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HIGH SCHOOL

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are rapidly approaching the end of another busy and very successful school year. I want to take a moment to thank the Parkland community, parents, staff, and students for allowing me the opportunity to lead this amazing school. It is an honor and a privilege.

To the **Class of 2026**, I am very proud of each and every one of you. This year, and throughout your whole high school career, you've shown incredible leadership, determination, and grit. You have accomplished so much academically, athletically, and artistically; you should be proud! On behalf of the entire staff at Parkland High School, we wish you nothing but the best on your journey. We look forward to hearing about all of your future accomplishments.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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The Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2026 will be held at the PPL Center on Wednesday, June 3, at 7 PM.

Seniors should arrive at the PPL Center by 5:45 PM and enter at the loading dock on Linden Street between 7th and 8th Streets. Parents will not be permitted to enter at this gate.

Parents should utilize the WFMZ gate (7th and Hamilton), LVHN gate (8th and Hamilton), or Northwest gate (8th and Linden).

Attendees can find available parking at several locations: Allentown Transportation Deck (N. 6th and Linden), Community Deck (13 South 6th), Government Deck (4th and Hamilton), The Spiral Deck (800 Block of W. Linden), 9th and Walnut Deck (9th and Walnut), and the Strata Deck (39 N. 6th).

Doors will open for our guests at 6 PM.

At **Commencement Practice**, each graduate will be provided with six tickets for guests and any extra tickets that were previously requested. If your student has not ordered a cap and gown for graduation, please call Mrs. Schutter, Main Office Administrative Assistant at 610-351-5600, ext. 73664. You must have a cap and gown to participate in Commencement.

All seniors intending on participating in our **Commencement Ceremony MUST be at Commencement Practice on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 8:30 AM at the PPL Center**. Students are permitted to use their own means of transportation to Commencement Practice but will need to pay for parking. If utilizing their own transportation, please have seniors arrive promptly and enter at the loading dock. Shuttle buses will be provided for students needing transportation to Commencement Practice. The shuttle buses will depart from Parkland High School's front circle at 7:45 AM. Shuttle buses will return students to the high school after practice, but seniors must have their own transportation home from school.

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morning walk. iced coffee. beach.
ocean dunk. turkey sandwich.
outdoor shower. dinner on the water.
sunset. ice cream. repeat.





FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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Appropriate attire for this event could include: dress slacks, a dress shirt and tie, dresses, skirts, and appropriate footwear. Sunglasses or decorated caps and gowns will not be permitted. Students are required to wear all parts of the graduation cap/gown/tassel to participate. Students are allowed to wear stoles from school related clubs and/or the military. Non-military or non-school related stoles, such as Girl Scouts, country of origin, are unacceptable. If you are not dressed appropriately as noted above, you will not participate in Commencement. The banned list of items provided for us from the PPL Center can be found on page 14.



All graduation requirements must be fulfilled to participate in the Commencement Ceremony. National Honor Society stoles will also be handed out at Commencement Practice to those students fulfilling all NHS requirements. Commencement Practice is expected to last until approximately 12 PM.

For **underclassmen** there is still work to be done. Preparing for the end of the fourth marking period and finals should be your number one priority. These two grades make up 30 percent of your final grade. Stay focused and finish the year on a high note. For a link to the finals schedule, see page 9.

On behalf of the entire Parkland High School Staff we hope that you have a wonderful summer and we look forward to seeing our returning students and families in late August to begin another great school year!

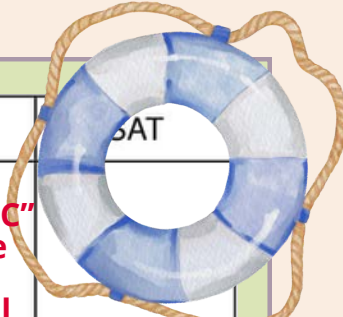
Sincerely,

Nathan T. Davidson

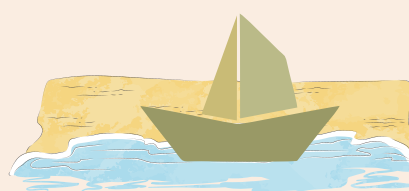
Nathan T. Davidson
Principal
Parkland High School

Commencement is a formal ceremony and the Parkland School District will be treating this evening with the respect and dignity it deserves. This is the final moment of your student's high school education, so we want each student to dress their best.





	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	Day 6	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			



"I wonder what it would be like to live in a world where it was always June."
 - LUCY MAUD MONTGOMERY



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

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	7:40-8:29	7:54-8:37	7:40-8:20	9:40-10:09
2	8:33-9:17	8:41-9:24	8:24-9:00	10:13-10:39
3	9:21-10:05	9:28-10:11	9:04-9:40	10:43-11:09
4	10:09-10:53	10:15-10:58	---	11:13-11:43
5	10:57-11:41	11:02-11:45	---	11:47-12:17
6	11:45-12:29	11:49-12:32	---	12:21-12:51
7	12:33-1:17	12:36-1:19	---	12:55-1:25
8	1:21-2:05	1:23-2:06	9:44-10:20	1:29-2:09
9	2:09-2:53	2:10-2:53	10:24-11:00	2:13-2:53

- > 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 leave" must leave the school building and property immediately upon dismissal.
- ❖ Students who are approved for "late start" 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.
- ❖ On "C" Schedule Days – AM LCTI students attend LCTI and return to PHS for 9:44 AM class.
- ❖ On "C" Schedule Days – PM LCTI students attend PHS classes and dismiss at 9:40 AM or wait at school for regular dismissal.



COUNSELING CORNER

NO SCHEDULE CHANGE REQUESTS ACCEPTED DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS

The schedule change deadline was May 29. Students interested in making a change to their schedule may pick up the request form in the Counseling Office during the first six days of the 2026 - 2027 school year.

SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION

Information will be forwarded to eligible students shortly after final grades are received. Please contact your child's school counselor if you have any questions about your child's academic standing.

MOVING?

Please use link in the life preserver if you are moving within the Parkland School District this summer. Two documents are required to confirm a change of residence within the district by the end of July. This is to ensure new transportation information is issued on time. If you are moving outside of the district, please contact the High School Counseling Office to withdraw your child from the school district. At that time, we will provide you with the academic and medical documents necessary to ensure a smooth transition to your new school.



ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR 2026-2027 SAT TESTS

Registration for upcoming SAT test dates will be available throughout the summer months at www.sat.org/register.

SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS: PSAT WILL BE ADMINISTERED SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

The Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (PSAT) will be administered at Parkland High School on October 17, 2026 to sophomores and juniors at Parkland High School. The College Board allows for this test to be administered only once every school year.

Information about the PSAT can be found on www.collegeboard.com/psat. Registration for the PSAT will take place at the start of the 2026-27 school year. Fee waivers are available to students who qualify for free or reduced lunch.



STUDENTS EXPLORE CAREERS

during the school year

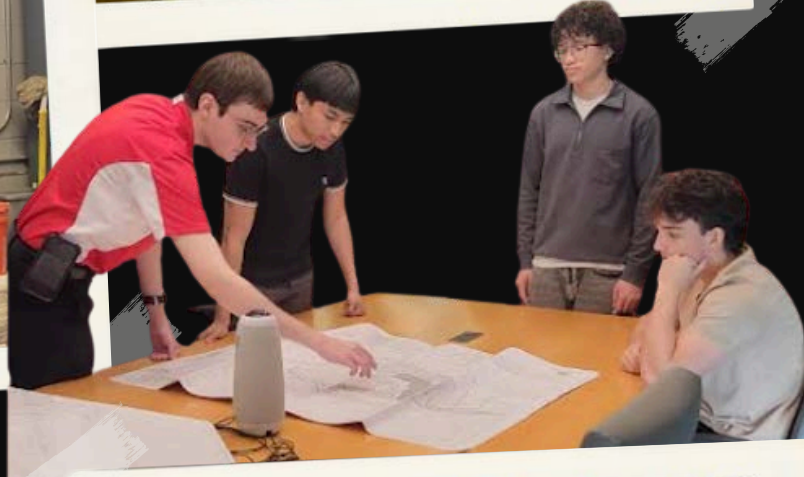
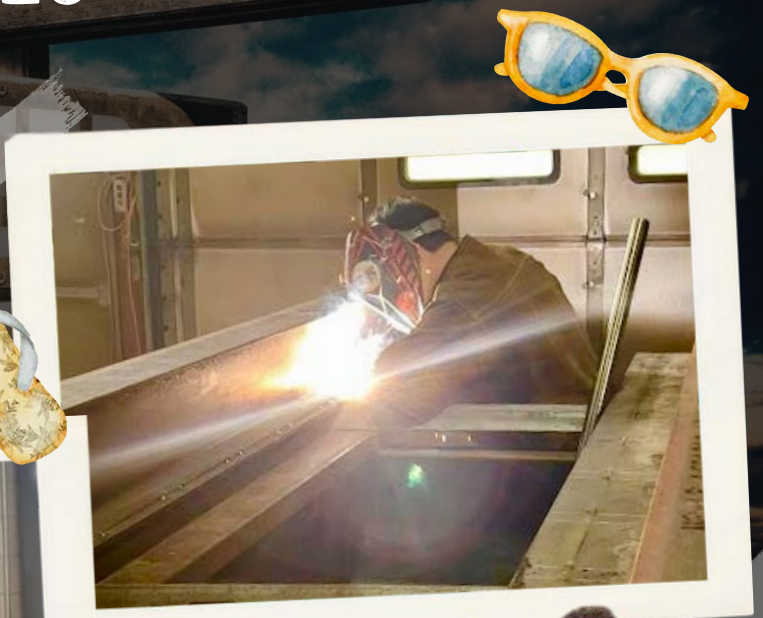


2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR RECAP

- CAREER SPEAKER SERIES
- CAREER FAIR
- CAREER FIELD TRIPS
- CAREER COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHTS



PHS CEW JOB SHADOW PROGRAM 2026



**THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR LOCAL PARTNERS FOR
OPENING YOUR DOORS AND SHARING YOUR
EXPERTISE WITH OUR STUDENTS. YOU ARE
FUELING THE FUTURE OF OUR WORKFORCE!**



Career Explorations Course



Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors

If you have not yet completed the Career Explorations course -- this is for you.

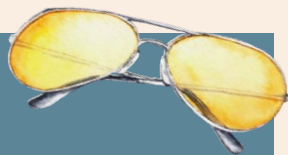
- If you had physical education this semester, you had an introduction in August. Students who have physical education in the second semester will get an introduction at that time.
- Sophomores and NEW Juniors/Seniors, the course will be added during the 4th quarter of your sophomore year; however, you should complete the course before May 2026.
- Juniors and Seniors who attended Parkland last year had the course added; however, you received an unsatisfactory score if it was not completed. You need to complete this course to graduate.

About the Career Explorations Program

The Career Explorations program has replaced the Graduation Project requirement for students starting with the Class of 2017. The purpose of this course is to teach students how to match personal needs and expectations with satisfying career options.

Students will learn:

- *Self-assessment skills*
- *To research major and career alternatives*
- *To make decisions based on sound, factual information*
- *To utilize a variety of resources*



Students will need to complete an online course and digital portfolio using tools in Xello. They can access Xello through the Clever App. This work will mostly be done on the student's own time, however students will be introduced to Xello through their physical education classes. Students are free to complete the portfolio at any time on their own. Completion of this course will be determined when all online modules are complete. Upon completion, students will receive 0.5 credit. Course completion does not factor into GPA or class work.



Click on the documents below for information about what needs to be completed for each grade level:

[Grade 9](#)

[Grade 10](#)

[Grade 11](#)

[Grade 12](#)

Seniors

Career Explorations is a Pennsylvania Department of Education requirement for graduation and must be completed by May 2026. Students can access

specifics about the expectations for Career Explorations on "Class of XXXX" course in Schoology. The Schoology page has a screencast to walk the students through the program and the course requirements. If your child has any trouble completing this assignment or if he/she has any further questions, please have your child see their school counselor, or contact Mrs. McPeek in the Counseling Office at mcpeeka@parklandsd.net or Mr. Monahan in the PHS Library at monahanj@parklandsd.net.





Underclassmen Final Exam Schedule

TUESDAY, JUNE 2 - TUESDAY, JUNE 9

Final Exams are administered in Science, Social Studies, Math, English, and World Languages.

SCIENCE FINAL EXAMS

will be administered in class on

Tuesday, June 2 and **Wednesday, June 3.**

These are full days of school.

Students then take their core exams following their regularly assigned schedule as follows, with Tuesday, June 9 designated for makeup exams.

NOTE: Students who have completed all exams and/or projects do not report on June 9.

Projects vs. Test

Teachers have the option of assigning a project-based assessment instead of a traditional test. If a project is assigned, it will be completed by students before the exam date. If a traditional test is assigned, it will be administered on the exam date. Teachers will communicate the exam format to their students.



Underclassmen Final Exam Schedule 2026

TIMES	Thursday, 6/4 Day 3	Friday, 6/5 Day 4	Monday, 6/8 Day 5
7:40 - 8:44 AM	PERIOD 1	PERIOD 4	PERIOD 7
8:48 - 9:52 AM	PERIOD 2	PERIOD 5	PERIOD 8
9:56 - 11 AM	PERIOD 3	PERIOD 6	PERIOD 9
11 AM	DISMISSAL	DISMISSAL	DISMISSAL

Exam periods will be 64 minutes.

Exemptions

Exemption notifications will be given to all students by **Monday, June 1.** In instances where a class is using a project for the final exam, exemptions will not apply. Exemptions only apply where a traditional exam is administered.

Students who are exempt and/or have projects to complete instead of traditional exams do NOT need to report on final exam days.



June

Upcoming Events



Monday 1
Senior Makeup Final Exams
periods 1 - 3 (Room C200)
Arts Awards Night **7 PM** (Auditorium)



Tuesday 2
Underclassmen Science Final Exams in Class
Senior Concerto Concert **7:30 PM**
(Christ Lutheran Church)
Commencement Practice
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM (PPL Center) with
7:45 AM Bus Departure from PHS



Wednesday 3
Underclassmen Science Final Exams in Class
Last Day for LCTI Underclassmen
Last Day for Late Activity Buses
Commencement Ceremony **7 PM** (PPL Center)



Thursday 4
Modified "C" Schedule **11 AM Dismissal**
Underclassmen Final Exams (periods 1 - 3)
Life Skills Graduation **9 AM** (Auditorium)
Fall Sports Physicals **5 - 8:30 PM**
(Auxiliary Gym)



Friday 5
Modified "C" Schedule **11 AM Dismissal**
Underclassmen Final Exams (periods 4 - 6)



Saturday 6
SAT Testing **7:45 AM**



Monday 8
Modified "C" Schedule
11 AM Dismissal
Underclassmen Final Exams
(periods 7 - 9)



Tuesday 9
Underclassmen ONLY Report
if Making Up Final Exams
Modified "C" Schedule
11 AM Dismissal
4th Marking Period Ends
Report Cards Available in HAC



Wednesday 10
Summer School Registration
Begins **8 AM - 3 PM**



Monday 15
Summer Enrichment Classes
Begin
Summer Driver Ed
Theory Course
Begins **8AM - 12 PM**
(Room D115)



Friday 19
Summer School Registration
Ends **3 PM**
School Closed - Holiday



Monday 22
Virtual Summer
School Begins
8:30-11:30 AM
Monday-Thursday
with the
exception of
July 6



How pleasant to sit on the beach,
On the beach, on the sand, in the sun,
With oceans galore within reach,
And nothing at all to be done! (Ogden Nash)

Upcoming Events

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JULY

Thursday
July 30

Summer Enrichment Classes End
Summer School Ends



AUGUST

First Day of Football & Golf Practice

Monday
August 10

First Day of Fall Sports Practice

Monday
August 17

New Student Gathering **10 - 11:30 AM**
(Cafeteria)

Saturday
August 15

Ninth Grade & New Student Orientation
7:40 - 11 AM

Wednesday
August 19

First Day of School for
the 2026-2027 School Year

Monday
August 24



GET THE GLASSES.
You won't regret it.



CLASS OF 2026 COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE



June 3



Buses depart from PHS to the PPL Center at **7:45 AM** for students who signed up.

Buses return to the school after Commencement Practice around 12:30 PM. Students must have their own transportation home.

8:30 AM



Students driving to PPL Center must use metered parking or parking lots at their own expense.

**PPL Center
701 Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18101**

Students enter the PPL Center through the loading dock entrance at 7th and Linden Streets.



Seniors **MUST** attend Commencement Practice in order to participate in the Commencement Ceremony at 7 PM.



Commencement Ceremony tickets will be distributed to seniors at Commencement Practice.



CLASS OF 2026 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026
7 PM AT PPL CENTER



Required Student Arrival Time: 5:45 PM at Air Products Gate (7th & Linden) near the parking garage.

PARENTS

Parking is available for a nominal fee at the PPL Garage and other parking lots at specific locations in the downtown area.

Parents will be able to enter the PPL Center **starting at 6 PM** at the following gates:

- Air Products Gate (7th & Linden) near the parking garage
- WFMZ Gate (7th & Hamilton)
- NJM Gate (8th & Linden)

A limited supply of teddy bears, flowers, and T-shirts will be available for purchase from The Commencement Group.



STUDENT ATTIRE WITH CAP AND GOWN*

Acceptable:

- shirt
- tie
- dress pants
- dress skirt
- blouse
- appropriate shoes

Unacceptable:

- T-shirts with any writing or advertising of any kind
- sneakers
- jeans
- shorts
- flip-flops



STUDENT ATTIRE EXPECTATIONS*

- Students are required to wear all parts of the graduation cap/gown/tassel to participate.
- Students are allowed to wear stoles from school related clubs and/or the military.
 - Non-military or non-school related stoles, such as Girl Scouts, country of origin, are unacceptable.
- Decorations of any kind are not allowed to be attached to caps or gowns in any way. Administration reserves the right to confiscate any decorated items.
- If tassel is lost, students may purchase one for \$10.

**Administration reserves the right to deny any student participation in the ceremony should they be in violation of the suggested dress code.*

Noisemakers, balloons, beach balls and wrapped packages are not permitted.

They will be confiscated by security upon entrance to the facility and if used during the ceremony.





WEDNESDAY
JUNE 3, 2026

7 PM AT PPL CENTER
CLASS OF 2026
COMMENCEMENT
CEREMONY



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Can we bring food or drink?

A: *You may not bring in any outside food or drinks.*

Q: Can we pay with cash at the concession stands?

A: *Concession stands are card only.*

You may only use cash at Chickie's & Pete's.

Q: Where is the closest parking? What is the cost?

A: *The closest parking garage is the Linden Street Garage or "Orange Garage" attached to PPL Center. It is located off of 7th and Linden. The cost for graduation parking this year is \$3 if purchased off of Park Mobile and \$5 if purchased the day of upon entering the garage.*

Q: Are listening devices provided for older guests?

A: *Listening devices may be provided, however this must be coordinated in advance with PPL Center.*

Q: Are strollers permitted at the ceremony?

A: *Strollers can only be used to enter the building, but must be held at the Guest Services desk located at section 113, or any section at the top of the concourse that permits space to store a stroller.*

Q: Can attendees bring balloons, flowers, etc.?

A: *Guests are not advised to bring balloons. Flowers are permitted.*

PROHIBITED ITEMS

TO ENSURE ALL GUESTS HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE VISIT, FANS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BRING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS INTO THE ARENA:

 Weapons, firearms, knives, or any sharp object	 Weapons, firearms, knives, or any sharp object	 Non clear bags larger than 12" x 6" x 12", backpacks and drawstring bags		
 Aerosol cans	 Alcoholic beverages	 Animals service animals allowed	 Balloons	 Beach balls and other inflatables
 Camera lens greater than 3"	 Cans or bottles or boxed liquids	 Commercial audio/video recording equipment including tripods	 Coolers of any kind including small soft sided coolers	 Fireworks or missile-like objects
 Food	 Illegal substances	 Laptops, tablets, ipads	 Laser lights	 Mace or pepper spray
 Noisemaking devices whistles, air horns, bells, bullhorns, thundersticks	 Sticks, poles, bats, clubs	 Strollers	 Thermoses	 T-shirts or clothing items with vulgar language or phrasing



ANY ITEM DEEMED BY MANAGEMENT TO BE DANGEROUS, INAPPROPRIATE OR DISRUPTIVE TO OTHER FANS ENJOYMENT OF THE EVENT



CLICK HERE

Visit the Class of 2026 webpage to stay on top of important dates and information as Graduation approaches.

PREMIUM SEATING AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM THE PPL CENTER

Premium Seating
2026 Suite Rentals

Parkland High School Graduation— Wednesday June, 3rd 2026



Suite Amenities Includes:

- Group Privacy within the Suite
- Tickets to the Ceremony
- Handicap Accessible

For more information on availability and pricing for the ceremony, contact Eric Williams at ewilliams@phantomshockey.com or call 484-273-4561



BEAUTIFUL BOUQUETS & CUSTOM CLASS T-SHIRTS



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name on the back!



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2026



GRADIMAGES PHOTOS OF YOUR STUDENT

GradImages will take photos as graduates accept their diplomas and as they leave the stage. GradImages will send proofs via your student's school email account. All orders and correspondence must be made directly to the GradImages company.

“This moment is yours, but it’s also ours. Because watching you grow has been one of our life’s greatest gifts.”
— Unknown



Email Mrs. George, Assistant Principal, with any additional Graduation questions at georgec@parklandsd.net

JOIN THE PARKLAND ALUMNI NETWORK



**CONNECTING THE PAST.
BUILDING THE FUTURE.**



Membership Benefits:

- ✓ Staying Connected
- ✓ Networking
- ✓ Community

Contact Info:

610-351-5572

Our Website

www.parklandsd.org/foundation



Click Here
To Join

"In order to grow, the lobster has to change. It must shed its once protective armour, expand, then regrow a new shell before it can carry on doing whatever it is lobsters do.

This period of change is tough for the lobster – they're vulnerable, exposed and no doubt a bit freaked out while they wait for things to firm up again."



CONGRATULATIONS

The following is a list of seniors who achieved a GPA of 4.0 or above for seven consecutive semesters at Parkland High School.

4.0



Davina Abrokwah
Rehan Ahmed
Tia Alnamos
Zoha Asad
Neha Atchyuthuni
Raffaele Baccala
Wyatt Bailey
Kareem Basha
Ryan Bender
Lucas Blickley
Joseph Block
Meadow Bracalente
Aubrey Brinton
Emma Carlson
Britney Castro
Gabriel Chase
Jeffrey Chen
Lauren Christman
Danica Clemmer
Joshua Collins
Ashtyn Cote
Ella Deal
Taylor Deal
Angelina Deeb
Steven DeSmedt
Ainsley DeWein
Loganne Dillon
Joshua Dimler
Amy Falk
Brendan Frank
Dante Gavirati
Ana Gbur
Meredith Green
Luke Hauck
Emersyn Hesener

John Hudock Staver
Sriram Joshi
Aryan Kapoor
Aneesh Kashalkar
Arleen Kaur
Julian Kelchner
Daniyal Khan
Nathan Kleckner
Cecelia Kravitz
Aahana Krishnan
Carsen Kunkle
Emily Laputka
Jacquelyn Lara
Joseph Legutko
Erica Lenner
Katherine Li
Ivan Ly
Hein Maung
Jenna Mayer
Joseph McCarty
Aneri McGalla
Tushar Mehta
Caleb Miller
Shaaf Mirrani
Vishnu Nava
Evan Newhard
Trevor Nischal
Malix Ojwang
Samuel Palumbo
Christopher Park
Shivan Patel
Jason Paz-Romero
Jacob Petronio
Julissa Pietropinto
Elizabeth Pinkham

Nathan Powers
Aron Rabin
Ella Rafeld
Maddox Rampen
Clarke Ray
Saige Rittenhouse
Katie Sammarco
Henry Schairer
Amy Schmitt
Makena Seng
Melody Shen
Varsha Sivakumar
Brooke Stewart
Jack Streeter
Anas Suleiman
Niva Sullivan
Sawyer Svetcov
Abigail Taylor
Sarah Tomy
Hannah Tong
Nelson Tran
James Tyler
Delaney Varga
Genevieve Vasquez
Jerry Wang
Madelynn Wascura
Alexa Weber
Addison Winfield
Raneem Yacoub
Hassan Yasir
Hope Yorgey
Angelina Zaiter
Grace Zhang
Gabrielle Zhu





schoolcafé

Balance Transfer

Balances in students' meal accounts will carry over to next school year. Parents of graduating seniors or students withdrawing from Parkland School District have the option of transferring balances to a sibling, donating to another student, or requesting a refund. ALL requests must be in writing to the Food Services Department by emailing Jessica Beller at bellerj@parklandsd.net.

SUMMER MEALS PROGRAM



2026

- **WHO:** Children 18 and under
- **WHEN:** Mondays, June 22 - August 17 (Holiday shift: Tuesday, July 7)
- **TIME:** 7 AM - 8:30 AM & 10 AM - 1 PM
- **WHERE:** Parkland High School (Centralized distribution site)
- **COST:** FREE for qualifying students; \$35/week for all others

Pre-order by the Tuesday prior to pick-up.

All information and registration will be available through the Parkland School District website.

CLICK HERE



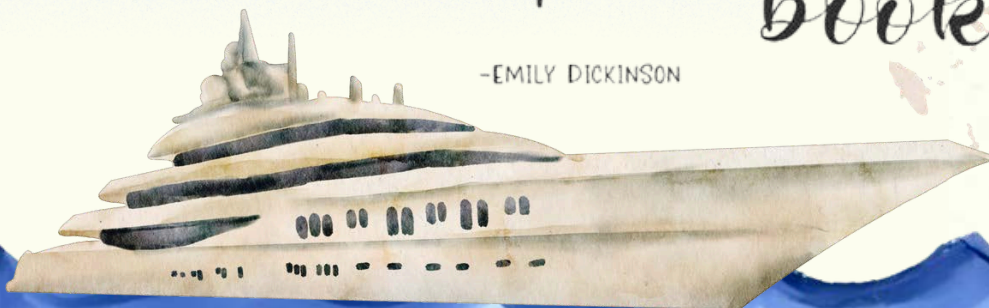
Questions: Call Food Services at 610-351-5670.



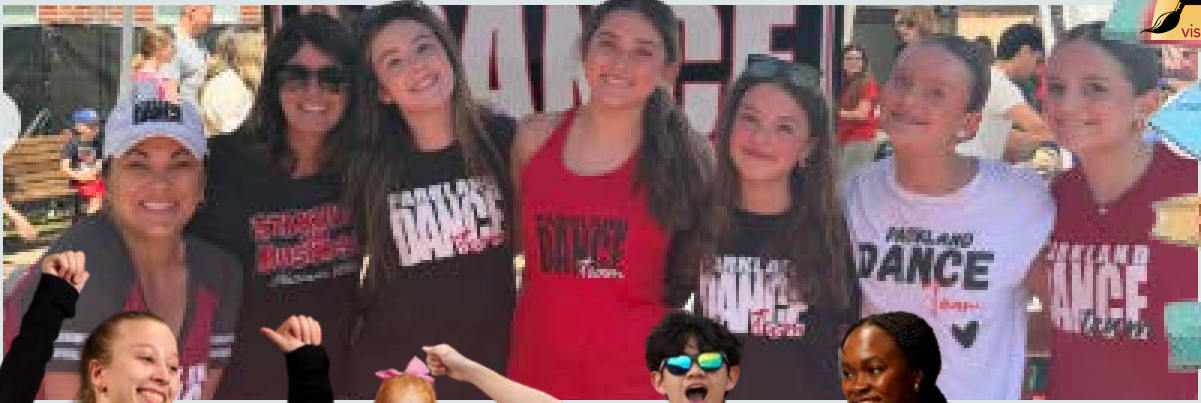
to travel far,
there is no better
ship than a
book



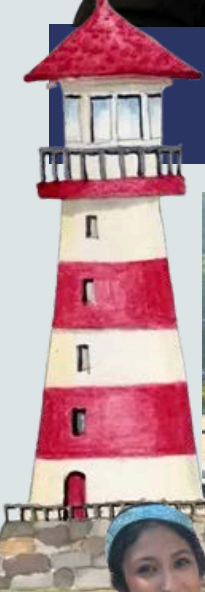
-EMILY DICKINSON



23rd Annual



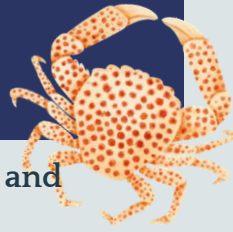
Festival of the Arts



13 FREDDY AWARD NOMINATIONS



THE FREDDY AWARDS



Congratulations to the cast, crew, and pit of Parkland High School's production of **How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying!** on their 13 FREDDY nominations.



Outstanding Use of Costumes

Outstanding Performance by a Female Ensemble Member- **Lila Furst**

Outstanding Performance by an Orchestra

Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role- **Angelina Zaiter**

Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Supporting Role- **Gavin Sachse**

Outstanding Stage Crew

Outstanding Solo Vocal Performance- **Madelynn Wascura**

Outstanding Featured Performance by an Actor- **Luke Hauck**

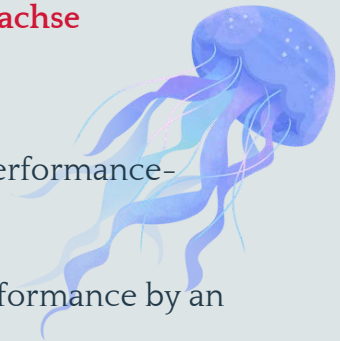
Outstanding Featured Performance by an Actress- **Ainsley Quay**

Outstanding Production Number- Parkland Brotherhood of Man

Outstanding Ensemble

Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Leading Role- **Jordan Silver**

Outstanding Overall Production- Parkland High School





Shakespeare is Love.

THE PLAY

HIGH SCHOOL EDITION



Family Show Willy Wonka Jr.!

Auditions will be held in September.
Please contact Miss Sniezek with any
questions.

THEATRE



Fall Play

Shakespeare in Love!

- Auditions will be June 4 from 6 - 9 PM.
- Callbacks will be June 5 from 3 - 5 PM.
- Packets are available in the PAC Schology group or Room A107.
- Please complete the audition form by June 2.
- Contact Miss Roposh with any questions.



BAND



Hawaii Trip

Parkland Trojan Marching Band students traveled 19 hours to perform at the USS Arizona Memorial at the Pearl Harbor National Memorial site in Honolulu, Hawaii this Memorial Day.



For the
first time
in 28 years...



**NEW
MARCHING
BAND
UNIFORM
DESIGN!**

Coming for the 2026 season



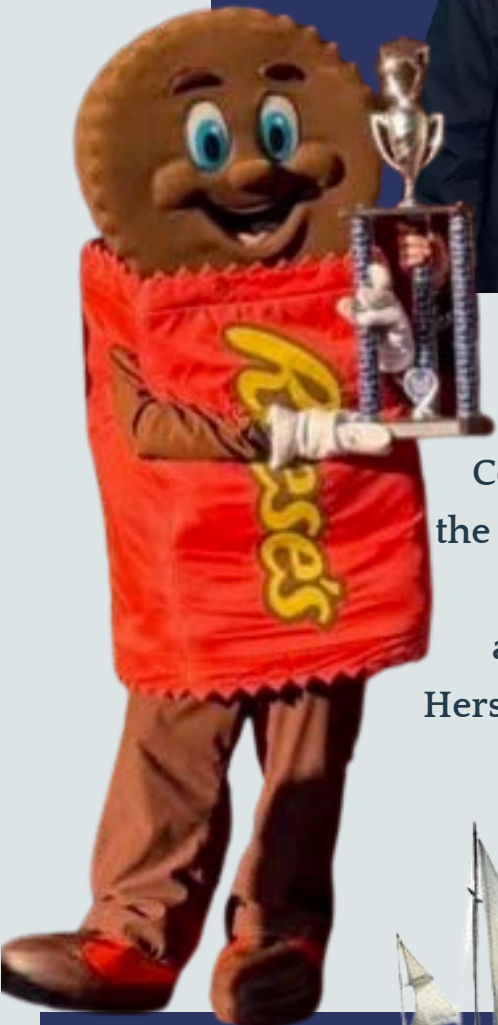
PARKLAND TROJAN
Marching Band
BAND
CAMP
2026

WHERE MUSIC, MOVEMENT, TRADITION COME TOGETHER.

- ALL MEMBERS REQUIRED TO ATTEND
- LEADERSHIP TEAMWORK SPIRIT
- PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL
- SUMMER 2026

AUGUST 10-14 & AUGUST 17-21

ONE BAND. ONE SOUND. ONE TRADITION. #PARKLANDPRIDE



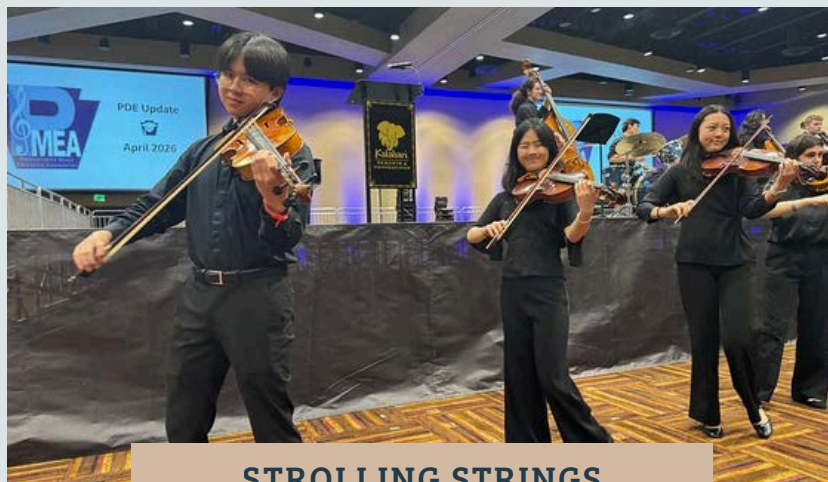
CHORALE

Congratulations to the Parkland Chorale at their recent appearance at the Hershey Music in the Parks Festival Adjudication.

Chorale took home a 1st place Superior Rating in the high school mixed choir category (with perfect 100/100 scores from both judges), as well as overall best choir at the festival. Senior **Kate Gilchrist** also took home the award for best vocal soloist.



Orchestra



STROLLING STRINGS

Congratulations to the Parkland Festive Strolling Strings for their outstanding performance and selection to open the 2026 PMEA All State Convention at the Kalahari Resort.



MASTER CLASS IN NEW YORK CITY

On Friday, May 8, members of the PHS Orchestra performed in New York City at the Dimenna Center with Maestro George Rothman for a fantastic masterclass.

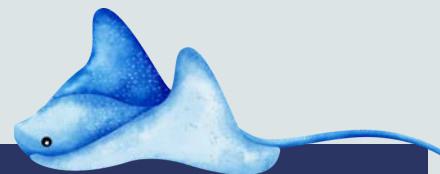


On Tuesday, May 12, the Parkland Festive Strolling Strings performed at Neff's UCC for a luncheon.

SENIOR CONCERTO CONCERT

On **Tuesday, June 2nd at 7:30 PM**, the PHS Orchestra presents the Senior Concerto Concert at Christ Lutheran Church in Allentown, featuring the class of 2026.

All are welcome!

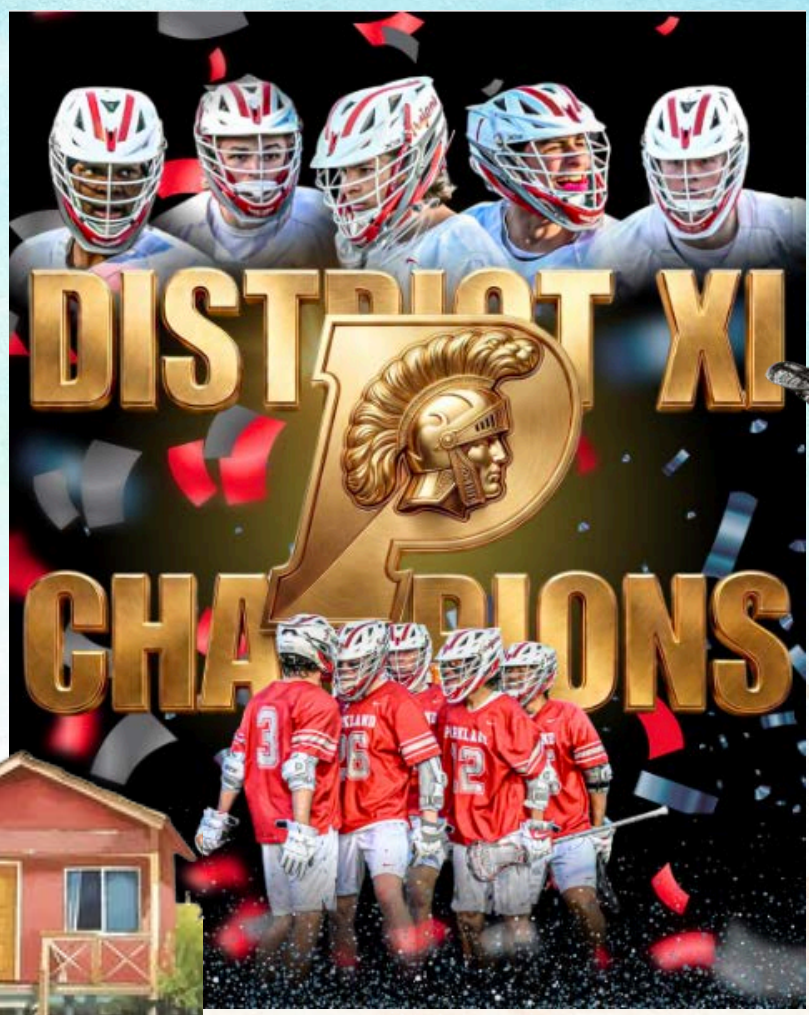




ATHLETIC NEWS



BOYS LACROSSE



DISTRICT XI 3A CHAMPIONS





ATHLETIC NEWS



BOYS VOLLEYBALL

EPC Champions
16-4 overall record





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GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

2026 Undefeated
EPC League
Champions



BOYS TRACK & FIELD

2026 Undefeated
EPC League and Meet
Champions





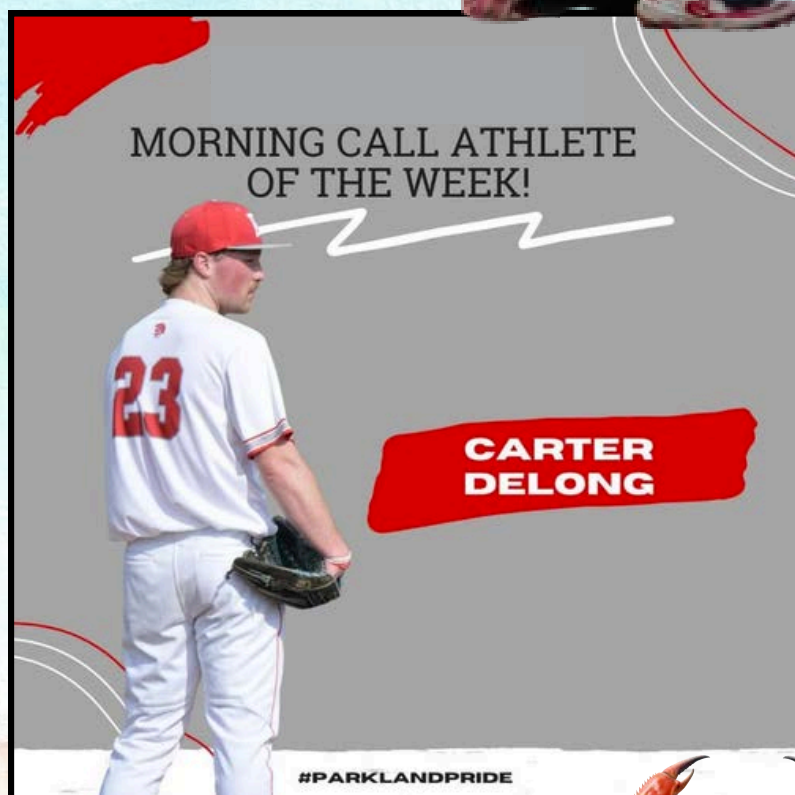
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5 REASONS WHY CRUSTACEANS ARE COOL

BASEBALL

- 1 Some crabs, disguise themselves by attaching living things, such as anemones, to their bodies
- 2 The pistol shrimp can deliver an explosive attack at predators hotter than the surface of the sun, and loud enough to rupture a human ear drum!
- 3 The Pea Crab is the smallest known species. It measures between 0.27 and 0.47 inches long...about the same as a pea!
- 4 A shrimp's heart is located in its head!
- 5 In order to grow larger, crayfish must shed their shell. They usually eat the old shell in order to recover the calcium and phosphates contained in it



*Lehigh Valley
Division
Champions*





ATHLETIC NEWS



EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE SCHOLAR ATHLETE NOMINEES 2025-2026

Boys Cross Country - **Marcelo Castilla Castano**

Girls Cross Country - **Emma Carlson**

Field Hockey - **Jenna Mayer**

Football - **James Tyler**

Golf - **Gabriel Chase**

Boys Soccer - **Christopher Park**

Girls Soccer - **Katie Sammarco**

Girls Tennis - **Katherine Gilchrist**

Girls Volleyball - **Katarzyna Burda**

Boys Basketball - **Jude Ruisch**

Girls Basketball - **Aneri McGalla**

Cheerleading - **Brayden Cortes**

Boys Swimming - **Thomas Price**

Girls Swimming - **Kelsey McPeek**

Boys Wrestling - **Jorge Moya**

Girls Wrestling - **Saige Rittenhouse**

Baseball - **Jack Streeter**

Boys Lacrosse - **Danny Tapia**

Girls Lacrosse - **Juliana Varano**

Softball - **Elizabeth Pinkham**

Boys Track & Field - **Vishnu Nava**

Girls Track & Field - **Ana Gbur**

Boys Volleyball - **Bear Jacobs**



EPC SCHOLAR ATHLETE WINNER

Katherine Gilchrist,
Girls Tennis

Pictured with
Coach Candace Young.





ATHLETIC NEWS



DALE ZIMMERMAN ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS



Milla Hahn
Lacrosse &
Swimming



Nassim Adams
Basketball &
Football



Health Room

*Congratulations to all the graduating seniors!
Best wishes for your future endeavors!*



End-of-School Year Reminders about Medication

Students who have medication in the Health Room will need to have the medication picked up before the last day of school. All medication needs to be picked up by a parent or guardian. Arrangements can be made with the Health Room. Any medication remaining at the end of the school day on the last day of school will be discarded in an appropriate manner.

New paperwork is required each school year for medication administration in school. If you had medication in the Health Room this year, a new Medication Administration form for the 2026-2027 will be e-mailed to you at the end of this school year. If you do not receive a form via e-mail, these forms can be found on the PHS Website under Health Services.

These forms need to be dated on or after July 1, 2026.



For the 2026–2027 School Year

RISING JUNIORS

ALL STUDENTS WHO WILL BE IN GRADE 11 IN THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR WILL NEED A PHYSICAL EXAM. THIS IS A STATE REQUIREMENT. FORMS WERE MAILED THIS PAST WINTER. FORMS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE PHS WEBSITE UNDER HEALTH SERVICES. PLEASE RETURN THESE FORMS TO THE HEALTH ROOM.



RISING SENIORS

ALL STUDENTS WHO WILL BE IN GRADE 12 THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR MUST HAVE A SECOND DOSE OF MENINGOCOCCAL CONJUGATE VACCINE (MENINGITIS ACWY) (MUST BE GIVEN AT AGE 16 OR OLDER) PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. PLEASE EMAIL PROOF OF THE VACCINATION DATE TO THE HEALTH ROOM AT NOVACOJ@PARKLANDSD.NET.

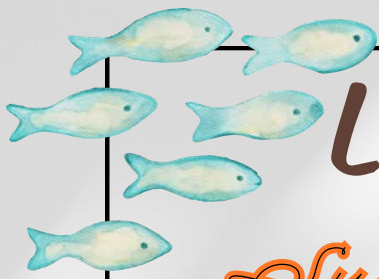


CONTACT THE HEALTH ROOM

Phone: 610 351-5616

Fax: 610 351-5987





LIBRARY LINES

Summer Reading Available



Students can borrow books throughout the summer months.

ACCOUNT CLEARANCE REQUIRED

- All library books must be returned before leaving.
- Returns for Library books and class novels are accepted daily during open hours.

IN-PERSON SUMMER HOURS

**MONDAY - THURSDAY
9 AM - 12 PM
CONTACT: MRS. DICARLO**



DIGITAL RESOURCE PAUSE

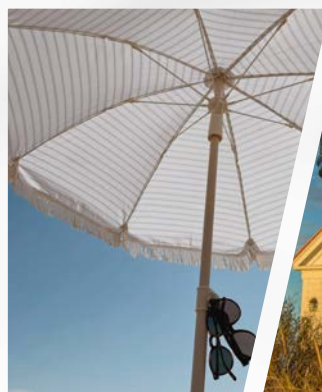
Online library platforms are inaccessible until **Clever** opens for the new school year.



PARTNER INSTITUTION



Summer reading titles are available at both the Parkland High School Library and the Parkland Public Library.



DRIVER'S EDUCATION

BE SAFE!

Sophomores

Any student in grade 10 who has completed the PHS Driver Ed Theory Course and has not picked up their Certificate of Completion should stop by Room D115 to pick up your certificate.

NOTE: Certificates are needed if you choose to complete the CLIU-21 Behind-the-Wheel program and should be copied and submitted to your insurance company for possible discounts.

Summer Driver Education Theory Course

Option 1

Face-to-Face Course at PHS

Deadline to Register: June 5, 2026

[MORE INFO](#)

Option 2

Online Course through the CLIU

Deadline to Register: June 30, 2026

[REGISTER](#)

Behind-the-Wheel Instruction

Behind the Wheel instruction is available through the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit 21 (CLIU-21) to any Parkland student who has their PA Learner's Permit. For more information, or to register, go to the CLIU website or call 610-760-4111, ext 1299.

[MORE INFO](#)

YEARBOOK PICK-UP



If students still need to pick up their yearbook, they should visit Mrs. Beck in Room D131 by June 10.

- Important Pick-Up Deadline: Due to scheduled construction at the high school this summer, all purchased yearbooks must be picked up by **Wednesday, June 10**.
- Any yearbooks not claimed by the June 10 deadline will be placed in secure storage for the summer and will not be available for pick up until **Monday, August 24**. We cannot accommodate special requests for pick up during the construction window, so please encourage your student to collect their yearbook during the designated times.

PHOTO SESSIONS FOR RISING SENIORS

Class of
2021

Your senior portrait session has been scheduled by Frank Mitman. See the Senior Portrait Schedule posted by Mrs. Beck in Schoology for your session date or refer to the appointment card that was mailed to your home. If you need to reschedule, please call Frank Mitman's studio at 610-433-2110. Frank Mitman will also be offering in-school portrait sessions in November 2026 if you are unable to get to his studio.

NOTE: Yearbook portraits are free for students. All senior portrait sessions must be completed by **December 18, 2026** (This date is earlier than previous years.)

2026 SPRING SUPPLEMENTS

Spring Supplements will be mailed home over the summer. The supplement will include Prom, Graduation, and spring events/athletics. If your address has changed during the school year, please contact Mrs. Beck at beckd@parklandsd.org so she can update your information and ensure you receive your supplement.





EXCITING from
NEWS!

The
School
Store



We are thrilled to announce that the PHS School Store now offers online ordering! Students and parents can conveniently shop for all their spirit wear needs from the comfort of home, and have items shipped directly to their doorstep. Our store features a wide variety of styles and designs to show off your school spirit in the best way possible.

ORDER HERE



Ready to start shopping?

Find us under the Student dropdown menu on the PHS website. Do not miss out on the latest and greatest in Parkland pride gear!



Advice from a LOBSTER™

Don't be shellfish

Hold fast to your dreams

Always keep growing

Stay calm in a pinch

Be a good catch

Don't get yourself in hot water

Looks aren't everything!



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
2026

Senior Class Advisor
Mrs. Sarah Yenser
yensers@parklandsd.net

CLASS OF
2027

Junior Class Advisors
Mrs. Lauren Irizarry
Ms. Kylee Lobb
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lobbk@parklandsd.net

CLASS OF
2028

Sophomore Class Advisor
Mrs. Andrea Greth
gretha@parklandsd.net

CLASS OF
2029

Freshmen Class Advisor
Ms. Kim McHenry
mchenryk@parklandsd.net

PHYSICS BOWL



Parkland High School delivered a dominant performance in the International Physics Bowl, achieving an incredible 1st place globally in Division 2 and 4th place globally in Division 1.

Division 1 - Fourth Place:

Twisha Ghandi
Jessica Jin
Thalia Levine
Wesley Luo
Rohan Mokirala
Neeraj Nava

Division 2 (1st place):

Jace Benfield
Matthew Huang
Muhammadali Hussain
Ayush Jalani
Oscar Liu
Kevin Lu
Benjamin Mangano
Guhan Sathish
Guhan Sureshkumar
Jerry Wang
Lucas Yang
Derek Yao
Eddy Zhang

Congratulations
**ACADEMIC AWARD
WINNERS**

P **PARKLAND**
HIGH SCHOOL

**CLICK HERE TO
VIEW LIST OF
WINNERS**

213 Volunteer Hours



Congratulations to **Sean Jeon** who received a prestigious Community Service Award from the United Nations Association of the United States of America for dedicating an incredible 213 volunteer hours of his time to serve others in our community.



BE A
LIGHT.



Congratulations
SKILLS USA
ELMER GATES ENTERPRISE AWARDS

Elizabeth Nuss- Cosmetology
Isabella Quintero- Early Childhood Education
Mu'Adh Rhymer- Engineering, Drafting & Design

Elizabeth Nuss
Mu'Adh Rhymer
Isabella Quintero

SkillsUSA Involvement
Scholastic Achievement
Positive Work Ethic
Community Service
Entrepreneurial Spirit

Congratulations to
LCTI SkillsUSA
Elmer Gates Enterprise
Award winners:

Elizabeth Nuss
Mu'Adh Rhymer and
Isabella Quintero

First Annual PHS Tech & Engineering Expo May 8, 2026

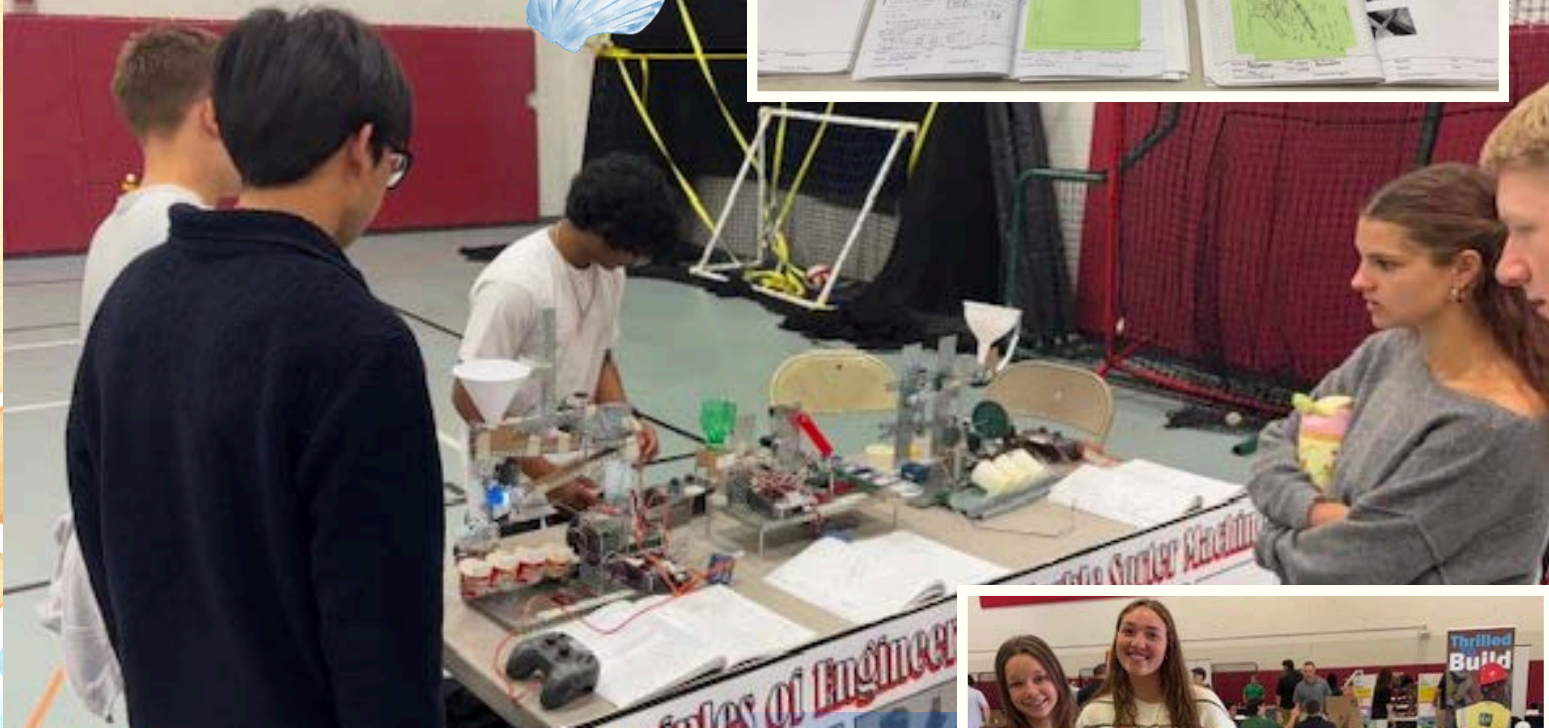
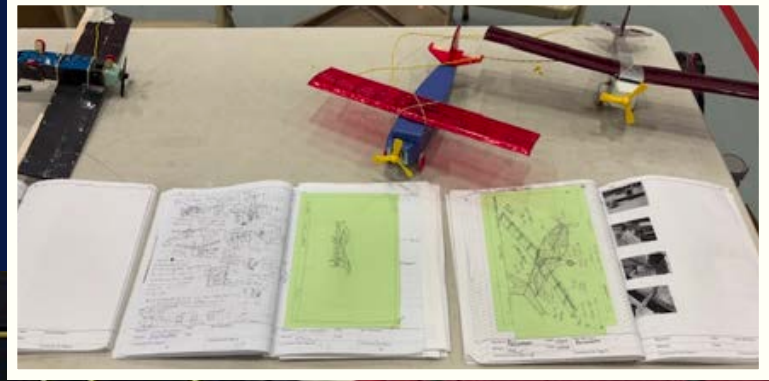


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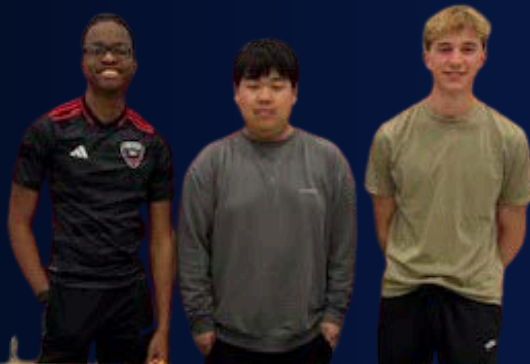
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- Victaulic
- Ullman Schutte
- C.F. Martin & Co
- Alvin H. Butz
- Lutron Electronics
- B. Braun Medical
- PPL
- Buckeye Pipeline
- FlyGATEWAY
- Sharp Electronics
- U.S. Army
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- Just Born
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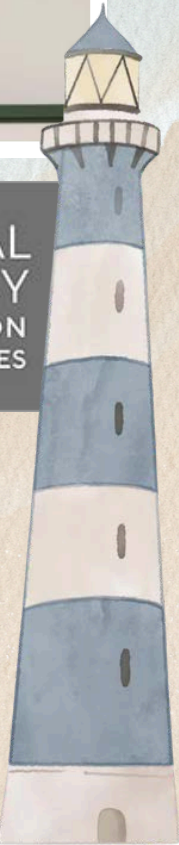


Our senior Tech & Engineering students also took the stage at the Expo. From robotics to sustainable design, these seniors knocked their capstone projects out of the park. The innovation, grit, and late nights that went into their builds were evident.





Parkland TV & Film students attended the National Academy of National Television Arts & Sciences awards ceremony for their nomination of Mr. Parkland 2026 broadcast in the long form category last month. Representatives of the TV Studio, Class of 2026 Mr. Parkland and Stage Crew had the opportunity to visit Penn State University for the ceremony and workshops at the Bellisario College of Communications. PTV is a member of the Mid-Atlantic region of the NATAS that includes all or parts of the states of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, Delaware and West Virginia.



IMPRESSIVE

Our students **Sky Neuwirth** and **Penelope Campbell** took center stage at the PSD Foundation Gala where they showcased the latest health tech—from Kardia Mobile EKG devices to digital blood pressure cuffs.





Two Parkland High School students received Perfect Scores from the judges: **Aaditri Suresh** (grade 10) and **Rian Balachandran** (grade 9).

PJAS STATE COMPETITION

35 FIRST PLACE AWARDS!

Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) science fair students from all over the state came to Penn State Main Campus from May 17 - 19 to showcase their science fair project in a 10 minute presentation to judges and peers. Forty-seven students represented Parkland High School at the competition. Thirty-five students received first place awards, and 12 students received either 2nd or 3rd place awards. Congratulations to all of these students for a great showing in the science fair this year!



Aaditri Suresh also received the Earth and Space Science Excellence Award along with a cash prize for her project entitled: *Biopolymer Adhesives: Bonding Strength on Safe Substrates*.



Prom 2026



OVER 800 STUDENTS ATTENDED THE CLASS OF 2026 SENIOR PROM AT STEELSTACKS ON MAY 2.



Starry Night

Prom & Post Prom

2026
Prom King & Queen



Anthony Treglia & Ainsley Quay



MORE THAN 700 STUDENTS JOINED THE
FUN AT THE 2026
POST PROM PARTY AT
PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL.



Starry Night

Have a
GREAT
Summer

A Father is



NEITHER AN

ANCHOR

TO HOLD US BACK

NOR A SAIL

TO TAKE US THERE

BUT A GUIDING LIGHT

whose love

SHOWS US THE WAY



Happy

FATHER'S DAY

