

36 Greenough Road, Plaistow, NH 03865 | 603.382.6541 | timberlanehs.com **PRINCIPAL'S CORNER**

As the end of April draws near, a collection of our students and staff are prepping for their trips abroad to Spain, France, or Hawaii to immerse themselves in the culture and history of these exotic destinations. I am sure many Timberlane families will also be travelling across the country and around the globe. I would like to wish all of you safe travels, and to those of us staying behind, I hope you all take the week off to relax and enjoy the time with your family before the hustle and bustle that the end of the school year brings.

With the month of May comes a stream of significant events and academic challenges for our students, particularly those graduating this year. Not only do seniors need to stay focused on their academic careers as their time with us draws to a close, but there are a series of final ceremonies and events that serve as a rite of passage: Senior Prom, Senior Cruise, athletic team banquets, music concerts, Senior Breakfast, Scholarship Night and Senior Awards Night. I encourage parents to stress the importance of sleep and time management to their students. During this time students can become distracted, run down and may experience heightened anxiety as their schedules fill up, if they are keeping late hours, and/or they fall behind academically. Even the most mature and successful student can fall prey to this final quarter of their last year. I highly encourage parents to continually monitor the academic progress of their children. If there are any concerns or questions that come up, please be quick to contact either their teacher(s), guidance counselor, coaches, or an administrator for support. This is an exciting and emotional time, and it all passes unbelievably quick. Remember to enjoy these precious moments.

Don Woodworth Principal

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TRHS Forecast

>> Spring Break

04/25 - 04/29

>> "The Sound of Music" Production 05/05 - 05/07 | PAC | 7:00 pm 05/07 | PAC | 1:00 pm

- >> College Costs and Funding Seminar 05/10 | PAC | 6:30 PM
- >> Timberlane Troops Teen Game Night 05/13 | TRHS | 3:30 - 6:30 pm
- >> Milkmen Improv Comedy Show 05/13 | PAC | 7:00 - 10:00 pm
- >> Battle of the Bands

05/14 | PAC | 6:00 - 11:00 pm

- >> Jazz Night 05/17 | PAC | 7:00 - 10:00 pm
- >> PTSA Meeting 05/18 | TRHS Library | 7:00 pm
- Student Council Kids Night Out 05/21 | TRHS | 4:00 - 8:00 pm

OWLETTES IN BOSTON

The TRHS Owlettes Dance Team was thrilled to have the opportunity to perform centercourt at the Boston Celtic's last season home game against the New Orleans Pelicans on Wednesday April 6th. The Dance team extended their general practice hours, working until 6:00 pm on Friday nights, and was sincerely committed to pulling



together an exciting jazz routine to pump-up the crowd prior to the game's start. After a jaw-dropping performance the dance team was congratulated by the Celtic's dancers and graciously accepted the opportunity for a photo-op.

GUIDANCE NEWS

AP Testing is right around the corner. Beginning on the Monday following vacation and continuing for two weeks, all students enrolled in AP courses will be taking AP tests. The test schedule can be found on the <u>College Board</u> website. Students taking morning exams should report to their testing room by 7:20 AM. Students taking afternoon exams should report to their testing room by 11:30 AM. Good luck to all students on their exams!

The Guidance Department met with Junior students in March to continue working with them on their post secondary planning. Students met in small groups with counselors in the computer lab and reviewed the college search process. Students were also able to log in and learn what college search features are available to them within their Naviance accounts. Juniors will be meeting one on one with their counselors to continue the discussion regarding their postsecondary goals.

Sophomore students participated in our third annual Career Day held on April 7th. Students were able to learn about three different careers from adults who are employed in those fields. Many of our speakers were alumni of Timberlane and were excited to come back and share their career experiences with our students.

On May 10th at 6:30 pm in the PAC Recital Hall, Val Castonguay will be here to present "College Costs, Financial Aid and Savings Options." While financial aid can make college more affordable, parents and students are expected to take primary responsibility for paying for post-secondary education. In this session, options for managing college costs, applying for financial aid, and college funding options will be discussed. This presentation is appropriate for all parents whose children aspire to go to college.

Ceremonies & Events

- >> Art Honor Society Induction
 - 05/03 | TRHS Cafeteria | 5:30 pm
- >> Rho Kappa Honor Society Ind. 05/12 | PAC Auditorium | 6:00 pm
- >> Math Honor Society Induction 05/17 | TRHS Cafeteria | 6:00 pm
- >> Senior Prom

05/20 | Atkinson CC | 6:00 pm

- >> English Honor Society Induction 05/24 | TRHS Cafeteria | 6:00 pm
- >> Music Awards 05/25 | PAC Auditorium | 6:00 pm
- >> Senior Class Trip Odyssey Cruise Line, Boston Harbor 05/26 | TRHS Café Rendezvous | 4:30 pm
- >> Theatre Awards 05/27 | PAC Auditorium | 7:00 pm
- >> STEM Night & Science Honor Society Induction 06/01 | TRHS Library | 4:00 pm / 6:00 pm
- >> Junior Awards & Senior Scholarship Night 06/07 | PAC Auditorium | 6:30 pm
- >> Senior Awards & Honor Society Cording Ceremony 06/09 | PAC Auditorium | 6:30 pm
- >> Graduation Class of 2016 06/11 | TRHS Campus | 10:00 am



Two Timberlane Scholar Athletes, Meghan Tarr (pictured far left, center) and Sarah Heckman (bottom, center) have been friends since pre-school and are now signing on to attend Franklin Pierce University together on athletic scholarships for track and lacrosse. Their parents, coaches, Athletic Director Mr. Fantasia and Principal Mr. Woodworth, joined each of the young ladies as they signed their official paperwork.

Congratulations Girls!

Owls

Taking Flight

FROM THE DESK OF THE 2015-16 PTSA

First off, we would like to thank the high school administration team that attended our meeting earlier this week and presented the programs that will be available to our children over the summer months...from credit recovery courses, to extra help with assigned summer work, to more recreational events. Additional information on these programs will be coming from the school district closer to the end of the school year.

Secondly, we hope that every member of our Timberlane family enjoys their time off during spring break. When staff and students return, we will be there to celebrate Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week! Running from May 2 through May 6, we are excited to show how much we as parents appreciate all that the teachers and staff do for our children. Each day of the week we have planned special surprise gifts for all of the staff members and on Tuesday, May 3, we will be serving breakfast to the staff. In the afternoon of Friday, May 6, right after school, we are hosting an ice cream social in the Cafeteria. With much thanks to the volunteers and local businesses that helped donate items, we have garnered over sixty raffle items to give away, ranging from gift cards to local restaurants to a free oil change. We will be drawing winning names on Friday.

Testing Dates

>> STAR Testing

May - Dates to be determined | Grades 9 & 10

>> AP Testing

05/02 - 05/13 & 05/19

- >> Junior Science NECAP Exams 05/18 & 05/19
- >> World Language (AAPPL) Testing 05/23 - 05/27
- >> Senior Exams

06/02 - 06/07

>> Underclassmen Exams

06/08 - 06/13

MAJOR AWARDS FOR MODEL UN

Over a period of three days, between April 5 through April 7, sixteen students from the Timberlane Regional High School Model United Nations Program participated in the University of Massachusetts, Lowell Model United Nations Competition. The UMass Lowell Model United Nations is a conference prepared for high schools in eastern Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire. This dynamic three day conference offers students the opportunity to debate critical issues facing the global community, as well as develop public speaking, and researching and writing skills. Held at the UMass Lowell Inn and Conference Center in downtown Lowell, Model UN participants were expected to learn about their respective nations' involvement in selected issues, develop and communicate their countries' positions on these issues, test their negotiation skills, and further the position of their states. Timberlane students competed against 5 other schools and served on 6 different committees representing the nations of New Zealand, Ukraine, China, Syria and Lithuania.



At the closing ceremonies on April 7, Timberlane students won 14 individual awards and the Timberlane Model UN Team was awarded Best Overall Delegation for the conference. Individual awards included Honorable Delegate, Distinguished Delegate and the highest award of Best Delegate for each committee in the conference.

Timberlane's individual awards were:

Cailee Griffin (Security Council) - People's Choice and Best Delegate

Chris Durkee (NATO Council) - Honorable Delegate

Jamie Bissonnette (NATO Council) - Best Delegate

Blake Romano (World Health Organization) - Honorable Delegate

Denise Manzo (World Health Organization) - Distinguished Delegate

Cam Magner (Economic and Social Council) - People's Choice and Best Delegate

Lauren Abate (Economic and Social Council) - Distinguished Delegate

Taylor Gilchrist (Economic and Social Council) - Honorable Mention

Ben Longchamp (UN Environmental Programme) - Distinguished Delegate

Wesley Clapp (UN Environmental Programme) - People's Choice and Honorable Delegate

Jake Chaput (UN High Commission on Refugees) - Best Delegate

Congratulations to the entire team for their great performance at this conference and for representing Timberlane with excellence throughout the conference.

New Hampshire Society of Professional Engineers 2016 S.T.E.M. Excellence in Teaching Award Winner

Mr. Steve Rugoletti

Matt Hunter

Social Studies Teacher

How long have you worked for Timberlane? 5 years

What is your favorite part of your job? I enjoy making connections with the students I work with. Finding common interests with them has been a great way for me to shape my teaching style and how I present new topics. Additionally I like how this job constantly makes me feed my head with new information to keep history interesting for my students.

Do you host any extracurricular activities? If so, what are they? I am the co-advisor of the Anime Club.

What is your favorite book? On the Road, by Jack Kerouac.

What is your favorite hobby? Seeing live music is one of my favorite things to do in my free time and I attend shows frequently. I constantly play guitar when I am home and enjoy writing music with other people. Aside from music, my other passion is riding motorcycles.

What is something about yourself that no one would know? As a kid my first career choice was to be a Ninja Turtle.

Staff Spotlights,

