

Pine Hill Middle School

Monthly Parent Newsletter

February 6, 2026



Dear PHMS Families,

As we move into February, I want to take a moment to thank you for your continued partnership and support. This time of year often brings a mix of winter weather, busy schedules, and exciting learning, and our students continue to rise to the occasion.

February is a month filled with opportunities for growth and reflection. In our classrooms, students are deepening their learning, setting new goals, and building important skills. We are also proud to recognize Black History Month, a time to honor the achievements, contributions, and experiences of Black leaders past and present. Our staff is committed to fostering a learning environment that celebrates diversity, inclusion, and respect for all.

As always, your involvement makes a meaningful difference. Whether it's attending a PTO meeting, daily reading, talking with your child about their school day, or staying connected with teachers, we truly value your role in our school community.

Please remember to check school communications regularly for updates, upcoming events, and important reminders. If you have questions or concerns at any time, don't hesitate to reach out—we are here to support you and your child.

Thank you for being such an important part of our school family. We look forward to a productive and positive month ahead.

Please check out the flyers below for information regarding our:

Third Annual Special Education Services Parent Resource Fair on February 28
and

The "Love Shouldn't Hurt" program regarding National Teen Violence Awareness and Prevention on February 10.

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**PINE HILL SCHOOLS
SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES**

**THIRD ANNUAL
PARENT RESOURCE FAIR 2026**

FEBRUARY 25, 2026 | 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

**OVERBROOK HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
1200 TURNERVILLE RD
PINE HILL, NJ 08021**

**EXPLORE THE COMMUNITY SERVICES
AVAILABLE TO YOU AND YOUR CHILD**

- Who can Help when my child reaches graduation age with employment and beyond?**
DVR, DDS, DDS, JEVS NJ, The ARC of NJ - Tracie Wolf
Avenues to Independent Living - 3 Little Birds Direct Support
Keeping Independence Services and Support
- What are some activities my child can do after school?**
Challenger Sports League - Spectrum Sports - Aqua Buddies
Blue Light Music Program - Rev It Up Martial Arts
- Who can help me with mental health and behavior?**
Amazing Transformations - Interactive Kids - NJ4S
Oaks Integrated Care - Pine Hill Schools Mental Health
Counselors
- Who can help me with financial planning and human services?**
Disabilities Services & Advocacy - Beyond Home Health Care
New York Life Insurance
- What other Therapies are available?**
MJ Kidz/ MJ Speech
Crisis Response Canines

**Enter to for a chance to WIN a
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES
Gift Basket with 2 Phillies Tickets**

Refreshments will be provided!

Love Shouldn't Hurt

In recognition of National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month, this virtual discussion will explore what a healthy relationship looks like and the warning signs of an unhealthy relationship, which can include not only physical and/or sexual violence but also more subtle behaviors such as emotional and verbal abuse, manipulation and control, and digital abuse.

**TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 10, 2026
6:00-7:30 PM**

REGISTER HERE: WWW.TINYURL.COM/LSH21026

(YOU WILL RECEIVE A ZOOM LINK VIA EMAIL)

THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS. YOUTH MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

Join us for a virtual discussion hosted by Empower Somerset and the Empower Youth Advisory Board featuring Safe + Sound Somerset.

SCAN ME

DOOR PRIZES AND GIVEAWAYS INCLUDING \$100 GIFT CARD

**SPECIAL GUEST
ASHLEY BENDIKSEN**
Motivational Speaker, Activist, and Dating Violence Survivor

For Safe + Sound Somerset's 24/7 Call/Text Helpline, contact 866-685-1122

EMPOWER **YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD** **SAFE + SOUND**

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Thank you for your ongoing support and trust. We are excited about the progress we see each day and look forward to all that the rest of the school year has in store. Below is a list of some of the things happening at PHMS:

February 9: No School for Students
February 11: PTO / Site Council Virtual Meeting @6pm
February 13: Marking Period 2 Honor Roll Celebration
February 14-20: Random Acts of Kindness Week
February 16: President's Day-No School
February 17, 18, 19: Parent/Teacher Conferences
February 20: Half Day

Warmly,

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