POUDRE HIGH SCHOOL
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM
April - May, 2012

A message from the IB Director:

Spring Greetings to the PHS IB Community -

Now that Spring Break has come and gone, we begin the final sprint to the finish line at PHS. Over the next few months, the MYP students will be finishing personal projects, completing community service hours and taking their end-of-year exams, while the DP students will be completing their IB requirements and taking their IB exams for much of the month of May. Couple this with warm weather, spring sports, Impalapalooza, prom, IB Convocation and PHS Graduation, and it is guaranteed to be an exciting and busy time for all.

I want to thank everyone in our IB community for all of the support you have given one another this year. 2011-2012 has been challenging in many ways, but it has also consisted of many joyous celebrations and demonstrations of kindness that exemplify the true spirit of community.

And finally, a special shout out goes to our exceptional IB Senior Class! You will be as deeply missed as you are currently appreciated.

Lisa King

~ UPCOMING IB EVENTS ~

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
DP 11 CAS Reflections & Questions due ; Reflective Dialogue must be scheduled w/CAS advisor	Friday, March 23	By Midnight	Managebac
2013 EE Half Research Due	Tuesday, March 27	By End of School Day	EE Supervisor/ Managebac
IB Arts Vernissage Show & IB Arts Testing	April 2 - 6	TBA	Aux. Gym
MYP Personal Project 2nd Sem. Assessment Meeting	By Friday, April 6	Appointment with Teacher Supv.	Teacher Supervisor
DP 11 CAS Evidence of Spring Reflective Dialogue due	Tuesday, April 10	By Midnight	Managebac
NO SCHOOL – Teachers on Duty	Friday, April 13	N/A	N/A
No Homework Day	Monday, April 16	N/A	N/A
DP 12 End of Year Info *Breakout Session*	Monday, April 16	Periods 1 & 2	Event Center
DP 11 TOK Seminar *Breakout Session*	Monday, April 16	Periods 1 & 2	Auditorium
DP 11 End of Year Info *Breakout Session*	Monday, April 16	Periods 3 & 4	Event Center
DP 12 TOK Seminar *Breakout Session*	Monday, April 16	Periods 3 & 4	Auditorium
MYP 10 CAS Intro *Breakout Session*	Monday, April 16	Period 5 & 6	Event Center
DP 11 College Info *Breakout Session*	Monday, April 16	Period 7	Event Center
MYP 10 IB Engage Intro *Breakout Session*	Monday, April 16	Period 8	Event Center
MYP Personal Project Presentations	Tues. & Wed., April 17 & 18	TBA	TBA
MYP Career & Planning Workshop	April 17, April 19 & 20	History Classes	N/A
Incoming 9th (2016) Orientation	Wednesday, April 18	6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Auditorium
MYP 10 Personal Project Open House	Wednesday, April 25	5:30 – 7:00 p.m.	Student Commons
DP 12 Last Day of Classes	Friday, April 27	N/A	N/A
DP 12 Breakfast	Monday, April 30	7:00 – 9:00 am	Student Commons
DP 11 Junior Release Week	April 30 – May 4	N/A	N/A
DP 11/12 Exit Exams	May 2 – May 22	See IB Exam Schedule	See IB Exam Schedule
DP 11 EE All Research due	Friday, May 4	By End of School Day	EE Supervisor
DP 11 EE Outline due	Thursday, May 10	By End of School Day	EE Supervisor
Parent Advisory Board Meeting	Thursday, May 10	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Room 308
MYP & DP 9 – 11 Finals	TBA	TBA	TBA
IB Senior Field Trip	Monday, May 21	7:30 - 3:00	Shambhala Center/Red Feather
IB Convocation Practice - Mandatory	Tuesday, May 22	3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	Auditorium
IB Convocation	Thursday, May 24	6:00 -9:00 p.m.	Auditorium/ Commons
DP 11th Summer CAS Proposals Due	By Friday, May 25	Midnight	Managebac
PHS Graduation	Friday, May 25	TBA	Moby Arena/CSU
NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day	Monday, May 28	N/A	N/A
Last Day of Classes	Friday, June 1 (Half Day)	Make-Up Finals by Appt.	N/A

News from IB Counseling

Kim Wilder 488-6015/kwilder@psdschools.org (Diploma Program)
Pat Nash 488-6044/pnash@psdschools.org (Middle Years Program)

Freshmen and Sophomores: Continue to plan high school course selections to prepare for college entrance requirements. Keep in mind that colleges like to see that you have challenged yourself and worked hard throughout high school. Extra curricular activities, leadership, and community service are also important for college admissions. Don't wait until your senior year to get involved! Begin to review online college resources, college catalogs and publications giving college profiles and entrance requirements by visiting the College/Career Center in the counseling office. Start reviewing Naviance to research colleges, summer learning opportunities, creating a resume, searching for scholarships, etc. From the PHS webpage, click students, go to quick-links, click on Naviance or follow this link:
https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=poudrehs

Username = your student ID number
Password = your PIV pin number

Mr. Nash will be conducting a one period career and planning workshop in all of the 10th grade history classrooms on April 17th, 19th and 20th. This workshop will entail guidance on and the development of a long-range high school course plan in Naviance and the completion of a career interest profiler. The purpose is to guide students in the early phase of choosing a college majors/career paths while also fulfilling the state requirement for a grade 9-12 course-plan.

Juniors: It is recommended that you take the SAT, ACT (the state version you will take on April 24th at PHS for free), or both this spring. Begin to narrow college choices and research schools you are interested in. Visit colleges you are interested in attending. Pick up the Guidance Bulletin in the counseling office twice a month or view it on-line at http://phs.psdschools.org/node/4005. This is the place we advertise all types of college, summer, and scholarship opportunities. It will be important that you begin to access this regularly as you being your college application process. To do college exploration at home, log on to:
https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=poudrehs
Username = your student ID number
Password = your PIV pin number

Seniors: You are not done yet!! Even though you have applied and perhaps been accepted into a college, they will want to see that you have continued to work hard through your second semester. Wait until after IB tests to let that "senioritis" kick in. Colleges have been known to revoke admission for students who slack off second semester. **Please report all your admissions decisions in your Naviance account**.

You will also need to complete the senior survey as part of your check-out process before you can receive your cap & gown; this is important as it is when you request your final transcript be sent to your university. Best wishes on the end of the year and testing!

Parent Proctors Needed!!!

2012 IB Exams
May 2 – May 22, 2012

What is Proctoring?

Proctoring is a mandatory, vital part of the IB testing program in which volunteers are trained by IB staff to facilitate the standardized IB testing process while supporting the student's needs during testing. Each exam session requires a faculty invigilator (leader) and one or more volunteer proctors depending upon the number of students taking the exam. Thank you for helping with this essential part of each IB student's education!

- **TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE:**
- Contact Debbie Crans at crans@lamar.colostate.edu that you would like to help.
- Debbie will forward the official IB exam schedule of test #(s) with correlating dates, times, locations, and test subjects to you.
- After reviewing the exam schedule, please select the test #(s) that are convenient with your schedule. You may proctor as many exams as you would like, but please be sure that you can COMMIT to being present barring any unforeseen emergency.
- Email your preferred exam #(s) to proctor to Debbie.
- Debbie will reply that you are a confirmed proctor for that exam. If the proctor slots for that exam have already been filled, she will inform you which exams still have proctor openings.
- Proctor training sessions will be held on Wednesday, April 25th (3:30 – 4:30 pm) **OR** Thursday, April 26th (7:30 – 8:30 am) in the IB Conference Room. If you have proctored IB exams for several years, attending the training is optional but encouraged to hear updated proctor information. New proctors **MUST** attend one training session. **You only need attend one session**. Please be prompt to your training session as Lisa King, IB Director, has a lot of material to cover in the hour.
- Select the proctor training session you would prefer to attend and email Debbie that date so she and the IB office can keep a running list of people attending.
- Attend the proctor training session and you are an official proctor!
- Sign in at the main office and wear your visitor badge while you are in the school proctoring.
- Arrive at the designated date, time, exam, and location to proctor.

For questions or more information, please contact Debbie Crans at: crans@lamar.colostate.edu or 970-491-7635 or 303-775-9721 (9:00am-4:00pm weekdays).

PLEASE NOTE: Parents *MAY NOT* proctor their own student's IB exams.

~IB SALUTE~

If you have items for the IB Salute, please send them to:
debbieh@psdschools.org. We want to recognize your student! Pictures are also welcome!!

The following IB seniors signed **letters of intent to play collegiate sports**:
Canace Finley - volleyball/Oregon; **Maggie Mawhinney** - lacrosse/University of Southern California; **Diana Potterveld** - soccer/South Dakota State University; **Will Seng** - basketball/Nebraska Wesleyan

The **PHS Theatre Department** presented "*We Will Rise*", an original dance and music composition featuring the short play, "*The Katrina Project: Hell And High Water*" on February 2nd - February 4th. The following IB students were involved in the production: **Henry Arndt, Shelly Bort, Miranda Brugman, Lisa Buccafusca, Julia Cooper, Laurel Kassenbrock, Juan Medina, Allie Naqvi, Nathan Phipps, Mary Schooler, Sienna Wdowik, and Amber Anderson (IB Theatre Staff Director).**

Five IB seniors are **National Merit Finalists**: **Arun Chandra, Daniel Dean, Reid Palmquist, and Matthew Eastberg Persons.**

PHS Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) qualified three IB students for the State Competition in May: **Nate Johnson**, third, Cyber Security; **Marisa Rudolph** - second, Intro to Business; **Siyu Wu**, first, Business Math.

PHS All State Choir performed on February 7th at the Wells Fargo Performing Arts Center in Denver. IB students included **Ingrid Johnson, Nathan Phipps, Elan Siedeman, and Sienna Wdowick.**

PHS Forensics Team IB members who competed at the **National Qualifying Student Congress Tournament** in February were: **Aaron Aaeng, Jenni Moon, Siyu Wu, Meirui Zhang, Allen Zhou, Shannon Zhou, and Michelle Zhu.**

Rose Van Dyne, IB sophomore and PHS cheerleader, competed in the **Cheer Competition** #1 Stunt Team that took third place in February.

Congratulations to the three **PHS Science Bowl teams** who competed in regional competition held at PHS on February 18th. IB students represented all three teams: Poudre's #1 team of **Sam Auyeung, Arun Chandra, Wahida Khan, Chris Panella and Matthew Persons**, finished third overall. Poudre's #2 team of **Henry Arndt, Chelsea Lim, Diana Pham,** and **Maddy Nirschl**, tied for eighth. Poudre's #3 team of **Ben Fan, Zaki Phelan** and **Gerri Roberts**, finished 12th.

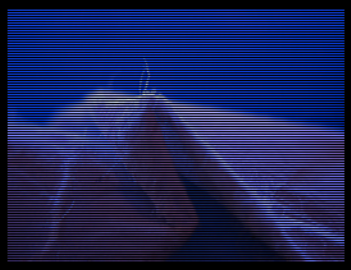
The **PHS Mock Trial teams** swept the Northern Colorado regional competition on February 24th & 25th! The JV team placed third and the Varsity team took first! IB junior, **Danielle Saldanha**, was chosen as Best Attorney. Other IB students on the teams included **Reid Palmquist, Alexandra Ore, Tanisha Meis, Allen Zhou, Maisie Iven, Danny Mallal, Rani Gollapudi, Suriya Vijayasarathy, Taryn MacKinney, Leigh Francia, Kelsey Belk, Eileen Kirby, James Kim, Tarah Vijayasarathy, Sophie "Chess" Walton,** and **Cole Turner** (time-keeper). Both teams will represent PHS at State March 9th & 10th (see update on page 6).

Kimberly Belleville, IB senior, was chosen as a **Coloradoan Leadership and Academic All Star** for PHS! She will be honored at an Awards Ceremony on April 19th at the Lincoln Center.

IB SALUTE, continued….

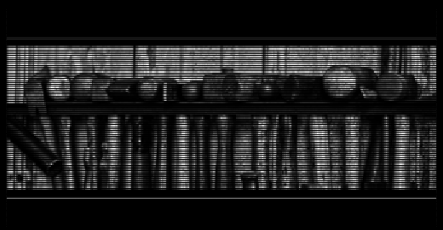
PHS Scholastic Art Awards were won by many IB students! Poudre had the most individual awards given out in the State! IB students winning awards included: Gold Key Portfolios: **Daniel Dean**, **Hannah Wood**; Gold Key Awards: **Olga Larrea, Hannah McCarthy, Maddy Nirschl, Soomin Suh**, and **Meirui Zhang**; Honorable Mentions: **Andrea Belleville, Sofia Drummond-Moore, Karla Flemming, Hannah McCarthy**, and **Hannah Steketee. Karla Flemming's** entry will hang in the District Administration Building along with other Superintendent selections.

Gold Key Photography Portfolio



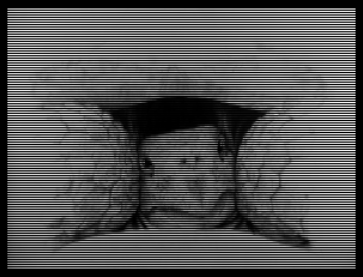
Daniel Dean

Gold Key Photography Portfolio



Hannah Wood

Gold Key
Hannah McCarthy



Gold Key Olga Larrea

Gold Key
Soomin Suh

Gold Key Maddy Nirschl

Gold Key Meirui Zhang

PHS Selection for the 2011 -2012
Superintendent's Art Show

Karla Flemming

IB Salute, continued…

The **PHS Forensics Team** represented Poudre well in qualifying nine students for the State Tournament which will be held March 17th at Fort Collins High School. IB students on the team included:
Lincoln-Douglas Debate: **Allen Zhou, Shannon Zhou**; Policy Debate: **Michelle Zhu, Siyu Wu**; Public Forum Debate: **Aaron Aaeng, Jake Oliver**; Foreign Extemporaneous Speaking: **Jenni Moon**; National Extemporaneous Speaking: **Meirui Zhang**

Two **PHS Ocean Bowl Teams** competed at CU/Boulder on March 3rd and finished second and third overall. IB students representing the teams included: PHS B Team (2nd place): **Maddy Nirschl** (Captain), **Josie Brett, Ben Fan, Grace Farley,** and **Juliana Pham**; PHS A Team (3rd place): **Juliana Pham** (Captain), **Henry Arndt, Sam Auyeung, Arun Chandra,** and **Melody Dong**. The State Science Olympiad Tournament will be held on April 21st at the Colorado School of Mines in Golden.

The **PHS Science Olympiad Teams** competed on March 3rd and won the regional competition, taking first and sixth place with both teams qualifying for the State competition on April 21st!
Team 1(1st place) consisted of the following IB students: **Elise Hayashi** - 1st in Anatomy, Experimental Design, Microbe Mission, Water Quality; 3rd in Disease Detectives; **Sierra Jubin** - 1st in Water Quality, 2nd in Dynamic Planet; **Shagun Kaul** - 1st in Astronomy, Protein Modeling, Remote Sensing; 2nd in Dynamic Planet; **Wahida Khan** - 1st in Anatomy, Microbe Mission, Protein Modeling, Thermodynamics; 2nd in Chemistry Lab; 3rd in Disease Detectives; **Chris Panella** - 1st in Astronomy, Experimental Design, Remote Sensing, Robot Arm, Write It/Do It; 2nd in Fermi Questions; **Matt Persons** - 1st in Sounds of Music, Optics, Experimental Design, Robot Arm, Technical Problem Solving; 2nd in Fermi Questions; **Gerri Roberts** - 1st in Optics, Technical Problem Solving, Thermodynamics; 2nd in Chemistry Lab.
Team 2 (6th place) IB students were: **Gabe Bock** - 2nd in Gravity Vehicle, Towers; **Hadeel Esmat** & **Wesley Hager** - 2nd in Disease Detectives, Microbe Mission; **Kevin Kang** & **Anushkaran NLN** - 2nd in Forestry; **Jamie Lee** & **Chelsea Lim** - 2nd in Disease Detectives, Microbe Mission; 3rd in Experimental Design; **Danny Park** - 2nd in Protein Modeling; **Joanna Shao** - 2nd in Protein Modeling; **Suriya Vijayasarathy** - 3rd in Experimental Design; **Soomin Suh** - 3rd in Experimental Design.

Laurel Dickstein, IB sophomore, had a winning entry in the **League of Women Voter's Writing Contest**. Her entry about why she looks forward to voting won her a Perkin's cherry pie!

Two of our own IB staff were honored at the **PSD Foundation Excellence in Education Award Banquet** on March 5th: **Kristy Bibbey** (IB Physics), Excellence in Education award; **Katie Parsanko** (IB Biology/ Environmental Systems/IB Student Council Advisor), Promising Teacher award!

PHS Mock Trial teams competed at State over Spring Break. The A team placed 10th out of 24 teams and the B team placed 20th (beating Ridgeview who placed 2nd at Regionals just ahead of our B team). IB students on the A team included: **Rani Gollapudi, Maisie Iven, Danny Mallal, Tanisha Meis, Alexandra Ore, Reid Palmquist, Suriya Vijayasarathy, Allen Zhou, and Shagun Kaul** (timekeeper). B team IB students included: **Kelsey Belk, Leigh Francia, James Kim, Eileen Kirby, Danielle Saldanha, Tarah Vijayasarathy, and Chess Walton. Megan Baker**, IB History teacher, was the team sponsor.

NOTE: Please refer to the PHS website for daily updates on all the PHS spring sports teams!!

ANTICIPATED IB EXPENSES

The following information is provided for you to plan ahead as you anticipate IB expenses for your IB student. Expenses listed below are for the 2011 – 2012 school year. There may be slight increases every year to these costs. The following books/fees are purchased in the IB office; required class books have been purchased at a reduced rate for bulk orders. Estimated totals will vary, depending on classes your student is enrolled in each semester/year.

Summer reading is required for 9th – 11th grades. These books are purchased by IB students in May and June from local bookstores OR online (must be exact ISBN as listed). Book prices will vary, depending on where purchased – anticipate total purchases each year of around $25- $30 for summer reading books. Book lists and journal assignments will be available on the IB website in May.

Anticipated Expenses for 9TH Grade:
Required Class Books for English/History – $51.50
Art/Photo/Technology Supply Fees - $25/class
Art Sketchbooks - $6.30 (for Art & Design MYP classes)
Graph Composition Books - $3.00 (for MYP Science classes)
Estimated TOTAL = $85.80 (+ $25 - $30 for summer reading books purchases elsewhere)

Anticipated Expenses for 10th Grade:
Required Class Books for English - $8.00
Art/Photo/Technology Supply Fees - $25/class
Art Sketchbooks - $6.30 (for Art & Design MYP classes)
Graph Composition Books - $3.00 (for MYP Science classes)
Estimated TOTAL = $42.30 (+ $25 - $30 for summer reading books purchased elsewhere)

Anticipated Expenses for 11th Grade:
Required Class Books for English - $28.50
Art/Photo/Technology Supply Fees - $25/class
Art Research Workbooks - $9.00 (for DP Art classes)
** IB Exam Fees – Registration Fee (one-time): $145
Subject Fee for each exam: $100 (juniors can take up to two exams)
Estimated TOTAL = $407.50 (based on junior taking two exams their junior year)
(+ $25 - $30 for summer reading books purchased elsewhere)

Anticipated Expenses for 12th Grade:
Required Class Books for English/History - $49.00
Art/Photo/Technology Supply Fees - $25/class
Art Research Workbooks - $9.00 (for DP Art classes)
Biology Workbooks (2) - $22/each (for HL Biology class)
** IB Exam Fees – Subject Fee for each exam: $100/registration fee: $145 – if testing in all six subject areas
IB Convocation Fee - $25.00 (to cover IB Convocation ceremony expenses)
Estimated TOTAL = $552.00 (based on senior taking four exams their senior year)

The IB program offers fundraising through our **Grocery Card Program**. IB families may participate monthly by ordering grocery cards from King Soopers, Safeway, and Sunflower Market. A percentage of the orders goes back into an account set up for participating IB students. Families may be reimbursed (with original receipts submitted to the IB office) once there are sufficient funds in the student's account to cover the reimbursement request. Please refer to the IB website for more details on the program and how families can get a jump start on saving and being reimbursed for these anticipated IB expenses.

For information regarding eligibility and application to the **Free & Reduced District Program**, please refer to the following website: **http://www.psdschools.org/school-resources/child-nutrition/free-and-reduced-meals**. Students whose families apply, and are eligible for the program, are waived from paying for all books/supplies/exam fees for the IB program and for other PHS/District fees. Families must re-apply each year for this program.