



POUDRE HIGH SCHOOL

POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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I AM WHO I AM BECAUSE OF WHO WE ARE

IMPALA PRIDE BULLETIN

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Message from PHS Administration

Poudre High School students and staff are highly involved in the spirit of giving and service to the community in which we live. Under the guidance of the PHS Student Council, Poudre High School students and teachers are holding our 17th annual Feed Our Families food drive to assist over 600 Poudre School District students and their families with two weeks' worth of food. Distribution day for Feed Our Families will be Saturday, December 14th from 8:00-11:00 am. As our students say, "This is a hand-up and not a hand-out." If you are interested in receiving food, or know someone in our school community that would benefit from our Feed Our Families food drive, please email Kailey Loper at kloper@psdschools.org

The food drive also provides fresh food for families, which includes items such as milk, eggs, cheese, meat, fruits and vegetables. If you would like to make a monetary contribution to help purchase these foods, please click on the following link:

<https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/feedourfamilies2024-phs/home>

Thank you for partnering with us in support of our community. It's a true demonstration of Ubuntu-- I am who I am because of who we are. We are Poudre.

Finals for the semester will take place on December 17th -20th. Please see the schedule below. Winter break will take place from December 23rd – January 6th with classes beginning on January 7th for second semester. Let's finish the semester strong and we will see you in the new year!

Sincerely,

PHS Administration



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2nd Quarter 1st Semester Finals

PHS Quarter 2 AB Course & Semester 1 A or B Course Finals

Last day of Q2/S1 12/20/24

PHS Course Finals/Midterms:

- We recommend that teachers follow the following schedule to administer Q2 & S1 finals.
- No bell schedule change.
- **NO LATE START on 12/18/24**

Quarter 2 Class Finals:

- 12/19 - Finals Periods 3 & 4
- 12/20 - Finals Periods 1 & 2 -> **Make up finals 1:00-4:00pm**

Semester 1 (A or B Day) Class Finals or Midterm :

- 12/17 - Finals Periods 3 & 4 A-Day Classes
- 12/18 - Finals Periods 3 & 4 B-Day Classes
- 12/19 - Finals Periods 1 & 2 A-Day Classes -> **A-Day make-up finals periods 3 & 4**
- 12/20 - Finals Period 1 & 2 B-Day Classes -> **Day make-up finals periods 3 & 4**

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PHS Preview Night

PHS Preview Night for 8th Graders and their families will be Wednesday, Dec. 4 at Poudre High School 5:30 - 7:30 pm!

High School is an exciting time where students are forging their paths forward towards college, career and adulthood. At Poudre High School, we have a path for every student. Whether they see themselves as doctors, entrepreneurs, artists, farmers, engineers and other top achievers, they can build these futures on the foundation Poudre High School provides. Our school, and its philosophy of Ubuntu, support students who come here to grow as leaders and thinkers on their way to higher callings! This is a place of uncommon spirit and purpose dedicated to not only student’s personal success, but also to students’ collective contributions to our community.

That’s Ubuntu—I am who I am because of who we are. We are Poudre!

There will be breakout sessions for special programs for those interested. There will be an open house from 6:00 - 7:30 pm to meet coaches and club sponsors, listen to music, enjoy food and take school tours.

- **5:30 pm** in the auditorium - **Welcome**
<https://phs.psdschools.org/>
- **6:00 pm** in the auditorium - **International Baccalaureate**
<https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/phs-ib-program/home>
- **6:30 pm** in the auditorium - **Concurrent Enrollment**
<https://phs.psdschools.org/concurrent-enrollment-0>
- **7:00 pm** in the auditorium - **P-Tech**
<https://phs.psdschools.org/programs/p-tech>
- **7:00 pm** in the Pub Lab #303 - **JROTC**
<https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/psdjrotc/home>

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is winter's
butterfly*



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**PSD SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION INFO
SESSION-FINANCIAL
AID INFORMATION**

Wednesday, December 4th

9:15am-late start

12:45-during lunch

EVENT CENTER

Deadline to apply-January 24, 2025

ASCENT /TREP Application Information Session

- Seniors Only

ASCENT/TREP Info
Session during late start
on Wednesdays and
during lunch in the event
center

December 11th
Choose 9:15am or 12:45pm

Parents- Learn more about ASCENT

<https://www.psdschools.org/academics/college-career-readiness/ascent-program>



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Work-Based Learning

POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Hello, Students and Families!!

Work-based Learning is a class students can take to receive high school elective credit for working at a job, internship, or apprenticeship.

Looking for a work-based learning opportunity? Students, log into your Xello account and click the “Opportunities” link on the right side of the page. You will see all jobs, internships, apprenticeships, and more regarding work-based learning opportunities. The opportunities are updated daily, so check often.

If you have questions, please contact Wendy Tomaschow, Work-based Learning Coordinator at Poudre High School. My email is wtomasch@psdschools.org. My work cell number is 970-661-2909.

Fall is the hiring season for many businesses during the holidays and a great time for high school students to look for a job! See me now to get your resume and interview skills ready!

Fall Career Tour photos from City of Fort Collins Utilities and Compost Queen.




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Reach parents in your local community & a significant portion of your investment goes back to the school!

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2025-2026 FAFSA

For students planning to attend a college or university during the 2025-2026 school year.

<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

2025–26 FAFSA® Form Now Open to All During Beta Testing

We've expanded access to the 2025–26 FAFSA form to everyone during the current beta testing period. You can submit your actual 2025–26 FAFSA form today.

- All students/parents will need their own FSA ID to access the FAFSA documents. An FSA ID consists of an account username and password that you create in order to gain access to the U.S. Department of Education's online systems, including StudentAid.gov.
- An FSA ID can also serve as your legal signature when completing electronic documents.
- You'll need your Social Security number (SSN) (if applicable) and your own email address to create an FSA ID.
 - Contributors without an SSN can create an FSA ID.
- All contributors must create their own FSA ID to access and complete their portion of the FAFSA form.

PSD is hosting a financial aid & scholarship information night at the Future Ready Center at the Foothills Mall in Fort Collins, **215 E Foothills pkwy suite 510 Fort Collins Co 80525**

Financial Aid and Scholarship Info Night

December 4 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Free

PSD seniors and families, come learn all about Financial Aid and The PSD Scholarship Application! The [FAFSA](#) opens Dec 1, and [The PSD Scholarship Application](#) opens Dec 13. Learn how to apply to both and MORE. The evening will start with a one-hour presentation followed by assistance completing your FSAID. Please bring a laptop if you are able to. Dinner Provided.

FFA

A quick update on what has been going on with the Poudre FFA and the Agriculture Program. The Chapter hosted its first annual Fall Carnival on November 16th. We would like to thank our sponsors for their support as well as community for coming. We look forward to hosting this event in years to come. The Poudre FFA had an outstanding day at the District 12 LDE speaking contest on November 18th. With our extemporaneous speakers earning person best scores, our creed speakers taking first and second and our prepared speakers taking 1st and 4th. This is the second time in our history we have had a state-qualified creed speaker and the first time we have had a state-qualified prepared speaker.

Extemporaneous Speaking

Bronze

Abygail Ryan

Hailey Heath

Prepared Speaking

District Winner and State Qualifier

Mina Thompson

Gold

Kirsten Bennett

Creed Speaking

District Winner and State qualifier

Adler Palmer

District Runner Up

Sara Lomeli-Chavez

On top of preparing for leadership development events and proficeices. members have been active at monthly lunch and afterschool meetings all year and look forward to continue to get to know each other at these events.

The chapter is looking forward to having a float in the Wellington Holiday Parade next month. We hope to see everyone there so we can throw candy and showcase our float.

As you might guess, it takes a tremendous amount of hard work and expense to develop and sustain a successful agriculture program. In support of our growth and future goals, we are once again planning our annual fundraiser in February. However, with the support of the membership, we are modifying the event in two ways. The first is that it will be called the Poudre FFA Farm to Fork Fundraiser, and the second is that we will be serving shredded beef or pork instead of Rocky Mountain oysters and chicken tenders. The name change will bring with it a chance for our membership to showcase all aspects of agriculture and how food gets from a farm to the fork. The food change will allow for easier planning and serving of food the night of the event. In previous years this fundraiser brought in over \$50,000; making it possible for us to continue offering a variety of unique opportunities for our students and FFA members, including participation in leadership conventions, local and state contests that prepare them for a career in the agriculture industry, as well as occasions to give back to our local community. We are excited to announce our 1st annual Farm to Fork event will take place on Friday, February 21st here at Poudre High School. Our past fundraiser in February has had great success, and each year the attendance and community support has grown. This year is no exception, as we are expecting to have approximately 750 people attend.

As we move into December we are looking for sponsors for the Farm To Fork event. If you would like more information about sponsorship opportunities please contact us at PoudreFFA@psdschools.org or visit our website

<https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/poudre-ag-department/sponsors?authuser=0>.



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**THE 2025
YEARBOOK**



Happy Holidays

Poudre Choir's Holiday Concert

Holiday Music From Around the World, with a sprinkling of the Classics!

Who: Impressions, Impromptu, Special Edition & Impalaphonics.

When: Tuesday, December 17, 7pm

Where: Poudre High School Auditorium

Questions: Contact the choir director David Lonowski at dlonowski@psdschools.org

JOIN CHOIR: It is not too late to join choir for second semester! Please email dlonowski@psdschools.org to enroll.

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Unified Basketball

Interest Meeting

December 4, 2024
4:20pm - 4:30pm
Room 198

Contact:
Coach Miller

wendim@psdschools.org

970-691-0136

Qdoba Fundraiser Unified Basketball

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December 4, 20 24
4-8pm
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CREATIVE ENDEAVORS

2024

POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT
K-12 STUDENT ART SHOW

November 21st-January 16th

Foothills

215 E. Foothills Pkwy 80525

Community Reception

Thursday, November 21st 5pm-7pm



Neeva Patel



Naia Engen



Mac Goldberg



Sierra Wheeler

ESFUERZOS CREATIVOS

2024

EXPOSICIÓN DE ARTE
PSD K-12

Recepción Comunitaria

Foothills Mall (215 E. Foothills Pkwy)
Jueves, 21 de noviembre - 5-7p.m.

Fechas de la exposición:
del 21 de noviembre al 16 de enero



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Naia Engen



Mac Goldberg



Sierra Wheeler



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REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be at least 16 with good academic and attendance record; apply during 10th grade or beyond
- Must have parental consent and reliable transportation
- Must work 16-24 hours per week during school; up to 40 hours per week over summer break
- Ideal candidate must have an interest in gaining practical hands-on work experience toward becoming an industrial professional equipment maintenance technician.

TYPICAL DUTIES:

- Work in a fast-paced manufacturing environment to maintain precision semiconductor equipment
- Train with highly-skilled Equipment Maintenance Technicians
- Perform preventative maintenance tasks, inspections, calibrations, troubleshooting, and repairs

Candidates must have the recommendation of their Poudre P-TECH Program Administrator and provide a resume or letter expressing their interest and commitment to completing the program.



Kaden and Claire inspecting the Reverse Osmosis filtration system



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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

PHS is offering a trip to Paris, London, and Edinburgh in June of 2026!

Is your student interested? Did you miss the informational meeting?

Contact PHS teachers Erin Austin or Sara Harris to get the info!

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Poudre School District CTE Program Collaboration

Poudre School District CTE programming, in collaboration with the Colorado Division of Fire Prevention & Control, conducted our district's first **Basic Wildland Firefighter 1 Certification** on the weekends of November 2nd and November 9th. Thirty-six PSD juniors and seniors were fully certified as entry-level FFT2 wildland firefighters, completing 40+ hours of classroom training, online instruction, and two days of field exercises. Three of our program graduates have already been offered job opportunities for the 2025 fire season! Connor Clark, also a graduate of the program, provided participants with field photographs. You'll notice some Poudre HS rock stars in action!

Mr. Austin Kreuzer, showing off his proud Poudre HS roots, provided classroom and field instruction for Colorado DFPC. Austin is employed as a full-time wildland firefighter with the DFPC Overland module (Windsor, CO).

[PSD Basic Wildland Firefighter 1 Certification Photo Gallery](#)

2024 PHS Wildland Firefighter Graduates :

- Cody Bradley
- Carter Harrison
- Liam Massing-Vincent
- Cody Mitchell



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CSU Teacher Education Program Partnership

Poudre High School is proud to host the Colorado State University Teaching Professional Development School. This is a unique program which provides future teachers with the opportunity to be on a school campus and participate in "real-time" learning. During the fall semester, we have 14 future teachers who get the opportunity to observe Poudre High teachers and see first-hand how to employ different teaching methodologies.

When learning about the inquiry method, CSU students created questions and then interviewed Poudre High School students in Will Cantwell's Freshman Seminar course. PHS students provided insight on what makes a good teacher. Overwhelmingly students said they love active learning (not lecture) and want teachers to be fair and in control of the classroom. Many valuable insights were brought to light by our PHS student experts!

Thank you to our Poudre High School community for supporting the development of future teaching professionals.

