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From PHS Administration

Poudre Parents,

Somehow this has felt like the longest yet fastest school year ever! Our students should be incredibly proud of themselves for the resilience and adaptability that they've shown throughout this year. You deserve a round of applause as well. This has been a tough year for parenting.



As we close out the 2020-2021 school year, we are honored to celebrate our students' accomplishments. We'll be hosting a number of events throughout the month from end of year music concerts to a junior/senior prom, a lunch to celebrate scholarship recipients and a breakfast to recognize our senior athletes. The week of May 17th we'll host our formal convocations and graduation. The Poudre High School website will be have the most current and updated information. We encourage students to finish strong and keep hope for the future!

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2021 Senior Class Bulletin



*Graduation is a solemn ceremony steeped in tradition.
Appropriate dress and actions are required for your participation.
Dress and behave with dignity.*

PLEASE READ THIS BULLETIN CAREFULLY.

Contact Mr. Holley for questions regarding senior activities.
This information can be found on the PHS website.
nholley@psdschools.org (970) 488-6018

Saturday, May 1st report all **scholarship totals** through the **Senior Exit Survey** here:
<https://tinyurl.com/PoudreSeniors2021>

Friday, MAY 14th **Deadline** for completion of the **SENIOR EXIT SURVEY** here:
<https://tinyurl.com/PoudreSeniors2021> There is also a link under the Counseling tab on the PHS website for this survey and on the senior's counselor class page.
The survey must be completed before you receive your cap and gown.

Friday, MAY 14th **YEARBOOKS** will be distributed during period 4 and after school in Publication Lab. Distribution will continue the following week during lunches only.

Friday, MAY 14th **CHECKOUT SHEETS** for seniors will be available in the front office window across from the Event Center at 8:45am. Stop by to pick up your sheet in order to begin the checkout process. This process must be complete in order to receive your cap/gown.

Tuesday, May 18th and Wednesday, May 19th: FINAL EXAMS for seniors.

Tuesday, May 18th and Wednesday, May 19th : CAP/GOWN PICK-UP in the Concession Stand during lunch.

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With COVID-19, things are tough for everyone.

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2021 Senior Class Bulletin, continued...

Thursday, MAY 20th Senior Class Convocation and Graduation Rehearsal, 10:00am at PHS Football Field

- Attendance is required, roll is taken, and students that do not attend may be removed from the graduation marching list and may not be included in the ceremony. Check the marching order/seating chart posted in the glass display case by the Counseling Office for your row and seat number. Please contact Mr. Holley if you can't attend rehearsal.

Thursday, MAY 20th 7:30p.m. IB CONVOCATION, French Field, 1300 W. Swallow Road

Please arrive at 6:45 pm in your cap, gown, and tassel prepared to march. Go to East field staging area. At 7:00, a staff member will take roll and check for appropriate attire.

**Friday, MAY 21st at 9am,
PHS Graduation at French Field, 1300 W. Swallow Road**

**Please arrive at 8:00am in your cap, gown, and tassel prepared to march.
Go to East field staging area.**

At 8:30am, a staff member in your marching group will take roll and check for appropriate attire. Attendance will again be taken at 8:45am. Graduates not accounted for after this time will have their diplomas pulled from the marching list. Students arriving after roll is taken may NOT be allowed to participate in the commencement ceremony! **It is SO important to arrive on time** 😊

SEATING ASSIGNMENTS - The seating assignments for graduation practice and the graduation ceremony are the same. These assignments will be posted in the hallway across from the Counseling Office. You need to carefully check this posting for your name, side, row, seat location, and other important instructions. *Sorry, parents and students cannot request where a graduate is seated.*

CAP / GOWN / TASSEL - You are required to wear a cap, gown, & tassel at Commencement. They will be handed out beginning Tuesday, May 18th. You will need your **STAMPED checkout sheet** in order to get your cap and gown. Remember, you keep the cap, tassel, and the gown. **The Tassel** - The tassel is to be worn over the left temple. Tassels should never be pinned or sewed; they should be permitted to hang naturally. **The Gown** - If you need to press the gown, do so with a **warm iron, not a hot one!**

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2021 Senior Class Bulletin, continued...

DRESS FOR GRADUATION: There can be no alterations, additions, or changes to your cap, gown, or tassel. Any changes or additions must be removed or fixed prior to walking, so please leave them in their original form. All graduation gowns will be blue. Please dress professionally as this is a formal ceremony. No flowers, ornaments, or any other decorations are to be worn with caps & gowns. Faculty will check your manner of dress, your caps, and your gowns before you march. **This dress code is required!** There will be no place to change at French Field.

PHOTOGRAPHS - There will be a professional photographer, media personnel and yearbook photographers on the field during graduation. **We are not allowing any parents, friends, or relatives to photograph on the field during commencement!** **The professional photographer will take a picture of the graduate being awarded the diploma. The photographer will be providing these pictures for students at no cost.** Information about how parents/guardians can access the free photos will be shared by schools after the ceremonies.

LIVE STREAM- Each ceremony will be livestreamed on YouTube in English and Spanish, so additional family and friends can celebrate their graduate in real time or watch the recordings later. The English livestream will also have closed captioning. Links to the online livestream videos will be shared as we get closer to the ceremonies. Schools will also share links to additional graduate celebration videos at a later date.

ADA ACCESSIBLE SEATING – ADA accessible seating is provided in the first rows of the bleachers. Please let staff know if you need ADA accessible seating, and we will provide a ticket for this specific seating.

FINAL GRADES - Final grades will be available mid-June by logging in to ParentVUE and StudentVUE.

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS - All students who have processed a college application must indicate, on the Senior Exit Survey, to which post-secondary institution they want their final transcript submitted.

VALEDICTORIANS and SALUTATORIAN – The final valedictorian and salutatorian recipients are determined at the end of fourth quarter. **Final exams** for seniors will be May 18th – 19th with final grades due to counseling on May 20th. **The official valedictorian and salutatorian list may not be decided on until May 21st.**

THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERING YOUR CAP AND GOWN HAS PASSED!!

If you did not purchase a cap/gown online, please see Mr. Holley!
Jostens is providing PHS caps/gowns (970) 223-7119 ~ Lindsey Bellus, se habla español.

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2021 Senior Class Bulletin, continued...

COVID Protocols: Attendees must wear a face covering, maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance from others outside of their household, and will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms before they are allowed to enter the ceremony venue.

- You and your guests will be assigned seats. Guest seat numbers are printed on the tickets. Graduates will be directed to their seat by a staff member on the practice field that is to the east of French Field.
- Guest tickets will correspond to color-coded, assigned parking and seating sections at the event venue. Seating will be randomly assigned; requests for seating preference will not be taken.
- If you are sick, it is imperative you stay home.
- If after a ceremony anyone who attended starts to exhibit symptoms of, test positive for COVID-19 or be exposed to someone who tested positive for COVID-19, please immediately notify the school principal so PSD and Larimer County health officials may evaluate the situation and notify others of possible exposure, if necessary.

Senior Exit Survey for the Class of 2021

Seniors who are graduating in 2021, there is a short senior exit survey that you are required to complete. <https://tinyurl.com/PoudreSeniors2021>

You must complete this to receive your diploma and your cap & gown. This survey tells us know where to send your final high school transcript and what your plans are for after high school. If you have any questions, please come to the counseling office. The survey is open now and must be completed by May 14th.

Finish strong!

The PHS Counseling Team

CONAHAN'S DRIVING SCHOOL
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Register at 223-8900. Cost: \$435, due first day of class.

Register for upcoming classes!

All classes are held at the Homewood Suites
1521 Oakridge Drive, Fort Collins

Upcoming sessions, these sessions are Monday-Friday

- June 1 - June 5, 2021, 9:00am-3:30pm
- June 7 - June 11, 2021, 9:00am-3:30pm
- June 14 - June 18, 2021, 9:00am-3:30pm
- June 21 - June 25, 2021, 9:00am-3:30pm
- June 28 - July 2, 2021, 9:00am-3:30pm

Sunday Only Classes, complete driver's ed in 5 weeks

- Aug 22 - Sep 26, 9:00am-3:30pm

Ask about our **certified home study program** on DVDs! Qualifies you for your permit and for insurance reductions. Complete at your own pace!

PHS Library News

Materials Return

What a year! Despite all the challenges we've all faced this school year, we've still managed to get 2,100 library books and 17,000 textbooks into the hands of our Impalas! And now it's time to start getting all of those items back as our school year comes to a close. Please remember, all library books, textbooks, class novels, and other library materials need to be returned before students can check out for the year. All lost or damaged items will need to be paid for or replaced. Students can check their account and see what they still have out by coming to the library and checking with Mr. Benson or Ms. Johnson. Or, they can go to lib.psdschools.org, login with their PSD username/password, and then click *My Borrowing* to see what items they still have checked out.

Free AudioBooks for teens all summer long!

AudioBook SYNC is a free summer audiobook program for teens 13+. Running April 29 - August 4, 2021. SYNC gives participants two thematically paired audiobooks each week. Titles are accessible in the Sora student reading app (Apple App store or Google Play store) or at soraapp.com. Login with PSD username/password and add the AudiobookSync library to access the great titles.

Follow the PHS Library on Instagram [@poudrehs_library](https://www.instagram.com/poudrehs_library) and on Twitter [@poudremedia](https://twitter.com/poudremedia)



2020-2021 HISTORY IN THE MAKING YEARBOOK

As the world adjusts to change, one thing that remains constant is the yearbook tradition. This yearbook will document all of adjustments made during the school year as we all adjust to life in 2020-2021. This yearbook will be one to look back on for generations to come.



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The official newsletter of Work-Based Learning at PSD

CONGRATULATIONS! 21-22 Columbine Health Apprentices

- Jackson Barron, FCHS
- Jack Brockhagen, FRHS
- Rebecca Fahrner, FRHS
- Mario Garcia, FCHS
- Sydney MacDonald, RMHS
- Vladmir Pardo, RMHS
- Gracie Rust, FCHS
- Lizbeth Saucedo, CHS
- Maya Stanley, RMHS
- Jacob Stiles, Polaris



Congratulations to RMHS Junior Shannon Rooney, who was selected through CareerWise for a 3-year paid manufacturing apprenticeship with Tolmar Inc!

The Certified Nursing Apprenticeship (CNA) Program at Columbine Health is for PSD juniors and seniors to learn about careers in healthcare while earning money and school credit!

Virtual Career Tours

[MANUFACTURING - VIDEOS OF NOCO BUSINESSES](#)

[JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT - CAREER/JOBshadow VIDEOS](#)



The Fort Collins High School Bioscience Career Academy is a school within a school which develops student academic and job skills to prepare students for employment in the Biosciences. It is an academic program which leads to a BCA endorsement on student diplomas. Career guidance, academic support, technical training, enrichment opportunities, community service and an internship are integral parts of the BCA experience.

We are excited to share that we just completed our 2020-2021 virtual career series with professionals from Northern Colorado. The BCA Café Series provided an opportunity for students to talk to industry professionals in different pathways including biotechnology, crime scene investigation and biomedical. Visit PSD's CTE [YouTube](#) channel to watch the series.





Youth Internship Program
Community Supported Agriculture

Teens will learn the following skills:
Farming (planting, harvesting, succession planning, companion planting, regenerative farming), Animal Care, mentoring, First job skills, Social emotional competencies

Application Deadline:
May 14th

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Login to xello.psdschools.org or stop by your college and career center to learn more and start your application today!



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VENTURE VALIDATOR SUMMER CAMP

Identify a Problem, Create Your Solution

At the Venture Validator Summer Camp students will combine problems they want to solve with their ideas to fix them and then start the journey of launching a business to do just that.

This week-long camp, hosted by the CSU College of Business Institute for Entrepreneurship, is designed for incoming 8th-12th grade students to explore what it takes to become an entrepreneur in a safe, engaging, and fun space. To learn more visit and register visit csu.bz/vvonline

- Cost**
\$50
- Location**
Remote Learning
- Length**
One week of daily three-hour video sessions
- Schedule**
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Work-based learning (WBL) provides students with real-life experiences where they can apply academic and technical skills and develop their employability. WBL merges theory with practice; it bridges the gap between learning and doing.

Watch this [video](#) to learn more about Work-Based Learning opportunities in PSD!

Xello gives high school students a chance to explore careers and industries by connecting them with local employers and community members.

***Internships *Apprenticeships *Job Shadows *Paid work *Volunteerism *Monitored chat rooms**

Students: [Login to Xello](#) to see work-based learning opportunities. If you would like to earn credit at your high school for a work-based learning experience, [please submit this form](#).

Industry Partners: [Find out here](#) how you can engage with students and offer work-based learning opportunities.

Contact your Work-Based Learning Coordinator for more information:



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Have you checked out Xello? There are currently 57 companies offering 110 Work-Based Learning opportunities for students!

visit @psd cte on



Join the PSD School Board's Student Advisory Committee (SAC)

The PSD Board of Education is looking for students interested in joining a committee to share their experiences and ideas for the future. Students interested in being part of the SAC for the 2021-22 school year should [complete this form](#) by May 21. Committee members will be selected through a random drawing to get broad representation and will be notified of their selection May 25.

If you have any questions, thoughts or concerns please let Naomi, naomij@psdschools.org or me know.

Thank you,

DJ Anderson
Director, Poudre School District Board of Education
danderson@psdschools.org
970.214.5717



Softball

Summer, optional practice begins:

June 8, 2021

9am to 11:30am

West Softball field at Poudre High School

Contact Info:

Board

pouresoftballboosters@gmail.com

Coach Miller

wendim@psdschools.org

970-691-0136

Student Achievements

Science Olympiad competed at state on April 10th and placed 4th out of 26 teams! Way to ROCK-IT Science kids! These event teams also placed in the top 3 for their individual event:

- Chemistry lab, 3rd place: Joaquin Fernandez Odell and Jessie Sheflin
- Codebusters, 3rd Place: Joaquin Fernandez Odell, Jessie Sheflin and Camden Opfer
- Detector Building, 3rd Place: Joaquin Fernandez Odell and Jessie Sheflin
- Machines: Joaquin Fernandez Odell and Jessie Sheflin

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Student Achievements, continued...

The following students won at the LPS Youth Showcase for Photography this year.
This is a curated art competition against other high school photography students across the state of Colorado.

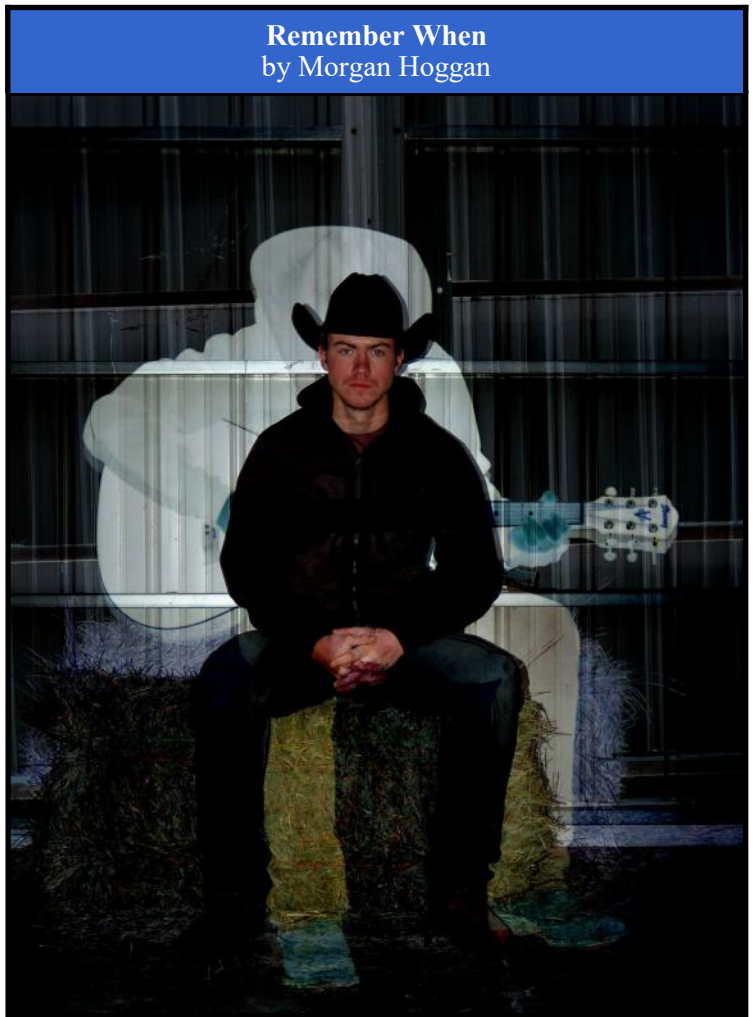
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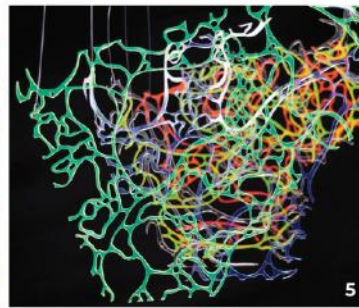


Remember When
by Morgan Hoggan



A CELEBRATION OF THE CREATIVE PROCESS

DESIGNS & IMAGES 2021



1. Unity Quilt, Bauder Elementary School
2. Emmett Lignell, 4th grade, Traut Elementary School
3. Benjamin Walker, 7th grade, Boltz Middle School
4. Giovana Souza, 12th grade, Fossil Ridge High school
5. Mia Martin, 12th grade, Fossil Ridge High School
6. Margaret Poe, 9th grade, PSD VHS
7. Sydney Lemmon, 12th grade, Fossil Ridge High School
8. Devan Spaulding, 7th grade, PSD VMS

APRIL 26 - DECEMBER 11

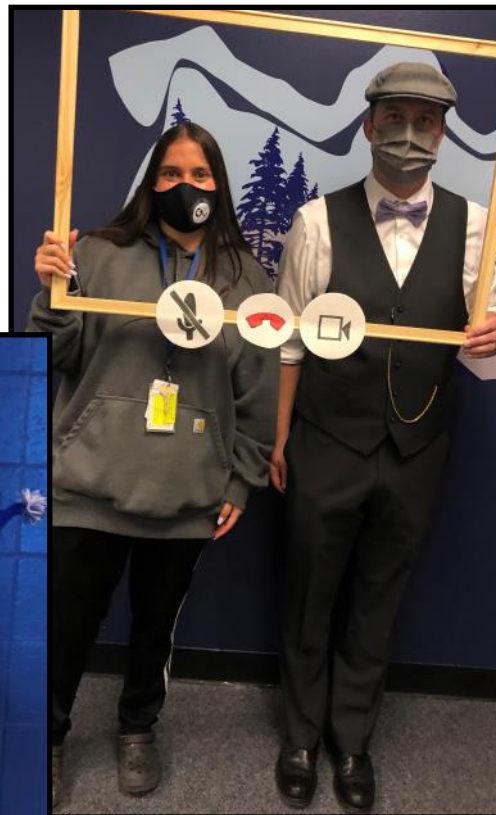
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Spirit Week

Poudre High School Spirit week was tons of fun. The following photos are proof! Students and staff used the themed days to show-off their spirit.



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Spirit Week, continued...



Mental Health Matters Presents:

SOCIAL MEDIA: CONNECTION VS. ISOLATION & INTERNET SAFETY



Do you know what your students are looking at on-line??

Is your student's self-esteem tied to how many "likes" they get on Social Media?

Please join us for the 3rd and final virtual Mental Health Matters event of this school year.

Following Footprints in a Digital Party:

PSD School Resource Officers Corporal Jarad Sargent and Officer Ehrich Weis will discuss social media applications that are commonly used by students and present on areas to monitor within the applications to maintain safety for students. Jarad and Ehrich will provide case studies to discuss what each presenter has experienced and seen with young adults and social media during their time as School Resource Officers.

Connection VS. Isolation: Social Media & Mental Health

Join Melanie Potyondy, Rocky Mountain High School Psychologist, and Heidi Thompson, Olander Elementary Counselor, as we explore the impact of social media on mental health. We'll share current data around youth social media usage, including the positive and negative impacts of social media upon interpersonal relationships, behavioral regulation, and mental health. Practical tips for guiding social media usage will also be provided for all age levels.

NEW DATE:

Thursday May 13th

6:30p-8:30p

RSVP using the QR Code Below and a link will be sent to you the night of the event

No need to RSVP again if you did for this session in April



LA SALUD MENTAL IMPORTA

REDES SOCIALES: CONECCIÓN VS AISLAMIENTO Y CUIDADOS CON INTERNET



¿Saben lo que están viendo sus estudiantes cuando estan en línea en el internet?

¿La autoestima de su estudiante está ligada a la cantidad de "me gusta" que recibe en las redes sociales?

Únase a nosotros para el tercer y último evento virtual de este año escolar de la "La Salud Mental Importa".

SEGUIENDO LAS HUELLAS EN EL MUNDO DIGITAL:

Los oficiales de las escuelas del Distrito Escolar Poudre, Cabo Jared Sargent y el Oficial Ehrich Weis, hablarán sobre las aplicaciones de redes sociales que los estudiantes usan comúnmente y presentaran áreas para monitorear dentro de las aplicaciones, permitiendo mantener la seguridad de los estudiantes. Jared y Ehrich hablaran de lo que han experimentado y visto con los adultos jóvenes y las redes sociales, durante su tiempo como Oficiales de las escuelas. Nos ofreceran casos reales para discutir.

CONEXIÓN VS AISLAMIENTO: REDES SOCIALES Y SALUD MENTAL

Melanie Potyondy, Psicóloga de la Preparatoria Rocky Mountain, y Heidi Thompson, Consejera de la Primaria Olander, daran a conocer el impacto de las redes sociales en la salud mental. Compartiran datos actuales sobre el uso de las redes sociales por parte de los jóvenes, incluidos los impactos positivos y negativos de las redes sociales en las relaciones interpersonales, la regulación del comportamiento y la salud mental. Tambien ofrecerán consejos prácticos para guiar el uso de las redes. sociales.

Nueva Fecha:

Jueves Mayo 13

6: 30pm-8:30pm

Confirme su asistencia utilizando el código QR a continuación y se le enviará un enlace la noche del evento.

No necesita hacer registro previo si ya lo hizo en Abril.

