

POUDRE HIGH SCHOOL

POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Message from PHS Administration

Poudre Families,

We have had a great start to the school year! Your support for Poudre High School staff and students has made this a very successful beginning and we are looking forward to an exciting year for our entire Poudre community!

As we welcome September, our Fall Sports are in full swing! Make sure to check out the Athletics Calendar on our website for dates and times and come support your Poudre Impalas! Homecoming week starts on September 16th with many activities for students to participate in throughout the week. We will conclude the week with our varsity football game on Friday night, September 20th at French Field with kickoff at 7:00 PM. Our Homecoming Dance will be on Saturday, September 21st from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM at Poudre High School.

Parent Teacher Conferences will be Wednesday, September 25th from 4:30 PM until 7:30 PM at Poudre High School.

Also, mark your calendars with the "No School" days in September. September 2nd recognizes Labor Day, and September 23rd is a district professional learning day for all staff. That means Poudre High School students can relax and enjoy a three-day weekend each of those weeks.

Sincerely, PHS Adminstration

SRO Intro

Hello! My name is Officer Josh Golden, and I am your Poudre High School SRO. I've been a school resource officer for five years. I was raised in the mountains of Colorado and have been a police officer since 2002. In my time at Fort Collins Police, I have been a Field Training Officer, DUI enforcement officer, CRASH Team member, SWAT Team Member and worked several years on foot patrol in Downtown Fort Collins. I am excited for another great year at Poudre! Go Impalas!

SRO Corner

This year your School Resource Officer team is going to be sharing topics monthly in the Newsletter to engage with parents and send home some tips for safety both at school and home. This month we are going to be discussing the role of the School Resource Officer within Poudre School District.

Your Fort Collins Police School Resource Officers are certified police officers who have all received basic and advanced police training through the Fort Collins Police as well as a nationally accredited Police Academy. We all come from different walks of life, but all have the same basic skills and abilities. Many of us have advanced skills in things like, Crime Scene Investigation, Traffic Accident Reconstruction, Forensic Investigations, Crisis Negotiation, Bicycle Safety and Operation, Police Tactics and SWAT operations, Firearms, Arrest Control and other specialized skills. We all then have been through a School Resource Officer school which is a national certification from National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO) in order to become SROs and work within the schools.

Your SROs are taught the concept of "The Triad" during our NASRO School which is the foundation for In School Policing. The Triad concept explains that an SRO should be Three Things:

First and foremost, we are Law Enforcement Officers, meaning we are Sworn Peace Officers capable of investigating crimes, traffic accidents, responding to emergency situations, writing traffic tickets, and of course providing security, safety, and officer presence at all our schools and school events.

The second component of The Triad is, Mentor. We all have chosen to become SROs not to write tickets but to mentor the youth of our community. We want to help in building high quality young adults and recognize that the better the foundation the stronger the individual. We mentor students in all manners of life, from good decision making to conflict resolution, as well as mental health and wellbeing. We often counsel on the dangers of drug and alcohol use as well as help students navigate peer conflict. We have found that for students to be successful in their schooling often the only thing missing is one trusted adult. Students have a whole list of adults in the building they can trust for mentoring or counseling and your SRO offers a new and unique lens for students on how to develop mentally, relationally, scholastically, and socially.

The third component of The Triad is Teaching & Guest Speaking. Often SROs are asked by teachers to come to class and lend our expertise to certain lessons. With all the SROs on the team, that expertise varies greatly from school to school, but often we teach lessons on the Bill of Rights, Traffic Safety, Bicycle Safety, Internet Safety (for both students and parents), Cyber Bullying, or School Safety. SROs have also found themselves teaching on a multitude of other topics as well from Photography to Physical Education, Reading to Elementary Students or giving Stranger Danger presentations, helping with Mock Trials in English or Social Studies classes; the list is endless. We love the opportunity to impact the youth in our community and any chance we are presented to interact in healthy and helpful ways we are going to jump at the chance!

We are looking forward to a Safe and Incredible year in Poudre School District and please if you every have questions reach out to your SRO! We are on the same PSD Schedule as our schools and are always available to help wherever we can!

Keep an eye out for next month's SRO Corner!

Health Office

Welcome Back Poudre Impala Families!

The health office would like to welcome you back to Poudre High School for another great school year and to share information on Poudre School District's Immunization guidelines. The state of Colorado and the Poudre School District require the following immunizations be up-to-date and on record for your student's compliance:

Hep B, MMR, IPV, DTaP, Tdap, and Varicella

If these are not on record in the health office a non-compliance letter will be mailed to parents and/or guardians of the non-compliant student(s).

If you would like information on how often these immunizations are required, you may visit the CDPHE website. Poudre Schools also accepts non-medical exemptions. If you are interested in completing a non-medical exemption, you can visit https://cdphe.colorado.gov/vaccine-exemptions and complete the on-line module. The online module takes approximately 20-30 minutes to complete. You may bring completed exemptions to the health office or email them to the health tech or school nurse.

Thank you so much for your continued support!

Sincerely,

PHS Health Team

School Nurse: Barb Gomez <u>bgomez@psdschools.org</u> Health Tech: Brian Harrison <u>brharris@psdschools.org</u>

Oficina de Salud

¡Bienvenidos de nuevo a las familias de Poudre Impala!

La oficina de salud desea darle la bienvenida nuevamente a Poudre para otro gran año escolar y brindarle información sobre las pautas de inmunización del Distrito Escolar de Poudre de este año. El Distrito Escolar de Poudre necesita las siguientes vacunas para que sus estudiantes no reciban una carta de incumplimiento:

Hep B, MMR, IPV, DTaP, Tdap y Varicela.

Si desea información sobre la frecuencia con la que se requieren estas vacunas, puede visitar el sitio web de CDPHE. Poudre Schools también acepta exenciones no médicas. Si está interesado en completar una exención no médica, puede visitar

https://cdphe.colorado.gov/vaccine-exemptions y completar el módulo en línea. El módulo en línea tarda aproximadamente 20-30 minutos en completarse. Puede traer las exenciones completadas a la oficina de salud o enviarlas por correo electrónico a la enfermera de la escuela o al técnico de salud.

¡Muchas gracias por su continuo apoyo!

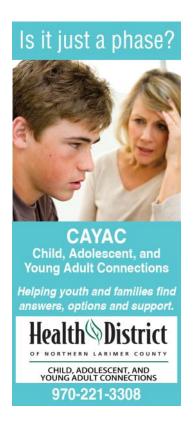
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Equipo de salud de PHS

Enfermera escolar: Barb Gomez <u>bgomez@psdschools.org</u>

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PSAT

2024 PSAT NMSQT Test (Pre-SAT) —October 23rd

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 waitlisted.

WHY: Taking the PSAT can make 11th graders eligible for the National Merit Scholarship and is excellent preparation for the SAT college entrance exam.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 23 Check-in 8:15am Testing 8:30am –

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. 7, 2024 until 4:00pm. 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. 7 at 4:00pm.

HURRY: We are limited to 120 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!











Synergy Senior Information

Class of 2025: student & families

Counselors will be working closely with students and families this year on graduation and postsecondary plans. Here are a few important pieces of information:

<u>Google Classroom</u>: We will use the PHS Class of 2025 Google Classroom. This is an important resource for students this year as we will post info about scholarships, college applications, job/internship/apprenticeship opportunities, and more. The link to join the class https://classroom.google.com/c/NzA0OTM2MDAyOTA3?cjc=venhzj6

- Students: join the link and then can add their parents' email in the classroom.
- <u>Parents</u>: once your student adds your email, you can sign up to receive weekly summaries of the information being posted.

<u>Senior Meeting:</u> Beginning the week of September 9th, counselors will begin individual senior meetings to discuss graduation requirements and plans for after high school. Please see your counselor to schedule a meeting. Parents are welcome to attend these meetings.

<u>ICAP Requirements</u>: As you may remember, the state of Colorado also now requires students to complete an Individual Career and Academic Plan. The district has set a minimum requirement that you complete the two assigned lessons in Xello. I will show you how to do this during your senior meeting and it will need to be completed for you to graduate.

College Application Information

We have a 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 may be required for each application.

Follow the instructions for requesting a transcript

- 1. Complete the transcript request form.
- 2. Review the process for requesting a transcript imbedded in your application. https://sites.google.com/psdschools.org/poudreseniorplanning/home/transcript-requests
 - For Common App applications invite your counselor in your common app account.
 - For University specific applications request your transcript in Xello.
- 3. Pay the Transcript Fee via School Pay.
 - \$3.00 onetime for Common Applications.
 - \$3.00 onetime for university applications.
 - Fees waived for student receiving free/reduced lunch. If you need assistance with payment, please talk with your school counselor for accommodations with college fees.

Synergy Senior Information, continued...

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 any 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.

Colorado Free Application Days

Planning to apply to a college/university in Colorado? Plan to submit your application on one of the Colorado Free Application Days. Submit your application on **October 15-17, 2024**, and your application fee will be waived. If you are not ready to submit on these days, you can submit your application any time following the college/university deadlines and pay the application fee. Colorado State University is free application every day.

Financial Aid

Applying for financial aid? For students starting college in fall of 2025, you need the 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be available sometime in December 2024 and will use information from your 2023 tax data. Last year the FAFSA was updated for the first time in over 40 years and as a result the process may be later than in previous years. Follow the college's recommendations as to when it should be completed. https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa





Sponsorship space in this newsletter is extremely affordable!

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

Want to sponsor this school?

Please contact Rob Mangelson at Rob@tscacolorado.com or (720) 878-4107.

Boettcher Foundation Scholarship Overview

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- Application Opens: September 1, 2024
- Deadline: November 1, 2024, by 5pm (MST)

Boettcher Scholarship Models

Our Scholarship Program has two models that support the Foundation's mission to invest in the promise of Colorado and the potential of Coloradans.

Cost of Attendance Model: Scholars receive an annual fixed amount of \$20,000 per year from Boettcher for four years. Institutions will then use institutional, merit, and/or need based support (or a combination) to support up to the total cost of attendance for each Scholar minus travel and other expenses. Institutions under this model are Adams State University, Colorado Mesa University, Colorado School of Mines, Colorado State University, Colorado State University—Pueblo, Fort Lewis College, Metropolitan State University of Denver, University of Colorado Boulder, University of Colorado Colorado Springs, University of Colorado Denver, University of Northern Colorado, and Western Colorado University.

Tuition & Fees Model: Scholars receive an annual fixed amount of \$20,000 per year from Boettcher for four years. Partner institutions will then use institutional, merit, and/or need-based support (or a combination) to support up to the total amount of tuition and fees for each Scholar. *Institutions under this model are Colorado Christian University, Colorado College, Regis University, and University of Denver*.

The Boettcher Foundation hosts webinars annually. Titled "Everything You Need to Know About Scholarships," the webinars go over how students can "ACE" their college and scholarship applications, including tips on how to make their applications stand out.

2024 Webinars:

- Tuesday, June 25th from 12-1 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 16th from 5-6 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 14th from 12-1 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 10th from 5-6 p.m.
- Thursday, September 26th from 12-1 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 9th from 5-6 p.m.

An abbreviated version of the <u>presentation is also available here</u>. Ver el vídeo: todo lo que debes saber de las becas.

Daniels Fund Scholarship Program

The Daniels Scholarship Program helps make college possible for motivated and ambitious students.

We're looking for students with great potential, strong character, big dreams, and values that align with the man behind it all, Bill Daniels. Daniels Scholars® are America's next generation of leaders, persevering through life's challenges and committed to making a difference in the world around them. They are independent and entrepreneurial thinkers who are proud of their country and their communities and work hard to improve them.

Application opens on September 16, 2024

Deadline to apply is October 18, 2024

To be eligible for the Daniels Scholarship Program, students must meet the following requirements at the time of application:

- Be a graduating high school senior
- Be a resident of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, or Wyoming
- Be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States
- Earn a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0 in high school (on an unweighted 4.0 scale)
- Earn a minimum SAT Math score of 490 and a minimum Evidence-Based Reading & Writing score of 490, or a minimum ACT score of 18 in each category (writing score not required).
- Meet financial eligibility requirements as described below.

Financial Eligibility Details

In order to be eligible for the Daniels Scholarship Program, applicants must demonstrate financial need through Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) of \$100,000 or less on the 2023 federal tax return **on which the applicant is claimed as a dependent** and review of other assets. If there are additional dependents, beyond the applicant, claimed on the 2023 tax return, we allow for \$10,000 of additional income for each additional dependent.



39th ANNUAL NORTHERN COLORADO OUT-OF-STATE COLLEGE FAIR

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

6:00pm-7:30pm

Location: Poudre High School 201 S. Impala Drive Fort Collins, CO 80521

Register for the college fair here to get your personal barcode:

StriveFair.com



Why should I register for the college fair?

College reps can easily scan your barcode instead of filling out postcards to get on the mailing list.

Students can register for the fair right up until the doors open.

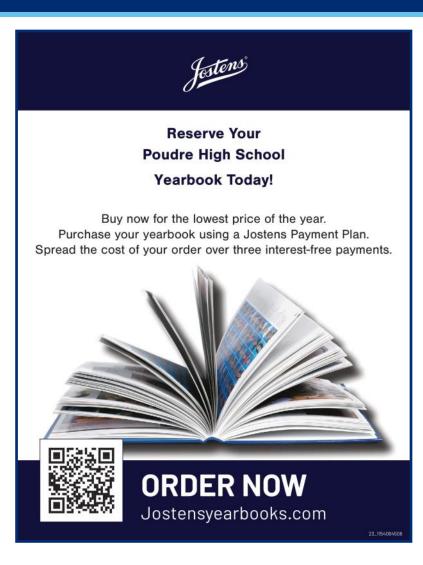
High school student's 9th-12th graders from all schools in Northern Colorado and Southern Wyoming are invited! Tell all your friends!

This is an opportunity to meet approximately 150 Colleges, Universities & Military Academies.

We adhere to NACAC College Fair guidelines: Exhibitors must be a two or four-year college, university, or other post-secondary institution, that is not-for-profit, degree-granting, and accredited.

Contact: Marni Klamm mklamm@psdschools.org 970-488-6026





High School Summer Abroad with CIEE

Is your student interested in a 1-month study abroad program for next summer? This summer, we had 10 PHS students study in Taiwan, Spain, France, England, South Africa, and Japan, earning a combined total of \$26,630 in scholarships! If you're interested in hearing more about the programs and how to access millions of dollars in scholarship money (yes, some of our students have received FULL scholarships!), here are two dates for you:

-Virtual informational session with CIEE on Tuesday, September 10, from 6-7:00pm. Register via this QR code:



-Informational meeting with a CIEE rep on Thursday, October 3, from 5-6:00pm in the Event Center at Poudre High School.

If you have questions, please contact PHS teacher Erin Austin at <u>eaustin@psdschools.org</u>.

Disclaimer: We do not, as a school or district, endorse any company. We do, however, make information accessible to families so that students can have equitable access to enrichment opportunities, particularly those with sizable scholarship opportunities

Boys Wrestling

Open Mat workouts- Thursdays and Fridays from 4:30-5:45pm for pre-season.

Parent Meeting either October 15 or 22nd, 6-7pm at Poudre High School

Contact Coach Golyer with questions at (970)217-8425 or bgolyer@psdschools.org





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.

Upcoming Career Tours, Fall 2024:

- 1. Medical Facility Career Tour September, 2024
- 2. Architecture, Construction, and Engineering Trades Day September 27, 2024
- 3. NOCOM Manufacturing Trade Show October 9, 2024
- 4. HP Day of Industry October 10, 2024
- 5. Construction CON October 23, 2024

Upcoming hot internship opportunities, Fall 2024:

- 1. UCHealth Lab internship
- 2. UCHealth Radiology internship

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!

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PER STUDENT

\$45

09:00 AM-12:00 PM

9.14.24

OPEN TO GRADES

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Perform for the PHS vs RMHS game at CSU Stadium on 09.27.24!

T-SHIRT & BOW INCLUDED

BEGISTER NOW

Hosted by the Poudre High School Dance and Cheer Teams!