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# PTHS EXTRA

February, 2019

Cool things that happened at PTHS, during the month of February:

## *Cabaret!*

### PTHS Spring Musical

The high school theatre production of *Cabaret* has been cast! This fun and entertaining musical production will feature 22 student actors (some in multiple roles), nine student crew members and several of our band and orchestra students. Rehearsals are scheduled to begin the first week of March. *Cabaret* is a 1966 musical about a seedy cabaret, a place of decadent celebration, known as The Kit Kat Club. This performance will be family friendly, and will feature several entertaining dance numbers. We will be sending out more information about the musical, once we get closer to the opening, which will be in early May.

## New Courses for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester to Support Struggling Students

The high school has opened up two new courses to support some of our struggling students. Parents were notified through phone calls and letters about these new opportunities. The high school strives to work in partnership with parents and students to provide an educational environment where students will thrive! Here are the two new courses we have opened, to support some of our freshman students:

\*New Algebra 1 Section – this course provides a small classroom environment (ten students) where math learners can work through the algebra curriculum at a slightly slower pace. The course is instructed by Mr. Amos Freeman

\*7<sup>th</sup> period Freshman Success – this course focuses on teaching study and organizational skills, as well as providing homework support. The course is instructed by Ms. Jennifer Kruse.

### Save the Date!

#### Orchestra

PTHS Orchestra students will be traveling to State Music Festival on Friday, March 15 – Saturday, March 16.

#### Spring Dance

PTHS 'Spring Fling' dance will be held on Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00 – 10:30 pm. This is a sophomore class fundraiser.

#### Spring Break

PT Schools will be closed for Spring Break during the week of April 1-5. School resumes on Monday April 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Prevention-Intervention Professional at PTHS!

Through a combination of grant and district funds, the high school has hired a Student Assistance Professional, who will be supporting students with drug and alcohol prevention and intervention services. We are pleased to welcome Dana (pronounced Donna) Marklund to our team. Dana has worked in a variety of therapeutic settings, and is thrilled to be at PTHS. Within her role, Dana will be available to provide support to students in a variety of settings. A few examples are: individual counseling assistance, group counseling, classroom presentations, working with students who are concerned about a friend's drug and alcohol use. Dana will also be available to parents who want to seek her out as a resource. With Dana on our team, and our Student Health Clinic on campus, we are able to provide student support for medical health, mental health, and drug/alcohol prevention and intervention health. This is an incredible level of support for our small school. Dana's first day at PTHS was on Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> so she is still getting settled in and will start getting to know our students in the weeks to come. She will be at PTHS full time, so she can be available on a daily basis to students, staff and parents.

### Music Adjudications 2019!

Daniel Ferland hosted our district's Music Adjudications at the high school on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. Performances by the high school orchestra, high school band, Blue Heron festival orchestra and the sixth grade orchestra were held. The adjudicators were Ron Jones, a retired orchestra teacher from Port Angeles High School, and Reid Blickenstaff, a retired band/orchestra teacher from Silverdale, WA. After each performance group, there was a 45 minute clinic from the adjudicators on stage. This was a great opportunity for our student musicians, and we were pleased to see several parents and community members in the audience throughout the day.

### Winter Sports Season a Success!

Redhawk girls and boys basketball teams both made post-season play. While they only made it to the first round in District play-offs, the winter weather earlier this month added its own excitement to the games. Our also wrestlers did well this season. Due to winter weather, regional competition in Bellingham was cancelled, so all of our qualified wrestlers had the opportunity to go onto state! We had three PTHS wrestlers who earned a medal at state wrestling. Dylan Tracer took 3<sup>rd</sup> place (182 lbs. weight class); Gabe Petrick finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place (160 lbs. weight class); and Brenna Franklin took 6<sup>th</sup> place (170 lbs. weight class). Additionally, Gabe Petrick was selected by the West Central District 3 district coaches as the 1A wrestler of the year. Gabe was chosen for this honor due to both his 2018-19 season wrestling success (24-4) and his academic and activity accomplishments.