



Poland Regional High School
School Board Report - February 2024
Erik Anderson - Principal

Teaching and Learning

On Friday January 5th, the high school held our annual Alumni Day - an all time high forty-five graduates participated! The presenters shared valuable advice as they reflected on their journeys from PRHS to college and careers.

We are pleased to recognize PRHS Spanish teacher, Skip Crosby, and math teacher, Michael Hayashida, for earning renewal of their National Board Teacher Certification. Mr. Crosby is one of the six original, fall of '99 PRHS faculty members, and Mr. Hayashida began teaching at the high school in 2002. They join PRHS science teacher Michelle Smith (earned it last school year) in earning the renewal of their National board certification. Successful completion of the renewal process, five years after initial certification, demonstrates a teacher's commitment to continued professional growth while substantially affecting positive student learning. Congratulations and thank you to all three teachers for their leadership in teaching and learning best practices!

Staff and Professional Learning

The PRHS admin team - Erik Anderson, Kat Meader, and Don King - and SRO Berni Westleigh - have all completed the Maine Safe Schools Initiative School Safety Specialist Badge.

Athletics and Extracurricular Activities

On December 12th, our sophomore & junior Olympia Leaders participated in the Olympia Snowe Women's Leadership Institute's Annual Luncheon at the Holiday Inn By The Bay. The girls shared their experiences in the program with business and community leaders. Junior Lily Lee was one of three featured student speakers. In front of over 500 guests, she spoke about how being an Olympia Leader has helped her find "her people" and grow her self esteem. She had command of that entire ballroom and spoke with ease and confidence. She was a rock star!

PRHS would like to express our appreciation for the Transportation team for all they do to ensure that our students not only get to and from school safely and on time, but also transporting our student athletes to games, taking classes on field trips, and bringing student clubs and groups to activities off campus. Many thanks for all they do!

- The Kings Hockey Program is #2 in the heal points having won 8 in a row and owning a 10-3 record.
- Girls Varsity basketball has won 5 in a row en route to an 11-6 record.
- Our Cheer squad finished 4th at Regionals and will compete Saturday February 10th at the State Championship competition at the Augusta Civic Center beginning at 10 am.
- Indoor Track will compete at Bates College on Monday February 19th, at the State Championship meet.

Open Positions

- Resource Room Teacher
- Math/Science Interventionist Teacher
- .5 ELL Teacher