

TIMBERLANE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

We have been fortunate this school year, thus far, to escape extreme winter conditions that could threaten to keep everyone at home during the school day; although with the weather seemingly beginning to ramp up, we thought it would be best to remind parents and students of our Online Learning/Blizzard Bag procedures. You can find these outlined on the following page. Last year our district successfully engaged in two Online Learning days and we have received positive feedback over the past couple of years and look forward to continue using this unique learning tool as necessary.

During the upcoming week, and throughout the month of February, we will be prepping our students for the 2016-17 school year. I urge all parents to have a conversation with their student(s) about their academic goals and which high school and/or vocational courses will help them reach graduation and beyond. Our [Guidance webpage](#) has a great deal of material for parents and students, including a list of future college planning and financial aid informational programs, as well as, SAT, ACT, and PSAT preparation resources, college fair dates, scholarship sources, and much more. Parents of the Class of 2020 are invited to our **Incoming Freshmen Parent Night** on January 26, at 6:00 PM to learn about graduation requirements, freshmen academy, and planned high school transition activities.

Next Saturday, January 30, Project Hope is hosting their annual **"Strut for the Cure" Fashion Show** here at the high school. The evening has always been entertaining and inspirational and all proceeds go towards local families struggling with cancer and cancer research programs. The Plaistow Public Library and the Timberlane Regional School District are co-hosting **Raising the Tech Generation** with Janell Burley Hofmann, at the PAC, February 3, and will be addressing the challenges of helping our students find a balance between technology, school, and family. On February 4, the **Deliberative Session** will take place in our high school gymnasium and Supervisors of the Checklist will be set up in the cafeteria to check in voters at 6:00 PM. I encourage everyone to come and participate in this important process.

Finally, our thanks goes out to 18 recent Timberlane graduates who took time from their winter breaks to speak with high school students and staff during lunch periods over the course of three days one week this month. Our college bound students were able to learn about the adjustments and experiences of students who are currently studying at colleges that many of them are considering attending next fall. Thank you also to our guidance staff for organizing this wonderful event.

Sincerely,
Donald H. Woodworth
Principal

TRHS Forecast

Click on 'TRHS Forecast' to go to our school calendar.

- >> **Incoming Freshmen Parent Night**
01/26 | PAC | 6:30 - 8:00 PM
- >> **Guidance CTE Presentation**
01/27 | PAC | 9:40 AM
- >> **Tri-M Honor Society Induction**
01/27 | PAC | 7:00 - 9:30 PM
- >> **Project Hope Strut for the Cure**
01/30 | TRHS Gym & Café | 7:00 PM
- >> **Raising the Tech Generation**
02/03 | PAC | 6:30 PM
- >> **Deliberative Session**
02/04 | TRHS Gym | 7:00 PM
- >> **Milkmen Improv Comedy Show**
02/12 | PAC | 7:00 PM
- >> **PTSA Meeting**
02/17 | TRHS Library | 7:00 PM
- >> **Early Release**
02/19
- >> **Mid-Winter Break**
02/22 - 02/26
- >> **SAT Testing (Juniors Only)**
03/02
- >> **TRSD Health and Wellness Fair**
03/16 | TRHS Café | 3:00 - 5:00 PM

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The course selection process for the 2016-2017 school year will kick off for all high school students on January 26th. Each grade level will attend a course selection meeting to learn what is new for the upcoming year and to review how the on-line course selection process works. Students are encouraged to discuss their course selections with their parents. Parents will be able to view their student's requests on PowerSchool. Before the end of February, counselors will meet one-on-one with each student to review their choices to ensure student selections are meeting their goals and graduation requirements.

In addition, Sophomores will receive a presentation by the Salem and Pinkerton career and technical programs (CTE) that students have the option to attend beginning their junior year. The CTE program staff will return during advisory on the 27th to answer any individual questions students may have. Salem CTE will also be holding an open house on January 28 from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm for students and parents that would like a closer look at the options at the CTE center.

FROM THE DESK OF THE 2015-16 PTSA

We would like to thank all of those who supported the PTSA's apparel fundraiser held during the holidays, we had an excellent turnout for requests. A special shout-out from the PTSA goes to Principal, Don Woodworth, and the team he assembled to address parents about the new SAT testing coming up on March 2. All juniors will partake in the SAT testing free of charge at the high school. If you are a parent of a junior, we encourage you to remind your student(s) to speak with their Guidance Counselor for more details. Important SAT information can be found on the [Guidance website](#).

Nine extremely talented and creative students participated in the 2015 "Let Your Imagination Fly" PTSA Reflections Art Contest. The next step for these students is the New Hampshire PTA State Exhibit at Hood Middle School in Derry on March 9. State winners will then be submitted for national judging. Good luck to all of our Timberlane artists!

Stop by the PTSA booth on Thursday, February 4, at the Deliberative Session. We will be selling delicious baked goods during the public session and offering PTSA membership to anyone interested in joining.

Scholarship Applications

The Timberlane Scholarship application is now available for all seniors and is due no later than **March 10 at 2:30 PM** to the guidance office. The Timberlane Scholarship application is ONE form which makes students eligible to be selected for over 40 scholarships. The majority of these scholarships are awarded on Scholarship Award Night. All senior students are advised to complete this scholarship form.

You can find the scholarship in the guidance website and on Naviance.

WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY

If a school day is declared by the district to be an Online Learning/Blizzard Bag day, students will need to complete online assignments from home, following the outlined procedures:

- Log into their Google Apps Account to access their assignments for the [Online Learning/Blizzard Bag](#) day.
- Students will complete their assignments for each class. Each assignment should take 20-30 minutes. An assignment replacing a two-period course, however, could take up to 60 minutes.
- When students have questions, they can email their teacher during the teacher's specified office hours. Each teacher will be available for four hours during the day. These hours will be clearly communicated on the assignment.
- Students who do not complete the assignments will be marked absent for the class and will not receive credit on the assignment.

We understand that there may be power outages and limited or no access to the internet at home for some students. We will work with those students to ensure they receive the same assignments to complete and that they have appropriate time to complete the work.