



# **POUDRE HIGH SCHOOL**

POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### I AM WHO I AM BECAUSE OF WHO WE ARE

# **IMPALA PRIDE BULLETIN**

Kathy Mackay **Principal** 

From PHS Administration

Poudre Parents.

October brings with it cooler temperatures, changing colors, and a sense of accomplishment as we near the end of our first quarter. We encourage parents and guardians to stay connected with the staff who support your students every day by attending our Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences on October 6th from 4:30-8:00pm. Make sure to sign up for a time slot with your student's teachers. Some teachers may not be available during specific times, but don't worry, they will make sure to connect with you and find a time that works for both of you.

This month we also showcase some of our talented Poudre performing artists. On October 6th at 7pm, we'll host a vocal concert featuring all of our choirs-- Impressions, Impalaphonics, Impromptu and Special Edition. We'll wrap up the month with our fall musical, The Little Mermaid. Performances are scheduled for 7pm on October 29th, October 30th, November 4th, 5th and 6th. If you have not yet seen a Poudre High School production, this is one you won't want to miss. Bring your families and friends out for an enchanting evening under the sea!

Sincerely,

PHS Administration



Click Here to Self-Schedule Your Child's Well Care Visit Today!

Cori Hixon **Assistant Principal IB** Director

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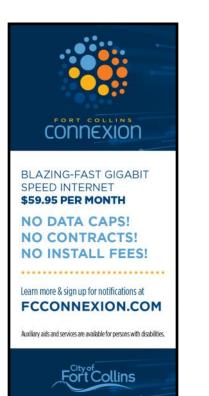
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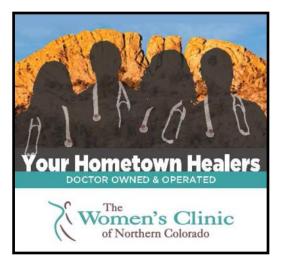
### 2021 PSAT NMSQT Test (Pre-SAT) - October 13th

- WHO: Primarily for any 11th grader considering college after high school, but 10th graders may also take it. Priority is given to 11th graders, so 10th graders will be wait-listed. NOTE: Due to changes to the PSAT exam, 9th graders can no longer take it.
- **WHY:** Taking the PSAT will make 11th graders eligible for the National Merit Scholarship and is excellent preparation for the SAT college entrance exam.
- WHEN: Wednesday, October 13 Check-in 8:30am Testing 8:40am – 12:30pm
- WHERE: Main Gym
- **REQUIRED:** Regular and Late Registration takes place with Poudre's cashier, Mrs. Malm. Registration for the PSAT will take place Sept. 6 through Oct. 8, 2021 until 4:00 pm. The registration fee is \$20.00. It is to your advantage to register for the PSAT as soon as possible so that you can use the materials you will receive when you register to prepare for the exam. Late registrations will be available on a space available basis. The opportunity to register for the PSAT ends on Oct. 8, at 4:00pm.
- **HURRY:** We are limited to 100 test takers!!

**NOTE:** If you have special needs or a 504 PLAN, see your counselor ASAP. Unless you've completed the necessary special accommodations application and documentation process with College Board it is unlikely that you will be able to receive special testing accommodations!







### From the Counseling Office

1st Quarter ends on Thursday, October 14.

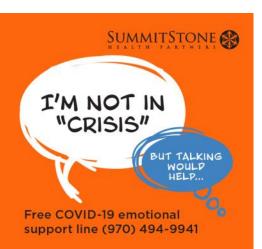
#### Schedule changes

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter schedule changes that include adding classes are available through Wednesday, October 20, 2021.

Last day to drop without having a (W)Withdraw on your transcript will be October 22, 2021.

The last day to withdraw from classes will be Friday, October 29, 2021, after that a withdraw results in a (WF)Withdraw Fail on student transcript.

Make sure to schedule in advance to meet with your counselor for schedule changes. **Seniors**: Please schedule a **senior conference** with your counselor in October. This conference will review your graduation status and the planning process for your postsecondary goals.



# **College Application Information**

College planning resources site that we encourage you to review. https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/poudreseniorplanning/home

Counselors will help students with the college application process during their **senior conference**. PHS will send official transcripts, school reports, and counselor recommendations (as required) to the colleges that students are applying to. These components are required for each application.

Follow the instructions for requesting a transcript

https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/poudreseniorplanning/home/transcriptrequests

- For Common App applications invite your counselor in your common app account.
- For Coalition App applications invite your counselor in your coalition account.
- For University specific applications request your transcript in Xello.

Pay the Transcript Fee via School Pay, https://psdschools.schoolpay.com/

- \$3.00 one-time for Common App and Coalition applications.
- \$3.00 for each Universities own application.
- Fee waived for students on the free/reduced federal lunch program. If you need assistance, please talk with your school counselor for accommodations to help with college fees.

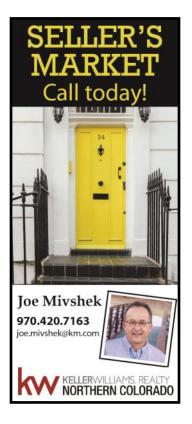
Pay careful attention to the college application deadlines. Counselors need a minimum of TWO WEEKS prior to any application deadline to complete the school report and counselor recommendation.

Does your application require teacher recommendations? Make the request in person and in your college application, giving the teachers a minimum of TWO WEEKS prior to any application deadline to complete the teacher evaluation and recommendation. Applying for financial aid? For students starting college in Fall 2022 the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will available starting October 1, 2021.

Follow the specific college's recommendation as to when it should be completed by. <u>https://fafsa.ed.gov/index.htm</u>

Talk to your school counselor for help with any application components.

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### **2021 Colorado Free Application Day\$**

In 2021, Colorado's Free Application Day has expanded to become "Free Application Day\$"! The fourth-annual state-wide initiative has grown from one day to three days:

#### Tuesday, October 19 - Thursday, October 21, 2021.

Applicants who submit their admission application to Colorado's colleges and universities during this three-day period can do so for **free**. Please follow the application instructions listed below.

And remember, while the application must be submitted during this three-day period to be eligible for the application fee waiver, **applicants can begin working on their admission applications now**. Save your on-line work and submit the admission application October 19 - 21.

#### **Application Instructions:**

<u>Click here to view instructions</u> on how to apply for admission for free during Free Application Day\$.

#### Colorado is "Test-optional"

First-time freshmen applicants have the **option to include or** *not* **include their SAT or ACT scores** with their college applications as Colorado colleges and universities are now "**test-optional**" due to recent legislation. To learn more about the test-optional policy click <u>here</u>.

#### Who is Eligible to Participate in Free Application Day\$?

All residents of Colorado who are applying for undergraduate programs at participating Colorado colleges and universities are eligible to submit their admission application for free on October 19 - October 21, 2021. Undergraduate programs include undergraduate level certificates, associate degrees, and bachelor degrees. First-time freshmen, transfer students, returning students, and applicants seeking a 2nd bachelor degree are all eligible. Applicants for graduate level programs are not eligible.

The actual admission application must be submitted starting Tuesday, October 19th until midnight on Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> to be eligible for the fee waiver. However, applicants can and are encouraged to begin filling out the application before this time - the application must to be submitted during this three-day period.

If the college/university has **additional application documents** required as part of the application process (for example, high school transcripts, letters of recommendation, etc.) they can be submitted before or after October 19 - 21.

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Stranaska<sup>®</sup> Prep Academy

We are recruiting a limited number of high school science students to participate in a free trial course during the pilot stage of our educational mentoring program that will open doors to rewarding career possibilities previously unknown to them. The unique Academy experience will enhance the quality of science student resumes with an eye-catching bullet point that will impress prospective employers in an untapped \$40B analytical science instrumentation industry.

# 2021 Colorado Free Application Day\$, continued...

#### It is always free to apply to Colorado's community colleges.

Colorado community colleges never charge to apply for admission.

### Helping you reach higher

<u>My Colorado Journey</u> has resources that help you discover your talents and interests, find a matching education or training program and successfully submit an application.

### What's next?

After you apply, it's important to file the <u>Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)</u>. The FAFSA is your ticket to grants, scholarships and work study positions that can put college in reach. <u>Learn how you can get your piece of the pie!</u>

### Why do we have Free Application Day?

To inspire more Coloradans to continue their education, all 32 public colleges and universities in Colorado and several private institutions will allow students to apply for free on Tuesday, October 19 - Thursday, October 21, 2021 as part of the fourth annual <u>Colorado Free Application Days.</u>

Colorado Free Application Days cap off <u>Colorado Applies Month</u>, a five-week campaign that guides 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students and adult job seekers along the application process.

The statewide push is designed to increase Colorado's stagnant college-going and FAFSA completion rates. Despite being one of the most educated states in the country, Colorado sends just 56 percent of high school graduates to a college, university or certificate program, and just 50 percent of students submit a FAFSA application—a key indicator of students' likelihood to continue their education.

By removing barriers for students to achieve a credential, Colorado can increase the number of students who complete their programs and enter the workforce with a degree or competitive skills. Nearly 75 percent of Colorado jobs require a postsecondary credential. Colorado Free Application Day encourages residents to live up to their fullest potential.

### 2020 Colorado Free Application Day Results:

**View** <u>results for free application day 2020</u> - thank you to all who participated and helped make the day a success. All 32 state colleges and universities and several private institutions waived admission application fees for Colorado residents on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 as part of the third annual Colorado Free Application Day. A quick summary of the day can be found <u>here</u>, and additional details are included in this <u>press release</u>. Free Application Day success data cited in these resources include:

- 56,896 total applications submitted
- Over **\$2.3 million** in application fee savings
- 44% were submitted by students of color
- Almost **30%** were submitted by first-generation students

Many individuals contributed to making this initiative a success, but a special thank you to all the high school counselors and frontline staff in the college admission offices across the state for your hard work on this program!



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#### Enroll in our Nursing Assistant Training Program In Ft. Collins, Colorado

Apply via the "Geriatric Education" link on our website

### **Online Concurrent Enrollment Agreement form**

Click here for form



Congratulations on your decision to get a jump-start on your college coursework! Students who participate in Concurrent Enrollment have better success and are more likely to graduate from college.

#### Here are your next steps:

• Apply to Front Range Community College and record your S# - you will need it often\*!

https://www.frontrange.edu/getting-in/admissions/apply-now

Complete your Concurrent Enrollment Agreement form:

https://frontrange.formstack.com/forms/psd\_ce\_agreement

A parent signature is required - you can either:

- \* Fill out the form with your parent present to sign it OR
- \* Complete the form without your parent and email them a copy to sign at the end.

You will be prompted to set a password for the document to share with your parent.

If you forget your password, it cannot be recovered. You will need to start over on the form if that happens.

- When the form is complete with all signatures, click SUBMIT and a copy of the form will be directed to you, your parent, your high school counseling office, and the school district.
- Final Steps:
  - If you are enrolling in the High School Select program (classes at your high school), no additional steps are needed.
  - If you are enrolling in the Campus Select program (classes on FRCC campus), you will need to complete an online orientation and register for your classes before the first day of classes.

Online orientation: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CampusSelect FRCC-LC

• Check in with your counselor to make sure you have all of your paperwork complete!

\*If you need to look up your S# you can do so here:

S-number look up: https://erpdnssb.cccs.edu/PRODCCCS/cccsemail reminder.cccs get snumb

WELCOME TO FRONT RANGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE!

### Acuerdo en línea para la Inscripción Simultánea



Haz clic aquí para tener acceso al Acuerdo. Para traducir el Acuerdo al español, haz clic aquí para seguir las instrucciones.

¡Felicitaciones por tu decisión de empezar tus cursos universitarios! Los estudiantes que participan en la Inscripción Simultánea son más exitosos, y es más probable que se gradúen de la universidad.

A continuación, te indicamos los pasos que tienes que seguir:

 Presenta tu solicitud de admisión en Front Range Community College, mediante el enlace que se presenta enseguida. ¡Te recomendamos que anotes tu "número S", pues lo necesitarás con frecuencia!\*

https://www.frontrange.edu/getting-in/admissions/apply-now

• Llena el Acuerdo para la Inscripción Simultánea, utilizando el siguiente enlace:

https://frontrange.formstack.com/forms/psd\_ce\_agreement

Se requiere la firma de uno de tus padres. Escoge una de las siguientes opciones:

- \* Llena el Acuerdo con uno de tus padres que esté presente para firmarlo, O
- \* Llena el Acuerdo sin tus padres, y envíales una copia por correo electrónico para que lo firmen en la parte inferior. Se te pedirá que crees una contraseña ("password") para que compartas el documento con alguno de tus padres.

Si olvidas tu contraseña ("password"), no podrás recuperarla. Si esto sucede, tendrás que volver a llenar el Acuerdo.

- Cuando hayas llenado el Acuerdo en su totalidad, y contenga todas las firmas que se requieren, haz clic en "SUBMIT" (ENVIAR); te enviarán una copia del Acuerdo a ti, y otra a tus padres, a la oficina de consejería de tu escuela de "high school" (preparatoria) y al distrito escolar.
- Pasos finales:
  - Si te has inscrito en el programa High School Select (clases en tu escuela de "high school" [preparatoria]), no tienes que seguir ningún otro paso.
  - Si te has inscrito en el programa Campus Select (clases en el campus de Front Range Community [FRCC]), tienes que completar una orientación en línea, y registrarte para tus clases, antes del primer día de clases.

Orientación en línea: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CampusSelect FRCC-LC

• ¡Habla con tu consejero(a) para asegurarte de tener todos los documentos completos!

\* Si necesitas buscar tu "número S", puedes hacerlo en:

<u>Búsqueda del número S ("S-number look up"):</u> <u>https://erpdnssb.cccs.edu/PRODCCCS/cccsemail reminder.cccs get snumb</u>

### ¡TE DAMOS LA BIENVENIDA A FRONT RANGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE!

Spanish 11/18/20 – PSD TD



### **IB Exam Registration Information**

Although it's hard to believe, it is time for juniors and seniors to register for the May 2022 IB examinations.

During the week of October 11-14, we will host several drop-in registration sessions for Diploma Students to guide students through the exam registration process and provide information regarding payment of fees for exams.

Students will register, via SignUp Genius, for the session that best fits their schedule and reminders will be sent prior to their assigned time.

Please be on the lookout for a follow up email to sign up for registration sessions.





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### **Senior Information & Deadlines/Class of 2022**

#### **SENIOR PICTURES**

Senior pictures are due by **October 29, 2021**. Pictures submitted after this deadline will not be printed in the yearbook. We will replace missing pictures with ID photos, if available.

The yearbook staff reserves the right to refuse your photograph if it is inappropriate, so please make good choices and use good judgment with your submissions.

#### Senior Pictures MUST fit the following guidelines:

- \* All clothing must be appropriate and fit the PHS dress code.
- \* No animals, vehicles, or hats in senior pictures.
- \* Pictures must have a vertical orientation. Horizontal photos will be cropped or rejected.
- \* Photos should be a focused headshot. Full body/distant photos will be zoomed in or rejected.
- \* Your vertical close-up must be in a 2.5x3.5 ratio with high resolution of at least 750x1050 pixels (300 DPI).

#### Upload your image <u>**HERE**</u>.

Make sure to label the picture "[First][Last]SeniorPicture".

\* Senior Photos must be uploaded. There is no other submission process. Do not bring us hard copies, disks, or flash drives.

\* Note: Professional photographers may request a different due date. It is the student's responsibility to check with the studio and confirm that the picture was received on time.

#### **SENIOR QUOTES**

Please submit a 25 word quote with your picture by **October 29th**. If you don't turn in a quote at this time, your spot will be left blank. No initials are allowed and your quote may be edited for length or content. ALL SENIOR QUOTES MUST INCLUDE AN AUTHOR! NO ANONYMOUS QUOTES!

#### **SENIOR BABY ADS**

Senior recognition/baby ads can be purchased at www.theyearbookcompany.com .

- \* Early-Bird Pricing Deadline: October 20
- \* Final Deadline: November 16

**NOTE:** Baby Ads are NOT processed through PHS. Do not send baby ad info/materials to the school: they will not be put in the yearbook.

Please find more information to help you on the PHS main webpage, click on Programs, click on Yearbook. Or click on the link below.

#### Senior Information | poudreyearbook

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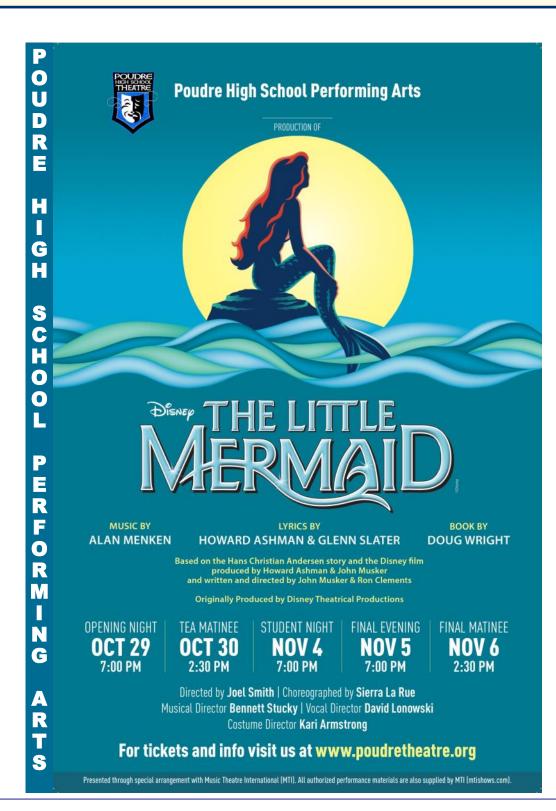
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### **Studio 5 School Pictures Info**

Studio 5 school pictures have started to come into the office. The early orders have been delivered to students' 1<sup>st</sup> period classrooms. The next orders, also called late registration should be delivered to Poudre over the first two weeks of October. We will get those into your students' hands as quickly as we can.

If you would like to have retakes or even first-time orders, Studio 5 will be at Poudre on October 13.



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### **Health Office News**

#### **Turn-in Updated Vaccination Records**

If students have received any immunizations since the beginning of last school year, or are new to Poudre School District, we need an up-to-date copy of immunization records. If parents choose to decline the required immunizations for non-medical reasons, they must complete an online educational module that can be found on the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment website or print off an exemption form and have their doctor sign it. These forms can be found on PSD's website, under student health, under immunizations. Non-medical exemption forms must be completed every school year. If parents choose to complete the online module, the school needs a printed copy of their certificate. If parents choose to have their doctor sign the form, the school will need a copy of it. If students are missing required immunizations and have not turned in the proper immunization exemption forms, parents will be notified that their child may not be at school after November 1st until they either receive the required vaccines, are in the process of receiving required vaccines, or complete the necessary exemption forms. If you would like information on where to find free or low-cost immunizations, please visit COvax4kids.org or call the Larimer County Department of Health and Environment.

#### **Update Phone Numbers**

Please make sure phone numbers and emergency contacts are up to date with the school. This is the main way the school contacts you in case of an emergency. If students are ill or hurt, we must be able to contact you. If changes occur throughout the school year, please update ParentVUE.

#### **Update Health Conditions**

If your child has any health conditions that the school has not been notified about already, please contact the school nurse, Barb Gomez, or the school health tech, Hailey Pasierb. Updated health conditions allow us to make sure every student is receiving the care they need.

Barb Gomez RN, BSN bgomez@psdschools.org 970-556-5900

Hailey Pasierb Health Tech hpasierb@psdschools.org 970-488-6050

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### **Food Bank**

Food Bank Distribution Dates at PHS: October 7th and the 21st

The Food Bank for Larimer Country will be setting up their pop-up mobile food distribution at Poudre High School sponsored by Global Leaders. They will be stationed in the east parking lot off of Impala Drive.

They will be at Poudre from 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm.

### **Kitchen News**



The PSD Child Nutrition team works with local and regional vendors in ensuring our 25,000 students are served healthy and nutritious meals every day. Currently, unprecedented food shortages have been affecting PSD and school districts nationwide. The Child Nutrition team is working closely with suppliers and the US Department of Agriculture to ensure every student who wants a meal, gets one.

With this challenge, Child Nutrition can no longer guarantee specific ingredients. Ingredients posted on the online NutriSlice menu page are for reference only. Actual ingredients and food substitutions are, available daily through each school's kitchen. Updated information will be posted online as food suppliers are able to guarantee product availability.

Families with meal modification forms on file have been contacted directly, but if you have further questions, contact the Child Nutrition Department at 970-490-3557.





#### **Upcoming Events:**

- 1. Computer Science speaker panel virtually in school: October 5, 2021.
- 2. Design and Multimedia speaker panel virtually in school: October 26, 2021.

Our first in person career/field trip for fall 2021. NOCOM – Northern Colorado Manufacturer's Trade Show.





Please log onto Xello from the Poudre High School website home page to see career opportunities for students. Link to student sign-on for Xello <u>https://phs.psdschools.org/students</u>

Wendy Tomaschow, Work-based Learning Coordinator, Poudre High School, wtomasch@psdschools.org



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# Amazing 2021 Homecoming Week Activities!!











# Amazing 2021 Homecoming Week Activities, continued...







