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## NATIONAL GUARD

### MEAL READY KIT CHOPPED KITCHEN CHALLENGE



American Foods class at PHS had so much fun using all of the ingredients in the National Guard's meal ready kits (also known as MRE's) during a team cooking competition this fall. The student teams each received a kit, were told to use the ingredients to make an appetizer, entree and dessert, use pantry ingredients to help prepare tasty meals and then plate them nicely for a team of administrator judges. They were each graded on presentation, creativity, taste and MRE usage. It was wonderful to work alongside these military heroes and feel their energy and enthusiasm in working with our students.



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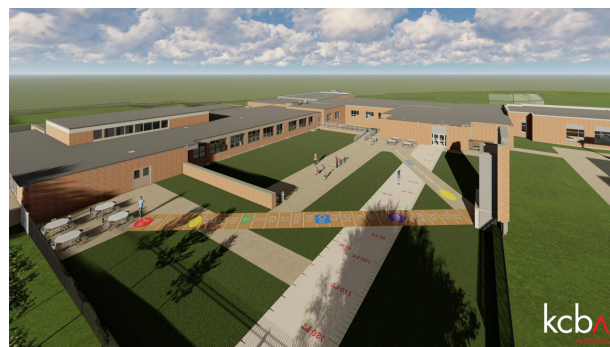
Welcome 2023! We are excited for the year ahead as there is so much on the horizon for our students and the entire community. I hope everyone had a restful winter break.

If you came out to enjoy one of our winter concerts, I hope you will plan to visit us for another event in 2023. First up, we have important transition meetings for parents of middle schoolers who will be going to high school next year. These meetings occur the first week in January and are designed to help our families make course selection decisions for next year. Then, on February 2nd, we are excited to bring Chris Herren to Parkland School District for daytime assemblies at PHS and then at 6:30 PM in the PHS Auditorium for our community. From growing up in Fall River, MA to playing Division 1 basketball and in the NBA, he will take the audience on his journey from addiction to sobriety. Additionally, he will relate his story to the audience addressing themes of gateway drugs, prescription drug use, vaping and the responsibility of prevention starting

with us all. To conclude the event, Chris will field questions from the audience. We are fortunate to have the Parkland Education Foundation sponsor this event. I hope you will join us for this very important conversation on substance abuse. And, mark your calendar for Saturday, March 18th, as we will be hosting a Community Resource Fair and Health Symposium that will also include a New Parkland Parent Social. Our entire community is invited to meet agencies that can help during emergencies. People can also mingle with recreational organizations to learn about youth activities that are offered across our region. Anyone can sign up to man a free table at the QR code to the right. Watch our social media and email blasts as we will be promoting the event schedule and sharing more information in the coming weeks. We hope to see you there! Also in March, we are excited to bring back our in-person Kindergarten Registration events at every elementary school! These special events are designed for your littlest learner to begin their journey with us by meeting the school kindergarten staff and getting a sneak peek of their new school. There are many surprises planned - you won't want to miss this, so please make sure to call your elementary school to register if you have a child turning 5 prior to September 1, 2023 (see page 9 for complete details).



Parkland is growing and we have been doing a lot of planning for the future. We are in the design phase for the construction of an Operations Center that will be housed behind Orefield Middle School on Stadium Drive. The new building will allow us to relocate the offices that are currently housed in the Troxell Building. The building will be approximately 40,000 square feet and will accommodate office, storage and workshop areas for the Facilities/Maintenance/Custodial, Food Services and Technology Departments. After receiving construction bids and permits, we anticipate breaking ground on this project in August with a September 2024 completion date. Kratzer Elementary School is in the midst of getting an 8 classroom addition that will also include a new media center and outdoor learning courtyard. The project is ahead of schedule and under budget with plans to move into the new space over Spring Break. We will continue with interior renovations, including the renovation of the old media center into classrooms, through summer. The end result will be a net gain of 10 more classrooms at Kratzer. At Schnecksville, we were very pleased to open the school year in newly renovated classroom spaces and the addition being fully occupied. We are finishing up the courtyard renovation and working on preserving the main entrance pillars, which are beloved by the community. Below is a rendering of the new Operations Center and the preserved front entrance of Schnecksville, which will mark the center of the outdoor courtyard.



From left to right: New Operations Center rendering, Schnecksville Elementary School Courtyard, rendering of the preservation plan for Schnecksville's main entrance.



On the school safety and security front, we have exciting news. The District went from having two School Resource Police Officers (SRO's) on site to having five. Thomas Bammer and Darvin Faust, both South Whitehall Township Police Officers, have been in the School District and serving our schools full-time for years. Officer Bill Rohrbach from Upper Macungie Township Police has been serving our schools for many years as a Community Resource Officer, but he has become an official School Resource Officer this year. And, we are excited to welcome Officers Kevin Azar and Amanda Sariago from South Whitehall Township Police to our staff. Our Safety and Security Director Anthony Naradko is helping to secure funding for these extremely important positions by applying for the Pennsylvania Department of Education's Safe Schools Targeted Grant. SRO's provide a highly visible presence to deter or identify trespassers on campus. In addition, SRO's provide a service to the surrounding community by addressing concerns such as loitering, stop signs or speeding in school zones. SRO's are responsible for investigating violations of criminal law, working on delinquency prevention and teaching the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E) program to our students.

I wish to thank our School Board, our entire staff, and our students for a great 2022 and I look forward to all that the New Year will bring. Best wishes for 2023.

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# WHAT CAN LCCC DUAL ENROLLMENT DO FOR PARKLAND STUDENTS?

## AN INTERVIEW WITH ETHAN KRAMER, CLASS OF 2022



Ethan Kramer is a 2022 Parkland graduate who spent his senior year in Lehigh Carbon Community College's (LCCC) Dual Enrollment Program, a program that gives students the opportunity to take courses that count towards high school graduation, while also receiving college credit. During his senior year, Ethan took all of his courses on LCCC's campus. He had to meet Parkland graduation requirements, such as taking a full year of English as well as some history and physical education credits, but he was able to choose the rest of his courses. He worked with PHS counselor Bryna Witkowski to make sure he had registered for what was needed to obtain a Parkland High School degree and then built the rest of his schedule with LCCC's Dual Enrollment coordinator. He based his course selection on two things. The first focus was on things he was interested in and was thinking about majoring in. Next, he thought about what classes would help him obtain credits that would ultimately transfer to a college he was interested in attending.

Ethan knew he wanted to stay close to home and was interested in attending Penn State Lehigh Valley and some other nearby schools. He also thought that he wanted to major in Business. He began researching the transfer requirements and business curriculum at various schools of interest. He took Psychology and Communications as he was advised that he could most likely get transfer credits for those courses at the colleges he was interested in pursuing. He then scheduled classes of interest in the Business field including Statistics, Business Law and Economics. He used the experience to try out courses to see if he liked them enough to declare any of them as a major. After the first semester, he surmised that a Business Program was definitely what he wanted to study.

Ethan took 18 credits in the fall, 18 in the spring and 3 over winter break. In all, he had 38 credits under his belt at the time he graduated from Parkland High School in June 2022 (three of which were AP credits he earned as a junior at Parkland High School). Ethan is now at Penn State Lehigh Valley and realizes what an amazing head start he received, noting that he will need 120 credits in all to obtain his business degree. LCCC offers Parkland students a discounted Dual Enrollment tuition, so it is actually less expensive to earn credits while you are still a student in high school.

Ethan did note that he missed out on being physically inside Parkland High School during the entirety of his senior year. He stated, "I felt I was ready to take classes at LCCC and did not feel I needed the typical senior year high school experience." However, he was grateful that Parkland still allowed participation in athletics and after-school activities as well as the June graduation ceremony, so dual enrollment students can still feel connected to Parkland. To sum up, Ethan stated, "Experiencing how to navigate a college campus, the course load and professor expectations served as a great transition. I entered Penn State this year confident and ready to succeed on day one."



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## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: AUSTIN FASNACHT



Austin Fasnacht is a Parkland senior. Snowboarding has been a passion of his since he was eight years old and he now competes in the NorAm Tour, a semi-professional snowboarding division. Understanding the high expenses of such a sport, he wanted to give back to the Parkland community. Last April, he had an idea on how to raise money using some of his skills and resources as a worker in real estate. Over this past summer, he worked with his mentors at MarketPlace Property Group, LLC. and contractors to purchase a home with which profits could be made from, renovating and refurbishing the home, and marketing the property for sale. The proceeds later went to his non-profit, Shred the Shortage, which, as the name suggests, is aimed at shredding the shortage of skiers and snowboarders. He then donated \$3,000 to Parkland High School's Ski and Snowboard Club with the goal of helping to finance the cost of student rentals, equipment, and season passes. He wants every student to have the opportunity to learn how to ski.

Chris Gahman, the teacher advisor to the Ski and Snowboard Club at PHS, told students that if anyone is in need of financial assistance for the season to let him know.

Austin is the Vice President of UNICEF Club, a National Honor Society Officer, and member of the Student Senate, Physics Club, National English and Math Honor Societies, and wants to study mechanical engineering upon graduation from Parkland High School.

## VETERANS DAY CELEBRATIONS

Veterans Memorial, Cetronia, Schnecksville and Jaindl Elementary Schools were pleased to celebrate veterans during special Veterans Day assemblies. Pictured at the far left below, Schnecksville was lucky to hear from 97 year old Herbert W. Ridyard who graduated from Liberty High School in Bethlehem, PA, and enlisted in the US Army in 1943. He told stories about his time serving, and ended with important advice that is also the title of his book, "Do your best. No one can ask you to do more than that." Students and staff were looking patriotic in their best red, white and blue attire. It was a great day that served to honor many local heroes.



## HEROES FOR THE HOLIDAYS



South Whitehall Township Police Department, Upper Macungie Police Department, Target on Cedar Crest Blvd. and The Parkland Education Foundation hosted a Holiday Shopping Event for Parkland School District students who needed some holiday cheer this year! Gift cards donated from Target, the David M. Kennedy family, and the Parkland Education Foundation provided kids with the chance to shop for holiday gifts for everyone on their list this season. Coordinated by Jason Grozier, the South Whitehall Township Community Resource Officer, police from all over Lehigh County came to help our students pick out the best gifts. Then, Dorney Park hosted the students and police for a luncheon and wrapping session so that all gifts were ready to bring home at the end of the day. The goal of this program is to foster strong community relationships between students and law enforcement personnel.

## ELEMENTARY WORLD LANGUAGE PROGRAM

This fall, we were thrilled to bring back the Elementary World Language Experience for the District's 2nd - 5th graders. Parkland High School World Language students taught the elementary students with supervision by our elementary teachers. The experiential program provides a rich, multi-sensory, second-language environment that takes advantage of an elementary student's energy, curiosity, and natural ability to acquire language. In a relaxed after-school atmosphere, students began to develop listening or signing skills. In all, 485 elementary students participated in French, German, Spanish and Sign Language.

# 485 Elementary Students

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April 12-16, 2023

Parkland High School is pleased to announce that its spring musical will be Rodgers & Hammerstein's Oklahoma. The show will be on the PHS main stage in the auditorium from April 12-16, 2023. Auditions will be held January 3-6, 2023. Reserved tickets for Oklahoma will go on sale online on Monday, January 23, 2023, at noon. Admission prices are \$12 for students and seniors (65+); \$15 for adults. Mark your calendar for January 23 and get your tickets at [www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com).

# NINE PARKLAND STUDENTS NAMED NATIONAL MERIT SEMIFINALISTS



The National Merit® Scholarship Program is an academic competition that recognizes the 50,000 highest Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®) scores in the nation out of approximately 1.5 million students who take the test each year. Of the 1.5 million entrants, approximately 50,000 with the highest PSAT/NMSQT® Selection Index scores qualify for recognition in the National Merit® Scholarship Program as either Commended Students (about 34,000) or Semifinalists (the highest 16,000).

The following 9 Parkland High School students were selected as Semifinalists in the 2023 National Merit Scholarship Program. These scholastically talented seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for 7,600 Merit Scholarship awards worth \$33 million. They are pictured left to right from the top as follows:

**REVA GANDHI** is the President of the Future Business Leaders of America, Captain of Mock Trial, Captain of the Debate Team, Treasurer of the Political Science Club, Co-president of Girls Who Code, and serves as this year's student Parkland School Board Representative. While at Parkland, Reva participated in the Science Fair and Math League and was inducted into the National Honor Society, the National English Honor Society, the National Math Honor Society, and the National Spanish Honor Society. She is also a Coca-Cola Scholarship Program Semi-Finalist, a senior student representative to the Pennsylvania State Board of Education, a National Catholic Forensics Debate National Qualifier, a Future Business Leaders of America National Qualifier, a U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad National Exam Qualifier, and a member of the 2020 World Science Scholars Cohort. Reva plans to study environmental science and public policy.

**VISHRUTH HANUMAIHGARI** is President of the Biology Club, President of the International Outlook Club, has served as captain for four years on the Varsity Debate team, and is a director of a nonprofit organization. While at Parkland High School, Vishruth participated in Scholastic Scrimmage, Science Olympiad, and has been a Ted Talk speaker. He was inducted into the National Honor Society, the Science National Honor Society, the Spanish Honor Society, and the Math Honor Society. He is also a USA Biology Olympiad Semifinalist, a National Brain Bee medalist, a two-time Future Business Leaders of America national medalist, a PA Society for Biomedical research grant recipient, and a scholarship recipient for cancer research. Vishruth currently volunteers at St. Luke's and is most interested in attending Duke University or Johns Hopkins University. He plans to major in neuroscience on a pre-med track.

**ANDREW HILL** is Vice President of the Parkland High School Band. In his time at Parkland he has also participated in track and field, orchestra, and jazz band. Andrew has been inducted into the National Honor Society, the National Science Honor Society, the National English Honor Society, the Math Honor Society, and the Tri-M Honor Society. He plans to major in environmental science.

**SANIKA KOTHARI** is the Founder of Money Matters, a non-profit organization, Co-founder of Big Brainers, a non-profit organization, Young Scientist Science Fair Co-President, the Science National Honor Society Vice President, and is the Springhouse Science Olympiad Tournament Organizer and Coach. She is also a TEDx Speaker, a Lehigh University High School Scholar, an AP Scholar with Distinction, a two-time Presidential Volunteer Service Award winner, and a Science Olympiad National Gold Medalist. Currently, Sanika is an NPR/WDIY radio show host and is an Indian classical dancer. She plans to study computer science and business.

**NOAH OXFELD** is the Parkland High School Senior Class Secretary, Law Club Treasurer, a StandWithUs Intern, the Allentown AZA President, the Investing Club President, the Entrepreneurship Club President, the Jewish Culture Club President, Vice President of the Future Business Leaders of America and is a Lehigh Valley Workforce Board Representative for Parkland High School. While at Parkland, Noah also participated in varsity tennis and mock trial, and has also been inducted into the National Honor Society, the Math Honor Society, the Science National Honor Society, the National English Honor Society, and the French Honor Society. He is also a current Lehigh University High School Scholar, an AP Scholar with Distinction, and an Future Business Leaders of America National Qualifier in Securities and Investments. Noah plans to major in applied mathematics.

**MITCHELL ROTH** is a band section leader, President of the Math Honor Society, Vice President of the Tri-M Music Honor Society and is an officer in the National Honor Society. While at Parkland, Mitchell was involved in the German Club, Student Senate, Jazz Band, Orchestra, Math League and Math Internship. He was also inducted into the German Honor Society and the National English Honor Society. He is an Eagle Scout, a member of the National Association for Music Educators All-National Jazz Ensemble, and a member of the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association's District, Region, and State Band/Orchestra. Mitchell plans on becoming an actuary in the future and will study statistics.

**DAUD TARIQ** is Vice President of the Science Olympiad Club, Strolling Strings, and the Biology Club. He is also the junior varsity Captain of Scholastic Scrimmage and a student representative on the Parkland Health and Wellness Board. While at Parkland High School, Daud has also been involved with March for Our Lives, National History Day, Club Med, Science Fair, Muslim Student Association, Operation Smile, the Asian Language and Culture Club, and the Parkland High School Computer Club. He was also inducted into the National Honor Society, the Science National Honor Society, the Math Honor Society, the National English Honor Society, and the Tri-M Music Honor Society. He is a Science Olympiad Team Student Coach and head of the tech committee, a Scholastic Scrimmage National Semifinalist, a National History Day Finalist, and is a student researcher with Rutgers University's Waksman Institute. Daud plans on majoring in biochemistry and plans to attend either Thomas Jefferson University, Drexel University, or Temple University.

**TAEHYUK YANG** is the President of the Orchestra, Vice President of the Asian Language and Culture Club, Treasurer of the Tri-M Music Honor Society, and the Student Senate webmaster. He participated in Science Fair, Future Business Leaders of America, and Strolling Strings. Taehyuk also was inducted into the National Honor Society, the National Science Honor Society, and the National Math Honor Society. He is an AP Scholar and was chosen for both the state and all-East Orchestras. He plans to major in biology.

**JOSHUA YOON** is a member of the Leo Club, the National Honor Society and the French Honor Society. He is planning on attending Northeastern University, the University of Pittsburgh, Vanderbilt University, or the University of North Carolina and will study pre-med.

# PREVENTION STARTS WITH ALL

## THE CHRIS HERREN STORY

Please join us for an inspiring presentation, as Chris shares his journey navigating the disease of addiction, the road to recovery and his mission to make a difference.

Chris Herren, a basketball legend from Fall River, Massachusetts, was an All-American, broke scoring records and was recruited by the nation's top colleges. Herren realized his lifelong dream of playing in the NBA when he was drafted by the Denver Nuggets in 1999 and then traded to his hometown team, the Boston Celtics, before losing his career and almost his family to the disease of addiction.

A person in long term recovery, Chris inspires people to identify the "Why" in their story.

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## IT'S TIME FOR KINDERGARTEN & NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION



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Similarly, if you have a child who is enrolled in a private Kindergarten program who you are planning to enroll for the first time in Parkland Schools for 1st grade, **PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL YOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NOW** to begin the registration process and reserve an appointment for your school's in-person WELCOME event. The following chart includes the contact information for our 9 elementary schools and their respective in-person events.

### INCOMING KINDERGARTEN/ ELEMENTARY STUDENTS WELCOME EVENT DATES

DATE	SCHOOL	PHONE	EMAIL
March 1	Cetronia	610-351-5860	webberm@parklandsd.org
March 2	Fogelsville	610-351-5800	talhelmb@parklandsd.org
March 8	Kratzer	610-351-5820	carlj@parklandsd.org
March 9	Kernsville	610-351-5840	bronzol@parklandsd.org
March 14	Ironton	610-351-5810	heaterc@parklandsd.org
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March 16	Schnecksville	610-351-5830	shortsl@parklandsd.org
March 21	Veterans Memorial	610-351-5910	hertzm@parklandsd.org
March 22	Parkway Manor	610-351-5850	nunns@parklandsd.org

### INCOMING MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL

SCHOOL	PHONE
Orefield	610-351-5900 x61662
Springhouse	610-351-5900 x65510

### INCOMING PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CONTACT PHS

NAMES	PHONE	EMAIL
Last Names A-LAK	610-351-5610 x73432	jamesc@parklandsd.org
Last Names LAL - Z	610-351-5610 x73433	ciciliotk@parklandsd.org

Registration for incoming high school students for a Fall 2023 start who are NOT CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN PARKLAND SCHOOLS is scheduled for February 22 and 23, 2023. The evening registration includes virtual appointments with guidance counselors to help students make course selections.

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## SCHOOL BOARD REORGANIZATION

Each December, the School Board holds a reorganization meeting. At the meeting, Carol Facchiano was elected as the new School Board President and Marissa Zeigler was elected the new School Board Vice President. We congratulate and welcome them into these new roles and thank David Hein for his years of service in the President's role.



Carol Facchiano



Marissa Zeigler

## SUMMER GRAPHIC DESIGN INTERNSHIP AVAILABLE



If you love graphic design, you will love designing a full-color Parkland School District calendar! Your summer internship will include learning how to create the calendar from start to finish and will include a tour of a local printer where you will see your project come to life. This experience will allow you to build a printed design portfolio. Learn more and view a full internship description at <http://bit.do/ParklandIntern>.

## PUMPKINS DECORATED AS WORLD LEADERS IN AP WORLD HISTORY

Students were challenged with transforming a pumpkin into a famous person or event in history. Their creativity was amazing!



Mansa Musa's Pilgrimage to Mecca by Sophie Frank



The Soviet Space Race and Laika the Dog by Brynn Suhocki



Napoleon Bonaparte by Timothy Prestosh



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## THE FOUNDATION IS **THANKFUL**



As we reflect upon 2022, we are thankful for the amazing year we had. We live in a community that understands the power of investing in public education. We all win when our public schools succeed.

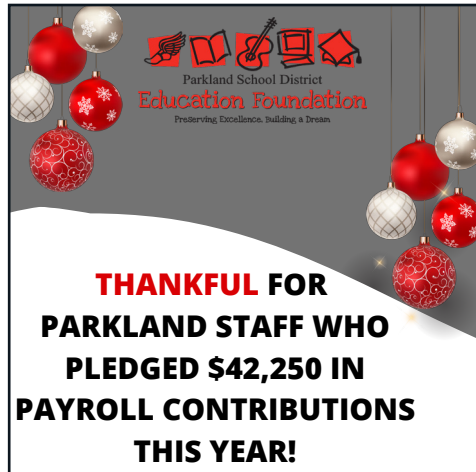
We awarded 83 grants for the 2022-23 school year totalling more than \$195,000. This is the most we have ever awarded in grants in a single year. We were thankful to be able to create tremendous opportunities for our staff and students. Here are just a few examples of the grants that were funded this past year:

- Parkland REACH - One out of every four Parkland students is eligible for free or reduced-priced meals. That is hard for many in the community to believe. This grant helps Parkland REACH, a volunteer group comprised of Parkland Staff, to provide our neediest students with weekly snack packs and access to school food pantries as well as opportunities to receive a Thanksgiving meal, and winter and spring break food boxes that provide food during longer breaks.
- DaVinci Science Center's STEM Career Exploration Day Field Trips - The DaVinci Science Center's STEM Career Exploration Days allow students to take an up-close look at STEM Careers and speak with STEM professionals. Their exhibits, hands-on workshops, and live science shows engage students as active participants in the learning process.
- Social Media Internship - This allows the Communications Office to work with students to challenge them with real world experience. The interns post PHS student life content on the **Parkland.Trojans** Instagram account. Check out their work by following them! This grant provides a budget for guest speakers, field trips and supplies. These students are learning photography, video, livestream, graphic design, and social media marketing skills.
- String Guest Artist - All the orchestra students in the District will have a master class followed by a performance with a special guest group called "Time for Three." Students will learn new skills and techniques as well as watch professional musicians perform and then perform right alongside the group!
- Life and Ecosystems - One hydroponic growing system has been purchased for each 3rd grade classroom at Schnecksville Elementary so students can monitor, care for, and observe plants throughout the life cycle. Each student is given their own pod to plant and is able to compare the growing process across plants as well as understand the commonalities of the birth, reproduction, and death among the plants.

We are thankful for our two new Corporate Partners this year. Our Corporate Partners program gives marketing and visibility within the district to the companies investing in education within our community. These businesses help our community continue to be Parkland Strong. Fraser Advanced Information Systems generously supported the Parkland Education Foundation with a \$6,000 gift, while People's Security Bank gave a \$5,000 gift. Both companies were able to give through Pennsylvania's Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program which yields tax benefits.

*Whether you went to Parkland, have kids who go to Parkland, or are a member of the greater Parkland community, we are all one team. We are thankful for you and your support of our programs. We are all responsible for creating the world we wish to live in. Let's continue to work together to be Parkland Proud. If you want to get involved or learn more about investing in education, please contact Lisa Ervin at [ervinl@parklandsd.org](mailto:ervinl@parklandsd.org) or 610-351-5572.*

Happy New Year!



**Thankful for community and volunteer support at our annual GOLF OUTING - We raised more than \$40,000!**



## THE FOUNDATION THANKS ITS CORPORATE PARTNERS IN EDUCATION



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**THE TIME IS NOW TO REGISTER FOR Fall 2023 KINDERGARTEN - see page 9 for details**

January 3 - Virtual Parent Meeting Regarding Course Selection for Class of 2024, 2025 and 2026 - Link sent by Mr. Davidson

January 5 - In-Person Parent Meeting Regarding Course Selection at PHS, Class of 2027, Parkland High School Auditorium, 7 PM

January 16 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School

January 18 & 19 - PHS Midterms, 11 AM dismissal

January 20 - Early Dismissal Day - PHS, SMS, OMS dismiss at 1 PM, Elementary Schools dismiss at 1:45 PM

February 2 - Chris Herren Community-wide Presentation on Substance Abuse, Parkland High School Auditorium, 6:30 PM

February 13 - 24 - District-wide Food Drive

February 17-20 - President's Day Holiday - No School

March 10 - Professional Development Day - No School

March 18 - Community Resource Fair, Health Symposium and New Parkland Parent Social, Parkland High School, 9 AM - 12 Noon

April 12 - 16 - PHS Presents the Spring Musical "Oklahoma." Tickets on sale January 23rd at [www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com)





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AND HEALTH SYMPOSIUM  
PLUS  
NEW PARENT SOCIAL**

**SAT, MARCH 18, 2023, AT PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL**

**9 AM - 12 NOON**

Community organizations may sign up for a FREE table at QR code





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