



## Poland Regional High School

### School Board Report

February 2023

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#### ***Teaching and Learning***

January was a busy month at the high school as teachers and students worked to complete evidence of learning in semester 1 and begin semester 2 among the flurry of snow days in the middle of the month. Teachers have completed the grading for their courses and grades are available in JumpRope, Infinite Campus and paper copies of report cards have been mailed home.

- Alumni Day was a big success with over thirty former PRHS students from a wide range of graduation classes speaking with current students about their education and work experiences.
- The sophomore class attended a career fair at CMCC and sophomores interested in LRTC for next year went to visit the programs in action.
- Mrs. Fryda's Comparative Government and Economics classes hosted a guest speaker, Tim Winkeler, President and CEO of VIP Tires and Service, presented his work on a citizen initiative to get a right-to-repair law on the books in Maine. Mr. Winkeler engaged with students about the steps it takes to get a question on the ballot, including the petition process, funding, and the use of media. Students declared the presentation "cool," "thought-provoking," and "informative."
- PRHS has earned the College Board's [AP<sup>®</sup> Computer Science Female Diversity Award](#) for expanding young women's access to AP Computer Science Principles (CSP). This award acknowledges 1,105 schools for their work toward equal gender representation during the 2021-22 school year. PRHS is one of 832 schools to be recognized for achieving this important result in AP CSP.
- The high school Functional Life Skills classes hosted an informational open house for FLS students and parents to share more information about daily schedules, routines, and classroom learning.

#### ***Staff and Professional Learning***

January and early February professional learning time and the January workshop day have been focused on completing curriculum work in Atlas, identifying and implementing supports for students to meet academic goals at the mid-year point, and planning work for Sophomore Exhibitions and Senior Celebrations of Learning.

The high school leadership team has also been exploring topics of school culture and climate and working with our Faculty Roundtables to gather and prioritize key opportunities to improve school climate for students and staff.

#### ***Open Instructional Positions***

- Long-term Substitute Resource Teacher
- Math/Science Interventionist Teacher
- Special Education and Learning Center Ed Techs

#### ***You Are Invited***

- WMC Indoor Track Championships February 10 at USM
- State Cheering Championships February 11 at Augusta Civic Center
- State Championship Track Meet February 20 at Bates College