



THE HORNET HERALD

October 2019 Edition

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

We are coming up on one of my favorite times of the year – Homecoming!!

This year, we have a number of events scheduled around the long Indigenous Peoples' Day Weekend and we want to make sure that everyone is aware of the schedule of events. These include the following:

- Monday, October 7th:** Rainbow Day
- Tuesday, October 8th:** Tacky Tourist Day
- Wednesday, October 9th:** Character Day
- Thursday, October 10th:** Orange and Black Day

Pep Rally at 2 pm in the Gym

Friday, October 11th:

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| 4:00-6:00 pm | Boys Modified Soccer Game at the PHS Grass Field |
| 5:00-7:00 pm | Girls Modified & Varsity Swim Meet at Stafford Middle School Pool |
| 5:00-7:00 pm | PHS CSO-Sponsored Cookout for Students at the Concession Stand |
| 6:00-8:00 pm | Boys Varsity Soccer Game at the PHS Turf Field |
| 8:00-8:45 pm | SA-Sponsored Bonfire Near the Tennis Courts |
| 9:00-11:00 pm | PHS CSO-Sponsored Scavenger Hunt in the PHS Cafeteria |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Teams of 5 with 1 adult driver and 4 students○ Cost is \$5 per student or \$20 per team |

Saturday, October 12th:

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| 12:00-1:00 pm | Homecoming Parade from Stafford Middle School to PHS |
| 2:00-4:30 pm | Homecoming Football Game at the PHS Turf Field |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ PHS Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees announced at half-time |
| 7:00-10:00 | Homecoming Dance in the Cafeteria and Auxiliary Gym |

This year's theme for Homecoming is Movies. Students will be preparing for Homecoming in the next couple weeks and there are competitions between the classes, which include a window painting contest and competition for the best float in the Homecoming Parade. Those who want to get involved should contact the class advisors either at school or via e-mail at the following e-mail addresses:

Class:	Advisor(s):	E-mail Address:
Freshmen	Ms. Fran Bieber	fbieber@plattscsd.org
Sophomores	Ms. Jerri Charlebois	jcharlebois@plattscsd.org
Juniors	Mr. Neil Bowlen Ms. Jennifer McCoy	nbowlen@plattscsd.org jmccoy@plattscsd.org
Seniors	Ms. Susan Fresn	sfresn@plattscsd.org



In addition to the above, the school counselors at PHS have set up a night for parents and students to learn about FAFSA forms and how to complete them. This event will take place on November 12th at 6 pm and will include both a presentation and a hands-on activity to get parents started on getting financial aid for students.

We hope that students and parents will take advantage of any and all assistance that our counseling professionals have to offer them. If you'd like to set up an appointment, please contact the Guidance secretary, Ms. Lori Schudde, at extension 5071 or by e-mail at lschudde@plattscsd.org.

UPCOMING COLLEGE VISITS AT PHS:

DATE:	COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY
Thursday, October 3rd	The College of St. Rose Niagara University
Friday, October 4th	SUNY-Potsdam SUNY-Plattsburgh
Wednesday, October 9th	St. Lawrence University Utica College
Thursday, October 10th	Paul Smith's College
Monday, October 21st	Hartwick College
Wednesday, October 23rd	Clinton Community College (Instant Admission)
Tuesday, October 29th	Clarkson University LeMoyne College North Country Community College (Instant Admission)
Wednesday, October 30th	St. Bonaventure
Thursday, October 31st	St. Michael's College
Friday, November 15th	SUNY-Geneseo

Yearbook Information for Parents of Seniors:

The deadline for senior yearbook materials will be **Thursday, November 7th, 2019**. Generally, Seniors submit a senior portrait, a baby picture, a candid photo, along with a senior quote and a list of all of the activities that he/she has participated in during their high school career. The Yearbook advisor, Ms. Heather Sullivan, has met with all Seniors to review the items needed and the deadline for getting information into the Yearbook.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Sullivan at hsullivan@plattscsd.org.

AP Information for Students and Parents:

If your child is taking an AP[®] course at Plattsburgh High School, they will need to understand that the process for registering for AP[®] exams has changed significantly this year. Notably, the exams must be registered for, and paid, by **November 15th**.

This is a much earlier deadline than in years' past but it is now mandated by College Board[®].

If you have any questions, please reach out to your AP[®] course teachers or the PHS AP[®] Coordinator, Mr. Louis Piccirillo, at lpiccirillo@plattscsd.org.

Students who are not registered by the November 15th deadline will incur additional fees for their AP exams.

PHS Student Commended in the 2020 National Merit[®] Scholarship Program:

Gareth Mansfield, son of John Mansfield and Wendy Braje, has been named a Commended Student in the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program. A *Letter of Commendation* from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the program, has been presented to this scholastically talented senior.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2020 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2020 competition by taking the 2019 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT[®]).

"Those being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success."

Plattsburgh High School Alumni Corner:

Olivia Fleming ('15) is one of 15 fellows selected by The Government Law Center at Albany Law School. The fellowship is unique in that it is geared towards preparing students for careers in public service.

Spencer Hall ('14) graduated in May 2019 from Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) with a BS in computer engineering. Spencer was also named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2019 Semester.

Alyssa Salls ('17) was named to the Dean's List for Spring 2019 at Rochester Institute of Technology. To be named to the Dean's List, students must have a GPA of 3.4 or higher.

Nicole Williams ('15) was selected for inclusion on the Dean's List for academic achievement during the Spring 2019 semester at St. Lawrence University.

Lindsey LaMarche ('14) graduated from SUNY-Canton with a BS in Veterinary Technology at the end of the Spring 2019 semester.

Leila Djerdjour ('17) was named to the Dean's List at Clemson University for the Spring 2019 semester. Leila is majoring in Biochemistry and achieved a GPA between 3.5 and 3.99 on a 4.0 scale.

Claire Deshaies ('16) earned Dean's List honors for the Spring 2019 semester at SUNY-Oneonta. She is currently studying Psychology.

Ethan Rascoe ('16), a civil engineering major, was named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2019 semester at Clarkson University.

Kyle Side ('18), was named a Presidential Scholar for the Spring 2019 semester at Clarkson University. He is majoring in engineering and management.

Emrych Casey-Sanger ('15), majoring in Geographic Information Science, was named to the Dean's List at SUNY-Potsdam.

Garrett Frady ('14) was named to the President's List at SUNY-Potsdam. He is majoring in Mathematics.

Khila-Rae Pecoraro ('14) was awarded a full scholarship to attend the Maxwell School at Syracuse University, along with an Assistantship, to complete her graduate work in Geography and Sustainability.

Chet Guenther ('18) was named to the Dean's List at SUNY- New Paltz for the Spring 2019 semester.

Have news you'd like to share about a graduate from Plattsburgh High School? Please send it to me at ghurlock@plattscsd.org.

Important Dates at PHS: October 2019

October 7-10	Spirit Week at PHS
October 9	CSO Meeting, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the PHS Conference Room
October 11	Superintendent's Day – No School for Students
October 11-12	Homecoming Weekend
October 14	Indigenous Peoples' Day – No School for Students or Staff
October 16	PSAT Exams
October 17	Board of Education Meeting at Duken
October 21	Homeroom Bell Schedule for Class Ring Orders for Sophomores PHS Band Concert, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the PHS Auditorium
October 22	Early Release Day Schedule
October 28	Picture Re-Take Day
October 31	Class Ring Orders Due

