW driving course if they are age 16 or older, have a valid permit and have completed the in-class or online theory course. Students who complete the 6-hour course are able to take their PA Driver's License test at PHS (which saves you another trip to the DMV). Complete information and registration can be found at [www.cliu.org](http://www.cliu.org). Select 'Departments' and scroll down to the bottom of the page and choose the 'key' icon labeled 'Driver's Education'. If you have any questions, please call 610-769-4111 x1299 or email at [driversed@cliu.org](mailto:driversed@cliu.org).







## Attention all PHS Juniors and their Families

### Class of 2023 only

Please review our disclosure of student information to military recruiters, which is shared annually with our current juniors and their families.

The disclosure can be found in this Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/kXc8Rxxk79VjQNNWA>.

If you wish to refrain from having your child's information shared with military recruiters, you must complete and submit the information found in the aforementioned Google Form no later than **Friday, October 22, 2021**.

Questions? Please contact our Counseling Office at 610-351-5610.



# Library lines



INTERNATIONAL  
SCHOOL LIBRARY  
MONTH

Education  
USA

October is  
International  
School Library  
Month

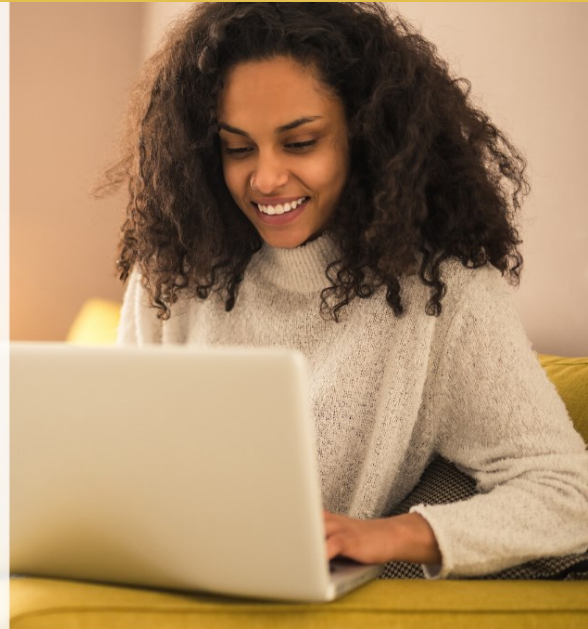
This is an opportunity to  
celebrate the importance  
of school libraries and to  
celebrate everything  
great about them.



OCTOBER IS  
CYBERSECURITY  
AWARENESS  
MONTH

DO YOUR PART.  
#BECYBERSMART.

STAYSAFEONLINE.ORG/  
CYBERSECURITY-AWARENESS-MONTH



This is a time that students should reflect on their online practices.



Week of October 4: Be Cyber Smart.



Week of October 11: Fight the Phish!



Week of October 18: Explore. Experience. Share.  
[Cybersecurity Career Awareness Week](#)



Week of October 25: Cybersecurity First

## Library in high demand since school opened

Students are utilizing their study hall class period to come to the library to stay on top of assignments. Mrs. Dickerson and Mrs. Brader have been meeting with all freshman students to provide an overview of the library and how to access all of our resources.

## Makerspace is open for business

Students are invited to create and explore topics to compliment the curriculum and inspire life-long learning.

## Overdue books

Have any overdue library books or class novels? Return them during October and no late fees will be charged. Any questions? Stop by and see one of the library staff members.



Groundbreaking Ceremony  
Parkland High School  
September 21, 1997



From the Archives





# Student Assistance Program (SAP)



## SAP Services

We hope that you and your children had a smooth transition back to school. We are excited to announce the SAP services that we are offering to all students in the month of October.

### Lunchtime Seminars



**Organization and Time Management**  
Tuesday, October 12 and Thursday, October 14



**Coping with Stressors through Mindfulness and Other Strategies**  
Tuesday, October 19 and Thursday, October 21



**Improving Test Taking Skills and Lowering Test Anxiety**  
Tuesday, October 26

Please go to the SAP website [here](#) to find the permission slips for these Lunchtime Seminars.

### Mid-Atlantic Rehabilitation Services (MARS)

We want to invite you to watch an interview with Mr. Jeff Marchese of the Mid-Atlantic Rehabilitation Services so you have an understanding of how MARS can help you find outside services for your child. You can access the interview [here](#).



As always, we are here to serve you. Please give us a call at 610-351-5600 and ask for the SAP Team.

## Parent Alert: New Drug called Khat

Please read the information on a new drug called Khat that is making its way to our area.

What is it? It is a stimulant drug made from the leaves and twigs of the evergreen shrub. This drug's active ingredients are cathine and cathinone.

Street names to be aware of include: Abyssinian Tea, African Salad, Catha, Chat, Kat, Miraa, Oat, Qat, and Quaadka.

How it is taken: Chewed dried khat is used as a tea or chewable paste, smoked, or sprinkled on food.

How does it affect the body? Users can experience manic behavior with grandiose delusions. Chronic use can cause depression and suicide, hallucinations, paranoia, nightmares, euphoria, increased alertness and energy, hyperactivity, increase in blood pressure and heart rate, cardiac complications, insomnia, and gastric disorders.



Those who  
stand for  
nothing fall  
for anything.

- Alexander Hamilton



# 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. Please contact the class advisor with any questions.

Class of  
2022

Senior class advisor  
Mrs. Sarah Yenser  
Room C241  
[yenserc@parklandsd.org](mailto:yenserc@parklandsd.org)

Class of  
2023

Junior class advisor  
Mrs. Deborah Andreoli  
Room D133  
[andreolid@parklandsd.org](mailto:andreolid@parklandsd.org)

Class of  
2024

Sophomore class advisor  
Miss Casey Gruver  
[gruverc@parklandsd.org](mailto:gruverc@parklandsd.org)

Class of  
2025

Freshmen class advisors  
Mrs. Lori McClure  
[mclurel@parklandsd.org](mailto:mclurel@parklandsd.org)  
Mrs. Kim McHenry  
[mchenryk@parklandsd.org](mailto:mchenryk@parklandsd.org)

# YEAR IN IT BOOK



THIS IS YOUR STORY. AND EVERYONE IS IN IT.

Par Key's 2022 Yearbook information is available [here](#).



## Attention Seniors

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.

### DEADLINES AND PRICING

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.

### 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

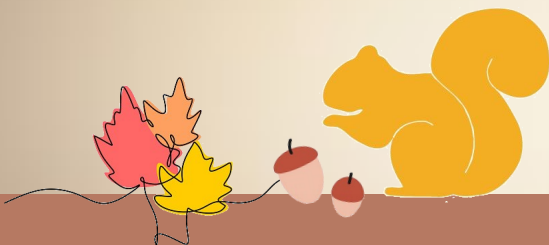
You may submit a baby photo of your senior for \$5. All photos must be submitted digitally using the Google form link [here](#). **The deadline is Friday, November 12, 2021.**

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.





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"Educating For Success, Inspiring Excellence."

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October 1, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are proud to serve the students of the Parkland School District. We continually strive to provide a safe and secure learning environment for all students and staff in our school buildings.

In order to maintain a safe environment for your children to study and learn, it is necessary that we practice our emergency and crisis response plans by conducting drills that exercise our procedures to better prepare staff and students. There are a few basic response drills as stipulated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education that we practice throughout the school year – *Lockdown*, *Shelter-In-Place*, and *Evacuation*. Parkland School District adopted the active assailant protocol endorsed by the Department of Homeland Security called *Run, Hide, Fight* as of August 2018.

Act 44 of 2018 stipulated that commonwealth schools conduct one security-based drill within the first 90 school days in lieu of a monthly *Evacuation Drill*. The law also allows commonwealth schools to replace an additional monthly *Evacuation Drill* with a security-based drill after the first 90 days of school. Parkland School District conducts annual *Lockdown Drills* to meet this requirement during the months of October and February.

In accordance with Act 44 of 2018, we will be conducting a security-based drill by practicing a *Lockdown Drill* with all students and staff members. As part of the legislation, Parkland School District will invite local law enforcement and first responders to help evaluate and improve our emergency protocols and practices. 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  
Parkland School District







# YESS! School-based Therapy

## 5-part webinar series

*Mental health tips to help students, parents, teachers and all school employees*

Programs will be held the last Tuesday of the month and will begin at 6:00 pm. Each Webinar is scheduled for 40 minutes of content plus 10 minutes for a Question and Answer session.



### Returning to School and managing COVID related mental health concerns

**September 28, 2021 - 6:00 pm**

*Presented by:*

Jason R Frei, LCSW, MPA, Clinical Coordinator/Psychotherapist and Julie Morgano, LCSW, School-Based Psychotherapist

### Holidays, Kids, and mental health

*Dealing with school refusal and social anxiety*

**November 30, 2021 - 6:00 pm**

*Presented by:*

Joseph Cavanagh, LCSW, School-Based Psychotherapist and Nicolle Graaf, MA, LPC, School-Based Psychotherapist

### New Year, New You

*Tips for families and teachers to make emotional resolutions that will stick*

**January 25, 2022 - 6:00 pm**

*Presented by:*

Andrea Wetzel, LPC, School-Based Psychotherapist and Carmen Tirado-Guzman, MA School-based Psychotherapist

### Spring Fever

*Virtual learning vs in person learning and how to recognize when your child may need more help than you can provide in the classroom and with their emotional wellness*

**March 29, 2022 - 6:00 pm**

*Presented by:*

Julie Morgano, LCSW, School-Based Psychotherapist and Angelina Moncoeur LBS, LPC, School-Based Psychotherapist

### Summer planning for depression, anxiety, self-care

**May 31, 2022 - 6:00 pm**

*Presented by:*

Melissa Appleby, LPC, NCC, School Based Psychotherapist and Kelly Kowalewski, LCSW, School-Based Psychotherapist

To register for a session, please visit [www.sluhn.org](http://www.sluhn.org) and search the Events Calendar for the session you wish to attend.

**St Luke's**  
Behavioral Health  
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# Parents

*We appreciate you!*

