Music Department Report

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From Mr. Bankert:
Concert Choir:

Great News!

Over the past few weeks, we've had many PVHS learners accepted to choral festivals!

LLMEA County Chorus:
Karis Marshall- S1
Bella Biddle- S2
Liv Hofstetter – A2
Gabby Hunt- A2
Josiah Fisher- T2
Spencer Groff- B1
Owen Fisher- B2
Sage Gray- B2
Landyn Waters- B2



PMEA District 7 Chorus:
Bella Biddle- S2

ACDA EASTERN Honors Choir (Providence, RI)
Karis Marshall- S1
Bella Biddle- S2
Sasha Celine-A2
Liv Hofstetter- A2
Alex Powell- T1
Sage Gray- B2

Please join me in congratulating these talented kids on all their success! I know they will represent PV extremely well and with great pride!

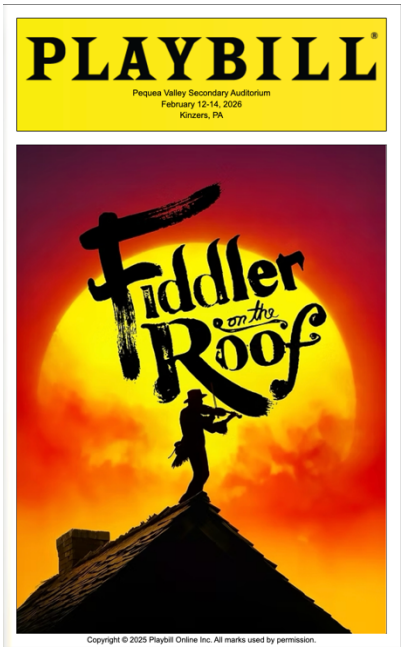
The PVHS Concert Choir, Chamber Singers, and Caroleers performed a holiday concert for community senior citizens on Friday December 5th. The concert was held in the PVS auditorium after a brunch provided in the commons by the cafeteria staff. It was a wonderful concert! All the groups also performed at the annual Holiday Choral Concert on Sunday December 7.





Musical:

Fiddler rehearsals are underway and the cast is already singing and blocking! This will be a wonderful show for the whole community! Save the dates to come see these incredible actors Feb 12-14, 2026!



Chamber Singers:

The Chamber Singers had a wonderful retreat at Gretna Glen Campground in Mr. Gretna Nov 13-15! Lots of singing and bonding time for the learners. This retreat helped to propel us into the holiday concert season and set a strong foundation for the hard work ahead during spring semester.

The group also performed (with great success!) in the Senior Citizen Concert on Friday December 5 and in the annual Holiday Choral Concert Sunday December 7.



The vocal program at PVS has a very busy concert schedule as the ensembles are in high demand this time of year!

Concert schedule:

2025 Choral

Holiday Concert Schedule

 Chamber Singers  Caroleers  Concert Choir

Date/Time	Event	Location
~~Thurs-Sat(miss school Friday) Nov 13-15, Retreat~~		~~Gretna Glen Campground~~
~~Fri Dec 5 (during school)~~	~~Senior Citizens Concert~~	~~PVS auditorium~~
~~Sat Dec 6, 4-5:30pm~~	~~Christmas Market event~~	~~Intercourse Library~~
~~Sun Dec 7, 3pm~~	~~Holiday Choral Concert~~	~~PVS auditorium~~
Sat Dec 13, 11-1pm	**Caroling by Jam & Relish Kitchen**	**KKV, Intercourse**
Sat Dec 13, 1:30-3:30pm	**Caroling all around Kitchen Kettle**	**KKV, Intercourse**
Sat Dec 13, 6-8pm	**Caroling at Poole Forge Christmas**	**Poole Forge Mansion**
Tues Dec 16, 8am-230pm	**Brandywine Performance**	**Brandywine/Longwood**
Fri Dec 19, 7pm	**Christmas Concert**	**Bellevue Pres, Gap**
Tues Dec 23, Time TBA	**Caroling at Shady Maple**	**Shady Maple Smorgasboard**

Choral Alumni/Old Stage 772:

After the Alumni Choral Concert last May, many asked if they could obtain a section of the stage as a keepsake before it is completely dismantled. Mr. Bankert and his predecessor Mr. Mark Williams have worked hard to cut a few planks out of the old stage, and pack them in a plastic container with a written description which reads:

For seventy years, these boards held our steps-performances, ceremonies, classes, and the quiet moments in the wings. Here we learned courage, collaborations, and the rhythm of something larger than ourselves. We felt the rush of applause, the warmth of community and the promise of what came next. This fragment of stage remembers it all, a piece of the place that lifted us as we grew.

We will start to deliver these to interested alumni over the next couple of months.



From Mr. Corrao:
The PV Secondary Band Concert "Jazz Studies 101" is this Sunday at 3pm featuring many of our seniors playing solos as well as our Jazz Combo.

The Jazz Combo will be performing a jazzy Christmas concert for the residents of Calamus Estates on Tuesday, December 16th from 6-7pm.

From Mr. Ackerman:
The PV Rock bands will be offering their first-ever Holiday concert on December 16 in the auditorium of PV Secondary. They will showcase songs they've been working on this year and offer up some modern versions of holiday favorites. Look for Rudolph, Santa and even the Grinch.

From Mrs. Trescavage:
The middle school is gearing up for Aladdin Jr. with performances scheduled for March 26th, 27th and 28th.



From Mr. Apgar:
The Elementary Band, Chorus and Orff & Drum groups are excited to present our Holiday Program on Dec 17 at Salisbury Elementary. There will be a wide range of holiday musical styles and songs representing a variety of countries and cultures.