December 2, 2022

**COMMUNIGATOR HOLIDAY SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS**

12/16/22 / 1/6/23

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Perry Hall High School has a tremendous amount to be thankful for. This includes nearly 750 students who made the honor roll first quarter, almost 150 students with a perfect 4.0 GPA first, an amazing musical last weekend, an exciting fall athletics season, and much, much, more. To stay up to date on all the great things happening at PHHS, please follow any of our social media accounts (all can be easily accessed at https://perryhallhs.bcps.org/)

This message includes several important reminders about school procedures. Please spend a few moments reviewing these and, where appropriate, reviewing these with your student.

Contact Information

- It is extremely important that school has current contact information for all students. This message is being sent as a voice call and email, if you didn’t get both, please contact us.
- As a reminder, anytime your address changes you must notify us. Failure to do so may result in your student being withdrawn.

Ready To Learn + Appropriate Clothing

- Device, charger, backpack, paper, and pen or pencil must be brought to school every day.
- Cell phones may not be used during class.
- Families are encouraged to use technology such as “Do Not Disturb” setting on phones to help students be less distracted and more able to focus on their studies.
- Ski masks may not be worn inside.
- Blankets may not be carried.

Safety

- Exterior doors may not be opened during the school day.
- Refrain from opening exterior doors for others.
- Food delivery services not permitted, even to the main office.
- Do not leave the school building except to attend a classroom in a trailer or if you have early dismissal.
- Students are not permitted in the wooded area on the edge of the property during school hours.
- Lighters, vapes, and any items associated with smoking or vaping are prohibited on school grounds and at all school events. These items will be confiscated.
- If you see something unsafe or concerning, please tell a staff member. See something, say something!
- All students are assigned a daily lunch period. Students must report to the cafeteria at the assigned time. Students may only leave the cafeteria with a pass.
- Students are reminded that loitering in the restrooms is not allowed at any time.
- Use of the school elevator is limited to students with an approved pass from the health suite.

Please note:
Items where the heading is highlighted in gray are repeated from prior updates and print is faded.
Grades + Attendance

- Families are encouraged to actively monitor their students’ grades and attendance.
- Students who are chronically absent (10% or more of the school days) fail classes nearly 10 times as often as students with low absence rates (3% or less). Attendance Matters!
- Though I don’t have data to support this, I am certain that students whose families review their grades with them weekly have much higher grades on average. As the parent of a student in BCPS, I know this is easy to skip, hard to find the time to do, etc. but I know too that it really helps!
- Over 99% of students who fail a class do so because they have missing assignments. This is easily monitored and easily avoidable.
- Parent accounts may be created in Schoology to monitor grades and assignment completion. Schoology also allows families to get email notifications to help with grade monitoring!
- Parents can also monitor their student’s records, contact information, report cards and credits, attendance, and more through Focus.
- Directions for both Schoology and Focus can be found at www.BCPS.org, https://perryhallhs.bcps.org, and in most editions of the Communigator (also available on the PHHS website).
- Each teacher at PHHS offers coach class weekly. If your student is missing work or needs help, this is by far the best way to get it! Need even more help? Our National Honor Society offers tutoring too! Details can be found in the Communigator!

Dismissal

- Students must exit the building at dismissal.
- Students staying for coach class, extracurriculars or athletics should report directly to those locations.
- Students may not wait for rides inside the building.
- In rare circumstances if a ride is late, students should report to the main office to wait.
- Seniors with early release must leave the building after their last period of the day.

Athletics + Extra-Curriculars

- Perry Hall High School students are strongly encouraged to participate in extra-curricular activities and/or athletics. A complete list of current extracurricular activities is sent home in the bi-weekly Communigator.
- Student must be in “Good Standing” to attend after school events, including athletic events and dances. Students are considered to be in good standing if they are passing 7 or their 8 classes and have no outstanding obligations (unserved detentions or financial obligations) and have not been suspended in the previous quarter.
- Following evening events at school (athletic events, plays, concerts, etc.) school staff will provide supervision for up to 30 minutes. Families are strongly encouraged to plan ahead for transportation home, and to arrive early when possible.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about any matter big or small, don’t hesitate to contact me direct and myself or a member of the team will get back to you as soon as we can.

Sincerely,
Craig Reed
Principal
Perry Hall High School
Athletics

THIS WEEK AT PERRY HALL

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Monday
4:00 PM: JV Boys' Basketball @ Edgewood HS
4:00 PM: JV Girls' Basketball @ Home vs. Edgewood HS
5:30 PM: Varsity Boys' Basketball @ Edgewood HS
5:30 PM: Varsity Girls' Basketball @ Home vs. Edgewood HS

6
Tuesday
4:00 PM: Varsity Wrestling @ Home vs. Deerles HS and Towson HS

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Wednesday
4:00 PM: JV Boys' Basketball @ Home vs. Loch Raven HS
4:00 PM: JV Girls' Basketball @ Loch Raven HS
5:30 PM: Varsity Boys' Basketball @ Home vs. Loch Raven HS
5:30 PM: Varsity Girls' Basketball @ Loch Raven HS

8
Thursday
NO EVENTS

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Friday
4:00 PM: Varsity Wrestling @ Aberdeen Duals, Aberdeen High School
4:00 PM: JV Girls' Basketball @ Milford Mill Academy
4:00 PM: JV Boys' Basketball @ Home vs. Milford Mill Academy
5:30 PM: Varsity Girls' Basketball @ Milford Mill Academy
5:30 PM: Varsity Boys' Basketball @ Home vs. Milford Mill Academy

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Saturday
10:00 AM: Varsity Wrestling @ Aberdeen Duals, Aberdeen High School

DECEMBER 5 - 10
#HALLPRIDE
Athletics-cont’d

**THIS WEEK AT PERRY HALL**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12**
- 4:00 PM: JV Boys’ Basketball @ Home vs. Carver Center
- 4:00 PM: JV Girls’ Basketball @ Carver Center
- 5:30 PM: Varsity Boys’ Basketball @ Home vs. Carver Center
- 5:30 PM: Varsity Girls’ Basketball @ Carver Center

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13**
- NO EVENTS

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14**
- 3:15 PM: Allied Bocce @ Parkville HS
- 3:45 PM: Indoor Track at Fifth Regiment Armory
- 4:00 PM: JV Boys’ Basketball @ Home vs. Bel Air HS
- 4:00 PM: JV Girls’ Basketball @ Bel Air HS
- 5:30 PM: Varsity Boys’ Basketball @ Home vs. Bel Air HS
- 5:30 PM: Varsity Girls’ Basketball @ Bel Air HS

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15**
- 4:00 PM: Varsity Wrestling Tri Meet @ Patapsco HS, vs. Randallstown HS

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16**
- 4:00 PM: Varsity Wrestling @ South Carroll Duals, South Carroll High School
- 4:00 PM: JV Girls’ Basketball @ Home vs. Parkville HS
- 4:00 PM: JV Boys’ Basketball @ Parkville HS
- 5:30 PM: Varsity Girls’ Basketball @ Home vs. Parkville HS
- 5:30 PM: Varsity Boys’ Basketball @ Parkville HS

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17**
- 10:00 AM: Varsity Wrestling @ South Carroll Duals, South Carroll High School
- 10:00 AM: JV Wrestling @ Parkville HS

**DECEMBER 12 - 17 #HALLPRIDE**
Athletic Boosters

Meetings will take place in the Coaches Room (around the back of the school near the gym) at 7pm the Second Monday of every month.

***Due to unforeseen circumstances dates and times are subject to change

9/12 10/10
11/14 12/12
1/09 2/13
3/13 4/10
5/08 6/12
Senior prom will be held on Friday, May 19, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Valley Mansion in Hunt Valley.

Graduation will be held on Saturday, June 3, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at Towson University SECU Arena.

**CAP AND GOWN**

Don’t forget to order your cap and gown! The last day to order before the price increase is January 31, 2023!

**CLASS OF 2023 SCHOOLOGY PAGE**

Stay up to date with information for seniors by joining our class Schoology page. All seniors and their parents are encouraged to join! Access code: J38F-V7P5-WVKHK
*Completer Awareness Week is December 12-16. Get ready to hear from our 10 different completer programs!

*Registration for next year's classes and 6-year plan meetings for all students begins on December 13 and runs until the end of February. Students will receive a presentation on December 13 and 14 and have time to make preliminary course choices by December 22. These choices will be reviewed with the student's school counselor in one-to-one 6-year plan meetings to make sure they align with future goals. Please encourage this by having conversations about what your child is thinking about doing after high school. Please also encourage them to make preliminary choices in FOCUS between December 13-22. These courses can be adjusted later in the one-to-one meetings with their school counselors. Lastly, schedules can be adjusted in August during the schedule change process. Schedule changes will not be made once the school year begins.
Did you know our school has a completely stocked food pantry that you can access to take food home for you and your family? All you have to do is reach out to Ms. Strauss and she will have bags ready for you to take home by the end of the day or for your parents/guardians to pick up. If you have any questions, stop by room 150-B and speak to Ms. Strauss.”

CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE SENIOR GATORS ON THEIR COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES!

SANIYA CHEATOM — PENN STATE
JADA FUENTES — SALISBURY, STEVENSON
DELANEY GREEN — ALVERnia, BLOOMSBURG, CAPITOL TECHNOLOGY,
ELIZABETHTOWN, JOHNSON & WALES, MORGAN STATE, YORK
ERIC KOPALCHICK — YORK
KAYLEE NG — CHESTNUT HILL, NEW HAVEN, PENN STATE, ROGER WILLIAMS,
TEMPLE,
LIZ ROWAN — SALISBURY, SHIPPENSBURG
EFRATA TESFAYE — EASTERN
FAITH WIGGINS — NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY MD, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

To see your name here, please submit a copy of your acceptance letter or email to Ms. Campbell via Schoology or scampbell3@bcps.org
Auditions for this year's production of Fiddler on the Roof will be held on Dec 14th, 15th and 16th.

The PHHS Environmental Club will hold its next meeting on 12/13.
Music Department

Winter Choral Concerts 2022

Monday, December 5, 7:00 p.m.
- 3A Concert Choir
- Tenor/Bass Chorale
- Treble Chorus

Tuesday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.
- 1B/4B Concert Choir
- Chamber Choir
- Select Choir

WINTER INSTRUMENTAL CONCERTS

- Wednesday December 7, 7:00pm – All Orchestras
- Thursday December 8, 7:00pm – All Bands
- Friday December 9, 7:00pm – Guitar and Steel Pan Groove Ensemble

All concerts are free and open to the public – please come and support our fantastic musicians!

Doors open at 6:45pm each night!
Perry Hall High’s NHS is working with students to support KIDS HELPING HOPKINS by holding a LINKS Sale. We will be selling LINKS in A-Day homerooms between November 21st and December 16th. Students will attach LINKS in homerooms, showing a chain of support for the Johns Hopkins Children’s Center. All LINKS sale funds will benefit children and families at Hopkins to help pay for their needs and support numerous special services. Let's see which homerooms can create the longest LINK!!!
Remember Holiday in the Hall? This year, in addition to music in the halls, we are amping it up with an in-school, holiday-themed talent competition. And when we say competition we mean it—judges, student votes, and prizes, REAL prizes totaling over $500. We’re looking for any kind of act—solos, duets, groups, singing, dancing, comedy, you name it.

You must audition to be included on one of the following dates:


If you’re a senior and leave early, or have sports or work after school, you can come during your lunch—see Fischer for a pass ahead of time) you are welcome to audition on:

Wednesday Dec. 14th period 3B or Thursday, Dec. 15th period 2A in the Auditorium. Sign up outside of room 153!

All of this information is also available on the school scroll. See Ms. Fischer in room 153 or Ms. Soule in the Dance Studio if you have any questions.
We want to hear from you! What are you grateful for here at the Hall? Complete our grateful gator survey and have your message shared on our broadcast!

Picture Day

Picture Retake Day for students in grades 9-11 has been rescheduled for December 5th. Students who were signed up for the original day will be reissued a pass through their A Day homeroom teacher. Scan the QR code if you would like to be issued a pass for make-up picture day. See Mrs. Richardson in room 113 if you have any questions.
SAT Administration Dates @ The Hall
Perry Hall High School will host the SAT National Administration on the following Saturdays during the 2022 – 2023 school year.

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Need to register or more information? Go to [http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org) and login with your College Board account. Select **Register Now**!

🌟 **Important:** If you plan to take the SAT at Perry Hall High on any of these dates, please report to the front entrance of the building by the flagpole at 7:30AM. Please bring your test day registration ticket and your physical photo ID. If you have standard testing, it will be over around approximately 12:30PM. If you have extended time testing, it will be over around 1:30PM. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Parlette @ aparlette@bcps.org or in Room 217.
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REGISTER TODAY
*The yearbook would like to feature pictures from your holiday traditions and New Year’s Eve Celebrations. Email photos to hallwaysyearbook@gmail.com or you can upload them HERE if you have the google drive app on your phone.

* The 2022-2023 Yearbook is currently in production, and we want your photos! The Hallways Yearbook staff is collecting photos to tell the story of what Gators did over the summer and this fall, college visits, internships and work experience, and general interesting life outside of school.

Additionally, we’ll accept photos from spirit week, school events, or in general anything that helps feature the best of what our Gators are up to. Using BCPS credentials students can upload photos directly to the 22-23 PHHS photo sharing folder HERE.

Students and parents can also email photos to hallwaysyearbook@gmail.com along with a brief description to help us caption the images. Help create your yearbook and us your pics!
Quick Tips, Links & Resources

DECEMBER’S MEETING TOPIC: BCPS NE HIGH SCHOOL STUDY
BCPS Speaker: Mr. Pete Dixit

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022 | 7:00 PM
JOIN ZOOM MEETING
HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/87309364674
MEETING ID: 873 0936 4674

Happy Holidays! Before we begin our Holiday Break, join us for a meeting on a review of the BCPS NorthEast Area High School Study. Don’t miss this meeting.

This meeting will be an opportunity for the stakeholders and community members to learn more about the High School Study from BCPS Staff. A presentation will be given followed by a Q & A session.

Questions: Contact NEAEAC at neaeac@gmail.com
Find us on FB at facebook.com/nebcps
Next Meeting: Monday, January 9, 2023 at 7 pm (Virtual Meeting)
Topic: Equity and Cultural Proficiency
Quick Tips, Links & Resources—cont’d

- Want to submit a notice, flyer or information in the Communigator? Please use the links below.
  PHHS Media Submission Form

- Attendance questions:
  spatton3@bcps.org

- BCPS Website:
  Home – Baltimore County Public Schools (bcps.org)

- Clubs:
  Club List 2022–2023

- Counseling:
  Phone Number–443-809-5110
  *Do you need service learning hours? Mrs. Alic updated your class Schoology page and the service learning bulletin board, so you can access the necessary forms and register for local events to earn hours. Please make sure to track and submit your hours with the appropriate forms and signatures.

- FOCUS Links:
  SET-UP Parent Link
  Navigate FOCUS Account

- PTSA:
  PTSA Website

- School Information:
  Home – Perry Hall High (bcps.org)
  Phone Number–443-809-5108
  Fax Number–443-809-5116

- School Nurse: 443–809–8840

- Transportation:
  Transportation/Student Parking Permits
Quick Tips, Links & Resources—cont’d

- Transportation questions:
  Transportation_contactus@bcps.org / 443-809-4321
  jworthington2@bcps.org
  mbaikauskas@bcps.org

Universal Fee Waiver:

If you qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch this year, you also qualify for benefits such as FREE SAT/ACT TESTS, COLLEGE APPLICATION FEE WAIVERS, AND UNLIMITED SAT SCORE SENDS TO COLLEGES (Juniors and Seniors)!

In order to make sure that you are receiving these benefits, you must fill out and return the Universal Fee Waiver Benefit form, every school year.

Parents can do this online through FOCUS. Directions to complete this are attached.

Parents can also submit a completed paper form to the PHHS School Counseling Office or electronically to lcurran@bcps.org. A fillable PDF is also attached.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED BY OCTOBER 24TH TO BE VALID FOR THIS YEAR TO ENSURE YOU RECEIVE ALL OF THE BENEFITS NOTED!

Universal Fee Waiver and Benefits Permission Letter for SY2022.23 (1).pdf

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Quick Tips, Links & Resources—cont’d

Perry Hall High
Food Pantry

Available to any student or family member in need. To gain access, please reach out to PHHS school social worker, Ms. Strauss, in room 150-B. You can also e-mail jstrauss3@beps.org or call (443-809-7441).

PHHS, as a community, understands times are hard. We are here for you!
Quick Tips, Links & Resources—cont’d

Resources for Prospective Students and Families

Perry Hall High School offers the following opportunities to visit and learn more about us.

Parent Visit during American Education Week 11/14-11/18 from 7:45 AM-2:30 PM
Please come prepared with your driver’s license/ID to be signed in to the school’s Raptor system. During this week parents are able to sign in and come to the School Counseling Office to receive a generic schedule (either academic or advanced academic) and sit in on classes. You will also receive a map to help navigate the school.

Student Shadow Day during American Ed. Week 11/17 from 7:45 AM-2:30 PM
Parents must contact the school counseling office prior to November 19th. Parents (bring ID) will need to escort their student to/from the school counseling office the day of the shadow to sign in/out (PHHS bus transportation is not available for shadows). The school counselor will arrange a student who fits your child’s academic needs to shadow. Students are encouraged to participate in a half day shadow in morning or afternoon.

PHHS Showcase and Open House Night November 16 6PM Tentative
An event for current and incoming students to receive information from various departments regarding the many completers, courses and programs that are offered.

February 23rd Shadow Day Snow Date March 2 from 7:45AM-2:30 PM
Parents must contact the school counseling office by February 21 to arrange. Parents (bring ID) will need to escort their student to/from the school counseling office the day of the shadow to sign in/out (PHHS bus transportation is not available for shadows). The school counselor will arrange a student who fits your child’s academic needs to shadow. Students are encouraged to participate in a half day shadow in morning or afternoon. A school note is available upon request.

Other Resources:
Perry Hall High School Website https://perryhallhs.bcps.org/
BCPS Website www.bcps.org
List of Completer Programs and AP Courses at PHHS http://perryhallhs.bcps.org/school_counseling/academics_and_completer_programs
School Counseling Office 443-809-5110