

Plainwell High School Daily Announcements
Friday, December 2nd, 2022

GENERAL:

Ummatters Week: Today is workshop day and Friday is an assembly with our very own country singer. Any questions? Ask a club member or Mrs. Beals.

[Copy of UMATTER Week Itinerary](#)

The Student Senate Spirit Committee is having a door decorating contest. Students will decorate their 1st hour teacher's door for a chance of winning prizes. Judging will take place on Friday, December 16th, so start planning today!

Attention Students: The Student Senate annual Food Drive will be continuing this year! It will run from December 5th to the 16th. We are looking for any non-perishable food items and hygiene products. One item is worth one point. It is a first hour competition: first place will win donuts, second will win popcorn, and third will win hot chocolate. Bring your items to your first hour each day, and the Student Senate will come around and collect them daily. Happy Holidays!

Are you in need of Driver Education Segment II?

PHS will be holding another Driver Education Segment II class that begins on Tuesday December 6th at 2:30 in Mr. Badalamente's Room #414.

Sign-up is open on the Plainwell High School Revtrak page.

Look for a direct link in your announcements:

<https://plainwell.revtrak.net/high-school/Drivers-Ed/>

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for our annual band and choir holiday Spectrum Concert!

Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased online at [Ludus - Plainwell Schools Ticket Portal](#).

This concert will sell out, so don't delay!

Things are heating up in the clothing drive competition. Wheeler makes the jump all the way to 1st place with a huge donation today!

Here are Thursday's totals for the winter clothing drive:

1st place = Wheeler 2,141

2nd place = Hansen 725 Points

3rd place = Beltowski 548 points

4th place = Kohn with 429 points

5th place = Schwartz 230 points

Honorable mention:

Hess 25 points

Bakalyar 25 points

Farrington 20 points

Newell 20 points

Bishop 20 points

Don't forget to bring in clothes to your 1st hour to win donuts and hot chocolate!

Seniors, it's never too early to turn your senior pictures in to jane.kostanko@plainwellschools.org. Photos are due March 29th, 2023. Please see Mrs Kostanko if you are unable to afford senior pictures.

Is anyone out there a Chess player? You are invited to a Chess Tournament on Saturday, February 12th in the Allegan High School Media Center, hosted by the Allegan High School Chess Club. Any individual student or group of students with an adult sponsor is welcome to attend. Guests are welcome to bring snacks, beverages with lids and lunch, to be eaten in the Media Center. There is no charge for entry but we request that participants RSVP for organizational purposes. Arrival and sign in will begin at 8:30 am. First games will begin at 9:00 am. Duration of the tournament will be dependent on the number of participants, but we will suspend play at 3 pm and plan for a future competition date, if necessary. Please note, none of the Allegan High School players have a FIDE rating and we play to improve our skills in chess, strategic thinking and sportsmanship. Please RSVP using this link, <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1phPSnR0tsDhrAqp89t3hoGDH6Qh6C6-n-0lfdllgQ9k/edit>

Discount Cards for Plainwell Ski Club at Timber Ridge are available for purchase on [RevTrak](#). The cost for punch cards is \$35 and reduces lift ticket prices and ski rental to \$23 each. Snowboards are \$35. Adults can purchase a punch card for \$35 and ski Monday - Friday for \$23 and Saturday, Sunday and holidays for \$28 through December 7th! Chaperones will be at Timber Ridge every Friday from 4pm until 9pm unless there is no school. Timber Ridge has more new snow making equipment and should have plenty of snow this year!

Bittersweet passes are in and can be picked up in Student Services!

Two ways to report concerning behavior (harassment, bullying, school safety or threats, harm to self or others). If you see something, say something.

1) Use [OK2SAY](#) or

2) PHS reporting link (see below) for reporting threats or concerning behavior about students, family members or any one in the community.

[PHS Incident Report Form](#)

Students, staff, parents, and community members must feel responsibility for saying something if they know something.

There will be a representative from Ralph Moyle Trucking coming on December 14th during plus time. She will be discussing some of the options to work with their company including but not limited to:

Driving trucks

Diesel Mechanics

Dispatching

Warehousing

If you are interested in coming, please email Mrs. Wheeler or sign-up in student services.

If you are interested in joining a local trade union after high school, now is your chance to meet with one. A local roofers union will be joining us on December 7th during plus time. Please sign-up for their visit in Student Services or email Mrs. Wheeler.

If you are planning on attending college next year and do not intend to pay CASH, you must fill out the FAFSA. You need to do it even if you think you will not qualify financially or the college will not offer you any scholarships.

<https://studentaid.gov/>

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Do you still need Community Service hours?? We need your help! Poinsettias for the Band boosters are being delivered Saturday, December 3. Any portion of the 7:30am-11:30am time frame we need volunteers. Even if you can just come for an hour or two it would help so very much! Please email Ruth Ritzema at ruth.ritzema@att.net and/or stop in and see Mrs. Hoffman in the library - We can't run fund-raisers of this scale without some help please! Reminder to pick up Community Service logs from Student Services/Mrs. Gower to bring with you!

Help the boosters with the concession stand this winter for Basketball, Cheer, Swim, or Wrestling. You, your club, or team are welcome! Earn community service hours or club/team donations from PHS Boosters (this is a very easy club or sport fundraiser). Please stop in the athletic office if you are interested and sign up or see the poster in the hallway for contact information!

ATHLETICS:

Good luck tonight to the JV and varsity girls basketball teams as they take on Edwardsburg at home! The girls basketball players are hosting a Holiday-Give-Back to provide families with a full Christmas dinner and gifts. Any students who bring a food item or a monetary donation to the game on Friday will get in for free!

Tomorrow the JV and varsity wrestling teams will be at the Portage Northern for a scrimmage, the varsity boys swim team will be at the 75th annual Cereal Bowl Relays at Battle Creek Central and the JV and varsity competitive cheer teams will host the Plainwell Cheer Fest! Go Trojans!

On Monday Dec 5, from 2:25 to 2:40, there will be a meeting in Coach Grubaugh's room for all girls interested in tennis this Spring. We will discuss the schedule, choose new uniforms, and look at fund-raising.

Student passes for athletics are on sale. Go to phstrojans.com to purchase tickets and passes. You can use the QR code that is posted in Student Services or the Cafeteria.

PARENT CONNECTION:

Please keep your student(s) home if they are sick in any way. Let's "work hard" at having a normal school year, and let's "be nice" by considering others' health as well as your own.

Attention all students: As a reminder, food deliveries can be picked up during your lunch period only. All deliveries that arrive outside of the lunch period will remain in the office, this includes breakfast and coffee.

The Umatter Committee is currently accepting donations for a school therapy dog! The therapy dog would be available for students throughout the day to help with emotional support, to reduce anxiety, and provide a helping hand in the journey to a successful school year at PHS. Donations are available through Rev Track or in the Front Office of

the High School. The goal is to reach \$2500, so anything helps! Our mission is to help provide a positive and healthy student body and we are determined to do this by creating positive school interactions and events, and a facility dog helps us accomplish this!
Link to RevTrak [HERE](#)

Please use the link below to update any demographics (phone numbers, addresses, emergency contacts) for our Student Information System. It is important our district has current and accurate demographics for each of our students and families. Thank you. Go Trojans!
<https://5il.co/z35k>

If your student(s) need to leave during the school day for any reason (appointments, sick, etc.) please call the high school office at 269-685-9554, to give permission to allow your student(s) to leave school property.

If your student takes medication ([prescription](#) and [non-prescription](#)) please complete new medication forms, they are needed annually and linked above.

Digital ticketing is a learning curve for everyone! Thank you for taking this journey with us. We STRONGLY encourage our parents to download the Hometown Ticketing app on your phone from your app store. It is the easiest way to get your Plainwell Trojan Tickets! You can also purchase tickets by going to the PHS Athletics page or www.bit.ly/plainwell-tickets.