

Pine-Richland High School

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Message from the Principals

We are sending a message this week as we look forward to celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Day. School will not be in session on Monday for this important holiday; however, we wanted you to know that we plan to recognize MLK Jr. Day at PRHS with a special announcement on the morning of Tuesday, January 16. In our announcement on Tuesday, students and staff will speak on Dr. King's messages of peace, respect, equality and togetherness. Martin Luther King Jr. Day is a time for us to remember Dr. King and also to reflect on and consider how we demonstrate his values in our daily lives.



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Digital SAT Webinar

The first digital SAT will be offered in March, and the paper SAT will be a thing of the past. Please join Goldstein Test Prep founder, Mike Goldstein, on **January 18** at 7:00 pm to discuss all things SAT, including the shorter and new format, and digital test-taking skills. The program will include an extensive Q&A session in which participants can have their questions answered in real time. Visit our **College and Career Info** page for more information, or continue reading to register.

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We have rescheduled our general meeting for **Wednesday**, **January 24**, at 9:30 am.

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Skate for a Cure

We are inviting all RAM families to join us for a "Skate for the Cure" day at UPMC Lemieux Sports Complex on **Saturday, January 27**, from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. This event is open to all ages so grab your friends and family and join us for some winter fun! Admission is \$14, and all tickets need to be reserved online. Proceeds go to childhood cancer treatments and research.



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Virtual College Planning Night

Get ready to take the next big step in your academic journey! We are thrilled to announce a College Planning Night on **Tuesday**, **January 30**, from 6:30 - 7:30 pm through Zoom. This meeting will provide you with insider tips on college admissions, connect with professionals on the panel who have successfully navigated the college admission journey, as well as a Q&A session.



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Parent Scheduling Night

Our High School Parent Scheduling Night for grades 8-11 next year will be held on **Thursday**, **February 1**, at 6:00 pm in the High School auditorium. More information will become available in an upcoming *Friday Flash*.



Unified Bocce–Polar Plunge Fundraiser

Pine-Richland Unified Bocce will be participating in the Special Olympics Polar Plunge at Acrisure Stadium on **February 23** and will be fundraising to raise money for the Special Olympics. Please click the button below if you'd like to donate, or contact **Beth Sipe** with any questions.



Health Reminders

When your child does not feel well, the Pine-Richland nurses would like to remind you to please keep your child home if they have a fever of 100 degrees or higher, uncontrollable coughing, vomiting or diarrhea, or an inability to sleep at night because they don't feel well. Children should be fever-free for 24 hours prior to returning to school. Pine-Richland follows the Allegheny County Health Department guidelines for Infectious Disease which can be <u>found here</u>. Covid-19 guidelines can be **found here**.



If you have any questions, please reach out to your **child's school nurse**.

Seniors: Order Your Cap and Gowns

Seniors! Don't forget to order your caps, gowns and tassels for your graduation ceremony using the new link below.

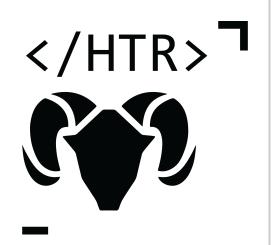




In Case You Missed It

Register for Hack The Ram

Hack the Ram is a free 12-hour invention marathon hosted at Pine-Richland High School that will be taking place on **Saturday**, **January 27**. Participants with any level of programming experience are invited to work as a team to create an original technology project. Multiple seminars are offered throughout the day to help you learn how to code for the first time or fine-tune your skills. Also, free food, drinks, and shirts will be provided to participants. Spots are limited so register now.



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A.W. Beattie Spring Open House

Join A.W. Beattie for their annual Spring Open House from 5:15 - 8:00 pm on **Thursday**, **February 29**, at 9600 Babcock Boulevard. Learn more about the A.W. Beattie Career Center by **visiting their website**.



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Order Your Graduation Signs

Attention Seniors! Have you ordered your graduation signs? Its time to get ready to celebrate your graduation. Order yard signs, banners as well as your announcements, thank you cards, magnets and more. Click here to access the order form, or continue reading for more information.



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College and Career Planning Info

Scholarships, college visits and other college- and career-related event information is updated regularly for students. Please check this page often for updates.



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Colleges Visiting Pine-Richland

A number of colleges and universities will visit Pine-Richland High School this fall. Interested junior and senior students need to sign up to attend through their Naviance account. Advance permission is required from their classroom or study hall teacher.



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Peer Tutoring Program

The National Honor Society offers Peer Tutoring for high school students of any age and does not require NHS membership. Request a peer tutor using the

button below. Questions? Please contact Michael Lattari, peer tutoring coordinator, at nhspeertutoring@pinerichland.org, or co-sponsor Stephanie Lang at slang@pinerichland.org.

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Opt-Out Fundraising Opportunity

Do you want to support the PTO but get overwhelmed with all the fundraisers throughout the year? Are you tired of the spirit wear sales and dine out nights? The PRHS PTO is now offering an OPT OUT fundraising opportunity to the families of our high school students.



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Reminders and Resources

- Friday Flash submissions are due Wednesdays at 8 am to prnewsletters@pinerichland.org.
- Free and Reduced Meal Applications must be submitted each school year.
- AP exam reimbursement is due September 30 annually.
- 2023-2024 Children's Health Insurance Program information.
- Check the Friday Flash archives for past information.
- Access the Rampage Newspapers using this link.











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