

PHS COUNSELING CORNER

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Third Quarter

COUNSELOR NEWS

Semester one has officially finished and we are over halfway through the 2023-24 school year! There has been a lot going on recently at PHS and there will continue to be the rest of the year. We have gone through course requests with ALL students for next school year already. It is hard to think about next year's schedule when students are still finishing this year, but a big part of high school is learning to plan and prepare for your future. Picking your courses is just one way in doing this while the hope is it pushes students to talk to their counselors more about what they want to explore and learn more about. The more we know, the more we can help! College decisions, scholarships, ACT, graduation, Freshman PEP Talks, (oh my!) are all in the mix right now. As busy as this stretch of the year can be, we love knowing and seeing our kids do such amazing things and being able to help them in any way possible. Continue to let us know how we can help or if you have any questions.

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TO-DO

- Grade Level Yearly Checklists
 - Freshman
 - Sophomore
 - Junior
 - Senior
- SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS!
- College Visits! Now is a good time of year for juniors to start planning out some college visits for winter or spring.
- Explore PHS counseling website (linked at top) and check out your student's Google Classroom for continued updates.

IMPORTANT DATES

February

Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month - see the "Quick Links" for more info

Feb. 29th

Parent/Teacher Conferences at PHS

Mar. 13th

ACT Test for Juniors at PHS *NO SCHOOL FOR GRADES 9, 10, 12*

May 1st

National College Decision Day

REMINDERS

- 3.85 cumulative GPA or higher will remain one of the qualifiers for Academic Honor this year. Starting next year, it will move to ONLY students with Summa or Magna Cum Laude status.
- Seniors should continue applying for scholarships. Take a look at the scholarship page HERE for more details. Many scholarships are also posted on their Class of 2024 Google Classroom!
- ACT will take place in about a month. Teachers have been helping students prepare in a variety of ways. One free and easy way for students to prepare is by using "Methodize" which is an ACT prep tool embedded in their Xello account.



QUICK LINKS



- PHS Counseling
- Inspire WI
- YA Application
- Mental Health America Lakeshore
- <u>District Calendars</u>
- Panther 'Fits Student Sharing Closet Info
- <u>Teen Dating Violence</u>
 <u>Awareness Month</u>

