

## 2023-24 District Calendar

### **Important Winter Dates:**

**Wednesday, January 3 (A Day)**

- ❖ Return to School

**Monday, January 15**

- ❖ School Closed (MLK Jr. Day)

**Wednesday, January 31 (B Day)**

- ❖ Last day of MP 2

**Monday, February 19**

- ❖ School Closed (President's Day)

**Friday, March 29 to**

**Sunday, April 7**

- ❖ Spring Break - School Closed

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## PHS Clubs & Activities -

**Check out slide 3 for all the different honor societies we have available!**

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### **WORKING PAPERS**

Getting a part-time job & need working papers?

NEW since June 1st, 2023 - All working papers are now completed through the NJ Department of Labor's webpage:

<https://njlwdwfd.my.site.com/njyoungworkers/s/employer-registration>

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### **Marking Period 1 Stats**

Check out our scholars! We are so proud of you! See next page! Apply for our national honor

## ***Purpose Driven! Passion Fueled!***

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***The Team for the Class of 2026 wishes all of our students & their families a healthy & happy winter break & New Year!***

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### **Drop-Off & Pick-Up Info**

- ❖ For arrival and dismissal, students should be dropped off or picked up in either the Anthony Parking Lot (near the football field) or the Patton Parking Lot (near the tennis courts).

### **Be on time for school!**

- ❖ Students must be in their block one class by 7:15 am or they will be marked late.

### **Cafeteria Rules & Etiquette**

- ❖ Clean up after yourself & push in your chair.
- ❖ You must eat breakfast in the cafeteria closest to your first block. Breakfast ends at 7:09am.
- ❖ You must eat lunch in the cafeteria assigned on your schedule.
- ❖ Applications for our School Nutrition Program can be completed by logging into your Genesis Account >> Forms. Applications must be completed each year by the end of September. For more information, click [here](#). IF YOU COMPLETED AN APPLICATION AFTER SEPTEMBER 30th, PLEASE CONTACT THE BUSINESS OFFICE & LET THEM KNOW.

### **iPad Reminder:**

- ❖ Make sure iPads are charged before arrival. Make iPad maintenance part of your daily routine.

### **Hall Sweeps:**

- ❖ To ensure that students are getting to their classes on time, we occasionally conduct hall sweeps at the beginning of a class block. After the class bell has rung and the hall sweep has been announced students who are in the hallway without a pass will be redirected to a holding area. Students will be assessed a consequence for not being in class on time. Here are some tips

societies, where possible!

# of Students	# of Classes with A's earned in MP1
18	8
40	7
52	6
62	5
84	4
91	3

That's 347 Sophomores with at least 3 A's earned in their MP1 classes! BRAVO!

Put differently, 256 Students in the Class of 2026 earned 90s or higher in at least 4 of their 8 classes!

that you can stress to your child to help them avoid being in a hall sweep:

- Go directly to your next class as quickly as possible
- Avoid stopping in the halls to talk to your friends
- If you have to go from one campus to another walk outside through the bus loop to avoid possible congestion in the hall
- Always ask for a pass from your teacher if you are going to be in the hallway

## Students and After-School Attendance

- ❖ Students who are on campus for a school-approved group or program must report to the group/program by 2:00 p.m. Students are subject to denial of entry into the group/program if they are not on time and a late bus pass will not be issued to that student. Students who are not attending a school-approved program must exit the school building at dismissal. Re-entry is not permissible.

## Picking up your student early?

- ❖ Come to the main office closest to your student's classroom
- ❖ Bring Photo ID
- ❖ Only individuals listed in a student's Genesis contacts may retrieve a student early from school

## The Dean's Corner - Reaching out with some FAQ's!

Q: What can I do if I have an issue with another student?

A: Contact your Dean or your Counselor. Let your family know. Oftentimes, a mediation can resolve most issues. In all cases, do not add "gas" to the issue & try to ignore other students inserting themselves in the issue. A lot of what is spread around is just hearsay. Stay positive & true to you!

Q: What is the attendance policy at PHS?

A: Students must not accrue more than 16 unexcused absences from school. When your student is absent, complete the [student absence form](#), with an appropriate reason listed. A SAF is acceptable for an absence of no more than two consecutive days, twice per marking period. In all other circumstances (for consecutive absences of more than two days), a note signed by a licensed medical physician (or other appropriate documentation) must be provided disclosing the specific illness or injury preventing school attendance, and the specific days of absence.

### **Late Work Policy for Major Assignments**

All long-term assignments (see course syllabus) submitted after the due date will be accepted & assessed a penalty of 10% for each consecutive school day late.

Any long-term assignment submitted after 5 consecutive school days will be evaluated by the teacher for the purpose of providing the student with feedback & a grade of zero will be recorded

No assignment will be accepted after 10 school days. It is the student's responsibility to communicate extenuating circumstances with their teachers, prior to the assignment's due date when possible

Short-term assignments (see course syllabus) guidelines will be at the discretion of the department. If a student is absent the day of an assessment, it is the student's responsibility to schedule a make-up assessment upon their return to class.

### **What Can I Say To Myself?**

#### **Instead of:**

#### **Try thinking:**

I'm not that good at this.

What am I missing?

I'm awesome at this.

I'm on the right track.

I give up.

I'll use some of the strategies we've learned.

This is too hard.

This may take some time and effort.

I can't make this any better.

I can always improve, so I'll keep on trying.

I just can't do maths.

I'm going to train my brain in maths.

I made a mistake.

Mistakes help me learn better.

She's so smart. I'll never be that smart.

I'm going to figure out how she does it so I can try it.

Plan A didn't work.

Good thing the alphabet has 25 more letters.

It's good enough.

Is it really my best work?

## **Let's all practice having a growth mindset for 2024!**