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HURRICANE



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Principal's Message

Dear Hurricane Parents and Students,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. On behalf of the entire administration and staff, I would like to welcome you to Palm Harbor University High School (PHUHS). We extend a very special welcome to all our new Hurricanes.

PHUHS will have approximately 2500 students this school year and will welcome over 800 new students. We encourage all of our students to become involved with school activities, as they are a great way to make new friends and feel a part of this outstanding school. The various PHUHS clubs are starting to hold their first virtual meetings. Please check the PHUHS.org website for more information about all of the clubs PHUHS has to offer.

The 2020-2021 school year, all high schools will continue to operate on a 9-week grading period. The end of the 9-week grading periods will be as follows:

- Friday, October 23, 2020
- Friday, January 15, 2021
- Wednesday, March 31, 2021
- Wednesday, June 9, 2021

First semester exams will occur before the winter break starting December 15, 2020, through December 18, 2020.

Please note the student school hours for 2020-2021 school year are 7:25 am to 1:55 pm.

I look forward to a successful 2020-2021 school year filled with many academic successes.

Go Canes!

Sincerely,

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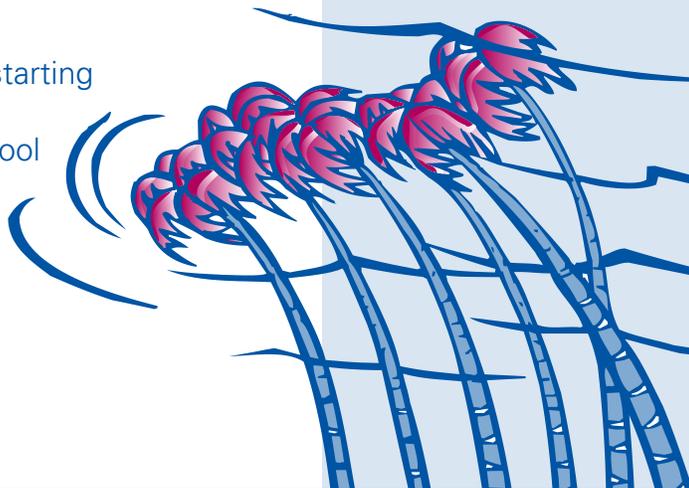
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Visitors and Volunteers

In order to limit exposure for all students and staff, the district will limit campus and facility visits by any nonessential visitors, community organizations, businesses, municipal partners, and speakers. Essential visitors are defined as those with business critical to the operation of the district (e.g. contractors, deliveries, members of the Department of Health, etc.).

All essential visitors, community organizations, businesses, municipal partners, and speakers must make an appointment to visit the Administration Building, Walter Pownall Service Center and school sites. Visitors without an appointment may not be granted entry into a facility. The processes below will be reviewed at the end of the first quarter to determine if changes can be made.

At this time, all volunteer/mentoring opportunities will be conducted virtually, unless directed by the school principal and approved by the Area Superintendent/Chief. All individuals entering a school or district building must follow the protocols outlined below.

- Prior to a scheduled visit, all individuals must affirm their wellness by completing the COVID-19 Self-Screening Tool.
- All individuals will practice social distancing and wear a mask/face covering at all times.
- Volunteers who participate in sporting and other organizations/club events/activities shall take all precautions to minimize the risk of transmission of COVID-19 to players, families, coaches and communities, including social distancing, frequent handwashing and wearing a mask/face covering.
 - » As a reminder, prior to volunteering you must complete the online application at pcsb.org/volunteer. All volunteers must be background-approved Level 1. All Level 1 volunteers will be supervised at all times. To become a Level 2 volunteer you must get fingerprinting done at an approved vendor. All Level 2 volunteers are permitted to be unsupervised with students, but must follow the CDC guidelines. Level 2 volunteers must wear their Level 2 badges when on school campus.
 - » Any volunteer on a campus must be assigned to the same group of students (cohort) each time they volunteer.
- If you have any questions please contact Debbie Redfield at 727-669-1131 ext 2045.



Bookkeeping

Welcome to the 2020 / 2021 School Year!!

Bookkeeping's office hours are Monday-Friday 6:45 am – 3:00 pm.

Did you know that Lost/Damaged textbooks and library fines will follow you from Elementary to High School? Per Pinellas County School's District Bylaws and Policy Manual #6152 "Failure to pay fees and fines may result in the denial of participation in the graduation ceremony, athletics, or any other extra-curricular activity" (Homecoming, Grad Night, Senior Breakfast and Prom). Payments for student obligations can be made on line with your debit, credit card or check at <https://pcsb.RevTrak.net>.

Also, please remember that all checks need to be made payable to Palm Harbor University High School (PHUHS) and there is a \$25 fee for any NSF checks.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Bookkeepers at 727-669-1131. Ext. 2006 for Kathryn Carrubba or 2012 for Kelly Colagiovanni.



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PSAT Exam 2020

PHUHS will be administering the PSAT exam for our underclassman students in October. Below is a detailed breakdown by grade level and learning option showing the date that your student can test on. Brick and Mortar 9th and 10th grade students will test automatically. MyPCS 9th and 10th grade students had to register to test. 11th grade students had to register to test as well. The registration deadline for testing was September 13, 2020. If your student missed the registration deadline and would like to test, please contact Mrs. Coffers for options. Any questions regarding the PSAT administration can be directed to Mrs. Coffers at CoffersM@pcsb.org.

9th Grade B&M

Students will test in school on Thursday October 29th. The school will automatically register these students.

10th Grade B&M

Students will test in school on Wednesday October 14th. The school will automatically register these students.

9th and 10th Grade MyPCS

These students can take the PSAT on Saturday October 17th at PHU. Exam will begin at 8:00 AM. Students had to register for this exam by September 13, 2020.

11th Grade B&M and MyPCS

Students will test in school on Wednesday October 14th. Students had to register for this exam by September 13, 2020.

Digital Flyer Delivery

As a reminder, Pinellas County Schools and Palm Harbor University High School use Peachjar to send school information and approved flyers from community organizations digitally. In addition to important school events and information, these flyers contain programs and events offered throughout your community that help your child succeed. After-school sports, local family events, free community programs, and college prep are just a handful of the resources found in our district's Peachjar emails.

You can also find all school-approved digital flyers by clicking the Peachjar button on your school's website homepage.

Please make sure you have parent/guardian email addresses associated with your student's record so you are not missing these important flyers. The primary contact can keep their email address updated via the Student Reservation System (SRS). Please visit the front office if you have more than one contact, as additional email addresses need to be added/updated at your child's school.

To ensure smooth delivery of Peachjar flyers, we suggest you add the following address school@peachjar.com to your email contacts. When you receive your first Peachjar flyer email, be sure to click "always display images."



If you have questions about Peachjar, please contact the front office or email Sheila Kane, the PCS District Coordinator at kanes@pcsb.org. We look forward to a great school year!

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We welcome companies and community organizations to get involved — go to Lunchpals.org to learn more!

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09/09/2020 — Noon to 1:15 p.m. Mentor Webinar

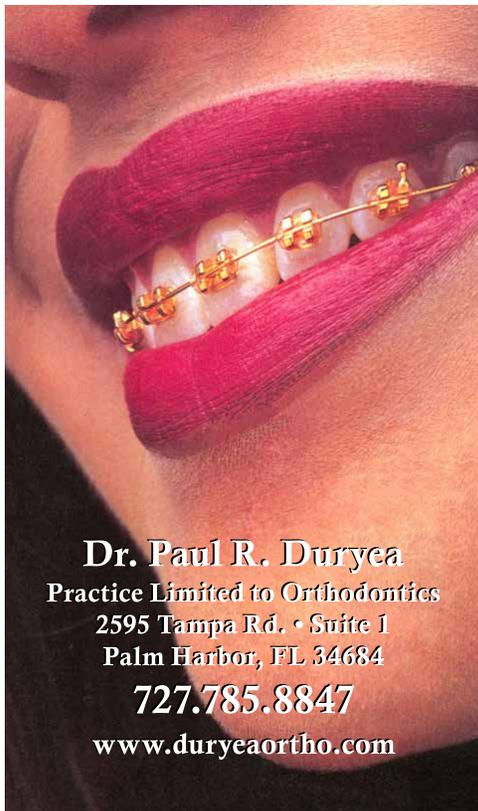
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09/17/2020 — 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Mentor Webinar

09/22/2020 — 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Mentor Webinar

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Seniors

Class of 2021 Stay on top of information for fun senior events by registering for our free Remind app!

Sign up now for the Class of 2021 **Remind** messages.

1. On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link: <https://www.remind.com/join/2phu2021>
2. You can choose to receive emails or texts via the app. Parents are also welcome to sign up.

Senior Portraits through Cady Studios

Class of 2021 – Make sure to book your appointment for your Senior portraits! Appointments are booked through Cady Studios.

DEADLINE EXTENDED

Be sure to book your Senior Photo with Cady Studios!

1. **To book an appointment** visit <http://session.cadystudios.com>
2. **Book** an appointment on or **before November 6th** to be able to **select your photo for the Yearbook.**

Last day to book a session to **be in** the yearbook is **November 28th, 2020.**

- **USE DISCOUNT CODE** [phsimple15](#) for \$15 off your session if you book by **October 31st, 2020.**

Have a question? Send an email to ROSCOEK@pcsb.org.

2021 Senior T-shirt Design Contest

The 2021 Senior Class needs YOUR creativity. We are currently accepting design submissions for the official Senior T Shirt. Submissions can be emailed to weavera@pcsb.org. Look at the PHUHS webpage under the Class of 2021 tab for details on how to submit your design and possibly win a FREE Senior T-shirt!

This is where you will also find information about all senior events.

Please contact Senior Class Sponsor Andrea Weaver at weavera@pcsb.org if you have questions.



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- Digital Information Technology (Prerequisite course for all CABAM programs)
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 - Accounting Applications I (Q)
 - Advanced Placement Computer Science (Q, I)
 - Business & Entrepreneurial Principles (Q, I)
 - Business Software Applications (I)
 - Digital Design I-IV (Q) (I)
 - Introduction to Hospitality & Tourism Management (I)
 - Legal Aspects of Business (Q)
 - Personal & Family Finance (1 Semester)
 - Sports, Recreation & Entertainment Marketing Essentials
- (*Q Denotes Quality Point Class)
(*I Denotes Industry Certification available through Course)
Contact your Guidance Counselor to register.

2020/2021 Planned CABAM Events:

Due to Covid-19/Corona, many of these are tentative and subject to cancellation, or change in regard to dates, content, and delivery.

- Business Field Trips
 - Business in New York Career & College Fair
 - Community Service Projects
 - Field Trips
 - End of Year Celebration
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9th/10th Grade Chapter (#15384)

- Current President: Harmoni Stanford
- President Elect (9th Grade Member)
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Parliamentarian
- Historian

11th/12th Grade Chapter (#15385)

- Current President: Ali Davidov
- President Elect (11th Grade Member)
- Vice President (12th Grade Member)
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Parliamentarian
- Historian

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Meetings:

- Virtually on Microsoft Teams,
- 2nd Wednesday of each month
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