



February 2023

PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL Parent Newsletter



The information in this newsletter is subject to change.

From the principal's desk

Dear Parents and Guardians:

It is hard to believe that we have begun the second half of the school year. Our students and staff have accomplished great things during the first semester and we are excited for the challenges that await us. The **second semester** will provide our students with the opportunity to take new elective courses and a chance to start fresh in the third marking period.

Currently, our underclassmen are completing the **course registration process**. During the month of February, students will meet individually with their guidance counselors to discuss their course requests for the 2023-2024 school year. If your child did not submit their course requests, these meetings will provide an opportunity for your child's course requests to be entered. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact your child's guidance counselor.


Student Meetings with
Guidance Counselors

JUNIORS
January 26 - February 6

SOPHOMORES
February 7 - 15

FRESHMEN
February 16 - 28





From the principal's desk

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With little more than four months remaining in their high school careers, our **seniors** are busy choosing college and career paths, planning their **Prom**, which will occur on May 13, and preparing for Graduation. We are very excited to hold our **Commencement Ceremony** at the PPL Center on Tuesday, June 6 at 7 PM. Please access the following **[link](#)** for additional information regarding the Class of 2023.

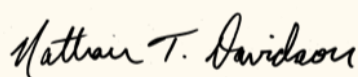
Beyond the classroom, our students are involved in many exciting activities that deserve mention. Parkland High School LCTI students participated in the **SkillsUSA competition** on January 26. The competition is an opportunity for students from the region's career and technical high schools to apply what they have learned in class to challenging scenarios that simulate demands of the 21st-century workplace. We are anxiously awaiting the announcement of winners from the various competitions. Another big annual event at PHS is the **Mr. Parkland** talent show competition. This year's competition will be held on Saturday, February 4, and is sure to bring a lot of fun and laughs to a packed auditorium. Good luck to all our seniors competing for the title of Mr. Parkland.

Our **winter sports teams** are enjoying successful seasons and are eyeing the opportunity to compete for league and district championships. As unbelievable as this may sound, spring sports begin on March 6 and it will not be long before we are competing outside again. Please consider coming out to show your support for our dedicated student athletes.

Finally, we are excited to host **Chris Herren**, a nationally renowned motivational speaker, this Thursday, February 2, at Parkland High School. In his presentation he tackles substance abuse and the power of making positive decisions vs. negative decisions. Chris Herren was a celebrated athlete in his native town of Fall River, MA. He played basketball at Boston College and Fresno State, then two seasons in the NBA: one with his hometown team, the Boston Celtics, and seven seasons overseas, before losing it all to the disease of addiction. He will be visiting PHS to share his powerful story with students. Then, that same evening, he will make a presentation for families at 6:30 PM in the PHS Auditorium. We encourage families to attend - he is truly a gifted speaker with a powerful and poignant message. This program is made possible with funding from the **[Parkland Education Foundation](#)**. We hope to see you there.

I would like to thank you for your continued cooperation and support. Go Trojans!

Sincerely,



Nathan T. Davidson
Principal - Parkland High School
davidsonn@parklandsd.net





February 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Day 5	2 HAPPY GROUNDHOG DAY Day 6 Modified Schedule	3 Day 1	4
5	6 Day 2	7 Day 3	8 Day 4	9 Day 5	10 Day 6	11
12	13 Day 1	14 Valentine's Day Day 2	15 Day 3	16 Day 4	17 SCHOOL CLOSED	18
19	20 Presidents' Day SCHOOL CLOSED	21 Day 5	22 Day 6	23 Day 1	24 Day 2	25
26	27 Day 3	28 Day 4				



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	7:40-8:28	7:54-8:36	7:40-8:22	9:40-10:08
2	8:32-9:15	8:40-9:22	8:26-9:04	10:12-10:37
3	9:19-10:02	9:26-10:08	9:08-9:46	10:41-11:06
4	10:06-10:49	10:12-10:54	9:50-10:20	11:10-11:39
5	10:53-11:36	10:58-11:40	10:24-10:54	11:43-12:12
6	11:40-12:23	11:44-12:26	10:58-11:28	12:16-12:45
7	12:27-1:10	12:30-1:12	11:32-12:02	12:49-1:18
8	1:14-1:57	1:16-1:58	12:06-12:31	1:22-2:01
9	2:01-2:44	2:02-2:44	12:35-1:00	2:05-2:44
5 Minute Warning Bell for Bus Departure	2:47 Buses depart at 2:52	2:47 Buses depart at 2:52	1:03 Buses depart at 1:08	2:47 Buses depart at 2:52

- > 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 dismissal" must leave the school building and property immediately upon dismissal.
- ❖ Students who are approved for "late arrival" 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.

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



Counseling corner

COURSE REGISTRATION MEETINGS

Course selections for the 2023-2024 school year will be reviewed with all students throughout the month of February. Please refer to the 2023-2024 course registration book for new course offerings.

Course details will be outlined by classroom teachers throughout the spring semester. Remember, many honors and advanced placement courses require summer assignments. Questions concerning next year's schedules should be directed to the student's assigned counselor.

NONPUBLIC STUDENT REGISTRATION

On February 22 and 23, the high school counselors will be available after school to register nonpublic students transferring to Parkland High School for the 2023-2024 school year. If you have friends or neighbors interested in transferring to Parkland High School from a nonpublic school, please invite them to contact Mrs. Kelly Ciciliot or Mrs. Cindy

James, Parkland High School Registrars, for a pre-registration appointment at 610-351-5600.



SPRING SAT TESTING DATES

Parkland High School will be a testing site for the SAT testing dates on the sign pole below:

Visit the following site to register:

<https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration>.

Parkland is a very popular test site, so early registration is recommended.

March 11

May 6

June 3

* Look for information in the next month's Parent Newsletter about the Spring SAT Prep Course being offered through PHS. The course is designed to help students prepare for the May 6 testing date.



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 as well as 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.



SUMMER Graphic Design Internship

10 HOURS PER WEEK

MORE INFO:

<http://bit.do/ParklandIntern>

FOR MORE
INFORMATION
Click here

Email Mrs. Nicole McGalla at mcgallan@parklandsd.org with your resume and letter of interest.



Parkland High School's ESports Varsity and JV teams won the Eastern Pennsylvania Scholastic Esports League (EPSEL) Fall Rocket League Championship.



CAREER
FAIR

PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL CAREER FAIR

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2023

7:40AM - 2PM

PHS MAIN GYM

- PART-TIME, SUMMER, FULL-TIME, INTERNSHIP, APPRENTICESHIP AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
- STUDENTS WILL ATTEND DURING THE SCHOOL DAY WITH THEIR SOCIAL STUDIES CLASSES



Class of 2023



*Give your Senior
a Spectacular
Send Off*



SENIORS

Order a cap and gown unit (includes tassel) if you plan to walk at Commencement. **A cap and gown unit is required to participate in the ceremony.**

All Senior Orders should be placed online at [Jostens.com](https://www.jostens.com).

Please contact Mark Judy at Jostens with any questions.

Phone: 610-357-5271 or Email: judy.office@jostens.com



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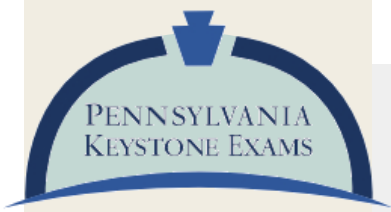


Parent Nights with Jostens

Please join if you have any questions about caps and gowns, jewelry or merchandise.

Zoom Parent Nights will be held every two weeks on Thursdays at 6 PM.

Join on Thursday, **February 9** and Thursday, **February 23** by clicking [this link](#).



**Literature
Keystone**
May 15
May 16

**Algebra
Keystone**
May 17
May 18

**Biology
Keystone**
May 22
May 23



INFORMATION

Three-Hour Delay

Parkland High School will follow a 3-hour delay schedule on Keystone testing days.



For your reference, the schedule is available at [this link](#).



Remediation Boot Camps

After-School Boot Camps for Spring Biology and Algebra keystones start in March.

Parkland High School students are eligible to participate in Boot Camps if they are:

- Students in grades 9 - 11 who have already taken the Keystone Exam and have not achieved proficiency.
(Must sign up at the link on the right)
- Students who are new to Parkland and have no record of taking the Keystone Exam or similar state test.
(Must sign up at the link on the right)
- Students currently taking Biology or Algebra.

Algebra I Boot Camp



Flyer

Sign Up



Biology Boot Camp



Flyer

Sign Up



Retesters Must Sign Up to Take the Spring Keystone

Please review the [Pathways to Graduation](#).

If you are a student in grades 9 - 11 who has already taken the Keystone Exam and have not yet achieved proficiency or if you are a student who is new to Parkland and have no record of taking the Keystone Exam or similar state test and intend to graduate on the Keystone Proficiency or Keystone Composite Pathways, then you must [Sign Up Here](#) to take the Spring Keystone.

Students currently in Biology, Algebra I and 10th grade English DO NOT need to sign up. You are automatically registered for the Keystone Exams.

February

Upcoming events

Wednesday
1

Mr. Parkland Spirit Week: Tropical Day
Key Club Blood Drive 8 AM - 1 PM (Auxiliary Gym)

Thursday
2

Mr. Parkland Spirit Week: Wear Purple
Chris Herren Presents to Students Period 3 (Main Gym) / Modified Schedule
Chris Herren 'Prevention Starts with All' Event 6:30 PM (Auditorium)

Friday
3

Mr. Parkland Spirit Week: Parkland Pride (Wear Parkland Colors)
Report Cards Available in Home Access Center

Saturday
4

Mr. Parkland Talent Show 7 - 10 PM (Auditorium)

Sunday
5

Hoop Group Basketball (Main Gym)
Mr. Parkland Snow Date 5 - 8 PM (Auditorium)

Monday
13

Cereal Box Food Drive Starts
Are You Smarter than a Teacher? Contest After School (C210, C220, C200)

Tuesday
14

VALENTINE'S DAY
Post Prom Committee Meeting 7 PM (Library Classroom)

Wednesday
15

Spring Sports Physicals (by appointment only) 5 - 7:30 PM (Auxiliary Gym)
Parent Forum 7 PM (Room C200)

Friday
17

HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED





PHS to be the
First High School to
Broadcast LIVE from
Punxsutawney, PA



Parkland TV student reporters **Jakob Barnett**, **Alexander "Zander" Blickley**, **Hannah Fredrich**, **Aurora Gery**, **Caleigh Sechler** and **Ethan Silver** will be broadcasting LIVE from Gobbler's Knob. They will bring you all of the activities and festivities of Groundhog Day 2023. Punxsutawney Phil will be making his prognostication around 7:25 AM. Watch [HERE](#).

Made possible by the Parkland Education Foundation and the support of the Parkland School District Technology Department.



Saturday
18

District XI Coaches Association Jr. High Wrestling Tournament **7 AM - 7 PM**
(Main Gym)

Sunday
19

District XI Coaches Association Jr. High Wrestling Tournament **7 AM - 7 PM**
(Main Gym)

Monday
20

PRESIDENT'S DAY
HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED

Wednesday
22

Nonpublic Student Registration **After School**

Thursday
23

Nonpublic Student Registration **After School**

Friday
24

Cereal Box Food Drive Ends

Monday
27

Midyear Chorus Concert **7 PM** (Auditorium)
Inclusion Week Begins



Please visit the [PHS website calendar](#) for possible updates to these events.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Inclement Weather and Early Closings

Please click on the polar bear to see an important message from Parkland School District's Superintendent of Schools.



February
is short.
It is
filled
with
lots of
love
and
sweet
surprises.



PARKLAND COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR & HEALTH SYMPOSIUM

SATURDAY, MARCH 18 | 9 AM TO 12 NOON

PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

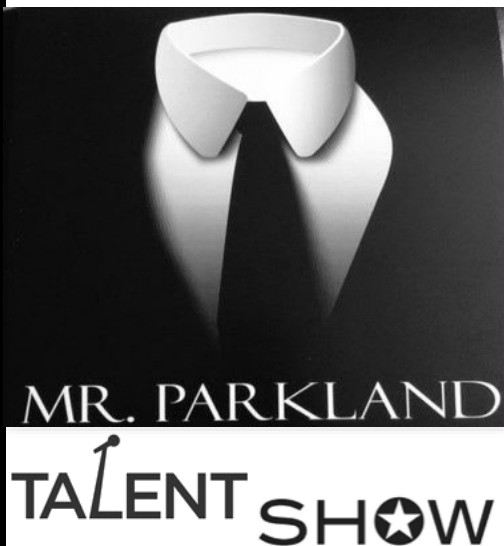
Get to know your social service agencies, faith-based institutions, recreational opportunities, student clubs and more!

TEEN MOCK BEDROOM - See what may be hiding in your teen's bedroom
NEW PARENT SOCIAL: 10 - 11 AM.

WWW.PARKLANDSD.ORG/COMMUNITY

Scan the QR code to visit our webpage to: view a list of participants, sign up for a FREE table, register for Parent Health-related Workshops and/or RSVP for the New Parent Social. We hope to see you there!





Saturday
February 4, 2023
7 - 10 PM
PHS Auditorium
Doors open at 6:30 PM
No Reserved Seats

Tickets
\$10 in advance
\$12 at the door
Tickets on sale
during lunches:
January 30 - February 3

Snow Date
Sunday, February 5, 2023
5 - 8 PM
PHS Auditorium



WEAR PURPLE

MODIFIED
BELL
SCHEDULE

PHS Students will hear Chris Herren
on Thursday, February 2 during the school day.
WEAR PURPLE in support of the Herren Project.

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. To start the conversation on wellness and educate themselves on the disease of addiction.

This program is generously
funded by the

Parkland School District
Education Foundation

February 2
6:30 PM
PHS Auditorium



HERREN
TALKS
www.herrentalks.com



Mark your calendars for the 17th Annual
District-Wide Food Drive!

Parkland Partners Food Drive to Benefit:

Feb. 13-
Feb. 24



**Parkland High School is
collecting boxes of cereal!**

The Parkland Partners is a district-wide committee whose mission is to serve the community with a sense of pride and team spirit among employees, students, family and community members.



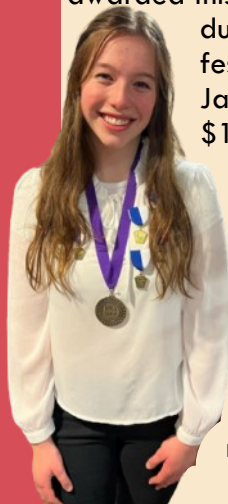
Collection boxes will be located in Room D219
and in various classrooms throughout the school.

CONGRATULATIONS

PMEA District 10 Chorus Scholarship Winner

Senior **Emily Bachl** was selected to receive the 2023 PMEA District 10 Chorus Scholarship. Emily was awarded this scholarship

during the District festival in early January. The \$1000 scholarship is presented to an outstanding PMEA District 10 student who will be attending college to major in music education.



PMEA District 10 Jazz

Congratulations to **Mitchell Roth** (trumpet) and **William Ray** (trombone) for their acceptance into the PMEA District 10 Jazz Festival. This year's festival will be held at Bangor High School on February 3 - 4.



February Chorus Concert

Beginning Chorus and Mixed Chorus will be giving a Midyear Concert on **Monday, February 27** at 7 PM in the PHS Auditorium. This concert is free and open to the public. The concert includes some featured sectional pieces in Beginning Chorus, as well as a combined final number *How Can I Keep From Singing?* to kick off the celebrations for 'Music In Our Schools Month' in March.



PMEA Region V Chorus

The following vocal musicians have qualified for the PMEA Region V Chorus Festival. These students will travel to Cumberland Valley School District in late February to participate in this year's festival.

Soprano 1

Madelyn Grim, Kaida Heintzelman, Marlie Heym, Emma Milander and Lilianna Schantz

Soprano 2

Isabella Carnero and Cameron Laskosky

Alto 1

Swarna Suresh

Alto 2

Emily Bachl, Katelyn Attieh, Savannah Leon and Abigail Meyers

Tenor 1

Matthew Haupt, Vasilis Motsenigos, Isaiah Palmer and Agidio Poloni

Tenor 2

William Farrell and Samuel Lundberg

Bass 1

Garet Hill

Bass 2

Jaxon Egge



Parkland High School Drawing Students are featured in the gallery throughout the month of February.



Daydreaming

Silver Key Award winner
Margaret "Maggie" Wright, grade 10



Spring Musical

Parkland High School is proud to present Rodgers & Hammerstein's *Oklahoma!* **April 12 - 16, 2023.** In a Western territory just after the turn of the 20th century, a high-spirited rivalry between local farmers and cowboys provides a colorful background for Curly, a charming cowboy, and Laurey, a feisty farm girl, to play out their love story. Their romantic journey, as bumpy as a surrey ride down a country road, contrasts with the comic exploits of brazen Ado Annie and hapless Will Parker in a musical adventure embracing hope, determination, and the promise of a new land.

Tickets for *Oklahoma!* are on sale and only available through our ticketing partner, www.showtix4u.com. Admission prices are \$12 for students and seniors (65+); \$15 for adults. Get your tickets now before they sell out.



Performing Arts Club Children's Workshops

Parkland High School's Performing Arts Club held their annual Children's Workshops for students in grades K - 2 and 3 - 5.

The weekend was filled with singing, dancing, acting, crafts and more. The event concluded with a mini performance for family and friends. This year's workshops theme was *Encanto*.



Cooler Moves on the Court



One hundred elementary dancers participated in a special workshop with the PHS Dance Team on Monday, January 16. The participants showed off their cool new moves at a Varsity Basketball game on Tuesday, January 17.



CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF THE SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS!

SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS

EASTERN CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

@ Kutztown University

EXHIBITION : FEB 18 - MARCH 5, 2023

AWARDS CEREMONY: SUNDAY MARCH 5, 1PM



2023 East Central Pennsylvania Regional Scholastic Art Awards

Parkland High School students earned 91 keys this year, including 21 Gold Key Awards, 25 Silver Key Awards, and 45 Honorable Mentions, as follows:

Gold Key Awards and *American Visions Nominee

Thomas Gilchrist *

Grace Clewell

Grace Clewell

Courtney Gibbons

Katherine Gilchrist

Rachele Grigoli

Nina Harf

Cora Nemesh

Cora Nemesh

Angela Renion

Angela Renion

Angela Renion

Angela Renion

Imaan Saeed

Imaan Saeed

Emma Schilling

Sophia Sciarino

Remi Smith

Brynn Snyder

Minori Yamashita

Angela Zhao

Film and Animation

Jewelry

Jewelry

Photography

Fashion

Ceramics and Glass

Photography

Digital Art

Jewelry

Art Portfolio

Digital Art

Digital Art

Mixed Media

Drawing and Illustration

Drawing and Illustration

Photography

Photography

Jewelry

Sculpture

Drawing and Illustration

Drawing and Illustration

Our Silent Volcano

Bird Branch Necklace

Rain Bracelet

Through the Glass

Before the Heavens Fall

The Nature of a Violin

Angel from Heaven

Rediscovering Passion

Earrings

Humans and Objects

Brain Boiled

Eating

Milk

Moment of Change

Self portrait

Bayside

Morning Light

The Hand of Death

Underwater scene

Insight

Formality

Silver Key Awards

Skylar Cancelliere

Skylar Cancelliere

Oscar Cardoso

Dulce Chinchilla

Madelyn Choma

Grace Clewell

Claire Fang

Ciara Gutierrez

Shirley Hooper

Dayna Josephs Duran

Dayanara Juarez Angeles

Sarah Kelly

Anna Lorrah

Riley McMenamy

Riley McMenamy

Cora Nemesh

Cora Nemesh

Cora Nemesh

Photography

Photography

Sculpture

Jewelry

Jewelry

Ceramics and Glass

Drawing and Illustration

Sculpture

Photography

Jewelry

Jewelry

Ceramics and Glass

Jewelry

Digital Art

Digital Art

Digital Art

Digital Art

Digital Art

Radio

Reflecting Lines

Tree of Wisdom

Pearls Eyes

Queen of Hearts

Realistic Zorua

Winter Scene

Butterfly Box

Innocence

Bejeweled Bracelet

Journey

Spiraling Leaves

Floating

Bathroom

Reflection

Discovery

Losing Strength

Self Reflection



2023 Exhibition

February 18 - March 5

Sharadin Art Building
Miller Art Gallery
Kutztown University

Free
Open to the Public

Monday - Friday
10 AM - 4 PM

Saturdays
12 PM - 4 PM

Sundays
2 PM - 4 PM

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2023 East Central Pennsylvania Regional Scholastic Art Awards

Silver Key Awards *Continued from previous page*

Jay Ortiz	Digital Art	<i>Overwhelmed</i>
Emma Schilling	Photography	<i>Emily</i>
Emma Schilling	Photography	<i>Nature Preserve</i>
Ryan Schrantz	Photography	<i>Downy Woodpecker</i>
Sophia Sciarrino	Photography	<i>Painted Sky</i>
Niva Sullivan	Drawing and Illustration	<i>Huh?</i>
Margaret Wright	Drawing and Illustration	<i>Daydreaming</i>

Honorable Mention

Busra Bayram	Drawing and Illustration	<i>The Beginning</i>
Tatum Bloom	Jewelry	<i>From Sun to Rain</i>
Skylar Cancelliere	Photography	<i>Car</i>
Lauren Christman	Painting	<i>Lauren's Basketball Game</i>
Courtney Gibbons	Photography	<i>Connection</i>
Courtney Gibbons	Photography	<i>Radiance</i>
Nina Harf	Photography	<i>Run Wild</i>
Shirley Hooper	Photography	<i>Holly</i>
Shirley Hooper	Photography	<i>Maple</i>
Venezia Hostetler	Sculpture	<i>Untitled</i>
Dayna Josephs Duran	Sculpture	<i>Angels in the Night</i>
Sarah Kelly	Jewelry	<i>Night in the Desert</i>
Charlotte Koch	Photography	<i>Gateway to Paradise</i>
Charlotte Koch	Photography	<i>Ray of Sunshine</i>
Charlotte Koch	Photography	<i>The Stretch Home</i>
Charlotte Koch	Photography	<i>Unstable</i>
Elysa Lacerda	Drawing and Illustration	<i>Saudade</i>
Sofia Lara	Jewelry	<i>Remi</i>
Claire Leskin	Drawing and Illustration	<i>Hand Self Portrait</i>
Claire Leskin	Drawing and Illustration	<i>Mystic Wonders</i>
Claire Leskin	Painting	<i>The Doctor</i>
Snow Liu	Sculpture	<i>Koi Fish Paper Sculpture</i>
Emma Ludwig	Digital Art	<i>Lightbulb</i>
Emma Ludwig	Drawing and Illustration	<i>Hotel Bethlehem</i>
Kalani Marsh	Jewelry	<i>Butterfly</i>
Cora Nemesh	Art Portfolio	<i>Over the Years</i>
Cora Nemesh	Digital Art	<i>Beginning to Create</i>
Cora Nemesh	Digital Art	<i>Helping to Learn</i>
Jay Ortiz	Painting	<i>Speak Up!</i>
Sofia Ostolaza	Ceramics and Glass	<i>Bowl & Plate Set</i>
Jake Pugeda	Jewelry	<i>The Ambivalent Owl</i>
Angela Renion	Painting	<i>Chair</i>
Ryan Schrantz	Photography	<i>Twilight Sunshine</i>
Ryan Schrantz	Photography	<i>Woodland Creek</i>
Sophia Sciarrino	Photography	<i>Black and Blue</i>
Sophia Sciarrino	Photography	<i>Today and Tomorrow</i>
Nola Shearer	Ceramics and Glass	<i>Perambulate</i>
Alina Taddei	Photography	<i>Baia Vista</i>
Alina Taddei	Photography	<i>Midway Theater</i>
Alina Taddei	Photography	<i>Place of Faith</i>
Alina Taddei	Photography	<i>Travel by Train</i>
Alina Taddei	Photography	<i>Unmasked</i>
Madelynn Wascura	Drawing and Illustration	<i>Pretty bird</i>
Sophia Weber	Ceramics and Glass	<i>Weeping Blossom</i>
Angela Zhao	Painting	<i>Outer Skies</i>



2023 Awards Ceremony

Sunday, March 5
2 - 3 PM

Schaeffer Auditorium
at Kutztown University

Doors open at 1:30 PM

*Families, teachers and
administrators are
welcome*



Athletic news



Cheer Team Travels to PIAA State Championships

The Parkland High School Cheer Team finished in second place at the District XI cheer competition and qualified to represent Parkland at the PIAA State Championship meet in Hershey, PA.

Winter Sports Regular Season Standings

Girls Basketball	13 - 6
Boys Basketball	12 - 6
Wrestling	10 - 3
Girls Swimming	10 - 1
Boys Swimming	8 - 3



Junior **Nick Coval** is the 12th Parkland High School Boys Basketball athlete to ever score 1,000 points.



Congratulations

1st TEAM
ALL-STATE

**Parkland High School
1st Team All-State
Athletes**

Girls Volleyball

Ava Adamson

Scarlett Jago

Elena Pursell

Maggie Smith

Girls Soccer

Catherine Crampton

Football

Gryffin Mitstifer

Elena Pursell won
the EPC Overall
Volleyball Scholar
Athlete Award.



College
MEDIA DAY

**Friday, May 19, 2023
Parkland High School Main Gym
1:30 PM**

We will recognize all senior athletes that will be continuing their athletic career at the collegiate level. This is for any senior athlete who participated here at Parkland in a PIAA sport during their senior year. Parents, family and friends are all welcome to attend.



**Spring 2023
Free Sports Physicals
By Appointment Only**

Wednesday February 15, 2023

Parkland High School

Auxiliary Gym

5 PM – 7:30 PM

Sign up [HERE](#) for an appointment.
Further information will be available
on the Parkland website under
Athletics in late January.

No student can participate in a spring sport without a full PIAA physical. Recertification forms may be used for spring if athletes had full physicals for a fall or winter sport. The Parkland Athletic Department understands that it may not be convenient to come to our scheduled free physical event. However, those who miss must get a PIAA physical on their own prior to **March 1, 2023**.

Paperwork for the physical is on the [PHS website](#). All Parkland athletes must get an ImPACT test once during their four years at PHS and before participation.



**The first day of spring sports is
Monday, March 6, 2023.**



Information from the Health Room



Flu Season

The Flu Season continues to be in full swing through April and this season is complicated by the many viral respiratory illnesses that are prevalent. It is recommended that your student receive their flu vaccine at this time, please check with your doctor.

Guidelines for Sending your Child to School

To help stay healthy and decrease the spread of illness in the school, we are encouraging all families to adhere to the following guidelines for sending your child to school.

Please keep your child home from school (even if they have a test or sporting event) if he or she is experiencing any of the following symptoms:

- Fever of 100 degrees or more
- Vomiting/Diarrhea
- Severe head cold
- Persistent cough
- Severe sore throat

These are the same criteria the Health Room uses as a guideline when sending students home ill from school.

Students should not return to school until they are **fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.**





Attention Juniors and Sophomores

JUNIORS

Physical Forms Due

All eleventh-grade students should return their physicals to the Health Room as soon as possible.

Immunization Requirement

The Meningitis Vaccine is required on or after a student turns 16 years old. Students in grade 11 will be required to have this immunization on the first day of their senior year. The grade 11 physical is a good time to be sure this immunization is completed.

SOPHOMORES

Physical Choice Form Due

All students in grade 10 will soon receive paperwork for completing their mandated physical for grade 11. This can be done at the time your student gets their physical for their driver's permit but may not be completed before July 1, 2022. The form for the school physical you receive is the preferable paperwork to be completed. However, copies of the physical forms used for the driver's permit are accepted for the student's school physical. Please return the Choice Form to the Health Room as soon as possible to indicate how the physical will be completed.

Forms are available on the [PHS website](#).

As always, if you have any questions for the Health Room do not hesitate to call.



Congratulations!



Parkland Freshman Wins State-Level Challenge

Tushar Mehta was named the 2022 Pennsylvania winner in the Congressional App Challenge. This is a prestigious prize in student computer science. Tushar's winning web app will be displayed in the U.S. Capitol Building and featured on the House of Representatives website. He has been invited to a reception in Washington, D.C. to demonstrate his winning app.

See a press release about Tushar's accomplishment [HERE](#).



Driver's Education

Two Key Laws Teen Drivers Must Follow in Pennsylvania

Although most states have similar rules of the road, it is important to know the basics of what is expected while driving in each state that you visit. The two key laws in Pennsylvania are the **Texting-While-Driving Ban** and the **Steer Clear** law.

Texting-While-Driving Ban

According to Pennsylvania law, drivers are prohibited from using a handheld communication device to read, write or send text communication while the vehicle is in motion. According to a AAA poll, 94 percent of teen drivers acknowledge the dangers of texting and driving but 35 percent admitted to doing it anyway.

Steer Clear Law

Another important law to know is the Steer Clear law (or Move Over law). When there is an incident on the side of the road, like an accident, construction workers, emergency vehicles or a driver pulled over by a State Trooper, Pennsylvania motorists are required to move at least one lane in between the incident and traffic. If you are unable to move over to create a safe space cushion, you are required to slow down.

Teen Driver Cell Phone Statistics

- 21 percent of teen drivers involved in fatal accidents were distracted by their cell phones.
- Teen drivers are 4 times more likely than adults to get into car crashes or near-crashes when talking or texting.



Nearly 50,000 people are injured or killed around U.S. Transportation job sites each year, according to the Federal Highway Administration. Many of these involved the motoring public traveling at unsafe speeds.

Nearly all of these incidents were avoidable. In 2020 alone, 15 people were killed in crashes in Pennsylvania work zones, according to PennDOT data.





Attention Parents of Sophomore Students

After successfully completing the Driver Theory Course, your child will receive a certificate that should be filed in a safe place. A copy of this certificate is needed if your child wishes to take the Behind-the-Wheel instruction. You should also submit a copy to your insurance company when your new driver is added to your policy. Many insurance companies offer discounted rates with proof of course completion.

Behind-the-Wheel Program



The CLIU-21 offers a Behind-the-Wheel program for all students who have their learner's permit and have completed the theory course. For complete information, go to www.cliu.org and scroll down to the Driver's Ed key. Any questions, call 610-769-4111 x 1299 or email driversed@cliu.org.



2023



NHD
NATIONAL
HISTORY DAY®

Winners

Congratulations to the following National History Day winners. They will go on to the regional competition at Muhlenberg College on March 4, 2023.

Individual Documentary

Thomas Gilchrist
Aryan Kapoor

Group Documentary

Leon Chen, Eshaan Patel, Joseph Peng,
Rishab Yanala and Ryan Wu

Individual Website

Tushar Mehta

Individual Paper

Vidhi Desai
Jerry Wang

Group Exhibit

Andreana Kedyulych and Inara Niaz

Group Website

Brandon Cai, Jayaditya Kothari and
Samith Rohatgi

Individual Performance

Aum Purani

congratulations!





Library Lines

Love to Read and Celebrate

Check out our collection of romance and poetry.

We also celebrate **Black History Month**, spotlighting the many contributions African American authors have made to the world of literature.

Throw in **Groundhog Day** and **President's Day** and it is a full month of learning opportunities.



Library Plants Feel the Love

Mrs. Tiwold-Kramer's botany students have taken over the care and feeding of our resident library plants.


We are in the process of planning another fun Earth Day in April.



Student ID Required in the Library


Remember, a student ID is always required for students to come to the Library during study halls and after school.

Students can purchase replacement student ID cards in the Library for \$5.



It Is Not Too Late to Start a New Year's Resolution

Stop by the Library and aim to increase the number of books you read per month.



ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A TEACHER?

Hosted by Student Senate

Are You Smarter than a Teacher? Contest

Monday, February 13

After School

Rooms C210, C220 and C200

Teachers form teams of 4 - 5
members and sign up by
February 1.

Cost is \$5 per team.



**DINE
AND
DONATE**

P.J. WHELIHAN'S
PUB + RESTAURANT

VISIT PJ WHELIHAN'S AT WALBERT ON
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16
AND MENTION PARKLAND'S POST PROM
TO HAVE A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS
BENEFIT THE 2023 POST PROM PARTY.






VAPING

Student Assistance Program (SAP)



NEW
OPPORTUNITY

Mid-Atlantic Rehabilitation Services (MARS) Vaping Education Group



The SAP team will be establishing a date in late February to early March to host this one time group. It will run during your child's lunch period, so they will need to pack a lunch and report to Room B108. We need enough students to run the groups, but the groups will cap at 11 for each lunch period. If there is high interest, we will offer another day and alert those who have completed a permission slip. Please note that this group is different from the Cannabis Cessation Group that started in January.

The MARS Vaping Education Group is designed to engage and enlighten students about the dangers of vaping and nicotine addiction. There is no cost to Parkland School District students. Topics covered will include:

EDUCATION ABOUT E-CIGARETTES AND VAPES


CHEMICALS COMMONLY FOUND IN NICOTINE/VAPE PRODUCTS

NICOTINE AS A HARMFUL SUBSTANCE

HOW VAPING CAN LEAD TO OTHER SUBSTANCE ADDICTIONS

COST OF VAPING IN REAL DOLLARS

WHAT TO DO FROM A TEEN PERSPECTIVE



A permission slip will be sent to all parent/guardian emails when a date has been established. If you have any questions, please email fitchl@parklandsd.net.

Additionally, please see [this link](#) to aid in talking to your child about substance use.



ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY

The last day to pre-order and be guaranteed a yearbook will be **March 4, 2023.**



After March 4, 2023, please join the waitlist (a QR code will be provided). We cannot guarantee any copies will be available for sale, but you will be contacted if extra books become available.



Find more information and order your Yearbook [Here](#)



SCAN ME

PSPA

Pennsylvania School Press Association



Student Journalists Awarded

Members of the yearbook staff and newspaper staff traveled to Penn State Berks in November to compete in the Pennsylvania State Press Association regional competition. They competed in various categories including photography, caption writing, and newspaper story writing. Their entries were scored against more than 300 student journalists across the state and the following student staff members have been selected as finalists:

Ava Bornstein - Yearbook Caption Writing
Courtney Gibbons - Newspaper Photography
Isabella Rodriguez - Yearbook Photography
Vanessa Stauffer - Yearbook Photography

These four students will travel to Penn State University Park on March 30 to compete once again, this time against more than 100 of the best student journalists in the state.

Congrats

Allentown Rotary Club

Congrats



Allentown West Rotary Club Student of the Month

Peyton Knowles was named the Allentown West Rotary Club student of the month. Peyton is a senior in the Plumbing program at LCTI. She is on co-op with Mastery Plumbing and serves as a SkillsUSA school chapter and district officer.

Microsoft Office Pro Certified

Students completed the Computer Applications w/ IT Certification Course in the Business Education Department (BCIT) at PHS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS

AMANDA ASH
BUSRA BAYRAM
OWEN FEHREL
CODY HARTMAN
ANDREW JARRAH
PARKER JENOFISKY
ARMAAN KHINDA
ELAYNA KOCHER
CAMERON LOVELL
LOGAN MCEVOY
RICHARD MIUCCIO
MATTHEW MORIN

AARAV PATEL
MAITRI RATANPARA
GIANNA RECK
ETHAN REDDEN
ARLEIGH SHILLING-ASKEW
SHARRAN SINEESH
SATHANA SURESH
TANNER VANDOREN
DEVON WOODLIN

PARKLAND
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ESSENTIALS



Parkland Students Win Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Stock Market Game

Six Parkland students took winning positions out of the 290 teams that participated in the Fall 2022 FBLA Stock Market Game.

1st Place

Aarav Kakade and
Shashwat Sharma*

2nd Place

Tushar Mehta and **Shivam Patel**

3rd Place

Aryan Kapoor



*This is the third time **Aarav Kakade** and **Shashwat Sharma** have won 1st place in this national-level event.

Congratulations



CLASS OF 2023 *white coat* CEREMONY



At the end of the four-year Biomedical course sequence, Parkland High School students receive their "white doctor coats" during a special ceremony. We congratulate the 53 students who received their coats on January 19, 2023. The Biomed program is a hands-on program designed to expose students who are interested in medicine and science to careers and real-world experiences.

Brianna Andersen
Carl Andreas
Allison Barilla
Benjamin Bauman
Ajla Becirovic
Ryan Beltrame
Grant Berger
Corinne Bigley
Gabriel Blikshteyn
Shayna Blikshteyn
Trevor Brunner
Nikhil Chitluru
Maya Chokshi
Drew Cole
Bella Dauberman
Josiah Day
Morgan Dzema
Isabella Esteban

Jacquelyn Fekula
Daniela Fernandez
Simon Fleszler
Carla Franco Nikfard
Sofia Gonzalez
Catherine Hahn
Jack Harrison
Amelia Kohler
Chase Kusko
Evan Lan
Olivia McDonald
Taha Mirrani
Claire Park
Aesha Patel
Devanshi Patel
Nishil Patel
Siya Patel
Vihita Patel

Joseph Philips
Elena Pursell
Rory Reilly
Olivia Rice
Naeema Salau
Ashley Settle
Riley Shaner
Benjamin Shoemaker
Aditya Singhvi
Ayyanselvendhren Sureshkumar
Praveen Sureshkumar
Daud Tariq
Olivia Van Dien
Elena Wenger
Homare Yamashita
Rita Yip
Eric Zhang



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 and student ID# 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
2023

Senior class advisor
Mrs. Deborah Andreoli
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Class of
2024

Junior class advisor
Mrs. Kim McHenry
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Class of
2025

Sophomore class advisor
Mrs. Lori McClure
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Class of
2026

Freshmen class advisor
Mrs. Sarah Yenser
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congratulations

National English Honor Society
2022-2023 Inductees



Brianna Andersen
Allison Barilla
William Barrett
Kara Benfield
Grant Berger
Nikola Cao
Joshua Chou
Catherine Crampton
Anshul Dadayyapally
Josiah Day
Isabella Esteban
Austin Fasnacht
Jacquelyn Fekula
Daniela Fernandez
Nalah Fladger
Carla Franco Nikfard
Hannah Fredrich
Reva Gandhi
Jolene Greenawalt
Anshika Gupta
Catherine Hahn
Vishruth Hanumaihgar

Andrew Hill
Kamira Hoover
Taylor Hoppes
Selina Huang
Kathryn Hucaluk
Mai Hukuoka
Kali Hurst
Scarlett Jago
Erin Joo
Kylie Knafo
Sanika Kothari
Olivia Kunz
Evan Lan
Lucas Lee
Cassandra Lee
Keira Leiby
Savannah Leon
Simone Lin
Ava Lundy
Harshini Mallipedhi
Abigail Mann
Rebecca Mann

Max Mazin
Abigail Meyers
Noah Oxfeld
Forum Patel
Aesha Patel
Lucas Porto
Elena Pursell
Sathvika Rajkumar
Abigail Reichling
Angela Renion
Mitchell Roth
Carly Sachse
Anthony Schultz
Benjamin
Shoemaker
Rachel Stahley
Daud Tariq
Madison Tewksbury
Olivia Van Dien
Emily Walsh
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