



# Portsmouth High School



Weekly Bulletin ~ September 16, 2019

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## **Bulletin Announcements**

**THERE ARE  GUIDANCE ANNOUNCEMENTS** Guidance announcements are located further down in this document. Click on the links above to navigate directly to those sections.

*REMINDER! Many of these announcements have been read over the PA system during the Daily Morning Announcements. So, even though the meeting dates seem to be short notice, (i.e. today or tomorrow), students have been made aware of these meetings for multiple days.*

*The Daily Announcements and Afternoon / Athletic Announcements are posted daily on our website. To view them, click on the following links: [Daily Announcements](#) -or- [Afternoon/Athletics Announcements](#).*



**Early Release – Wednesday, September 18, 2019 – Students will be dismissed at 12:55**



**PHS Open House – September 19, 2019**

Our annual PHS Open House will be held on **Thursday, September 19, 2019** at 6:00 pm. We feel that getting parents into school during the first month of school, will go a long way toward ensuring student success for the remainder of the year.

By attending our Open House, you will get an opportunity to meet your child’s teachers, sit in his/her classrooms, walk the halls and get a good feel for what he/she experiences every day at school. *Please note: this format does not allow for individual conferences with teachers. However, parents should feel free to communicate with teachers through email to schedule an individual appointment should one be necessary.*

The program will begin with a brief presentation in the auditorium at 6:00 sharp. At 6:16, we will begin an abbreviated eight-period “school-day” where parents will have the opportunity to follow their child’s schedule.

**Senior Parents are invited a Senior Project protocols meeting from 5:30 to 6:00 in the auditorium.**



**PHSO AT PHS OPEN HOUSE** Please stop by the PHSO table in the foyer at the Open House to learn how you can support our students.

- We have a NEW Job Shadowing program for Juniors. We need your help to take a child with you to work. You can make the difference in the life of a child who is uncertain of what they want to do once High School ends. A rewarding experience for both you and the Juniors.
- You can drop off your completed VIS form to us.
- Or stop by for a quick opportunity to fill out your VIS form and sign up on the school website. Please bring your Driver’s License for us to copy.
- There is a \$5 charge for the background check. We will be happy to pay this for you if you are unable to cover the cost.
- Donations will be accepted to help us support all the programs we sponsor.
- Or stop by with your ideas and concerns plus the solutions you have for those concerns!



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**MOCK TRIAL MEETING:** The first Mock Trial meeting will be **Thursday, September 19, 2019**, in Ms. Perry's Room in G-7. It's an introductory meeting so anyone is welcome! Any questions please see Ms. Perry.



**AFTER SCHOOL LIBRARY PROGRAM** The After School Library Program, that runs from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM takes place Monday – Friday. The program is staffed by a faculty member. Students can enter through doors 4 or 5. Students who are in the building after school during this time, either waiting for a ride or perhaps waiting for practice, should utilize this opportunity for quiet time to complete school work. A 5:00 PM bus for Little Compton students will be available.



**STUDENT HANDBOOK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** Attention All Students: As mentioned during the grade level assemblies, your electronic acknowledgement of the Student Handbook is due **tomorrow, September 17, 2019**. The link was sent to your student email.



**LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY** There will be a Language Honor Society meeting on **Monday, September 16, 2019 at 2:00 PM** in the cafeteria. All students who were re-inducted or newly inducted last April are expected to attend. Please see Mrs. Tisdale if you have any questions



**COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB:** The Community Service Club meeting will be **Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 2:00 PM** in room G-1. All are welcome to join us!



**PHS COLLEGE NIGHT:** Attention Seniors and Parents! Please join the school counselors **Thursday, September 26, 2019** from 5:30 – 7:30 in the PHS Library for College Night. The college application process, Common AP, FAFSA, SAT/ACT and everything else related to the college admissions will be discussed. For those interested in financial aid, there will be an upcoming night dedicated specifically to financial aid in October or November.



**JAZZ BAND AUDITIONS:** Jazz Band auditions will be held after school on **Wednesday, September 25, 2019** and **Thursday, September 26, 2019**. Any student who is interested in auditioning should see Mr. Rausch in the music suite to sign up for an audition and to receive an audition packet.



**JUNIOR PARKING:** Attention Juniors that are parking on the one-way. Please do not walk on the road after exiting your car. There are many cars driving on the one-way to drop students off at school. Students should walk in the grass area to keep the roadway clear.

**EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORMS** The (yellow) Emergency Information Forms were distributed on the first day of school during advisory. **Students must return these forms ASAP.** Forms can be turned into the Nurse's Office, Main Office, or Guidance Office. If a student has lost their Emergency Form, please stop by the nurse's office to get another. Parents, please make sure to review all the pre-printed information and sign the form.

**THE KATE GRANA AUDITORIUM DEDICATION** After two years of extremely hard work, the Kate Grana Music and Arts Association is proud to announce the completion of Phase 1 in their efforts to renovate the Portsmouth High School Auditorium and music suites. Please join us on **September 24, 2019 from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM** for a night of cheer as we dedicate The Kate Grana Auditorium and cut the ribbon on this fantastic space. This night will be your first opportunity to experience the state-of-the-art lighting and sound systems, all while sitting in our brand new seats. It is truly a cause for celebration as we bring this theater into the 21st century

**LISTSERV MESSAGES** If you are not receiving emails from "PORTSMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL" or "PORTSMOUTH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT", then your email in our system is not correct. Please call the main office (683-2124) to request a new emergency form for updates.



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**A/B CALENDAR** The A/B Calendar for 2019-2020 has been posted on the PHS website. It is under "Quick Links" on the left side of the homepage. Or, click here to view it.

**DAILY MORNING & ATHLETICS/AFTERNOON ANNOUNCEMENTS** The verbal announcements that are recited each morning and afternoon are now posted on our website daily. They are located in the upper right side under "Announcements". Click here: [PHS Website](#) to view our homepage.

## **Guidance Department Announcements**



**10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL COLLEGE FAIR AT MCCOY STADIUM:** The College Planning Center of Rhode Island will be holding their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual College Fair at McCoy Stadium on **Monday, September 23, 2019 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM**. Students who pre-register for the fair will be entered into a drawing for a scholarship. To pre-register, please visit their website at [www.cpcri.org](http://www.cpcri.org). If you have any questions, please call the RISLA College Planning Center at 401-736-3170 or email [scrooks@cpri.org](mailto:scrooks@cpri.org).

## **College/Military Visits**



**REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FOLLOWING COLLEGES WILL BE AT PHS THIS WEEK:** Providence College, Western New England University, Marist College, Endicott College, Roanoke College, Manhattanville College, Simmons College, Tulane University and Colby College. Please email Mrs. Vye at [vyek@portsmouthschoolsri.org](mailto:vyek@portsmouthschoolsri.org) or [phsguidance@portsmouthschoolsri.org](mailto:phsguidance@portsmouthschoolsri.org) if you would like a pass to meet with any of the representatives.

## **College OPEN HOUSE Information**

(sorted by Institution)

- ❖ **New England Carpenters Training Fund Apprenticeship Program** will be holding an Information Session on the first Monday of every month (the following Monday if a holiday falls on the first Monday), at 6:00 p.m. sharp at the New England Carpenters Training Center, 13 Holman Road, Millbury, MA 01527. For additional information, contact the New England Carpenters Training Center, 13 Holman Road, Millbury, MA 01527, by phone: 508-792-5443, Option 2, email: [info@nectf.org](mailto:info@nectf.org) or visit their website at [www.nectf.org](http://www.nectf.org) and click on *Become an Apprentice*.