

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

Veterans Day Assembly

Staff and students enjoyed a Veterans Day assembly on Friday, November 9, hosted by our ASB. A group of band students started off our program with the National Anthem, followed by a speech from Commander Rocky Pulley, the commanding officer of Naval Magazine Indian Island. Additionally, six of our local veterans, including two staff members (Patrick Gaffney and Teresa Coupe) were recognized and thanked for their military service. The assembly was closed with the reading of two poems, followed by the students coming together on the floor of the gym to sing the Alma Mater.

Winter Sports

We have had a large group of students turn out for winter sports. PTHS hosts boys basketball, girls basketball and wrestling (for both boys and girls) during winter season, along with cheer. We do offer scholarships for students on free/reduced meals, so that all can participate. For more information about our upcoming games, please check our high school website!

Save the Date!

Winter Stringfest

Saturday, December 8, with a 2:00 student performance in the PTHS gym.

End of PTHS First Semester

The first semester ends on Friday, January 25.

Winter Holiday Break

Monday, December 24 -Friday, January 4.

Thank You for Attending our Parent Conferences!

Thank you to all who participated in our high school arena conferences on Thursday, November 16. We had 142 families representing about half of our high school population, in attendance. Parent conferences provides an opportunity to connect with vour child's teachers. in a personalized format. We know that circumstances sometimes prevents parents and quardians from being able to attend a conference session. So, for any parent or guardian who missed our conference session, PTHS teachers are always happy to have an opportunity to meet with, or hear from parents. You are encouraged to email teachers as needed throughout the year. Any parents who wants to meet with teachers can also schedule that through the counseling office, 379-4523.





Holiday Wreath Sales Through our InterAct Club!

Our Interact Club students are working with our local Noon Rotary Club to sell holiday wreaths and door swags at a cost of \$25.00 each. Both the 22 inch (diameter) wreaths and the 28 inch (length) swags are made from freshly cut noble fir, adorned with blue-berried juniper, incense cedar, ponderosa pine cones and are topped with a festive bow. The proceeds from the sales go to support Rotary projects in our community. You can purchase your choice of wreath or door swag through one of our Interact Club students by calling the high school at 379-4520 or stopping in the main office to place your order. Delivery started on November 23.

After School Tutoring Assistance is Available!

Two of our educational assistants, Michael McKell and Emily Zenz, are both volunteering two days per week, after school, to assist students who need help with homework, studying, or completion of school projects. The assistance is being offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. in the high school library. Assistance in all subjects, including math, is being offered.

Lunch at Your Library Events at PTHS!

PTHS students have an opportunity to take part in a 'makers lunch' event each month. Our librarian, Joy Wentzel, organizes these events and each month she highlights a new tool, medium or skill for the students to experiment and learn with. Libraries are the perfect place to nurture the collaborative culture of tinkering and creating Students also design future program ideas by discussing and deciding what they want to do next. All are welcome to attend, but a sign up is required ahead of time so that enough materials are available for everyone. Last month students created touch stones, and in November, experimented with wet felting.

It is hard to believe that we are already nearing the month of December. The fall weather has arrived, leaves have changed color and are dropping from the trees. The crispness of fall mornings now fill the air. Parents are encouraged to keep in touch with what is happening at the high school. Please visit our website regularly, <u>ptschools.org/highschool</u> to check our daily bulletin and athletic schedules. We always welcome feedback from parents, so don't hesitate to contact us through the main office 360-379-4520. Principal Carrie Ehrhardt can easily be reached through email at <u>cehrhardt@ptschools.org</u>.

Carrie Ehrhardt, Principal

