## Poland Regional High School

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# The Knightly News



Last day of school

## Dates to Remember

11am dismissal

AP Exams	May 3 – May 11	See details on page 4	Contents	
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Budget vote in towns	June 13			
No early dismissal	June 21	2:10 dismissal		

June 22

Greetings PRHS families,

**Dress code reminder as the weather warms:** Please note that our goal is to establish an atmosphere in which students present themselves as successful young men and women with tons of potential to succeed beyond the school walls. Dressing for success is our goal!

- ★ All underwear, including bra straps and underwear waistbands, and must be covered at all times
- ★ Tank top straps, for boys and girls, must be 1" wide
- ★ Shorts and skirts must fully cover rear ends
- ★ Midriffs and backs must be fully covered

#### Calendar for the rest of the school year:

- The official **last day of school is Thursday**, **June 22nd**. This day is an early release day for all students and a make up day only for high school students.
- Regular final exams will conclude on Wednesday, June 21st. This will be a regular day of school, NOT an early release.

School Budget Votes are coming up. The district budget meeting and vote on the 2016-2017 school budget will be on Tuesday, May 23 at 6:30 in the PRHS auditorium. The referendum on the RSU 16 budget will be at your town office during the day on Tuesday, June 13. Please make every effort to vote on that day. The district budget must be passed at both the district meeting and at the referendum in order to take effect.

Remember that <u>Celebration of Learning Days</u> are scheduled for **May 18 and 19.** If your child is a Sophomore or Senior, please plan to attend their presentation.

- All **9th graders** are required to attend one of those days to help grade sophomore presentations. On the other day, they are expected to participate in a job shadow off campus.
- All 10th graders are expected to be in school for the entire day of their presentation. They do not need to come to school on the other day.
- All **11th graders** are required to attend school one of those days to help to grade the presentations. On the other day, they are expected to participate in a job shadow off campus, a college visit, or finish their community service requirement.
- All 12th graders are expected to be in school for their presentation only.
- Students enrolled at LRTC are required to attend their classes at LRTC. Their presentation will be scheduled so that this can happen.

Please be sure to contact us if you have questions or concerns.

Cari Medd <u>cmedd@rsu16.org</u> 998-5400 Assistant Principal

#### "Character, Community, Citizenship"

It's time for prom, AP testing, Celebration of Learning, and the fastest six weeks of the school year. We at PRHS are doing our best to support students as they sprint to the finish, and we appreciate the time and energy you give your children at this busy time. Please contact us if you are concerned about your child's performance or stress level.

**Attendance:** Please remember to call your child's absence or tardy into the main office (998-5400 x124) beforehand or on the same day. If you miss that deadline, please contact us as soon as you can. We are most interested in setting the record straight and excusing absences when they qualify. In order to make sure we report accurate information to the state, we may on occasion request a doctor's note to verify an appointment or an illness.

**Prom:** Prom is May 20. The student handbook provides the following set of rules for attending Prom:

- 1. Only 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade enrolled students may purchase tickets. TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED BEFORE THE DANCE. No tickets will be sold at the door. Enrolled PRHS students in 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> grade may attend Prom if invited by an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade student.
- 2. Guests may be invited, but must be approved by the Assistant Principal no later than the Wednesday before the dance (May 17). "Guests" are defined as students who attend other schools, homeschooled students, or individuals who are no longer in school (9<sup>th</sup> grade-20 years old).
- 4. Administration will keep a list of students who are ineligible to attend prom. PRHS students may be ineligible for Prom if they have had any of the following:
  - --multiple out-of-school suspensions or suspension for a capital offense since the start of 2<sup>nd</sup> sem.
  - --any unserved disciplinary consequences assigned during second semester (including detentions for tardies)
- 5. Administration reserves the right to deny attendance to a school dance for any student if the student's attendance will create or exacerbate a dangerous situation, whether or not the student is otherwise eligible to attend.

**Summer School:** Students are referred for summer school when they have not met standards in core classes during the school year. Students who attend summer school do so until they have met the missing standards, which often does not require attendance for all four weeks.

- -- Classes covered: math, science, Humanities, and Spanish, sometimes Roundtable
- --Dates: Tuesday-Thursday, July 11-Aug 3, 8:00 am-1:00 pm
- -- Transportation: provided by the district (still being determined)
- --Food service: provided by the school (still being determined)
- -- Fee: NONE! Summer School is free for all students who are referred and attend

Please contact me at pflynn@rsu16.org or 998-5400 x120 if you have questions or comments.

Patrick Flynn Assistant Principal



Time just flies at this point in the year. Seniors are making final decisions about their post-PRHS plans and prepping for their Senior Celebrations. Juniors are really gearing up their college searches and polishing cover letters and resumes. Sophomores are prepping for Sophomore Exhibition and freshman are reflecting on surviving their first year in high school.

ACCEPTANCES ARE STILL COMING IN - Congratulations to the class 2017! Your admissions acceptances are impressive!

#### AP EXAMS start next week!

Wednesday, May 3 - AP English Literature

Thursday, May 4 – AP US Government & Politics

Friday, May 5 - AP US History (AM) & AP Computer Science Principles (PM)

Monday, May 8 - AP Biology

Tuesday, May 9 - AP Calculus AB

Wednesday, May 10 - AP English Language

Thursday, May 11 - AP Statistics (PM)

Meetings for students interested in AP courses for the 2017-2018 year will be held in June. These are mandatory meetings to get the syllabus, summer work, and summer books. See your counselor if you have any questions.

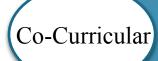
LRTC letters were mailed home during vacation! Students have been so patient through this long decision process! Congratulations to those who are accepted! It was another super competitive year in programs like Automotives, Sheet Metal and Exploring Heath Professions. Orientation for students accepted to LRTC for 2017-2018 is June 13, 2017. Permission slips will be coming later in May. We may still have openings through the rest of the school year, so check the announcements for those postings! Let your counselor, Ms. Bush or Mr. Flynn know if you are still interested in LRTC for next year!

<u>JUNIORS</u> – We will be taking the whole Junior class to the NEACAC College Fair at the Augusta Civic Center on Thursday, May 25. We will miss parts of the first two blocks of the day. Over 200 colleges and universities will be present, including all the colleges in Maine. No permission slips are required as we are taking the whole class; if you do not want your student to participate in this event, please contact the Guidance Office. For a list of colleges participating, please go to http://www.neacac.org/spring-fair-schedule http://www.neacac.org/

**JUNIORS** and 3<sup>rd</sup> year students– testing is done! Thank you for your patience with the SATs and Science Augmentation testing.

Over 90 mock interviews have happened and are happening this spring in the Guidance Office for juniors. Prepared with resumes and questions, our students are impressive! We are sending a big thank you to the representatives from the following organizations: USM, Husson, UMaine, Central Maine Medical Center, Mechanic Savings Bank, McDonald's and Poland Spring Resort! Many thanks to the PRHS parents who help us with these interviews as well!!

Carrie Rhoads x125 Last names A-F crhoads@rsu16.org Hillary Bush x101 Last names G-M hbush@rsu16.org Cory McFadden x106 Last names N-Z cmcfadden16@rsu16.org



#### **Athletics**

Parents and athletes-although we will have another active summer for our athletes, the 'hands off' period will begin July 31. Our first practices will be on August 14. During the two-week period, there will be no practices or games, including workouts, for high school programs. This is a great time to plan family activities. Of course, athletes should show up on August 14 ready to go and in good shape.

We will return to our Sunday night Fall Parent/Athlete/Coach meeting at 6:00pm, August 13.

Please remember to have any updated physicals sent in to our school's nurse or athletic office. (They end up in the nurse's office)

I have heard your frustration loud and clear with the current on-line registration process. The current system has been frustrating for all involved. We will have a different system soon.

Athletes and parents of athletes considering college athletics should check out NCAA.org early in their high school experience. Colleges have eligibility policies as well. That site is listed on our BigTeams page along with many other pertinent documents (under the *Parents* tab).

Athletes should pay attention to announcements, as the end of the school year nears, there will be meetings for summer programming.

Congratulations to David Coyne, recently named Boys' Varsity Soccer Coach, and Shannon Briner, Girls' JV Soccer Coach.

#### Co-Curricular

Congratulations to our Poland Players for hosting another drama production. The hours that are involved in putting on any drama production is incredible. I hope you had an opportunity to get out and support the crew at their recent production of *Birds*.

Congrats to Sigrid Sibley. She will be performing at the all-State Vocal Festival.

Our Instrumental and Vocal Groups will be performing at Poland Spring on June 19 as part of the Poland Spring Concert Series.

The final high school concert for band and chorus will be May 24 at PRHS.

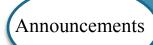
Chelsea Roy, Twilight Smart-Benson, Justin Gagnon and Max Smith-Taylor are gearing up for their trip to Louisville, Kentucky. They will be competing in the National Speech and Debate Tournament Memorial Day weekend.



#### Celebrate Screen-Free Week!

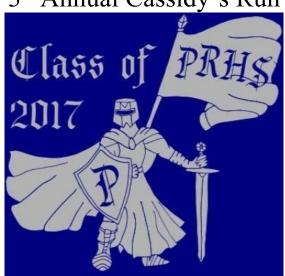
Screen-Free Week is an annual celebration when families, schools, and communities swap digital entertainment for the joys of life beyond the screen. Instead of watching TV, surfing the web, or playing with apps and video games, they read, play, think, create, get active, and spend more time with family and friends.

Remember, Screen-Free Week is about taking a break from digital entertainment. You can celebrate, and still use devices for work or school. But if screens of any kind interfere with family time (including meals), you may want to rethink how and when you're using them.



# Project Graduation 5K

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cassidy's Run



Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at Minot Athletic Fields. Shaw Hill Rd. Minot

Start time: 10AM (onsite registration starts @8:30)

\$10 entry fee

Prizes for Top 3 finishers in Male & Female categories

Register by contacting
Chelsie Lohmann= <u>Dragonflyz100@yahoo.com</u>, 329-7853
Nancy Walker= 576-7176

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#### J.M. Morin Earthworks Helps the Class of 2018

With the help of J.M. Morin Earthworks the Class of 2018 pulled off a very successful fundraiser at Poland Regional High School on April 29th. Jeff Morin, owner of Morin Earthworks, provided the junior class with high quality bark mulch at his cost. He also delivered the orders to the school, and even delivered special orders of mulch to homes, all during his busiest season. The class presold the mulch and the fundraiser all culminated in "Spring Day", where people picked up their orders, donated bottles to the class, and were even treated to a donation-based carwash.

The Class of 2018 thanks J.M. Morin Earthworks for being incredibly generous and helpful. Thanks to Jeff and his team the fundraiser was a big success. Please consider J.M. Morin Earthworks for all of your landscaping needs.



# Poland Regional High School Knights Baseball 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament

#### Saturday, May 13, 2017

12:00pm check-in & 1:00pm start time Fairlawn Golf Club, Poland, Maine

#### Shotgun start--Scramble

\$50 per player/\$200 for a team of 4 Includes greens fees, cart and dinner!

50/50 • Contests • Prizes • Banquet



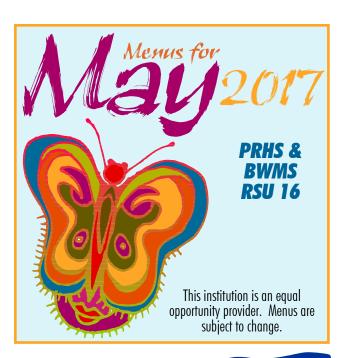
Player Name Address Phone Number/Email

Player Name	Address	Phone Number/Email	Handicap
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Please make checks payable to PRHS Baseball and mail completed registration form and payment to: Knights Baseball Golf Tournament, c/o Sue Callahan 213 Verrill Road Minot, Maine 04258

For More Info Contact: Sue Callahan

212-7710/ minotcallahan@aol.com







# SCROOL LUNCES SUPERIOR DAY AND SCHOOL NUTRITION EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION

MAY 1-5





verdict: snackalicious tip: Unsalted peanuts in

the shell are a healthy snack! They're loaded with monounsaturated fat – the fat that's aood for vou – as well

as lots of fiber and as much antioxidants as most fruits. Plus they fill you up quick, so snack away! As for peanut butter – that's good, too, but try to wean yourself off the kind with added salt and sugar and go for peanut butter with just one ingredient – peanuts!

Based on

about 35 peanuts in the shell.

Featured Specials of the Day

#### Monday, May 15

Meatball Sub Chicken Patty Deep Dish Pizza

#### Tuesday, May 16

Beefy Nachos w/Cheese Quesadilla Pretzels w/Cheese

#### Wednesday, May 17

**Pulled Pork Sandwich** Cheese/Hamburger Corn Dog

#### Thursday, May 18

Popcorn Chicken Bowl w/Mashed & Corn **Bosco Sticks** BBQ Rib Sandwich

#### Friday, May 19

Buffalo Chicken or Cheese Pizza Hot Dog w/Roll Fish Nuggets

## Don't be fooled by the apron.

There are special folks on the staff at our school whose job is to help improve students' concentration and classroom participation, increase standardized test scores, and make sure you stay healthy and ready to learn. And, amazingly, these members of our educational team perform all of these impressive feats while wearing an apron! Our child nutrition employees may not see the inside of a classroom very often, but they do make a daily contribution to your educational success.

It's really a very simple recipe: research shows that when you eat well, you learn better. So the hard work that gets done in our school restaurants every day isn't just about preparing and serving meals. It's also about helping to make good education possible.

We're proud of the people who do all of that hard work, and we hope you are, too. Please show them that you're proud of them by taking a moment to say "thanks" next time you see them. And don't be fooled by the aprons – these folks help work miracles for you every day!

School Meals We serve education every day™

RSU 16 Nutrition Services

### Featured Specials of the Day

#### Monday, May 22

(Real) Bacon Cheese Burger Grilled Chicken Sandwich Tuna Buraer

#### Tuesday, May 23

BBQ Chicken Deep Dish Pizza Pretzel w/Cheese

#### Wednesday, May 24

Steak Sub Sautéed Onions & Peppers Bosco Sticks Corn Doas

#### Thursday, May 25

Pasta w/ Meat, Cheese or Marinara Sauce w/Roll Chicken Patty Sandwich Quesadilla

#### Friday, May 26

Meatlover or Cheese Pizza Hot Dog w/Roll Fish Sandwich

Monday, May 29

#### MEMORIAL DAY ONO SCHOOL TODAY

#### Tuesday, May 30

**Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese** Chicken Patty Sandwich **Bosco Sticks** 

#### Wednesday, May 31

Shepherds Pie w/Roll Deep Dish Pizza Fish Patty



FESSIONAL SPORTS ON TV