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Principal's Message

Dear Hurricane Parents and Students,

On behalf of the entire administration, faculty and staff, I would like to welcome you to the start of the 2021-22 school year at Palm Harbor University High School (PHUHS). We extend a very special welcome to all of our new Hurricanes.

I highly encourage families to get involved by taking advantage of the varied pathways to connect with PHUHS and continue to support our goal to prepare all students for life after graduation. Information about our Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA), School Advisory Council (SAC), and other volunteer opportunities through our office of Family and Community Involvement can be found on our web site. Please become involved this school year for the benefit of our community.

PHUHS has approximately 2500 students this school year and will welcome close to 700 new students to the Hurricane family. We encourage all students to become involved with school activities, as they are a great way to collaborate and grow socially and emotionally as they make new friends and feel invested and connected to this outstanding school.

During the 2021-22 school year, all high schools will continue to operate on a 9-week grading period. We will return to a bell schedule that will include two mid-day lunches which can be found on our school website. For your planning purposes please make note that the end of the grading periods for this year will be as follows:

- Semester 1, Quarter 1: Friday, October 7, 2021
- Semester 1, Quarter 2: December 17, 2021
- Semester 2, Quarter 3: March 11, 2022
- Semester 2, Quarter 4: Friday, May 26, 2022

First semester exams will occur before the winter break starting December 14, 2021, through December 17, 2021.

I look forward to a successful 2021-22 school year filled with many successes as we restart better together.

As always, thank you for your support and Go 'Canes!

Sincerely,
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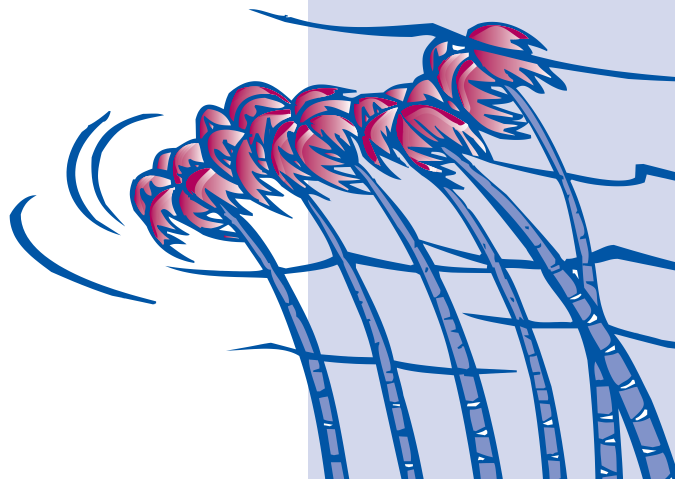
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Bookkeeping

Welcome to the 2021/2022 School Year!

Bookkeeping's office hours are Monday-Friday 6:45 am – 3:00 pm.

Did you know that lost/damaged textbooks, library fines, technology and other miscellaneous obligations will follow you from Elementary to High School? Per Pinellas County School's District Bylaws and Policy Manual #6152 "Failure to pay fees and fines may result in the denial of participation in the graduation ceremony, athletics, or any other extra-curricular activity" (Homecoming, Grad Night, Senior Breakfast, Prom, etc.). Payments for student obligations can be made online with your debit, credit card or check at <https://pcsb.RevTrak.net>.

Also, please remember that all checks need to be made payable to Palm Harbor University High School (PHUHS) and there is a \$25 fee for any NSF checks.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Bookkeeping office at 727-669-1131, Ext. 2006.

From Your School Counselors

Mark your Calendars for the October In School PSAT:

- In-School PSAT will be on Wednesday October 13th!
- All 9th and 10th grade students will test automatically
- 11th grade students are encouraged to test as this is great practice for the upcoming SAT exam and qualify you for National Merit Scholarships!
- 11th grade students will need to opt-in for the PSAT exam; details on the registration process will be announced in August.



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For details and book titles please refer to the summer assignment lists posted last May at www.phuhs.org under the summer assignments tab.

If you have questions, please email Department Head Andrea Weaver at weavera@pcsb.org.



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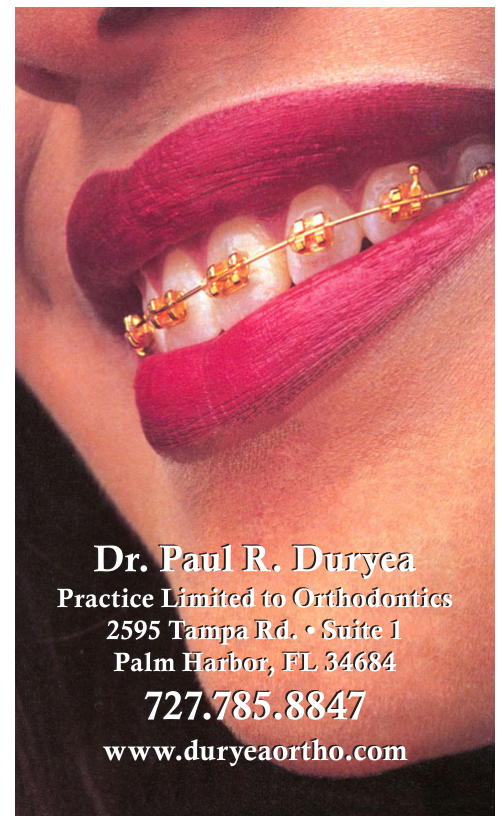


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A Note from our Volunteer Coordinator

Greetings Hurricane Students and Families! My name is Kirby Thompson. I am the new Family & Community Liaison (aka Volunteer Coordinator). I am a Florida State University graduate. GO NOLES! Before starting this job, I was a retail manager for 12 years and coordinated the volunteer activities for the stores I worked in. I have 1 child, Izaiah. He is currently a 9th grader at Countryside High School. I also have a wonderful husband of 3 years named Damion.



Great News! We are going back to volunteering and mentoring face to face! Be sure to check out the volunteer website for more information on procedures. We are always looking for volunteers to help with our boosters, medical, and IB programs, as well as volunteers for testing, field trips, textbook collections, and more activities. We need mentors to help with our Take Stock in Children and Lunch Pals program. If you can spare 1 hour per week to make a difference in a child's life, this may be the program for you.

A few dates to remember:

- Dads Take Your Child to School Day is September 21, 2021.
- The Great American Teach In is November 17, 2021.

If you would like to share your career experience with our students, please send an email to thompsonkir@pcsb.org.

As always, your time volunteering is much appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 727.669.1131 ext. 2045 or thompsonkir@pcsb.org.

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Since March 2020, Pinellas County Schools has successfully followed the health and wellness recommendations of our Medical Advisory Group and the Pinellas County Department of Health. The district has modified protocols as conditions and information changes and will continue to seek and follow sound medical advice.

Pinellas County Schools is committed to providing high-quality instruction and enrichment opportunities for all students, while also maintaining wellness protocols for students and staff. Please visit the Pinellas County Schools website (<https://www.pcsb.org/coronavirus>) to keep yourself updated regarding the latest health and wellness protocols.



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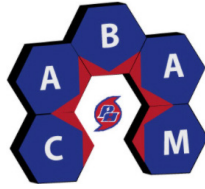
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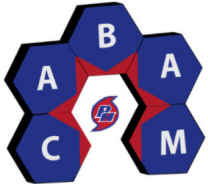
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