



New Paltz Central High School

NEWS SHEET

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A Smoke Free Campus

Dear Parents / Guardians:

Leaves are falling and the fall sports teams are preparing for their "second" season of play, seniors are meeting with their counselors to seriously discuss and/or finalize their post-secondary plans. The fall is also a busy time for school and community events. Please check the District and High School websites.

Also, it is with pleasure that I announce our Interim High School Assistant Principal, Mr. Eric Romanino, will be with us until the appointment of the new Assistant Principal hopefully in the near future. The interview process has begun.

Again, welcome back! As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at 256-4100.

Sincerely,

Barbara P. Clinton
Principal



New Paltz High School Fall Drama



The NPHS Drama club will be presenting two One Act plays strung together with a few monologues on November 8th, 9th, and 10th. "The Fortress" tells the story of a boy and a girl who navigate their difficult childhoods and learn by trusting each other that they can break down the barriers they've created to keep them from getting hurt. "To The Table" starts with a simple bowl of ice cream and melts into thoughts and memories that examine the relationship of a mother and her teenage daughter. These plays will make you laugh, make you cry and make you think. Both are humorous depictions we can all relate to. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. on November 8, 9, and 10 at the NPHS auditorium. Tickets are available at the door—\$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and students.

Students who qualify for free or reduced lunch can receive additional benefits including fee waivers for standardized tests, reduced tuition rates for UHS credits and fee waivers for college applications. Please contact your child's school counselor to get more information on these benefits.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Isaac Cheruiyot who has been accepted into the Columbia Engineering Experience Program. Each fall, Columbia Engineering offers a selective, three-day overnight program designed for high school seniors who are interested in their unique engineering education.

Congratulations to the following New Paltz High School students who have been selected to participate in the 2018 NYSSMA All-State Conference in Rochester, N.Y. on November 29 through December 2, 2018: Logan Linares—Tenor I, Mixed Chorus, Claire Taylor—French horn, Symphonic Band, Madeline Leitner—Alto II, Treble Chorus. Ryan Kelso was selected as an alternate Tenor I for the Chorus.

Congratulations to Jordan Mattsen and Daniela Moreno who have been chosen to attend the prestigious Sarah Lawrence College Poetry Intensive on October 20th. The High School Poetry Intensive invites two students from twenty-five different high schools in the New York area, a total of fifty student poets in all, who will go to Sarah Lawrence and participate in readings, workshops and generative sessions.

Congratulations to Maya Greenfield, Samuel Liebman, Lily Sackett, Danielle B. Takacs and Claire D. Taylor who have been named as Commended Students in the 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Congratulations to Marcel Duvivier and Keira Coulard-Smith who have been recognized as 2018-19 National Hispanic Scholars.

Congratulations to the Boys Golf Team who are the MHAL champions.

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held Monday, November 26th from 7-9 p.m. Scheduling will be done *online* using a link under "For Parents" on the high school webpage. Scheduling will begin November 1st.

County-wide Emergency Evacuation Drill
Thursday, November 1st.
All students will be dismissed at 2:05 p.m.
Details on the High School website.

Upcoming Events

October 19

Senior Panoramic Picture

October 24

Board of Education meeting—6:30 p.m.-
District Office

October 25

Financial Aid Night—6:30 p.m.

November 1

Scheduling begins for Parent/Teacher
Conferences— online on HS Website
Board of Education meeting—7 p.m.

November 5

Winter Sports begin

November 6

Election Day

November 8, 9, 10

Fall Drama—7:30 p.m.

November 13

School Picture retakes

November 14

Board of Education meeting— 7 p.m.-HS

November 19

Talent Show—7:00 p.m.
PTSA meeting—7:00 p.m.

November 21-23

Thanksgiving Recess—NO SCHOOL

November 26

Parent/Teacher Conferences—7-9 p.m.

November 27

Spring Musical Information meeting-
2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

November 30

Superintendent's Conference Day-
No school for students

Please check the high school website for updated information.

HIGH SCHOOL WEBSITE

At our high school website www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us you can access the Guidance web pages to keep informed about career information, college advisement, community service suggestions, pre-college checklist, senior calendar, scholarship bulletins, college related upcoming events, etc. Athletic events are online at our high school website: www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us or ociaa.oubooces.org or you may listen to them by calling the SPORTS HOTLINE at: (845) 256-4045. This HOTLINE is updated regularly with information pertaining to games, meets and, if necessary, cancellations and re-scheduling.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS

In addition to listening to the radio, you can find the closings/delays online at cancellations.com, as well as on our district website, www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us after 6:00 a.m. You can still call our weather hotline at 256-4099 which is updated at 5:45 a.m.

Did You Know ?

From The Nurse:

Flu season is coming again!

It takes about two weeks after vaccination for antibodies that protect against flu to develop in the body. The CDC recommends that people get a flu vaccine by the end of October. Talk to your doctor and make an appointment. Sneeze and cough into a tissue and continue to wash your hands.

Snacks in the Courtyard

The Courtyard Gardens is a nature preserve and learning garden that spans the full interior of the high school. It holds hundreds of different types of plants and has many different interesting nooks for learning and discovery.



Spirit Week

NPHS Spirit Week was held September 24-28, 2018. Each Spirit Day had a theme; Monday—Teacher Look Alike Day, Tuesday—Formal Day, Wednesday—Fictional Day/MEME/Vine Day, Thursday—Twin Day and Friday—Class Shirt/Maroon and White Day. Many students dressed up in the theme of each day. The week culminated on Friday with the annual Community Lunch at which students sold food items to raise funds for their clubs. Students could purchase everything from pizza, empanadas, ice cream floats, tacos in a bag and so on. The Pep Rally followed in the gym because of inclement weather. It created a lot of fun and spirit for NPHS's Homecoming. The Boys Varsity Football team played that evening with music from the Marching Band. After the game, the junior class sponsored a Homecoming Dance.

*Teacher Look Alike Day
The New Paltz Marching Band performing at the
Homecoming Football Game.*



PTSA NEWS

*Everyone—parents, educators, students and community members—
is invited to join our PTSA!*

The next PTSA meeting is Monday, October 15 at 7:00 p.m.

*If you have any questions, please contact
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New Paltz High School...caring, connecting, and making a difference™

Mission Statement: To become a community of learners that emphasizes mutual respect and responsibility in which everyone realizes his or her potential.