



New Paltz Central High School

NEWS SHEET

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February 2018

A Smoke Free Campus

Dear Parents / Guardians:

The school year is quickly moving along. In September, our "Back to School" activities welcomed new students and parents to the district and highlighted the changes for the upcoming school year. It is now February and already preparations are being made for graduation and "next year". While it is necessary to plan for the future, it is extremely important for all of us to live in the present, understand and address issues facing our school community, and work together to make New Paltz High School a community where all people feel safe, valued, and supported. To this end, our services, academic offerings, programs, and extra-curricular activities are continuously changing. If at anytime you have questions regarding any programs or services, please call at 256-4100. If it is a guidance matter, please call 256-4120. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Barbara P. Clinton
Principal



Congratulations

Congratulations to Casey Burke, Nick Casa, Zack Grazioso, Nick Russo, Derek Seger, Chris Sifre, Cormac Stutzman, Eric Thomas and Mitchell Zapka who have earned 3 college credits taking Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management class in conjunction with the SUNY Ulster Collegian Program.

Congratulations to Jimmy and Kenny Verney who were honored on Saturday, January 27th at the 11th Annual Wing Fest at the Mid-Hudson Civic Center for being in the top ten Hudson Valley Football Players.

Congratulations to Max Lunati, Jimmy Verney, Kenny Verney and Brian Kenney for being honored by making the All Section Football Team.

Congratulations to Jimmy Verney who was (football) player of the year in the following publications: the Kingston Freeman, the Poughkeepsie Journal, the Varsity 845 and the Section IX Insider.

Congratulations to Samantha Musso who attended the 17th Annual Eastern Junior Science and Humanities Sub-Regional Symposium on Saturday, February 3rd at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School. Samantha presented her 3-year Science Research project titled, 'Implicit Bias in the Classroom: The Influence of Teacher Handwriting Legibility on Grades Given to Written Assignments' to an audience of her peers and judges.

On Monday, January 29th, Logan Linares represented New Paltz High School in the 2nd day of training for the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute. This is a training for future leaders with the Hispanic/Latino community to learn how bills are passed into law in New York State. Students must apply months in advance and go through a rigorous intake process. The training culminates with a selected number of students to attend a Mock Assembly at the New York State Assembly in Albany in March. Carlos Rodriguez has also been selected and will be attending the third training session. For future consideration to the Institute, please contact Mr. Castro at the High School.

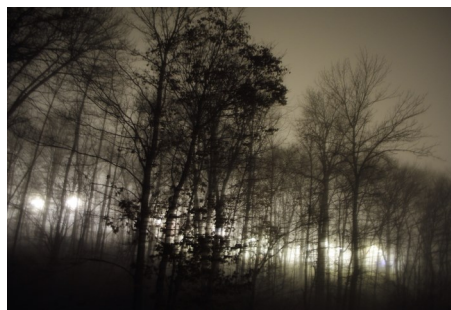
Regional Scholastic Art Awards

New Paltz High School had 17 winning pieces for the Regional Scholastic Art Awards this year. The work will be displayed at the SUNY New Paltz Fine Arts building from February 3rd through February 22nd. The awards ceremony took place on February 2nd at SUNY New Paltz at 7:00 p.m. The winners are as follows: Katie Brooks—1 Gold, 3 Silver; Alissa Donata—2 Gold; Morgan Heidrich—1 Gold, 1 Silver; James Hyland—1 Gold, 1 Silver; Elizabeth Sheehy—2 Gold; Amelia Verderosa—1 Gold; Sonora Carabetta—1 Silver; Juliette Crisafi—2 Silver; and Kazu Shimada—1 Silver.

"Cows" by Katie Brooks



"Hazy" by Amelia Verderosa



Upcoming Events

- February 12
PTSA meeting—7:00 p.m.
- February 16
Mid-Winter Recess– School Closed
- February 19
President’s Day—School Closed
- February 20
On-line scheduling for Parent/Teacher Conferences will be accepted
- February 22
ENL Family Night—6 p.m.-8 p.m.
- February 26
Superintendent Dialogue: Racial Equity Initiative—7 p.m.—Room 138
- March 2
End of 25-week marking period
- March 2-3
HS All County Choral Festival– SUNY Ulster
- March 7
Board of Education meeting—7 p.m.
- March 8
Scholarship Concert—7:30 p.m.
- March 9-10
HS All-County Band Festival—SUNY Ulster
- March 9
1/2 day for students—Staff Development
- March 12
PTSA meeting—7 p.m.
- March 16
1/2 day for students—Staff Development
- March 16-17
HS All-County Orchestra Festival– SUNY Ulster
- March 22-24
HS Spring Musical, “Pippin” - 7:30 p.m.
- March 24
Matinee for “Pippin” - 2 p.m.
- March 26-30
Spring Recess

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

Take steps to prevent hypothermia this winter. Hypothermia is when one has dangerously low body temperature.

- Wear warm clothes
- Stay dry
- Avoid sweating too much in cold weather
- If someone begins to shiver or is outside too long make sure they come inside regularly to warm up

Symptoms of hypothermia are shivering, confusion, drowsiness, slurred/mumbled speech and loss of coordination.

If your Senior has not ordered a cap and gown yet, the order will need to be placed online. Information can be found on the Senior Class website under the “For Students” and “For Parents” tabs: <http://www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=2262>.

The New York State Seal of Biliteracy is a formal recognition of students who have studied and attained a high proficiency in two or more languages by high school graduation. It is a seal that will be placed on the diploma. Interested seniors should submit an application to guidance to review the best pathway for them to achieve this distinguished recognition.

Black History Week at NPHS

During the week of February 5th through February 9th, students at the high school viewed a documentary on race relations and the school to prison pipeline. On Friday morning, February 9th, students had the opportunity to address their questions about the film or related issues to a panel of local citizens, including activists and law enforcement officers. On Friday afternoon the school’s annual Black History Celebration was held. Students had a chance to learn about Harlem Renaissance history, poetry, art, jazz, swing music and food.

This year’s theme was the Harlem Renaissance.



Please check the high school website for updated information.

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.

Contact hyearbook@newpaltz.k12.ny.us to take out a parent ad for the yearbook today! All parent ads must be submitted by February 15th. Don’t wait! Our quantities are limited. ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!

PTSA NEWS

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

The next PTSA meeting is Monday, February 12th at 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Goodnow at mamagoodnow5@gmail.com



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