

Poland Regional High School School Board Report - December 2023 Erik Anderson - Principal

Teaching and Learning

Junior Logan Grant completed her 40 hours of job shadowing and earned the **Maine Career Exploration Badge**. This is a huge accomplishment for Logan and shows her hard work and dedication outside of the classroom to improve on her skills that will benefit her in her career. For more information about this program, students should talk with **Jobs for Maine Graduates** teacher, Mr. McInnis.

MELMAC College/Career Readiness Week is the first week of January (the 2nd to the 5th). The high school will be hosting an LRTC presentation, sophomores will attend the Androscoggin Career Fair at CMCC, and a number of Roundtable activities will focus students on looking toward the future through learning activities such as scavenger hunts and Kahoots.

Staff and Professional Learning

Teachers Meg New and Bill Flynn and social worker Mariah Matson attended the **Alternative Education of Maine fall conference** with the theme "Circle Up". This was a collegial day of exchanging ideas with educators from across the state to explore best practices for supporting students needing a variety of pathways to graduation.

Athletics and Extracurricular Activities

Freshmen Elianna Morello and Phoebe Paradis, sophomores Emily Bartlett, Ryan Kelly, Jamison Plummer, and Will Stanford, and juniors Kayleigh Hood and Griffin Spurr attended the **Western Maine Conference Leadership Summit** at St. Joseph's College. They were chosen on the basis of their character and ability to lead.

PRHS Social Studies teacher Elaine Fryda and seventeen PRHS students participated in the first of three day-long retreats led by **The Can We? Project** facilitators. The students engaged in a series of activities with the goals of learning new skills of self-reflection, identifying differing perspectives, and fostering positive dialogue for civic engagement.

You Are Invited

- ★ Speech and Debate Team hosts the annual Nutcracker Sweeps Tournament at PRHS on Saturday December 9th 7:30am - 4:30pm. This the first major tournament of the year, teams from all across the state will be competing.
- ★ Alumni Day Friday January 5th, 2024 at 10am this the culmination of the PRHS College and Career Readiness Week! We LOVE this day! We invite ALL PRHS alumni from the classes of 2000-2023. Please contact Ms. Bush, Mr. McFadden, or Mrs. Rhoads to let us know that you are interested in attending. We will have panels of alumni visit the high school Roundtables, then any available alumni will be part of a panel for 7th grade and one for 8th grade

Open Positions

- Long-term Physical Education Teacher substitute to cover paternity leave Jan-April '24
- Resource Room Teacher
- Math/Science Interventionist Teacher
- .5 ELL Teacher
- Multiple Ed Tech positions