## Week 15 (Latest)



Updated 12/7/25

Good evening PVHS Families, This is Brian Boylan, High School Principal with some friendly reminders and updates:



Congratulations to our newest members of the National English Honor Society! This past Wednesday, the following students were officially inducted into NEHS. We are PV Proud of you!

- Kylie Nelson
- Grace Blundetto
- Brielle Halamar
- **Eloise** Rice
- Addison Krock
- Tahira Qureshi
- Madison Cerrone
- Marissa Mellett
- Ashlyn Nearhood
- John Hargrave
- Catherine Smith
- **Brianna Ditty**
- **®**Peyton Foder
- **Emily Heckman**
- Sienna Pearce

- Khloe Dooner
- Sophia Cerino
- Brooke Serfass
- Sophia TInker
- Shelby O'Neill
- **T**oey Dawson
- SIsaac Klein
- Alexandra Slozina
- Celia Gavinovich
- Alayna Boland
- Hannah Newsom
- Paulina Restea
- Kyara Gomez-Osorio Ewa Trochimczyk
- Nasiriyah Ash

- Payton Shillady
- **©**Quinn Johnson
- Maci Ropchock
- **T**Victoria Cappelletti
- Amanda Davis
- **T**Emily Mahadeo
- Rylan Knapp Ella Rothrock
- Bryar Kinsey
- Jamie Jones
- Abaigh O'Keefe
- Krystie Bordne
- Josie Fetterman
- Chelsea Henry

- Sara Brubaker
- Hunter Farkas
- **T**Abraham Vasquez Colon
- **l**Isabella Slizewski
- Marissa Hauck
- **T**Alyssa Liljeblad
- **T**Lila Borger
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- **T**Avery Snyder
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- Christian Mercedes
- Areli Ramirez



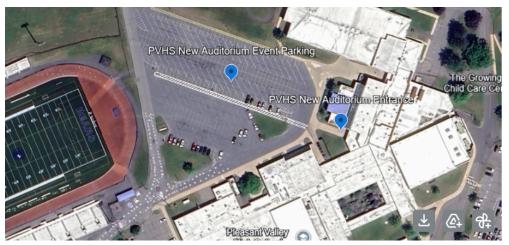


Our PVHS Christmas Brass performed at the annual tree lighting ceremony at the Pocono Cancer Center in East Stroudsburg on Wednesday night. Their performance was outstanding, and it's always wonderful to support such a meaningful event. Plus—Santa Clause made an appearance!



Make sure to come out this Thursday, the 11th, to support our PV Band! Our annual Winter Band Concert begins at 7:30 PM in the New Auditorium. Enjoy performances featuring music from *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*, *Phantom of the Opera*, and plenty of holiday favorites! **PARKING**: Due to ongoing construction, all visitors are required to park in the lot behind the high school. Please enter the building through the doors located near the library. Signs will be posted to guide you to the correct entrance. Please see the map below.





Important Keystone update: The purpose of this message is to announce the release of the schedule for the 2025-2026 Winter Keystone Administration. Select students will be notified of their specific testing schedule in the coming weeks. Please note that testing will occur during regularly scheduled school days. If your student is not scheduled to take any Keystones this winter, they will attend their regular class schedule just like any other day. PVBA students scheduled to test will be provided meals and transportation for the day, upon request. Please speak to Ariana Leibenguth for more details. Finally, if you have additional questions about the Keystones and/or Pleasant Valley's expectations for achieving a graduation pathway, please see the page "Keystone" page here or contact Amber Chiafulio, the School Assessment Coordinator at chiafulio.amber@pvbears.org and 570-402-1000 x 4007.



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Congratulations to all the students who made the **Honor Roll for Marking Period 1!** We are PV Proud of you—keep up the amazing work. We celebrated this outstanding achievement on Thursday the 20th. Go Bears!



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- ✓ Avoid late fees and product restrictions
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**Mr. Goff:** Social Studies Teacher

**Mrs. Morris:** High School Principal Secretary

For the upcoming week, we will have an **early dismissal** on November 21st. Students will be dismissed at 10:25 am. Hot breakfast and lunch will be served on this day.

Great news! Our additional parking lot is now complete and will be available for use starting Monday, November 17th.

- Who can park: Students with a valid parking tag.
- **Parking Tags:** Students who were on the parking waitlist and received a tag have been sent confirmation emails.
- **Pickup:** Passes must be picked up from the main office during students' scheduled lunch periods.

**Space Priority:** Priority for the new spaces was given as follows:

- 1. Students require a vehicle for an academic program.
- 2. Seniors.
- 3. Juniors.

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PAYS Survey Parent Letter

**Timportant Update: NWEA MAP Growth Assessment Reports:** In the coming days, you will receive your child's Fall MAP Growth Family Report, which summarizes how your child is

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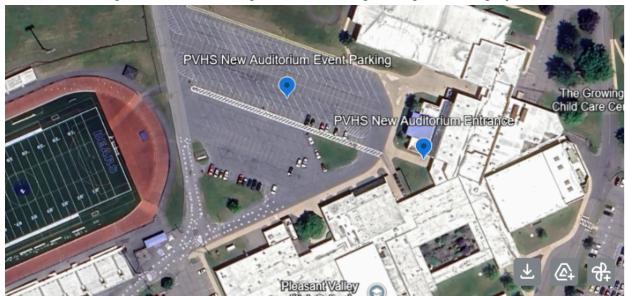
\*\*SHS Fall MAP Growth Student Report Letter\*\*

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### **Homecoming Student Spirit Week Themes (October 20-24)**

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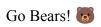
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## Blue Crew Spirit Week: October 6–10

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Let's make this Spirit Week one to remember as we come together to celebrate our students, school spirit, and community pride!

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This is Brian Boylan, High School Principal with some friendly reminders and updates:

The first week of high school is complete, and it has been an exciting start to the year. With the capital improvement project well underway, our students have done an excellent job adjusting to the changes. As part of these renovations, the cafeteria is currently being updated, and students are temporarily enjoying their lunches in the old gymnasium. They have adapted seamlessly and are handling the transition with great flexibility. Due to limited locker availability this year, students are permitted to carry bookbags throughout the school day. We also held grade-level assemblies with all students this week to welcome them back and review updated school procedures. The enthusiasm for this school year is evident, and we are incredibly proud of how well our students are navigating these changes.

Below are a few important reminders for parents and guardians regarding the 2025–2026 school year:

Important: Annual Contact Update Form: The mandatory Parent Annual Contact Update form is now available online through the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Completing this form is essential for your child's safety and ensures you have the opportunity to choose who receives all school communications, including emergency phone alerts. This process will also let you approve the other mandatory annual forms for your students. To complete this process, log in to the PowerSchool website. While you can complete the form from your phone, you must use the website and not the mobile app. Please note, you must have an active PowerSchool Parent Portal account to complete this form. If you need to create an account or for more detailed instructions on the annual contact form, please visit our website at <a href="mailto:pvbears.org">pvbears.org</a> and click on the Parent tab. For additional technical support please email <a href="pvbears.org">PVSupport@pvbears.org</a> for a support ticket to be created. Please note, we are experiencing a high volume of tickets and appreciate your patience as our team answers them as quickly as possible. The deadline to complete this required update is Friday, September 5th.

\*A message from the nurses office: St. Lukes Star Community Dentist is coming to Pleasant Valley High School. If you would like your child seen by the dentist please have your child pick up a consent form from the school nurse or contact the nursing office.

**PSAT:** Attention Juniors and Sophomores: The PSAT will be held on Thursday October 23rd, 2025. Please complete the PSAT registration link found in the QR code below.



## **<u>Munderclassmen Pictures</u>**

Underclassmen pictures will be held this **Friday September 5th**. Students were all given order forms this past week. Below is a QR code for the digital form.



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- Shoprite: Amazing Teacher Awards: We have so many more amazing teachers at the high school. Please make sure you nominate one and show your PV support by clicking here and going to the bottom of the page where it says *Nominate Now*.
- **25/26 Student Handbook:** Parents, please review the 25/26 student handbook so that you can become more familiar with PVHS procedures and policies. <u>Click Here</u>
- Student Safety: Throughout the school year, metal detectors will be used periodically to ensure student safety. We will make every effort to ensure that the process goes smoothly and efficiently. If your child has never experienced this process before, please help us in reminding them that their use is preventative and does not mean that there is anything to be alarmed about. We will also share this information with our students here at school. To facilitate this process, please remember that aerosol containers (perfume, body spray, cologne, hair spray, etc.) are a prohibited item that will be confiscated.
- **<u>® Metal Water Bottles</u>** are a prohibited item that will be confiscated.
- **LHS Cell Phone Policy:** Students are to put their cellular devices on silent and away during the school day. No cell phones/earbuds are allowed during the instructional setting.
- **Dress Code Guidelines:** Please review the student dress guidelines for the high school. Students cannot wear hats or carry them throughout the school day. They should be put in lockers. Our dress code policy will be enforced this week. To review our dress guidelines, please Click Here.
- Student ID's: Students must wear their district issued student ID at all times throughout the school day. Students were given two sets of student ID's this past week. If any student did not get their student ID, they will be called to the Main Office this week to get their picture taken.
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