



POUDRE HIGH SCHOOL

POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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MESSAGE FROM PHS ADMIN

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! Poudre staff and student Ubuntu Leaders have worked diligently help facilitate a smooth transition from summer break back to school.

As we welcome September, our Fall Sports are in full swing! Make sure to check out the Athletic's Calendar on our website for dates and times and come support your Poudre Impalas! The Theater Department has auditions for our fall musical, *Indecent*, on September 8 and 9 from 4:30-7:00 in the auditorium. Tech selection for the musical is on September 11th from 4:30-6:30 PM. All are welcome to audition!

Please join us for Back to School Night on Wednesday, September 2nd. Additionally, parent teacher conferences will be on Wednesday, September 23rd from 4:30 PM until 7:30 PM at Poudre High School. This is a great opportunity to connect and check-in face to face with your students' teachers. We hope to see you there!

Also, mark your calendars that there is no school on September 7th for the Labor Day holiday. That means Poudre High School students can relax and enjoy a three-day weekend.

Since at the high school level we do not have supply lists for your students we have an opportunity for you to donate to Poudre High School to help support our students, staff and our classrooms. We are asking for donations to purchase classroom equipment and materials. If you would like to donate, please click on the following SchoolPay link: <https://www.schoolpay.com/link/Poudre-High-School-Supply-Donation>. All donations made to PSD/PHS may be deducted for income tax purposes by individuals or corporations and your donations are greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,

PHS Administration



Continued...



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DAY**

MESSAGE FROM PHS ADMIN, continued...

PARENTVUE & YOU

Are you eager to stay informed about your student this year? PSD has you covered with ParentVUE and StudentVUE. Check both tools before school starts and throughout the year here. If you have questions, please email Ms. Lastra at llastramendo@psdschools.org

SCHOOL PICTURE RETAKES

School picture retakes will be on Thursday, October 22, 2026

Attached is the direct prepay information: It's important that orders are placed early to ensure timely processing.

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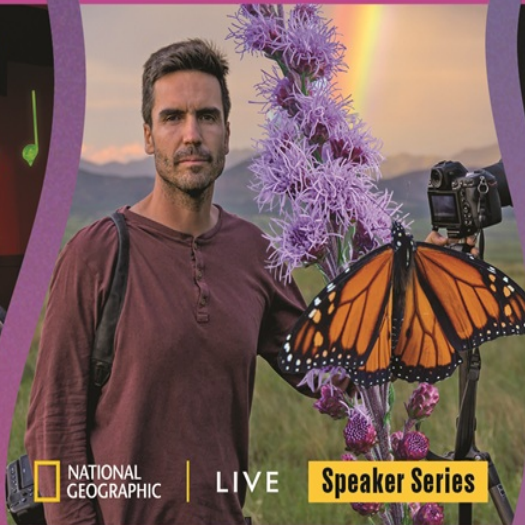
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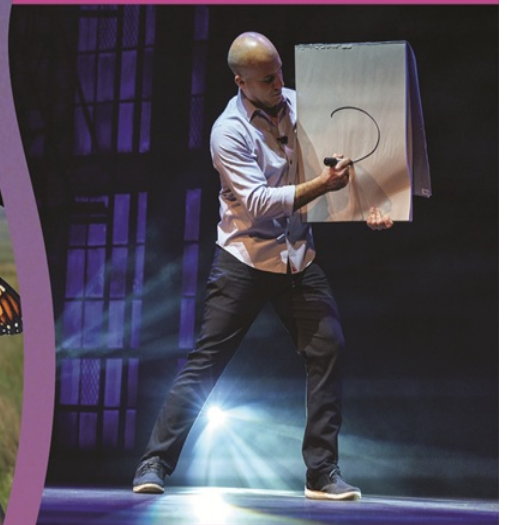
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Poudre High School Family Newsletter • Partnering for Student Success

Dear PHS Parents, As we begin a new school year, we want to take a moment to highlight a few key focuses that will help us establish a strong, positive school culture from day one. Our goal is not perfection, but consistency. The consistency we create together will have a significant impact on how our students experience Poudre High School. As the Dean's, our goal is to collaborate with you on the following:

GET TO KNOW YOUR DEANS

Dean Alan Flores

Experience: 13 years as an educator — 11th year at PHS, as a school counselor and coach (FB, G-BB, B-SOC).

Responsibilities: Student behavior/discipline, attendance, restorative practices; school climate safety/crisis; student advocacy.

Specialties & Passion: ¡Yo hablo español! Building deep relational connections with students and families to enhance academic progress.

Dean Mo Posten

Experience: Former Teacher (NY, OH, CO, VA); SEL & Re-engagement Specialist; Assistant Principal/Dean at Centennial HS. First year at PHS!

Responsibilities: Continuous shaping of school culture, student behavior/discipline, safe campus environment, bridging home & school.

Specialties & Passion: Trauma-centered lens, helping students learn self-advocacy. Building deep family & student relationships.

1. ESTABLISHING A STRONG SCHOOL CULTURE

Our culture is built through the small interactions we have with students every day. Our goal is to be visible, welcoming, consistent, and intentional in our interactions. Students should know that we care about them, that we have high expectations for them, and that we will hold those expectations consistently.

2. CELL PHONE POLICY

Consistency with our cell phone expectations will be essential. Students should receive the same message from all staff regarding when and where cell phones are appropriate.

Please review the school's cell phone policy and support us having this conversation with your student. The goal is not simply to enforce a rule. It is to create an environment where students are present, engaged, and ready to learn.

3. BATHROOM EXPECTATIONS

A safe, clean, and focused school environment is essential for student success. We need your partnership to reinforce our hallway and bathroom expectations. Please review these critical safety and cleanliness guidelines with your student.

Bathroom Expectations

Safety First: One student per stall. Multiple students in stalls compromise privacy. Multiple students in stalls create safety risks. Violations will result in disciplinary action.

Cleanliness & Respect: Keep counters and floors dry. Dispose of paper towels in trash cans. Flush toilets completely after use. Report any plumbing issues to staff.

Clear Purpose: Use restrooms for their intended purpose only. Do not loiter or socialize inside. Electronic device use is strictly prohibited. Return to class immediately after exiting.

HALLWAY EXPECTATIONS

Prevention & Safety: Walk at a normal, safe pace. Keep hallways clear for open traffic. Roughhousing and running are strictly forbidden. Follow directions from all staff members.

Time Management: Move directly to your next class. Use the most efficient route possible. Avoid gathering in large, blocking groups. Be in your seat before the bell rings.

PARENT REMINDERS & BREAKS

Discussion Points: Talk to your student about personal space. Emphasize the importance of peer safety. Discuss respecting shared school property.

We want students to have access to necessary breaks while also maintaining a safe and productive learning environment. Please reinforce the school-wide expectation of hallway restrictions during the first 10 minutes and last 10 minutes of every period. Our goal is to balance student needs with maintaining appropriate supervision, instructional time, and hallway safety.

Our Collective Focus: Creating a school where students feel safe, supported, connected, and accountable. If we are consistent, communicate well, and prioritize relationships, we can start the year with a strong foundation!

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SENIOR INFORMATION

Dear Seniors, Parents & Guardians,

We're excited to partner with you this year as we prepare for graduation and life after high school! Click the link for more information, resources and deadlines to help guide the process.

Back-to-School Night Presentation: September 2, 2026, 5:30-6:00pm in the Event Center

Couldn't make it to Back-to-School Night? The senior information will be posted on the PHS Counseling Website: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1x6nt-RVrbOiTuHs--sPmm7vBaHhtrBgF/view?usp=drive_link

POUDRE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR YEARBOOK INFORMATION 2026-2027

SENIOR PICTURES

Senior pictures are due by **October 30, 2026**. We cannot guarantee late pictures will be in the book. If no picture is submitted, we will use your school picture. 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 vertical orientation. Horizontal photos will be cropped or rejected.
- Photos should be a focused headshot. Full body/distant photos will be zoomed 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 directly to our yearbook website. You may do that by going to www.poudreyearbook.com and clicking "Upload Your Pictures Here". Make sure to label the picture "(First Name)(Last Name)SeniorPicture".

- **Senior Photos must be uploaded.** There is no other submission process. Do NOT email them.
- **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 your senior quote by **October 30th**. Quotes cannot exceed 25 words. If you don't turn in a quote by the deadline, your spot will be left blank. No initials are allowed and your quote may be edited for length or content. Go to www.poudreyearbook.com and click on the "Submit Senior Quotes" button.

SENIOR BABY ADS

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

- Early-Bird Pricing Deadline: **October 30, 2026**
- Final Deadline: **November 18, 2026**

BUY YOUR YEARBOOK

Don't forget to purchase a 2026-2027 yearbook at www.poudreyearbook.com. Supplies are limited so buy now.

WE ARE HERE TO HELP

The yearbooks staff realizes that a lot of work goes into making this the best year possible for your senior. Please let us know if you have any questions, concerns or special considerations. We are available throughout the year to assist you. Email me at any time at imorley@psdschools.org

CSU EVENTS FOR FUTURE RAMS

Ready NoCo Application Workshop

August 13, 2026 | 1:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Behavioral Sciences Building
410 West Pitkin Street
Fort Collins, CO 80523



This is a free event designed to prepare rising high school seniors and their families for their college applications. Join admissions counselors as they walk you through the application process with hands-on examples, and sessions with helpful tips and tricks!

Poudre School District Visit Day

October 16, 2026 | 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM
Moby Arena
951 West Plum Street
Fort Collins, CO 80521



Calling all Poudre School District juniors and seniors, this free event is designed just for you! Join us to learn more about Colorado State University and what life is like as a Ram. Attend breakout sessions, eat lunch in a CSU dining hall, and take an optional campus tour.

Financial Aid Completion Night

October 27, 2026 | 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM
Ammons Hall
711 Oval Drive
Fort Collins, CO 80521



Join Colorado State University's Admissions and Financial Aid offices for a free, drop-in event to help you navigate and complete the financial aid process.

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