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### A Message from Principal Dan Bollinger

### Good morning PHS families,

I hope this message finds you well. It was an exciting and memorable Homecoming Week at Palisade High School, and I would like to take this opportunity to share some highlights and discuss our focus on the International Baccalaureate (IB) learner profile trait of "caring."

### **Homecoming Week Success**

Our Homecoming Week festivities were a tremendous success thanks to the collective efforts of our students, staff, and parents. The spirit, enthusiasm, and camaraderie displayed by the entire Palisade High School community were truly remarkable. We celebrated two exciting volleyball match victories, an intense softball game, and a thrilling football win. The successful homecoming parade and tailgate added to the excitement, bringing everyone together in celebration. A special highlight was the student walk-in before the volleyball game, which packed the gym with energy and school pride. From spirited pep rallies to unforgettable athletic events and the dance, it was a week filled with pride, unity, and unforgettable memories.

### **IB Learner Profile Trait - Caring**

At Palisade High School, we are dedicated to cultivating compassionate individuals who not only excel academically but also embody a profound sense of caring and global responsibility. As part of the IB learner profile, we emphasize the importance of being "caring." This trait extends beyond simply understanding facts and information; it involves nurturing a deep empathy for others and a genuine concern for the world around us. Encouraging our students to demonstrate compassion and kindness in their interactions fosters a community where everyone feels valued and supported. Parents, your role in nurturing this trait is crucial. Encourage your children to actively listen, empathize with others' perspectives, and take actions that positively impact their peers and communities. By fostering a culture of caring, we empower our students to become thoughtful, compassionate individuals who contribute positively to our ever-changing society. We take pride in our students' and teachers' commitment to embracing the IB learner profile, and we remain dedicated to creating an environment where each student can develop their caring nature to its fullest potential.

### **Upcoming Events**

As we move forward in the academic year, please stay tuned for updates on upcoming events, parent-teacher conferences, and other important information. Your involvement and support are essential to our students' success, and we value your partnership.

Thank you once again for your participation and enthusiasm during Homecoming Week, and for your ongoing support of Palisade High School. Together, we are building a community of knowledgeable, responsible, and compassionate individuals.

Best,

Dan



# UPCOMING DATES

October 9th End of 1st Quarter

October 10th
Teacher Workday
No School

October 11th
Teacher Inservice
No School

October 14th
No School

October 17th Senior Workday



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# Counselor's Corner

## COLORADO WESTERN SLOPE COLLEGE FAIR (ASPEN COLLEGE FAIR)-SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th 10:00-2:00

The Colorado Western Slope College Fair (Aspen College Fair) is a great way to meet with college reps from across the nation. All attendees are asked to register on their website at www.cwscollegeoutreach.org

Carpooling recommended.

# CONSTRUCTION TRADES CAREER TRIP-TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8tH 10:00-2:00

Students will have the opportunity to meet with experts and tradespeople from many areas of the construction and building trade worlds! This is a GREAT way for students to gain an understanding (and maybe even job offers!) of these in-demand and high paying careers! Sign up in the Counseling Office.



### The Daniels Fund Scholarship

The Daniels Fund Scholarship Program provides a four-year annually renewable college scholarship for graduating high school seniors in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming who demonstrate exceptional character, leadership, and a commitment to serving their communities. It is a "last dollar" scholarship that pays toward tuition, fees, room and board, books, supplies, and miscellaneous educational expenses. Scholars may attend any nonprofit accredited school in the United States. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.DanielsFund.org/Scholarships">www.DanielsFund.org/Scholarships</a>. This is a highly competitive scholarship!

**APPLICATION WINDOW IS SEPTEMBER 16-OCTOBER 18.** 

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### **NMSQT**

If you signed up to take the National Merit State Qualifying test, the test will be held on October 24th in the PHS Library. Arrive at 7:45, test STARTS at 8am.

# Senior Work Day is October 17th

This day allows seniors to come into the library and work on their college applications and get help from professionals. Also a part of Colorado free app week.

COLORADO FREE APP WEEK October 15th-17th. Students applying to any Colorado institution should wait to submit their applications until this week to get their application fee's waived.



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# Buy Your YEARBOOK



This year you can only buy your yearbook from jostens.com! This year PHS is transitioning to only being able to purchase yearbooks online through Jostens.com.

PLEASE make sure
you order your
student's yearbook
today! They are the
lowest price of the
whole year from now
until October 6th!

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### Senior Picture & Quote Information

DEADLINE: Wednesday, October 16th by 3:15pm

Photos will not be accepted after Friday, December 15th 2024.

Late Fee: Any photos turned in after Wednesday, October 16th will be subject to a \$25.00 fee.

### **Senior Picture Requirements**

Both photos and quotes must be submitted via Google Forms by the due date. They cannot be changed once submitted without first recieving the \$25 late fee

- Google Form Only: Photos will only be accepted through the Google Form QR code, outside of room 156B, or posted around the school.
- Photos must be uploaded as a JPG file. The photo must reach a minimun standard of 3.0 megapixel resolution (300 dpi). Any lower resolution will be rejected. Photos with low resolution will appear pixelated in comparison to other photos.
- Photos must be vertical. No horizontal photos can be placed without major cropping.
- Photos cannot have any of the following: photographer watermark, double images, busy backgrounds, and/or excessive shadows or anything obscuring the face.
- Early Graduates: you must also turn in your photos and quotes by this date.

### Important:

Please respect the following dress/photo expectations for the photo and quote you chose to submit

- Photos/quotes submitted with any reference to guns/weapons, drugs, gangs, or sex will be rejected.
- Any strapless tops or exposure of butt cheeks will not be permitted.
- Minimal or incidental cleavage and midriffs will be reviewed by the threestage panel.

### Note:

Any photos or quotes that are in question will be at the discretion of a three-stage panel of students, staff, and administators to determine if a new photo or quote will need to be

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# Important Senior Information from Yearbook

# SENIOR PHOTO & QUOTE SUBMISSION FORM

YOU ONLY HAVE ONE SUBMISSION

You must submit photo and quote at the same time.

Remember: Senior photo must be in dress code.

Deadline: Wednesday, October 16th, 2024 @3:15pm.



See Senior Photo and Quote Information flyer for more details.

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### WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

https://www.palisadesports.com/athletic-registration

Go to the Palisade sports website and click on "Register Here".

Next, click on "Palisade High School Activity and Athletic Registration".

If you already have an account, register for basketball.

\*If you do not have an account, you will need to make one and proceed from there.

MAKE SURE YOU UPLOAD YOUR PHYSICAL, Page 4 is mandatory for you to be cleared.

Reach out to the athletic office (<a href="mailto:m

### **Basketball—Boys and Girls**

There will be a Player Meeting at the beginning of lunch on <u>Monday, October</u> <u>28th</u> for all Boys and Girls Interested in playing basketball this season.

Boys will meet in the Main Gym and girls will meet in the Aux Gym.

If you have any questions regarding the boys meeting contact Coach Sidanycz (<u>sirsid@d51schools.org</u>). If you have any questions regarding the girls meeting contact Coach Bavor (<u>don.bavor@d51schools.org</u>).

Link for Boys Basketball Open Gym Schedule

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# **Upcoming Events for FCCLA**





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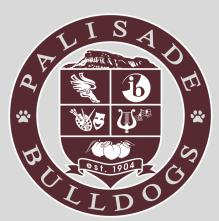
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# Are you interested in advertising in our newsletter?

The PHS Newsletter goes out at the beginning of every (school) month to over 1,100 families as well as to other Palisade Community members!

Call 254-4800, ext. 25128 for pricing and more information today!



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