

From the Principal

Greetings PHHS Families,

It is hard to believe that Marking Period 1 is wrapping up already! Please take time to log into Schoology to check on your child's progress and reach out to teachers and counselors for support as appropriate. We want all of our students to have a strong finish! Marking Period 1 ends on Friday, November 3rd.

Mark your Calendars

- Thursday, November 2nd Make-up Picture Day
- Friday, November 3rd 3 Hour Early Dismissal Marking Period 1 Ends
- Monday, November 13th Schools Closed Professional Development Day

Cell Phones & Parental Controls

Many students continue to be distracted by cell phones which negatively impacts their achievement. Research also tells us that there is a significant correlation between the amount of time teens spend on phones/social media and mental health disorders. We understand the need for families to communicate during the day, however students do not require unregulated internet access during the school day. The most efficient and effective way to help your child reduce their cell phone use in school (while maintaining their ability to communicate with you, and you with them) is to set screen time. Both Apple and Android have a FREE suite of tools to assist you:

Apple Parental Controls

Apple has an entire suite of tools for parents to use on iPhones and iPads. You can set permissions to download apps, set content/privacy restrictions, set a screen time passcode for screen time management, and more. All of these are free in your iPhone settings app.

Android Parental Controls

Android has several options in the settings app that include setting screen time limits, managing what apps your teen can download, and more. All these options are free on your Android phone. This page also has options for your Alexa and other Google products as well.

For additional tools to monitor apps and social media, consider these tools and services:



This is an app that has a premium service linked to it where you can pay a monthly fee for more complex monitoring. It includes a dashboard and scheduling feature, as well as monitoring of your child's social media activities.



This is another app that charges a monthly fee but is highly rated. It will filter out websites, blocks inappropriate content, monitors calls and messages, as well as all web activity.



Another highly rated premium monthly fee app for parents. This app contains notifications about potential cyberbullying or mental health issues via its premium suite of tools.



Student IDs & Make-up Picture Day

We are pleased to provide all PHHS students with photo identification cards. Students' ability to demonstrate they are a member of our school community with a Student ID is important in ensuring the safety of students and staff. During the week of October 23rd, students will receive their photo ID in English class.

Beginning Monday, October 30th students will be expected to carry their Student ID at all times during school and at all school sponsored events. Student IDs will be required to purchase tickets, enter athletic contests and school events, and check out library books. Students should be prepared to show their ID to any staff member when requested. The cost to replace a lost ID is \$5.00.

Make up picture day for students who missed the original date or would like a retake will be November 2nd. Any student who did not receive an ID or who would like to request a pass for make-up picture day should complete the form <u>HERE</u> or email Mrs. Richardson <u>Lrichardson3@bcps.orq</u>.

Update for Seniors: We understand seniors' Student IDs were not included in the first round of distribution. For those seniors who have already had their senior portrait taken, those IDs will be delivered in the next week or so. For those having senior portraits in November, you'll receive your ID at a later date. Thank you for your patience.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT PERRY HALL HIGH SCHOOL 2024 GRADUATION

We are excited to announce that our commencement ceremony is scheduled to take place on Friday May 31, 2024, at 10:00 am. Our students will participate in asynchronous learning for the school day. Classes will resume on Monday June 3, 2024.



AP Capstone Diplomas

The AP Capstone Diploma is an advanced high school diploma program developed by the College Board, the same organization that administers the Advanced Placement (AP) program. It is designed to provide high school students with an opportunity to engage in college-level research, writing, and critical thinking skills.

To earn the AP Capstone Diploma, students must successfully complete both AP Seminar and AP Research, as well as four additional AP courses of their choice and earn a score of 3 or higher on the AP exams for those courses.

Last year, only 15,800 students in the world earned the AP Capstone Diploma. Here are our diploma recipients for 2023. Post-secondary plans are included for graduates.

Class of 2023

Eman Chattha- Duke University
Sydney Smolenski- Frostburg State University
Mya Toolaabee- Towson University
Rachael Wheatley- Stevenson University
Faith Wiggins- UCLA

Class of 2024

Darshana Adhikari Ronelaire Cafirma Alessandra Hayden Shribani Singh

For more information about the AP Capstone program, please email Ms. Turner (cturner@bcps.org) or Ms. Diana Bostian (dbostian@bcps.org)



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Information about AP Testing/Opting out deadline.

Q: If the test is free, when/why would I be charged a fee?

A.When a student joins AP classroom they are automatically registered for the AP Exam for that course. If a student wishes to opt out (not take the exam) they need to email Ms.Fischer afischer@bcps.org requesting the opt out before November 1st. Students (and their AP teacher) will receive a message back confirming the opting out. If a student doesn't receive a confirmation from Ms.Fischer they should reach out again (check the spelling of the email: afischer@bcps.org). The student and their AP teacher will receive confirmation from Ms.Fischer of the opt out. This also includes students who dropped an AP class. They need to be dropped from the AP Classroom by Nov.1 to avoid a test being ordered.

Description of Fees associated with AP testing	Cost Per
	Exam
Late order fee (If you opt out and change your mind)	\$40 per
Exams ordered between November 1 and March 15 for full- year or first-semester courses incur a late order fee. This fee	exam
doesn't pertain to students that transfer into the school.	
Unused/canceled exam fee	\$40 per
If you decide after the November ordering deadline not to	exam
take an exam that was ordered for you, the charge is \$40 per exam instead of the full exam fee. The \$40 fee applies to any	
unused or canceled exam, including an exam ordered for a	
student who qualifies for a College Board fee reduction. It's	
important to tell your AP coordinator if you decide not to	
take an exam. Failure to sit for this exam still incurs the \$40	
fee. This fee doesn't apply if you transfer out of a school.	

PH AP Testing info for Students/Guardians Schoology page (was granted access today) I suggest sharing with your parents/students: D356-594V-TT6DX.



Athletics-RULES

Perry Hall High School is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all staff, students and spectators participating in athletic events. Athletic programs positively impact the community, and it is our expectation that student athlete and spectator behaviors reflect our core values of teamwork and sportsmanship. Attendance at athletic events is a privilege.

To ensure Perry Hall events remain safe and family-oriented, we are asking all members of the community to do their part:

- All Tickets will be sold online with <u>Ticket Spicket</u>.
 - For PHHS Football Games: All PHHS student ticket sales will be PRE-SOLD during lunch shifts. NO STUDENT TICKET SALES at the gate; no exceptions.
- All BCPS and school rules apply.
 - All PHHS students must be socially eligible to purchase a ticket and/or attend extra-curricular activities:
 - Academics no more than one failing grade at the time of the event
 - Attendance no unexcused absences or class cuts
 - Behavior students may be socially suspended from events for serious and/or repeated offenses.
- Elementary and middle school students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for the duration of the event.
- No bags or backpacks permitted.
 - Small clutch bags, no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" (approximately the size of a hand), medically necessary items, and diaper bags may be subject to search prior to entry.
- No Re-entry.
- No loitering on school grounds during or after events.
 - Students or guests loitering on campus will be asked to leave immediately.
 - Students must be picked up promptly at the conclusion of the event.
 - Football games generally last 2 to 2.5 hours.
 - PHHS staff will make repeated announcements for students to arrange transportation near the end of the event.
- Anyone engaging in violent or criminal behavior at an event will be removed from the
 premises immediately and not be permitted to return to any BCPS campus for
 athletics or extra-curricular activities for a period of no less than 90 days. Students
 will be subject to serious school and legal consequences.

Thank you for your partnership in ensuring the safety of all who attend and participate in BCPS athletic events.



Book Club

Book club is off to a great start - and it's not too late to join us! See Ms. Adams for Schoology group access and join us at our next meeting.





Counseling-Seniors

Attention Senior Families - The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (the FAFSA) is undergoing many changes. Because of this, it will NOT open on October 1st. A final date has not been set but we anticipate that it will open in December. Because of this, we are cancelling our October Financial Aid evening and will reschedule it once we have more details.

Below is a general information sheet. Even though you cannot complete the FAFSA until December, you CAN begin the process by obtaining an FSA ID for students and contributors (parents). That way, when it does open, you are ready to go!

Go to https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch to get started!



Financial Aid Night

Monday, December 4th at 6:30 pm via Google Meet.

Use code: https://meet.google.com/quc-wsfe-gag

This virtual session will feature a financial aid expert from PNC to discuss changes to the 24–25 FAFSA, scholarships and grants, the College Promise Scholarship and how to get the most financial aid for your post-secondary plans including trade school, community college and 4-year college.

This session is geared toward high school seniors and their families, but anyone is welcome!

Please see the attached flier regarding an interest meeting for the CCBC ECAP program on November 1st. This will be general information for those students interested in taking free classes through CCBC. Presenters will include BCPS and CCBC representatives.





Gator Bistro

Are you interested in supporting The FALS students will be opening their student-run coffee shop, the Gator Bistro, during B, C, and D lunches. It is located across from the cafeteria next door to the custodial department. Stop by for a hot beverage! \$1.50 for a coffee, tea, apple cider, or hot chocolate.

Gator Bistro will be open Mondays thru Thursdays.

We hope to see you there!

Thank you for your support, FALS Staff



Open Mondays-Thursdays during B, C and D lunches



Girls Golf

Congratulations to Cora Hollenback for finishing 2nd place in the county Drive/Chip and Putt competition Cora tied for first place but finished 2nd after 2 tie-breakers.





National Honor Society-Science

Juniors and Seniors: Do you love science? Do you want to learn more about science topics? Join the Science National Honor Society.
Seniors-

Picture Day

Seniors the next round of senior portraits here at PHHS is coming soon. Visit legacystudios.com to schedule your appointment.



Underclassman-

Make up picture day is coming for students in grades 9-11 Thursday November 2 which is an "A day". If you missed picture day in September or want a retake, complete the form to request a pass. Picture make up day passes will be delivered to your A1 homeroom teacher the morning of November 2nd. Pictures can be purchased through shop.legacystudios.com using the code provided on your screen.



PTA SEL

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Parent Teacher Association Special Education Liaison

A Special Education Liaison (SEL)

- is a parent volunteer who has a child with an IEP or a 504 Plan
- works closely with the PTA and school staff to be a resource in the school community regarding the needs of children with disabilities
- is a valuable position that models the importance of advocacy and the positive impact it has on the school and community
- must be a PTA member in good standing and be approved by the school team

The mission of the Special Education Resource Center is to promote positive, effective partnerships within the school community.

Do you have a child with an IEP or a 504
Plan?
Join your PTA,
become a PTA SEL
and contribute
meaningfully to
your school
community!

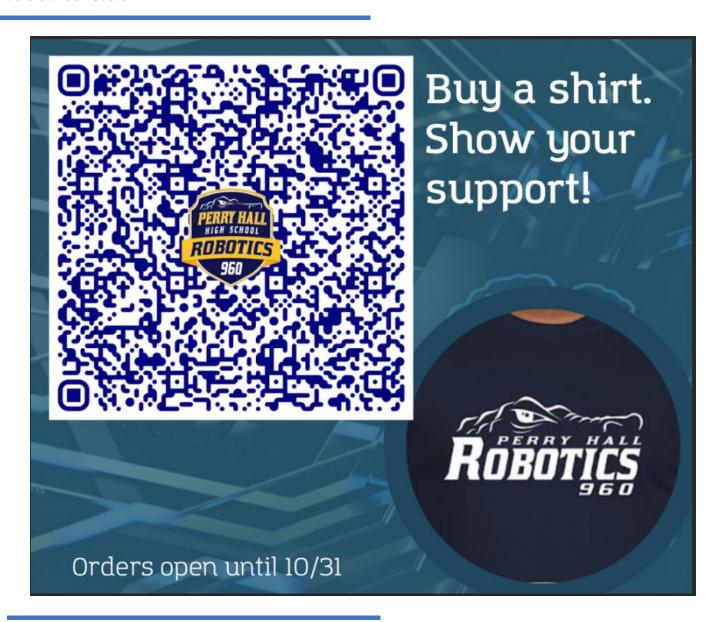
Interested? Contact SERC!

Special Education Resource Center White Oak School 8401 Leefield Rd, Baltimore, MD 21234 (443) 809-5443 serc@bcps.org





Robotics Club



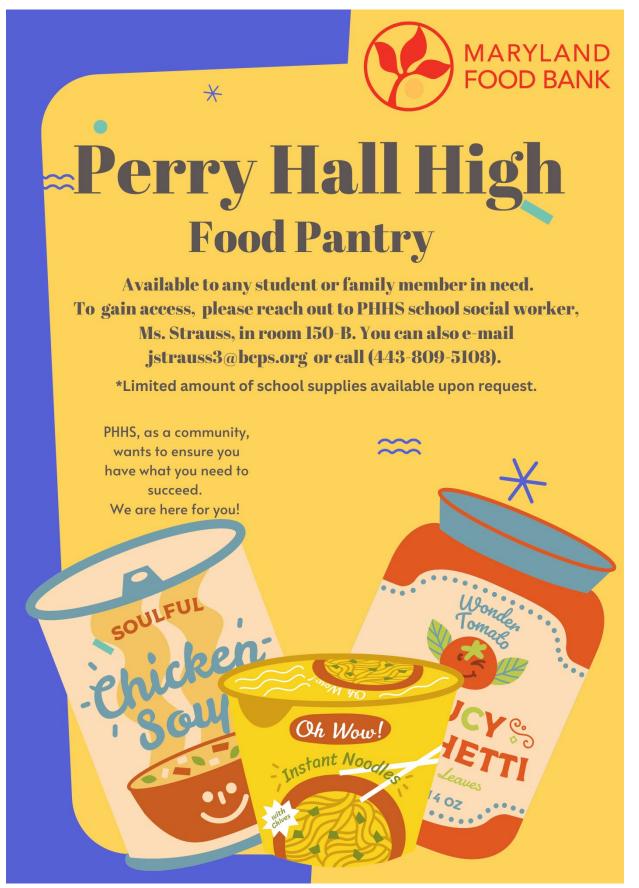
Yearbook

Seniors it's time to select your quote and activities to be featured under your senior portraits in the yearbook. Submit your write up using the Microsoft form. You may only submit ONE response, and it must be completed by November 22nd.



Class of 2024 Senior Quotes & Activities







Class of 2024:

Mr. Henry, Mr. Ricciardi Planning for spirit wear, fundraising, and class activities. Rm 113, Wed(Steering Committee Only) 2:45 to 3:45 Schoology Code: 5VHC-DKV3-KXZ8T

Class of 2025:

Honor Hartman and Heather Evans. Plan fun class events & fundraisers. 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month 2:30-3pm. Rm 5 Schoology MG4R-PQNX-37H29

Class of 2026:

Ms. Birmingham and Ms Alam: Instead of complaining about the things you don't like that, get involved and do something about it. Every other Thurs in Room 2. Schoology code: 3QN3-F2S5-SVCRV.

Class of 2027:

Honor Societies

Art National Honor Society
Mr. Whipple: Students enrolled in art classes may apply to the society after 1st quarter grades are finalized. Participaté in art related events and can take trips to art museums

Rm 225, 4th Thurs each Month, 2:30-3:30PM

National Honor Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA) Ms. Soule: NHSDA is the honor society open to any student enrolled in dance at Perry Hall High School. Rm 13 3rd Friday each month @ 2:30PM Schoology DVSJ-73PM-3HK3N

English National Honor Society

Ms. Drusano, Maintain a 3.5 overall unweighted cumulative GPA; attend induction each year; attend meetings; yearly dues. Rm 138, TBD Schoology code: Q5PFK-DJJS7

French National Honor Society

Madame Tadman: Recognizes high academic achievement in French and organizes activities for the culture convention, National French week, and field trip opportunities. Qualified students may apply in the spring for membership.

Rm 219, 2nd Tuesday of month @ 2:30PM stadman@bcps.org

International Thespian Honor Society:Mr. Pusateri The mission of ITHS is to honor student excellence in the theatre arts; its motto is "Act well they part; there all the honor lies." ITHS is the Education Theatre Association's student honorary organization. Members are required to participate in theater presentations & service to the theatre program as part of their membership. Rm 148,Friday @ 7AM 2FWT-J5SK-4SRGK

Math Honor Society

Ms. Dube: Love of Mathematics; excitement of competition; accomplishment of problem solving; comradery; fellowship! cdube@bcps.org Rm 202, Thursday 2:30–3:30PM

National Honor Society

TBD:Meet new individuals; become more active in the community through donation drives and charities; able to honor your accomplishments & high academic achievements. Cafeteria, 1st Wednesday of every month

Quill & Scroll Honor Society

Ms. Richardson and Ms. Strazzire, Quill & Scroll National Honor Society is for students who excel in the field of journalism including yearbook and media production. Rm 134, Quarterly Meetings Schoology Code: FGZTX-NTHSV

Science National Honor Society
Ms. Blake & Mr. Yelovich: Juniors and Seniors with
the requisite GPA can apply in October. Members of
SNHS are committed to advancing scientific endeavors to the school and community. They also commit to maintaining an interest in any field of science. Rm 211, 2nd Thursday @ 2:30PM

Social Studies National Honor Society: Rho Kappa Ms. Krause and Mrs. Evans: We acknowledge students who have flourished in the social sciences and are devoted to giving back to their community to promote civic participation. Schoology DF8N-K3R5-98MS8 Rm 139, 2nd Wednesday of the Month @ 2:45pm

Spanish National Honor Society

Ms. da Costa: To further understanding of Spanish and Latin American culture beyond the language. Members help organize the culture convention, celebrate Spanish heritage month, participate in the World Language induction and have field trip opportunities to learn more about Spanish culture.

Tri-M Music Honor Society
Mr. Pusateri: Students are selected on the basis of
musical ability, academic qualification, and
demonstrated leadership skill. Schoology WCG4KG4-33M4Q. Rm 148, Monday @ 7AM



180 Club/Jesus Club: Mr. Roland: Student-led prayers, conversation and connection with God and each other. Everyone is welcome! Rm 215 jroland@bcps.org

African Student Union: Ms. Drusano . Rm 138. Date and Time TBD. mdrusano@bcps.org

Anime Club: Mr. Dagenhart: Watch various animes and have anime-related, manga-related and Japanese-related discussions. Rm 7, Every other Tues 2:45–3:45PM Schoology Code RQNN-JZNP-V8M84

Asian Student Union: Ms.Long

Baking Club/ Gator Bakers: Hartman. Enjoy watching demonstrations, researching, and creating multicultural baking recipes from around the world! Either the 2nd or 4th Wednesday of the month 2:45-4:30pm. Rm. 5. Schoology 3JHS-JR57-R6CJQ

Black Student Union: Ms. Jones and Coach Iweh. An organization encouraging cultural diversity at PHHS, with special regard to students of African descent. Every other Wed. 2:45 - 3:45. Rm 213 K7W7-3KC9-962VC. JJONES27@bcps.org, JIWEH@bcps.org

Book Club: Mrs. Adams: Read & discuss books; share love of story and character; Option to participate in Battle of the Books (partnership w/BCPL) Library, 2-3 Mondays a Month TBA. Schoology:Z89XH-HNQ4B

Chess Club: Mr. Haughey: Play Chess with emphasis on instruction, rules, strategies and preparation for competition play. Rm 103, Thurs 2:45 - 3:45 Code 6WPQ-B8GX-CVXWR

Dance Company- Synergy: Ms. Soule: Synergy is Perry Hall High's after-school Dance Company. We are a performance-based group focused on contemporary and jazz dance styles. Audition-only. Rm 13. Dance Studio. Tuesday/Thursday 2:30-4:00. ssoule@bcps.org



Drama Club: Mr. Gitelson: Provide Theatre Arts opportunities. The Drama Club is heavily involved in the fall and spring play productions as well as student driven performance projects and improv. Auditorium, Wednesdays @ 2:45-3:45 PM Schoology: DKG8X-MR67W

Educators Rising (formerly the FEA): Ms.Dessasore:
A community-based movement that works alongside
the Teacher Academy of Maryland and aims to
provide a clear pathway to increase teacher diversity
and quality. Rm 108, Every other Wed 2:40-3:40
Ddessasore@bcps.org

Electric Car Club: Mr. Tedeschi: Design, create, and race! Students will apply engineering skills to create an electric vehicle to race against other high schools in the region. Students must commit to one meeting a week, multiple meetings leading up to the race, and a Saturday event (TBA). Tech 5. Wed. 2:30-4:00PM. mtedeschi@bcps.org

Environmental Club: Ms. Johnson and Mr Henry: Organized to meet the environmental needs of the School and community. Provides opportunities to complete service projects, explore and learn more about the local environment with other students. Thurs: 2:45 -3:45 Rm 312. Schoology: 4PSSQ-T4QQ9

E-Sports: Mr. Aleo: Do you like video games? Casual and competitive gaming for a variety of games (Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart, Mario Sports, and more!).Wed 2:30 to 4:00pm. Rm 212 Schoology Code: 2CKS-JNTX-TWGZB

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)
Ms. Scala: Learn how to handle business problems,
participate in the Millionaires Club, compete in Stock
Market game, and compete against other FBLA
members county and statewide. Rm 213, Every other
Thurs, 2:30-3:15PM. hscala@bcps.org

Gender-Sexuality Alliance: Ms. Jones: Respect and understanding amongst the group and community. Create a safe space and find ways to promote that idea throughout our communities. Rm. 213. Every other Monday, 2:45 - 3:45. JJONES27@bcps.org

Girl-Up: Ms. Yencsik: A club for empowering women around the world. Rm 133, Every other Thursday @ 2:45PM Schoology code: 2MMQ-PNKR-CQCXZ

Golden Majorettes!: Ms. Jones: Hip-hop dance group that combines the choreography of gymnastics, modern, ballet, jazz, African and hip-hop dance moves into high energy synchronized hip-hop dance routines. Thurs @ 3:30-4:30PM Schoology: MVT2-XJQS-NGD3T Guitar Ensemble: Mr. King: Non-Auditioned group that rehearses and performs guitar ensemble arrangements for concerts and events at PHHS. Anyone can join! Rm 152, Wed @ 2:45PM

Hallways Yearbook: Ms. Richardson: Elective course offered at PHHS. Yearbook staff and editors meet daily during class and after school. Rm 113, TBD @ 2:30PM

Hallmark Newspaper: Ms. O'Brien: Current members of Journalism I - Journalism IV meet on Thursdays to work on the student newspaper, the Hallmark. kobrien3@bcps.org Trailer 1: Thurs 2:30-3:30PM.

Health Occupations Students of America Ms. Koehn & Mr. Losinger, A student organization that operates pursuant to federal and state laws for the need for HOSA activities to be available parts of career-technical education programs. Rm 310, Fri @ 2:45PM Schoology 9GFW-HP42-8HMSC

Just Us Girls: JaDenna Jones / Sarah Koehn: A mentor program to help girls that have been identified as needing help navigating high school (and life). Every other Tuesday. 2:30 - 3:30. Room 309. Schoology: Z9TZ-D7X8-PC5HJ. JJONES27@bcps.org. SKOEHN@bcps.org

Mabuhay Dance Club: Buscarino. Focus on the different cultural dances and traditions of PHHS students! Learn about the many different dances of our cultures, the meanings behind them, clothing worn and even perform them yourselves. Wednesday 2nd and 4th of the month, 2:30-3:30. Rm 221. mbuscarino@bcps.org

Majorettes: Ms. Jones: Hip-hop dance group that combines the choreography of gymnastics, modern, ballet, jazz, African and hip-hop dance moves into high energy synchronized hip-hop dance routines. Cafeteria. Mon-Tues, 2:30 Schoology: MVT2-XJQS-NGD3T. JJONES27@bcps.org

Marching Band: Mr. Feathers. Ensemble supplement musical offerings that students get during school. Marching Band incorporates diverse styles that students can learn in specialized settings. Rm 154

Mock Trial: Ms. Fulwiler and Mr. Stern; Create mock cases and compete with other schools to learn more about law and the court system; Schoology Code: J9XZ-GGKF-V8RWR; Room 100 (Day TBD)

Model UN Ms. Robinson: Open to 12 students. Global politics by simulating the work of the United Nations; college prep; learn diplomacy and negotiation skills. Rm 155. 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 2:30 - 3:30: TH6j-G4P5-GWZ2C Muslim Student Association Ms. Bostian: Where students can freely talk about religion and discuss common problems; carry out social and cultural activities, educate all people regardless of their beliefs, race, gender, etc. about Islam. Remind: @phhsmsa to 81010 Library, Wed @ 3PM

Philosophy Club Mr. Sawyer, Learn and think about interesting ideas. Communicate and listen like philosophers! Remind: @b3aege.Trailer 5. TBA

Pit Orchestra: Mr. Kupyac. All interested enrolled band or orchestra members to join for spring musical.. Please see Mr. Kupyak in Rm. 154. KKupyak@bcps.org

Robotics: Mr. Tedeschi & Mr. Weber, Design, create & compete! Tech 2 Every Tuesday & Wednesday (Thursdays from December -March. wweber3@bcps.org

Rock N Roll Workshop: Mr. King, Auditioned group that does covers of popular rock tunes for events and concerts at PHHS. Rm 152, Wed @ 2:45PM. Schoology Z5XZ-6BVC-DGNFJ

Rotary InterAct Club Ms. Bostian & Ms. Vickery, Perform various service learning activities; spread goodwill. "Service above Self". Schoology DZBF-9ZCC-G8848. Remind: @phhsrot. Media Center, Every 3rd Wed @ 2:45PM

Select Choir Mr. Pusateri & Ms. Plitt: Perform fun pop arrangements! Open to students in Choir and students who are great singers but couldn't take choir. Schoology 5N3K4-WGXKP. Rm 148, Thurs 2:30–4PM

South Asian Student Association: Ms. Alam:A safe space for students of all backgrounds to discuss and learn about the various cultures that make up South Asia. Rm 106. Wed 2:45PM.jalam@bcps.org; Remind class code: @bgbf68

Student Council Ms. Krause & Ms. Neddo, Represents the student body; prepares for homecoming, pep rally, parade; dance, spirit week. Snow dance, winter spirit week, food drive, senior citizen, and various projects. Schoology PKKPZ-CZ847.Rm 130, Tues 2:30–4:00 PM

Vignette Literary Magazine Ms. Brown. Work collaboratively to create Perry Hall's literary magazine, Vignette. Sharing and critiquing writing and art, creating engaging writing and art contests to share with the school, and designing the magazine. FGTS-X7DM-NHVXK.Rm 140, Thurs 2:30–3:30PM

Vision Club: Ms. Drusano. Rm 138. Date and Time TBD. Mdrusano@bcps.org

Quick Links

BCPS Website:

Home - Baltimore County Public Schools (bcps.org)

<u>-Counseling:</u> Phone Number-443-809-5110

-FOCUS Links:

SET-UP Parent Link Navigate FOCUS Account

-PTSA:

PTSA Website

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



