

Dear Providence families and friends,

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# PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL MEWS

## May 12, 2023

The following articles were submitted by staff, various PHS clubs, booster organizations, etc., and compiled by the PTSO for your convenience. Direct questions related to specific articles to the contact person listed.

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

May 29	Memorial Day Holiday – No School
June 9	Last Day of 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter
June 12-June 13	Teacher Workdays – No School
June 14	Class of '23 Graduation Day

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear PHS parents and families:

Happy Friday. Today is the last day of regular AP exams. We have administered about 1700 exams to about 900 students in the last 2 weeks. Whew. I know our students are glad to have that behind them. I'm sure they have worked hard to put their best foot forward.

Tomorrow night is our **Prom**. Today, I reminded students that Prom is a school-sponsored event and all rules are in effect just as if we are at school or on a school field trip. We want our students to make smart decisions and be safe over the weekend.

Again, this week, I have reminded the students of their **Attendance Recovery** obligations. The last day to do Attendance Recovery is June 1. Please review your child's absences per course. If they have absences above 10 in any course, they automatically receive a failing grade (F) in the course unless they do Attendance Recovery to make up any time over 10 absences. Students can do Attendance Recovery every morning before school at 6:15am in room 403. They can also do Attendance Recovery every afternoon (except Fridays) in SMC (the Student Management Center) from 2:15 – 3:00pm. Lastly, any time they spend with their teacher in tutoring after school, making up a test or quiz after school, etc. can count towards Attendance Recovery. Ms. Reda, our Attendance Secretary, is the expert in Attendance Recovery so if you have any questions, please contact her in the main office.

Students who cannot fully complete all of their Attendance Recovery time, can do as much time as is available and submit an Attendance Recovery Appeal Form. Forms will be available at the end of May. In order for an appeal to be granted, students will need to have doctor's notes or other documentation to explain why they have a large number of absences and / or why they were unable to complete the Attendance Recovery.

Next week, we are hosting **Junior Week** to help our juniors get a head start on their college applications. There is so much they can do to get ahead over the summer months. It will make their life much easier than waiting until school starts in August. Please see the message below with all the details for them.

I have shared the specific **Final Exam** schedule with students. It is on the #OneProv Canvas page for all of them to access. If students have doctor appointments or other off-campus obligations during this time, we ask that you please reschedule them. Students will not be able to leave campus before 12:30pm each day during exams. If they are unable to reschedule an appointment, we will have a make-up exam day on June 9 and the student can take the exam then.

I hope you have a great weekend.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Harrill, principal

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### New – PVSA Announcement

Congratulations to the recipients of the President's Volunteer Service Award for the 2022-2023 service year! We commend the following students for their commitment and dedication to making a positive impact on their community. You can pick up your PVSA Certificate from Ms. Haywood in the guidance office **on May 31 until the last day of school**. Thank you for your service!

#### Seniors

Aubrey Hamilton, Emma Sherrill

#### Juniors

Aditi Babar, Savannah Bachmann, Maia Campbell, Joseph Chen, Brice Cothran, Ellen Curley, Ethan Desai, Mrunal Dongre, Jude Eamigh, Anya Iyer, Hanna Joy Johnson, Lydia Johnson, Saidatha Kasani, Ansh Khurana, Uirim Kim, Tanner Kolb, Zachary Laglenne, Hayun Lee, Grant Partridge, Shanthi Pillai, Sahana Raghavan, Alan Shao, Julian Wu

#### Sophomores

Tanvi Anandkumar, Katherine Brodie, Diya Chandra, Riya Chivate, Chloe Critel, Youssef Elmashad, Akshara Gudipati, Joe Joseph, Arnav Mathew, Diya Mouleeswaren, Ratna Padma, Ashleigh Plyler, Matthew Pressly, Taher Shahid, Tavish Sheth, Katelyn Soden, Sindhu Sureshkannan, Nicholas Susanto, Leah Thomas, Shailey Vardinani, Isabella Wilhelm, Kevin Yu

#### Freshmen

Anoushka Awasthi, Julianna Bamert, Khushi Bhatia, Lillian Caldwell, Liam Campbell, Eleena Chacko, Amelia Gallinek, Ashley Ji, Tyler Kokoszka, Clara Milheim, Tanish Pai, Zane Short, Keshvi Verma, Emily Walker

(Submitted 5/10/2023 by Helen Kim, [helenckim@gmail.com](mailto:helenckim@gmail.com))

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## **New – Summer CDMs**

The CDM window for summer 2023 is now open. Credit by Demonstrated Mastery (CDM) is an option that allows students to demonstrate mastery and receive credit for a course by taking an assessment demonstrating proficiency by achieving the designated scale score or percent as established by NCDPI and then completing an artifact reflecting content mastery. CDM is only available for standard-level courses. CDM credits are awarded as a pass/fail grade and therefore do not impact grade point averages.

Students who wish to participate in the CDM process during summer 2023 need to submit a completed application **no later than Friday, June 2 at 3 PM**. Phase I Assessments will be given from **July 18-31**. Phase II Assessments will be given **August 1-10**. The District Team will establish a testing plan and communicate all information to families. The team will also ensure that schools are notified of potential applicants for counseling sessions. Here is the [CDM One-Pager](#), which includes process guidelines, FAQ, and the link to the application form.

If you have any questions, please reach out to your school's counselor.

(Submitted 5/9/2023 by Kathleen McDonough, [kathleens.mcdonough@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:kathleens.mcdonough@cms.k12.nc.us))

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## **New – Chalk the Walk**

Senior Parents: Save the Date for our First Ever Chalk the Walk on **May 31**

Parents of PHS seniors are invited to Chalk the Walk with messages for their senior students on **Wednesday, May 31 between 4-8 PM**. Stop by the front PHS entrance with your sidewalk chalk (or use ours) and chalk a message to wish your senior student well on their last days of classes at Providence. The PTSO will have a limited amount of chalk on hand.

Please contact Stacey Ellis with questions at [staceyellis11@gmail.com](mailto:staceyellis11@gmail.com)

(Submitted 5/8/2023 by Stacey Ellis, [staceyellis11@gmail.com](mailto:staceyellis11@gmail.com))

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## **Updated – Senior Portraits**

CLASS OF 2024: Senior portrait appointments can now be scheduled at Cady Studios, located at 2201 Crownpoint Executive Dr. # E in Charlotte. Go to <https://home.cady.com/order-products/seniors/> to book. Students will have all summer to schedule their portrait session in their studio at a time that is convenient to them. All students must have a formal portrait taken by Cady to be in the yearbook.

Additional details can be found here –

[https://cadyweb.s3.amazonaws.com/Adviser+Communication+Kit+Assets/CADY-24-SEN\\_Booking-flyer\\_with+links.pdf](https://cadyweb.s3.amazonaws.com/Adviser+Communication+Kit+Assets/CADY-24-SEN_Booking-flyer_with+links.pdf)

Email [pamelac.mann@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:pamelac.mann@cms.k12.nc.us) for further questions.

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## **Junior Week: College Admissions and Post High School Planning**

**May 15-18** the Counseling Department is hosting Junior Week, which will focus on helping students prepare for college applications and post high school planning. Each afternoon we will host a student workshop in the media center from **2:25-3:25 PM** focused on a different part of the college application process as well as a workshop on additional post high school options such as trade programs, community college options, military, etc.

We know that junior year is challenging and that many students are ready for the break. However, there is ALOT that you can do over the summer to be less stressed in the fall and prepare for application deadlines. The daily workshops will be very informative, and you should make attendance a priority. We understand that many students have work, practice, and other obligations, so if there is an afternoon that you cannot attend, have a buddy take notes and get the handouts, as there are not make up sessions or recordings. We look forward to helping you through the post high school planning process.

Monday: College Applications, Application Platforms, and Standardized Testing

Tuesday: Preparing for College Admissions, Parts of the Application, and Senior Student Panel

Wednesday: Common App, Naviance, and Essays

Thursday: CPCC, Military, Trade School, and other Special Programs (this will be a virtual/recorded presentation)

We look forward to seeing you!

(Submitted 5/4/2023 by Lindsay Walker, [lindsays.walker@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:lindsays.walker@cms.k12.nc.us))

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## **McAlpine Elementary Grad Walk**

Graduating seniors who attended McAlpine Elementary are invited to come back to where it all started for our first-ever **Grad Walk** on **Monday, June 5 at 1:30 PM**. Seniors should wear their graduation cap and gown and meet in front of McAlpine no later than **1:15 PM** (park in the lot to the left) to line up. Because of space limitations, we ask that only seniors attend, not their parents. Please help us spread the word to any graduating seniors you know!

If you have questions, please contact Stacey Ellis at [staceyellis11@gmail.com](mailto:staceyellis11@gmail.com).

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## **Yearbook Information**

Yearbook distribution day is fast approaching. Seniors will receive their yearbooks during 4<sup>th</sup> block on **May 31**. This is a B day. Underclassmen will receive their yearbooks during lunches on **June 1**. Online sales have ended, and very few books remain. Email [pamelac.mann@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:pamelac.mann@cms.k12.nc.us) to inquire about purchasing our student publication.

(Submitted 5/1/2023 by Pamela Mann, [pamelac.mann@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:pamelac.mann@cms.k12.nc.us))

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## **Submit Updates and Photos to PawPrints Newsletter**

Attention all clubs, teams, and groups: The Providence family wants to know what you've been doing this spring. Please submit your articles (with photos) to Marie Beavers, PawPrints editor, at [providencephspawprints@gmail.com](mailto:providencephspawprints@gmail.com).

Articles and photos are due **June 1**. Please keep text to 250 words or fewer.

(Submitted 4/27/2023 by Marie Beavers, [mdichoso65@gmail.com](mailto:mdichoso65@gmail.com))

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## **Campus Clean-up May 20**

Spring is right around the corner, and we're excited to make the campus look amazing! Join us from **9 AM to 12 PM** on **May 20** for a campus clean-up. We are looking for crew leaders (adults) and volunteers (students) to help in various areas of the campus. Jobs include picking up sticks, pruning low branches on trees, weeding, spreading mulch, and re-stacking small stone edging around the school. All easy work. Students can get much needed volunteer hours! All volunteers must sign up to participate please.

Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0845A9AF2AA3FF2-phsbeautification3>

(Submitted 4/19/2023 by Kalie Koivisto, [kkoivisto@cottinghamchalk.com](mailto:kkoivisto@cottinghamchalk.com))

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## **Important Information for Seniors (Parents, Please Read)**

- Graduation rehearsal: **Thursday, June 8** from **5:30-7 PM** at Bojangles Coliseum
- Graduation: **Wednesday, June 14** from **12:30–2 PM** at Bojangles Coliseum

Graduation rehearsal is mandatory for all seniors. Please adjust your work schedule and do not plan college visits or orientations on this date. Also, if you have any unpaid financial obligations, you will not be allowed to participate in the rehearsal. Seniors have received financial obligation notices throughout the school year and will continue to receive these notices through the end of **May**.

Parents, if your senior still needs to order their graduation cap and gown, please go to the Herff Jones website at [www.hjcharlotte.com](http://www.hjcharlotte.com) to place the order. Prices continue to increase, so get your order in quickly!

If you have questions, please email Mrs. Bowen at [fritzig.bowen@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:fritzig.bowen@cms.k12.nc.us).

(Submitted 4/19/2023 by Fritzi Bowen, [fritzig.bowen@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:fritzig.bowen@cms.k12.nc.us))

## **CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

# COUNSELING DEPARTMENT AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

[School Counseling website](#)

[Information on College Visits](#)

[College and Career Center website](#)

[Job Openings](#)

[Upcoming College Visits](#)

Our scholarship list is in Naviance. Under the College tab, click Scholarship List and then click Local and Regional Scholarships.

## **Scholarships! Scholarships! Scholarships!**

Attention Seniors:

If you have received any scholarship, regardless of whether you will be using it, make sure to print and turn the documentation in to Mrs. Haywood in the Student Services office. Before you say "no" to a school, print your scholarship information, as you will lose access to your portal and cannot access the scholarship document in the future. All scholarships that are turned in will be featured in our Senior Awards Night program. Scholarship documents must be turned in no later than **May 12**.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Mrs. Haywood.

(Submitted 4/26/2023 by Kelley Haywood, [kellyb.haywood@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:kellyb.haywood@cms.k12.nc.us))

# ATHLETICS

[PHS Athletics Website](#)

[Online Providence Team Stores](#)

[Follow PHS Athletics on Twitter - @ProvAthletics](#)

[Follow Providence Athletic Club on Twitter - @ProvBoosterClub](#)

## **Events for the Week:**

With playoffs beginning for Spring Sports, please follow the various team's social media accounts to find their game times and locations.

Good luck to our Panthers through the playoffs and other tournaments and meets.

## **May**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15	16	17	18	19	20

\*MSP=Matthews Sportsplex

## **PAC Membership**

A PAC membership is valid for the entire school year – all sports, any season, multiple membership options. (Does not include club sports and home playoff games.) Engraved bricks are also available for purchase for your student and/or family to remember your time as PHS. Bricks are displayed

outside the field and are for sale all school year. Memberships and bricks can be purchased online at <https://www.pay4schoolstuff.com>.

### **Foundations for Excellence (FFE)**

Providence Athletics' main fundraiser is funded by all sports players' FFE fee. If the student's first sport is in the spring, then the expectation is that \$80 is donated to the fundraiser. For students who have played another sport, the donation for the year is \$130. So, if you paid \$80 earlier this year and your student is now playing a second sport, please donate an additional \$50. The fee can be paid on <https://www.pay4schoolstuff.com>. Look for PAC Foundation for Excellence Athletic Support Fund.

### **Player Registration**

CMS has changed its process for athlete registration. DragonFly MAX ([dragonflyathletics.com](http://dragonflyathletics.com)) will be used to collect all required documents, including physicals and proof of residency and **the required CMS athletic participation fee**. All this information must be completed before first games, but many coaches may require this to be completed shortly after tryouts. Please register at the site and start the process now so there is no delay in your student participating in Providence sports.

### **Athletic Ticket Purchases**

Tickets for Providence athletics can be purchased using the Hometown Fan app.

### **Harris Teeter VIC Card PAC Support**

Please support the Panther Athletic Club by linking your VIC card to #1062 at any Harris Teeter or at [www.harristeeter.com](http://www.harristeeter.com). You can link up to five school organizations to each VIC card.

### **Sports Photos**

To learn more about sports photo options with Providence Athletics, visit [www.ProvidenceSportsPhoto.com](http://www.ProvidenceSportsPhoto.com). For assistance, email Rusty Transou at [rtransou@gmail.com](mailto:rtransou@gmail.com).

## **SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **SPRING SPORTS**

**Baseball:** For information, contact Coach Hignight at [daniel.hignight@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:daniel.hignight@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Men's Golf:** For information, contact Coach Church at [carefreehighway33@gmail.com](mailto:carefreehighway33@gmail.com).

**Men's Lacrosse:** For information, contact [phslaxcms@gmail.com](mailto:phslaxcms@gmail.com).

**Women's Lacrosse:** Follow us on Instagram @provwolax for pre-season updates. For information about women's lacrosse, contact Coach Peyton Lindsay at [peytona.lindsay@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:peytona.lindsay@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Women's Soccer:** For information, contact Coach Bolar at [robb.bolar@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:robb.bolar@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Softball:** Offseason workouts have begun. For information, contact Coach Mace at [donaldb.mace@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:donaldb.mace@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Men's Tennis:** For information, contact Coach Oxendine at [joshuae.oxendine@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:joshuae.oxendine@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Men's Track & Field:** For information, contact Coach Touranjoe at [steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Women's Track & Field:** For information, contact Coach Touranjoe at [steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us).

## **FALL SPORTS**

**Cheerleading:** For information, visit our webpage at <https://phscheer1.weebly.com>.

**Men's Cross Country:** For information, contact Coach Touranjoe at [steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Women's Cross Country:** For information, contact Coach Touranjoe at [steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Updated – Women's Field Hockey:** If you are interested in learning more about playing field hockey for PHS, email Coach Erin at [phs.fieldhockey.club@gmail.com](mailto:phs.fieldhockey.club@gmail.com) to get added to the contact list. Team Instagram: @provfieldhockey

**Updated – Football:** For any parents who are not on the football distribution list, please email [providence.football2023@gmail.com](mailto:providence.football2023@gmail.com) to be added to the distribution list or get any questions answered. If you'd like to reach Coach Ward directly, please contact Coach Ward at [weslees.ward@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:weslees.ward@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Women's Golf:** For information, contact Coach Church at [carefreehighway33@gmail.com](mailto:carefreehighway33@gmail.com).

**Men's Soccer:** For information, contact Coach Sosa at [nsosa1010@gmail.com](mailto:nsosa1010@gmail.com).

**Women's Tennis:** For information, contact Coach Oxendine at [joshuae.oxendine@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:joshuae.oxendine@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Volleyball:** For information, contact Coach Malone at [margaret1.malone@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:margaret1.malone@cms.k12.nc.us).

## **WINTER SPORTS**

**Men's Basketball:** For information, contact Coach Boney at [nicholasa.boney@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:nicholasa.boney@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Women's Basketball:** For information, contact Coach Bean at [JenniferBean20@gmail.com](mailto:JenniferBean20@gmail.com).

**Cheerleading:** For information, visit our webpage at <https://phscheer1.weebly.com>.

**Rugby:** If you have questions about or are interested in playing rugby, visit [www.panthersrugby.com](http://www.panthersrugby.com) and [contact us](#). Follow us: <https://www.facebook.com/ProvidenceRugby/>.

**Swimming and Diving:** For information, contact Coach Davis at [providenceswimdive@gmail.com](mailto:providenceswimdive@gmail.com).

**Indoor Track & Field** - For information, contact Coach Touranjoe at [steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:steven.touranjoe@cms.k12.nc.us).

**Wrestling:** For information, contact Coach Bosak at [scotte.bosak@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:scotte.bosak@cms.k12.nc.us).