

Plainfield High School Central Campus

December 2016 News

From The Principal

It is a great time of the year with many activities taking place at Plainfield High School. We are excited to wrap up our first semester classes and prepare for final exams.

Plainfield High School will host one of the most powerful projects of the year, the Needy Family Fund. This is the 23 year the students and staff have supported the need of families

in our own community.

The Holiday Season provides a great time for activities and athletics. We will have our Collage Concert which highlights seasonal music. The Madrigal Dinner is a great experience for lovers of music and food. Several athletic teams are involved in holiday tournaments. Please go to the athletics website for specific schedules.

Senior students need to be watching for their deadlines for FAFSA and scholarship forms. Students need to be checking Naviance for any new opportunities.

Final exams are scheduled for December 20 through 22. Winter break begins on December 23, 2016 and students return to school on January 9, 2017. Have a great break.

Madrigal Dinner

The Plainfield Central Music Department is proud to present the 38 Annual Madrigal Dinner. We invite you to join the Madrigal Singers, Ladies and Actors for an evening filled with music, holiday merriment and dinner as the auditorium stage is

transformed into a medieval castle. Performances are Friday, December 16 and Saturday, December 17 at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$20. For more information, please visit pchschoirs.com or contact Mr. Rancatore.



Holiday Collage Concert

The Music Department will present its annual Holiday Collage Concert on December 8 & 9 beginning at 7:00 pm. This holiday tradition presents the talents of over 250 band and choir musicians in various large and small ensembles. Music is heard

from every corner of the auditorium culminating in a combined piece with all students performing together. There is no admission charge - free will donations are accepted. Directors are Dan Valkema,

Pat Hoadley and Nathan Rancatore.



Freshman Study Exams December 20, 21 & 22 Session

Student Council and the freshman teachers will host a freshman study session to help freshman study for exams. The study session will be held on Friday, December 16, from 2:20-4:00 pm. No bus service will be provided students must arrange for a ride.



December Events

- 12/8 - Holiday Collage Concert 7 pm
- 12/9 - Holiday Collage Concert 7 pm
- 12/16 - Madrigal Dinner
- 12/17 - Madrigal Dinner
- 12/20 - Exams
- 12/21 - Exams
- 12/22 - Exams
- 12/23 - Winter Break Begins



Early Graduates

All early graduates must clean out their lockers and return books to the classroom teachers before their last day of attendance. Any items left behind will be donated to Goodwill. A bill will be issued for books not returned or damaged.

Time	Day 1 December 20	Day 2 December 21	Day 3 December 22
7:05-8:10	Period 4 Exam	Period 1 Exam	Period 3 Exam
8:20-9:25	Period 5 Exam	Period 2 Exam	Period 7 Exam
9:35-10:40	Period 6 Exam Make-Up Exam	Make-Up Exam	Make-Up Exam

Make up exams that are approved by Dave Stephens will be done the week of January 9-13.

- Buses will run their regular routes. Wednesday and Thursday, buses will leave school at 10:40 am.
- Parents must call 815/439-3260 by 10:00 am if their student is unable to take exams. If parents have not excused a student from a final exam, no credit will be given for the exam.
- We do not have open campus on exam days. Students may not leave and return for a later exam.

2016-2017 Yearbooks on sale NOW!!!

\$50 if ordered by December 21st (price increases after this date)

Student Picked Up After School

The halls at Plainfield Central will be closed at 2:30 pm. Students staying with a teacher or a coach must be with that teacher or coach by 2:30 pm. All other

students must exit the building. Students will not be allowed to "hang out" in the building waiting for athletic events to begin. Any students waiting for a

ride must wait in the North Foyer between the Main Gym and the Field House. The main entrance by the flag poles will be closed.

Athletics

The Wildcat Athletic teams had a great fall. The boys soccer team and the girls volleyball team for being Regional Champions this year.

Also congratulations to Julia Egly who competed in the Cross Country Sectionals.



Newsletter

Please sign up to receive the PHS Newsletter. This is the only way we have to get information to you.

Game Design Class

Mr. Schoen's Game Design class took a field trip to Tribeca Flashpoint College which is located in the Loop on October 28th. The students were able to tour the school's state of the art facilities in Film, Recording Arts, Animation & Digital Art, Marketing, and Digital Media.



PTSO Raffle Winners

Students were drawn randomly. They must have a C or better in all classes and no behavior issues for the month.

October
Anna Sherburne
Kiana Mayne
Zachary Arneson
Audrey Bollinger
November
Taylor Phillips
Nate Brander
Kyle Kilgore
Jessica Plewa

NHS News

The National Honor Society partnered with The *Leukemia & Lymphoma Society* to bring attention to Blood Cancer. Social Campaign Officer Megan Brock said NHS chose to raise awareness because "it was a way to get students to both learn about the program and to help raise money for a fantastic cause." The week was filled with fun and games during the lunch periods, and received a lot of donations in the process. In just five days the campaign raised over \$800.

The mission of the *Leukemia & Lymphoma Society* is to "find a cure for leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma and improve the quality of life for patients and their families."

Many students assisted Brock by donating time during their lunch periods to help run activities, collecting donations, creating posters, and also collecting money at the regional volleyball games held at PHS. The National Honor Society would like to thank all its members

for their hard work. "I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to do something worth remembering. We raised an incredible amount of money and I thank the school for being so receptive and generous," said Brock.

Overall, with the great success the campaign reached, Plainfield Central will help the *Leukemia & Lymphoma Society* fund 480 researchers in 15 different countries on five continents.

DO YOU NEED GIFT CARDS FOR THE HOLIDAYS?

If so, please contact the PTSO at phscptso@gmail.com for more information. The PTSO will have 3 orders for the holidays. The due dates are as follows: **December 2 - December 9 - December 16**

Hundreds of cards are available including Visa and American Express cards with no activation fee. You just pay the amount of the card. It's a great way to support the school and get your shopping done or use them for your everyday expenses.

SOFA Expo

Guided by Mrs. Corcoran, art students attended the SOFA Expo on Saturday, November 5, at Navy Pier! They explored hundreds of galleries, artist booths, even a glass blowing demonstration. The Sculpture Objects Functional Art and De-

sign (SOFA) of Chicago is the premier gallery presented art fair dedicated to three dimensional art and design. With a strong educational emphasis. SOFA CHICAGO includes an acclaimed lecture series and special exhibits exploring the art-



works on view and surveying new trends in the art world.

