Thank you GAM Printers
in Sterling, Virginia
going the Park View Herald

The Principal’s Points

I hope all of you are enjoying the holiday season with various family members and friends. It is hard to believe that December is already upon us, and the end of the year is around the corner. At this time of the year, we are fortunate to reflect on all that we have to be thankful for and also project some of the goals that we may have for ourselves for the upcoming school year. Specifically, I know that the staff is extremely thankful for the wonderful breakfast hosted by our PTSO prior to the Thanksgiving holiday. It was a delicious spread of treats for the staff. Thank you PTSO, once again!

We have many holiday concerts happening the month of December at Park View. Our band concert is December 4, strings and orchestra concert is December 9, guitar concert is December 11, and the chorus concert is December 18. I hope that you will be able to join us to celebrate the talents that our Fine Arts programs have to offer this school community. The students work tirelessly to perfect these performances.

This month (December), Park View will also have its very own School Board representative sit on the dais. Senior Marcus Luangrath will represent Park View High School at the December 16th School Board Meeting. This is an enormous honor for our school and for Marcus!

As many of you are aware, we working on improving all areas of instruction throughout the school. I appreciate all of you who have provided responses to the parent/guardian surveys. We continue to make gains in ensuring that the written, taught, and assessed curricula are tightly aligned to the appropriate Standards of Learning. Furthermore, teachers’ lesson plans and the instructional conversations stemming from them encourage teachers to be even more reflective about the methods they use to instruct and assess your students.

A reminder to seniors who are applying to colleges: in order to meet the January 15th college application deadlines, please ensure that you have turned in your transcript request forms to your counselor by either Friday, December 19th or Monday, January 5th. I wish each one of you a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year. See you in 2015!

Mr. Dolson, Principal
PTSNO NEWS

Everyone enjoyed themselves at the Homecoming Dance, and thank you to all the bakers. All enjoyed the treats and we ended up with less than a dozen cookies. (Talk about cutting it close.)

And another note of thanks to all those who contributed to the Staff Breakfast during American Education Week. We will be holding another Staff Breakfast in May, during Teacher Appreciation Week.

The PTSO will meet the first Monday of each month (that school is in session) at 6PM in the Library, please join us! Mark your Calendars for the State of the School Address on February 2nd.

Thank you to those that have joined the PTSO this year.

If you haven’t, I ask that you consider joining.

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2015 PROJECT GRADUATION
PARK VIEW HIGH SCHOOL
ALL-NIGHT GRADUATION CELEBRATION
SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2015 10:00PM-4:00AM

REGISTRATION FORM

Cost of ticket - $50.00

- Cash, check payable to PVHS – PROJECT GRADUATION
- Submit a wallet sized elementary school age picture of the graduate. Please send electronically to pvhsprojectgraduation@yahoo.com or send photo in with name of graduate on back of picture.
- Friend us on Facebook: PVHS Project Graduation 2015

Ticket cost includes:
- Admittance to Project Graduation event held at Claude Moore Recreation Center
- $25 gift card of their choice
- Commemorative T-shirt
- Food and fun activities including; swimming, rock wall, casino, Hair salon, photo booth and lots PRIZES to WIN!!

DROP OFF REGISTRATION FORM

Please Print Clearly

With payment at PVHS Main Office Front Desk

Today’s Date: ____________________ T-shirt Size: ____________
Graduate’s Name: ____________________
Graduate’s Email: ____________________ Cell phone: ____________________
Address: ____________________
Parent/Guardian Name: ____________________ Home Phone: ____________________
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If you have any questions, email Beth Harman at PVHSprojectgraduation@yahoo.com

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VOLUNTEER RESPONSE FORM (PLEASE PRINT)
You don’t have to be a senior parent to volunteer; all classes are welcomed to volunteer

Parent(s)_________________________ ______Senior Student(s)_________________________
Address__________________________ Phone Number________________________
Email______________________________

---YES! I/We want to Volunteer:
- Prior to the event since I won’t be able to attend that evening
- To work a shift or two or more during the event

Please check the committee(s) of interest: (We have committee chairs but we still need help on each committee below)

Food _______ Security _______ Games/Casino _______Prizes _______ Fundraising _______ Special Activities _______
Publicity _______ General Volunteer _______

PARENT DONATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT)
Proceeds from cash donations will go towards cash gifts, gift cards and prizes for students attending Project Graduation

---YES! I/We want to donate $__________ Door prize__________ (please be creative: gift certificates, gas cards, VISA cards. Would your company make a cash donation for the celebration? We appreciate all donations and can arrange pick up if necessary.

Please Note:
- If you have any questions, contact Beth Harman at PVHSprojectgraduation@yahoo.com

Thank you for continuing the Park View High School tradition of providing a fun, memorable and safe celebration for our graduating seniors.

AP EXAM PAYMENT DUE
MARCH 13, 2015
Test cost is $82.00 per exam
All students will receive 1.0 weight for the class
If they do not take the exam they will NOT be able to earn any college credits.
Expectation is that all students will take the exam.

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Upcoming Important Dates
December 1st – Monroe Shadowing Day
December 6th – SAT test at Loudoun County High School, Potomac Falls High School
December 10th – Interims sent home
December 13th – ACT test at Briar Woods High School
December 16th – Financial Aid Night – 6:30 – 8:00 pm
December 22nd – January 2nd – Winter Holiday
December 29th – Registration Deadline for January SAT
January 5th – Students return to school
January 9th – Registration Deadline for Feb. 7th ACT Test
January 20th – Course Selection Night for Parents – 6:30 – 8:00pm
January 19th – Holiday (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
January 20th – 23rd – Exams
January 24th – Course selection for Parents 9:00am – 11:00am
January 24th – SAT test at Loudoun Valley High School
January 26th – Teacher Workday (No school for students)
February 7th – SUPER Saturday – 9:00am to 1:00pm

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**SCHOOL COUNSELING WEBSITE CONTENTS**

Please visit the PVHS Counseling Web page for up-to-date news, events and schedules.

*Counseling Department*

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**SAT Test Dates & Deadlines for 2014**

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**ATTENTION**

All LCPS High School Sophomores & Juniors

Virginia Governor’s Schools provide some of the state’s most able students academically and artistically challenging programs beyond those offered in their home schools. With the support of the Virginia Board of Education and the General Assembly, the Governor’s Schools presently include summer residential, summer regional, and academic-year programs serving more than 7,500 gifted students from all parts of the commonwealth.

Applications must be completed online, printed, and submitted to Mrs. Fillman. Completed applications must be submitted to Mrs. Fillman by December 12, 2014. DO NOT send electronically to the Department of Education.

Our division is Loudoun and the school code is 472-171. Cynthia Fillman is the contact and cynthia.fillman@lcps.org is the email address.

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**SCHOLARSHIPS! SCHOLARSHIPS! SCHOLARSHIPS!**

Information on scholarships is coming into the Counseling Office on a daily basis. Deadlines for several scholarship opportunities are approaching quickly. Here are some scholarships that are available. Please see Ms. Hatcher in the Career Center for more information and criteria on each scholarship.

Loudoun Elks Lodge - Deadline: December 5, 2014
United States JCC Senate Foundation Scholarship - Deadline: January 9, 2015
VIP Women in Technology Scholarship Program - Deadline: January 22, 2015
Lee Jackson Scholarship - Deadline: February 6, 2015

Students: Please remember to read your email or check your Naviance account for more scholarship information.

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**YEARBOOK SENIOR ADS 2015**

Dear Senior Parents and Guardians,

It’s time to reserve a section of the yearbook for your child to recognize him or her for their accomplishments! Senior ads are a great way to congratulate your senior, and they will last a lifetime.

You can purchase a senior ad in the Park View Yearbook from now until January 6th or until ad space runs out. There is an early bird discount for submitting all of your ad materials by December 6th.

Please see the attached information to help you as you create your ad. Order forms and more information are available online at http://fpvps.org/pvhs on the yearbook page under the “activities” tab.

**FIVE WAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR AD:**

1. Drop off the pictures, check, text and order form in an envelope in Michelle Menna’s mailbox in the main office.
2. Mail your pictures, check, text and order form to Michelle Menna to the address below: Park View High School Attn. Michelle Menna (yearbook adviser)
   400 W. Laurel Ave
   Sterling, VA 20164
3. Email your pictures and text to Michelle Menna at michelle.menna@lcps.org with the appropriate file formats, and mail or drop off your check and order form.
4. Submit your pictures to yearbookordercenter.com with school code 4180. Select “upload photos” once you log in to the site. Then email or mail your text, and mail or drop off your order form and check.
5. Come to the senior ad night on December 3rd to purchase and design your ad with a yearbook staff member.

P.S. Has your senior ordered his or her 2015 yearbook yet? The price goes up from $50 to $60 on Dec. 3rd. Go to yearbookordercenter.com to buy now – #4180! Or bring cash/check to Ms. Menna in room 2255.

Express friendship, love or congratulations to the student in your life with a personal ad in the yearbook. Select the desired size and personalize the ad with your own message and photo(s). Instructions for submitting ad materials and payments are provided below.

**SENIOR AD NIGHT: COME CREATE YOUR AD WITH THE YEARBOOK STAFF ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD!!**

The yearbook staff will host a Senior Ad Night on Wednesday, December 3rd from 6:30-8:30 in room 203. Yearbook staff members will provide guidance and scan your photos and arrange your ad while you watch! Name of person placing ad:

- Student’s Name:
- Name of person placing ad:
- Phone:
- Email:

MESSAGE:
- Attach your message to this form or email your message to michelle.menna@lcps.org. All messages must be typed to prevent any handwritten interpretation mistakes. Please adhere to the word limit specified on the first page.

PAYMENT:
- Make checks payable to PARK VIEW HIGH SCHOOL. All materials must be received by 1/15. Space is limited.

DELIVERY:
- You can mail ALL of your materials to Park View High School. Attn. Michelle Menna (Senior Ads), 400 W. Laurel Ave
  Sterling, VA 20164
- PHOTOS:
  - Should be good quality and they may be reduced or enlarged to fit the space. You may also turn in hard copy pictures. Please make sure your name and address are on the back of the pictures. The pictures will be scanned and returned to you by the end of the year. Digital images should be 300 dpi and in JPEG format. You may email the pictures to the address above, send in a CD of JPEG files, or go online to yearbookordercenter.com, job #4180 and select “upload photos via eshare.”

NO MICROSOFT WORD, POWERPOINT, OR PUBLISHER FILES WILL BE ACCEPTED. PLEASE SUBMIT CHECK/MESSAGE/PHOTOS IN AN ENVELOPE WITH THIS FORM AND RETURN TO SCHOOL BY 1/15.
YEARBOOKS ARE ON SALE NOW!!

The 2014 yearbook was awarded First Class from the National Scholastic Press Association for the first time in Park View’s history. In addition, the book earned Trophy Class from the Virginia High School League, the highest rating a publication can earn from the VHSL, for the first time in 35 years. The yearbook has sold out for the past two years, and once they are sold out, they are gone. Don’t miss out on your chance to own this year’s award-winning yearbook!

Yearbooks are $60.00. The price will go up to $70 once the yearbooks arrive in May. Use the order form below to buy your book, or go online to yearbookordercenter.com with job #4180 to buy your book while you still can.

Like Yearbook. Now’s your chance!

ONE YEAR. ONE BOOK.
YOUR CHANCE TO PRESERVE IT ALL!

Name of Student: ___________________________ Grade: ___________________________
Name of Person Buying the Yearbook: ____________________________________________
Phone Number: ___________________________ Email: _______________________________
Number of yearbooks: ____________ Cost of yearbook: $60.00 (save $10.00 by buying before distribution)
Method of Payment: (circle one) _______ Cash ___________ Check (no.________________________)

Information: Please return this form and your payment to Ms. Menna in room 2225. You can also leave this form and your payment in Ms. Menna’s box in the main office.

Need extra help to improve your grades? Come talk to your counselor! PVHS has many resources available to you:

1. Meet with your teacher before or after school for extra help
2. FREE Peer Tutoring (sign up with your Counselor) during your PRIDE time
3. Private Tutoring – see your Counselor for the resource list
5. Online help through your Naviance account from the “about me” tab – remember you can log in with your student ID # for your email & password. See your counselor for help with this.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS WANTED: Tuesday, January 29, 2015 8:30am – Noon

Reality Store is coming back to Park View on January 29, 2015 and we need your help. Reality Store is a fun, hands-on “real life” simulation for high school seniors. The purpose of this event is to provide students with a “taste” of reality through an educational role-playing simulation relating to making financial choices. Each Senor is given, at random, a career, a salary, and a family life situation. They then visit our booths and make financial decisions on how to make their salary last the month. First stop – taxes, then to the bank to deposit their salary, then the student is required to visit every booth to purchase the things necessary to live. Example of booths include: housing, groceries, clothing, utilities, transportation, medical, child care, clothing, insurance, and entertainment.

Volunteers man these booths. All materials and supplies that explain the expenses for the booth are provided. You will receive a short training in the morning. Your job is to assist the students in considering the different options on how much they will spend, but ultimately they make the final decisions.

 Seniors

- APPLICATION DETAILS:
  o Most regular applications are due between January 1 and February 15. Keep copies of everything you send to colleges. Ask your school counselor to review your application before you submit it.
  o Request that PVHS send your transcripts to colleges two weeks prior to college deadline.
  o Make sure your colleges have received all application materials.
  o Send your SAT scores from www.Collegeboard.com, ACT scores from www.acstest.org

- FINANCIAL AID: APPLY EARLY. APPLY RIGHT.
  o You and your family should save this year’s pay stubs to estimate income on aid forms that you will file early next year.
  o Submit your FAFSA as soon after January 1 as possible.
  o Men 18 or older must register for the selective service to receive federal financial aid.
  o Many priority financial aid deadlines fall in February. To get the most attractive award package, apply by the priority date. Keep copies of everything you send.
  o Park View High School is having a Financial Aid Workshop for students and parents on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 6:30pm in the auditorium and a Super Saturday FAFSA Completion workshop on Saturday, February 7, 2015 from 9:00am-1:00pm.

- PVHS Transcript Request Deadline: You must submit your transcript request to your counselor at least 2 weeks prior to each college deadline. FOR JANUARY 1st APPLICATION DEADLINES, YOU MUST SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST TO YOUR COUNSELOR 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO WINTER BREAK, DECEMBER 5TH. NO EXCEPTIONS. Applications for transcript requests are available in the Counseling Department. There is a $3 fee for each transcript.
It has been an exciting fall season for the music department at Park View High School! The students and faculty have participated in several competitions, auditions and events that have required extra effort and resulted in honors and awards.

- The Marching Band participated in multiple competitions throughout their season culminated with a superior score at All-State.
- The Choral Department participated in auditions for county and district choruses and we were able to seat our max quota PLUS 2 alternates for the November All County Chorus (Nov. 14th and 15th) and the February All District Chorus (Feb. 20th and 21st).
- The very first All-State Guitar Ensemble will meet and perform in Norfolk Virginia on Friday November 21st during the Virginia Music Educators Conference. The performers for this event were auditioned and selected from all over the state. Nico Drennan will be one of the performers and Dr. Miroslav Loncar has been selected as clinician and conductor for the event.
- If you have a minute, come down to the music wing and see our display of Music Students of the month! These students are selected for their leadership and musicianship to represent their ensembles their pictures are proudly dispayed in the music hallway.

Check the school calendar, the ensemble home pages and watch for information flyers to come home about our winter concert season! Come and hear our award winning ensembles share some holiday cheer.

The Park View Marching Patriots earned another Superior Rating from the Commonwealth of Virginia for their state assessment performance of “A Mangione Celebration.” The event was held on Saturday, November 1st at South Lakes High School in Reston, VA. Based on a rigorous grading scale, bands across the state are evaluated on many areas such as music performance, marching, guard, percussion, and overall effect. The Marching Patriots started their season the first week of August and have put in over 200 hours of rehearsal time to lead up to this moment. Their hard work shined over the months with the Marching Band taking several first place finishes and awards for best percussion, best music, and best marching at local competitions. Way to end the season Marching Patriots, we are proud of you!
IF YOU PLAYED A FALL OR WINTER SPORT YOU WILL NEED A NEW UPDATED EMERGENCY FORM TURNED INTO THE ATHLETIC OFFICE BY FEBRUARY 18TH. BEFORE YOU MAY PARTICIPATE IN SPRING TRYOUTS, COACHES WILL NOT TAKE FORMS AT TRYOUTS.

FORMS DUE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

IF YOU DO NOT TURN IN YOUR FORMS BY THE DUE DATE, YOU WILL BE SITTING OUT FIRST DAY OF TRYOUTS.

QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT MR. TESTERMAN – ATHLETIC DIRECTOR jason.testerman@lcps.org

Fine Arts Department News
On November 22, my student Nicholas Drennan and I will be participating at the Virginia Music Educators Association conference and taking part in the All-Virginia Guitar Ensemble. All-Virginia Guitar Ensemble will consist of 32 selected guitar students from around the state and Nicholas is the only selected student from Park View. I was selected to be the conductor of the ensemble.

Attendance Office News
Attention Parents: There is a new email to use for sending information about absences, tardies or early dismissals. Please use this email: PVHAbsentee@lcps.org. If you have any questions, please call Lynne Rose at 571-434-4500 and ask for Attendance.

Thank you,
Lynne Rose

Extra Mile News
Extra Mile is collecting usable coupons so that we can purchase items for the food pantry cheaper.

Patriot Nation News
Park View’s newest spirit club, Patriot Nation, has started off in a blaze, literally! The Patriots were treated to an old tradition at Park View when the Spirit Club held a bonfire before the Dominion football game. The sponsors, Bryan Gallo, Michael Vereb (both Park View graduates) and Andrew Robertson were assisted by the Sterling Park Fire Department in the lighting and extinguishing of the bonfire. The students were cheered on by the cheerleaders and the band, along with team speeches by players and coaches. Smaller fires were also lit as the students enjoyed S’mores and toasted marshmallows. Patriot Nation has also formed a student section, The Red Zone, and sponsored tailgates before games to support the Patriots. As the fall season winds down the club is hoping to offer some fun events for the winter sport’s season.
PARK VIEW HIGH SCHOOL
Parent Teacher Student Organization

The Park View High School PTSO welcomes you to the Patriot’s Community. The Park View PTSO is committed to the enhancement of the educational and social experiences of each student. We support the school community through volunteerism, recognition programs and social enrichment. It is our goal to develop and nurture relationships between the school, parents, students and staff.

In years past, the PTSO supported the following programs:

- Quartely Parent Programs
- Honor Roll Night
- Park View Project Graduation
- Homecoming
- Anne Brooks Award
- Park View Literary Magazine
... just to name a few

Please consider joining to support Park View. Join the Park View PTSO today!

PARK VIEW HIGH SCHOOL PTSO Membership Form

Name:_______________________________________________________________________
eMail:  _________________________________________  Phone: _______

Student name: _______________________________________________  Grade:_____
Student name: _______________________________________________  Grade: _____

Membership is $15.00 per family Please submit this form along with check payable to PVHS PTSO.

PVHS PTSO
Park View High School
400 West Laurel Avenue
Sterling, VA  20164

SPRING SPORT TRYOUTS:
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015

ANY STUDENT INTERESTED IN TRYING OUT FOR A SPRING SPORT MUST TURN IN COMPLETED SPORT PAPERWORK LISTED BELOW:

1.) EMERGENCY FORM*
2.) VHSL PHYSICAL FORM – 4 PAGES*
3.) AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE*
4.) PROOF OF INSURANCE NOTICE
5.) CONCUSSION GUIDELINE FORM*
6.) LCPS TRAINING RULES*
7.) ATHLETIC FEE LETTER

*STARRED ITEMS NEED TO BE COMPLETED, TURN INTO THE ATHLETIC OFFICE (NOT COACH) BEFORE PARTICIPATING IN ANY TRYOUTS OR PRE-SEASON CONDITIONING
Library Media Center News

A growing body of research indicates that two keys to improving student achievement are increasing teacher collaboration and implementing projects that encourage students to think across disciplines. In an article in the Stanford Social Innovation Review, researcher Carrie R. Levana calls teacher collaboration “The Missing Link in School Reform,” and a post on Educause, from the George Lucas Educational Foundation explains, “Integrated Studies combine curriculum from two or more disciplines, allowing students to see how ideas are connected. Teaching in such a contextual manner promotes collaboration, critical thinking, and knowledge retention.”

http://www.siiireview.org/articles/entry/the_missing_link_in_school_reform/

School librarians long have been advocates of both collaboration and an interdisciplinary approach. We work with teachers to integrate the information skills curriculum into classroom content every day, and as a hub for the school, facilitate collaboration between faculty members on a daily basis.

Interdisciplinary Collaborations – English II and World History I

One recent example involves the ninth-grade students’ study of the Odyssey in English and Ancient Greece in World History I. Collaborating with the English department and Reading Specialist Dr. Karen Banks, the library participated in creating, presenting and hosting a library-wide, block-long Greek learning center to provide students with basic vocabulary and background information as they started studying Homer’s Odyssey and Ancient Greece. Dr. Banks presented key philosophical concepts, geography, and cultural aspects while showing photographs of important places from her travels in the country. Students then broke into groups and moved at intervals to four different activity stations set up throughout the PVHS Library. Stations included:

1. Odyssey's Online Journey (a choose your own adventure);
2. Puzzles in the Pantheon (crossword, jumble, maze & word search puzzles using vocabulary from the Odyssey and Ancient Greece);
3. Digging for the Dead (using an USA Today article called “Ancient sarcophagus unearthed in Cyprus,” students drew a picture of what they thought the dig looked like complete with a newspaper caption); and
4. Baking Ums (students used the Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery website to create, “fire” and print out Grecian urns, wrote a description of their design and completed a timeline of Ancient Greece).

5. Stations were designed to improve the students’ familiarity with the world of the Ancient Greeks and to build context to deepen their understanding of the Odyssey. As the project continued, students tackled essential question about the Odyssey and put group answers on puzzle pieces. The pieces were brought to the library and reassembled into a class Greek Amphora.

Meanwhile, in World History I classes, the same ninth-grade students studied Ancient Greece. The Social Science Department agreed to jump into this collaboration by synching their instruction about Ancient Greece in order to reinforce students’ understanding. They further built on student knowledge and creativity by building Triermes (warships) and sugar cube temples to surround the Amphora Puzzle.

Interdisciplinary Collaborations – Music in the Library

Another type of inter-disciplinary collaboration literally came alive as the library arranged early morning musical concerts in the library throughout late fall and early winter. World View, our multicultural ensemble directed by Dr. Miroslav Loncar, played music and sang in many languages to the delight of the growing crowds. Frequently students and faculty in the audience were moved to join in the vocals, pick up instruments and clap hands to the beats and move to the rhythms. Just before the holidays, the Park View Jazz Ensemble, directed by Conniemarie Mahaffey, turned up their brass instruments to serenade library crowds and celebrate the spirit of the seasons.

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Another example of interdisciplinary collaboration was Building Bridges with Vocabulary: Be a Philologist. This collaborative project between the four core content areas – English, Math, Science and Social Science – and the ELL Department, the Reading Department, the PVHS Library and World View musicians. The project involved gathering key vocabulary terms from the four content areas, making word posters and creating t-shirt design using the Tagxedo World Cloud website. ELL and Reading students also wrote a reading to their unique vocabulary terms. The greetings were then combined to create a music video filmed by Silent Fire Productions of New York City. Students each received a copy of the video to share with their families. Building Bridges with Vocabulary was celebrated with a breakfast reception for participants in the Library in combination with a concert by Park View’s own World View musicians performing songs with lyrics that spilled out words (e.g., R-E-S-P-E-C-T).

Interdisciplinary Collaborations – Reading Across Content Areas

Finally, throughout the year the Park View Library collaborates with the Reading Department to sponsor and promote the Battle of the Books Club Book. Students read books from different genres and different content areas in preparation for a spring county-wide competition. The competition involves answering detailed questions about the book plots in a Jeopardy-type contest. This year, student officers were elected to organize teams of readers to study the books in preparation for the spring competition. Park View traditionally has had greater student involvement than any high school in Loudoun County and this year is no different. We are looking forward to a successful Battle of the Books and lively student enjoyment.

At the Park View Library, we take student achievement very seriously and that is why we constantly look for opportunities to spark and facilitate collaboration between students, among faculty and across the disciplines. Please feel free to drop by at any time and see what is happening @ your Park View Library and/or contact Mrs. Rush or Mrs. Britto in the library at any time.

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SILENCE INFORMATION FOR COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

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PARK VIEW ORCHESTRA AND SMS ORCHESTRA

The Park View Orchestra and the Sterling Middle 7th & 8th grade orchestras will be giving a combined winter concert on Tuesday, December 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Park View auditorium. The concert is free and open to the public. Everyone is invited! We will be performing winter/holiday pieces, and we will have a guest narrator for one of the pieces.
Para los estudiantes con permiso de salida temprana: cuando hay un horario diferente de la normal, la salida temprana es basada en el período del día no en el tiempo. Por ejemplo: si el permiso de salida temprana es después del periodo 7, entonces el estudiante está requerido a estar en la escuela hasta el fin del periodo. El permiso no está basado en el tiempo.

No se aceptan las razones familiares como una razón justificada para la llegada tardía o salida temprana, a menos que la razón sea escrita específicamente clara. No se aceptan de haberse levantado tarde ni de haber mucho tráfico como tardanzas justificadas aunque el estudiante tenga una nota escrita del padre. Salidas tempranas para ir de viaje son excusas.

Todas las solicitudes de vacaciones, salidas del país, etc. deben ser presentadas en escritura al director de la escuela, Sr. Dolson para su aprobación. Todas las notas deben ser entregadas en un mínimo de dos semanas antes de la primera ausencia. Se requiere la documentación apropiada para cualquier ausencia, tardanza o salida temprana, para ser considerada con excusa. La documentación apropiada se define como una nota del doctor o dentista, sistema judicial o de otros documentos como se considere apropiado. No se aceptan notas de los padres como ausencia justificada.

PARA LOS ATLETAS: Para poder participar en una actividad deportiva o en la práctica de cualquier día, el atleta o gerente debe informar a la escuela hasta las nueve y quince de la mañana y deben permanecer en la escuela todo el día. Se pueden hacer excepciones para las citas del médico o dentista o razones aprobadas por el director de la escuela. Se requiere una nota del médico o dentista para calificar a esta excepción. Por la ley del estado de Virginia sólo las siguientes son razones válidas para llegar tarde: citas médicas o dentales, enfermedad, judicial, o muerte en la familia. Para que una tardanza sea justificada, los padres del estudiante debe llamar o enviar una nota. La nota de los padres NO excusará la cita médica, dental o judicial. Sino el estudiante debe proveer una nota del médico oficial o un documento de la corte para que la tardanza sea justificada.

La salida temprana se permite por enfermedad personal, muerte en la familia, las citas médicas, comparecencias ante el tribunal o las fiestas religiosas. Un estudiante que desee salir de la escuela con una de las razones anteriormente mencionadas, él deberá presentar una nota de su padre a la oficina de asistencia antes de las nueve de la mañana. Si el estudiante se olvida de presentar su nota a la hora designada, el padre debe entrar a la escuela para firmar la salida del estudiante. EN NINGÚN CASO LAS LLAMADAS TELEFÓNICAS SERAN ACEPTADAS. Si el padre se olvida de enviar una nota con el estudiante, tiene que enviarlo por fax o entrar a la escuela. Esto es para la protección de su estudiante y la administración. Muchas gracias de antemano por su cooperación.

FOR EARLY RELEASE STUDENTS: When we have a different schedule, your early release is based on the block, not the time. For example, if you have early release after 7th block, you are required to stay until the end of that block. It is not based on the time.

Family reasons are not accepted as an excuse for tardy or early dismissals, unless the reason is specifically stated.

Oversleeping and traffic issues are not accepted as excused tardies even with a note from the parent.

Early dismissals for going out of town are unexcused.

All requests for vacations, going out of the country, etc. must be submitted in writing to Mr. Dolson for approval. All notes must be turned in a minimum of two weeks prior to the first absence.

Proper documentation is required for any absence, tardy, or early dismissal, in order for it to be counted as excused. Proper documentation is defined as a note from the doctor or dentist, court system or other documents as deemed appropriate. Parents’ notes are not accepted as excused.

REMINDER TO ATHLETES: In order to participate in an athletic activity or practice on any given day, an athlete or manager must report to school by 9:15 am and must remain in school the entire day. Exceptions may be made for doctor or dental appointments or reasons excused by the principal. A doctor/dental note is required for this exception.

By Virginia state law only the following are valid reasons to be tardy: medical or dental appointments, illness, judicial, or death in the immediate family. In order for a tardy to be excused, a student’s parent/guardian must call in the tardy or send in a note. A parent note will NOT excuse a medical, dental, or judicial appointment. The student must provide an official physician or court document in order for the tardy to be excused.

An early dismissal may be granted for personal illness, death in the family medical appointments, court appearances or religious holidays. A student wishing to leave school grounds for one of the above reasons must present a note from his/her parent to the Attendance Office before 9:00 am. If a student forgets to present their note at the designated time, the parent must come into the school to sign the student out. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL CALL-INS BE ACCEPTED. If a parent forgets to send a note in with the student, he/she must fax a note or come into the school.

This is for the protection of your child, and the administration. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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