

# Timberlane Regional High School

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## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

As an educator, there is nothing more exciting than looking at the upcoming school year and the impending return of our students for another year of academic and personal growth. The summer has passed quickly, but we have been busy readying our campus, our staff, and our resources for the opening of a new school year. We are ready to embrace the implementation of our newly created core curriculum and instruction with an increased focus on literary skills and stronger academic support for our students. A review of last year indicates that our students have continued to improve in measurable ways. We are sending graduates to two and four year colleges at a higher rate, seeing improvement in our test scores, and are reducing our failure rate. It is a great time to be an OWL!

Our co-curricular activities have begun with the athletic and musical groups already preparing for their upcoming seasons. **Freshmen Orientation** will be held on **Monday, August 24** at 6:00pm in the PAC, and new **Transfer Student Orientation** will follow, beginning at 6:30pm in the Guidance Office. Our new school year begins on **Wednesday, August 26**. Now is a good time for students to complete their summer work packets, which are due **Friday, August 28**. I look forward to seeing everyone return refreshed and ready for learning.



 Don Woodworth  
Principal

## FROM THE DESK OF THE 2015-16 PTSA

Dear Parents, Students, and Teachers,

We would love your support and participation as we work together to strengthen the connection between parents, school, and community. Who we are:

President:	Kate Rochford	Treasurer:	Crystal Randall
Vice President:	Renee Forkus	Communications:	Robin Doyle
Secretary:	Khara Barnette	Reflections:	Kristin Amero & Rebecca Watkins

Our first meeting of the new school year will take place on **Tuesday, September 22** at **7:00pm** in **Room 104** at the high school. We will introduce ourselves and receive the Principal's update. Paul Sullivan, Transition Facilitator at the high school will be speaking on Next Steps NH Project. We will also take a survey to discover the needs of the Timberlane Regional High School community. Please, bring your friends and spread the word; we look forward to meeting you soon.



Back to front, left to right: Rebecca Watkins, Renee Forkus, Kate Rochford, Kristin Amero, Michelle O'Neil, Crystal Randall, Robin Doyle, Khara Barnette

## NEW SCHOOL YEAR INFORMATION

### 2015-16 Student Agreements & Contact/Medical Information Updates

This week, parents/guardians will receive an e-mail or letter requesting that they review the TRHS Student Handbook, TRSD Rights and Responsibilities and district policies. These documents are now available to view online. After reviewing the handbook and policies, parents/guardians will be asked to complete the district agreements form and update student emergency and medical information online. **Completion of this process is mandatory and is required by state law to be completed prior to the start of the school year.** Complete instructions will be included in the letter that you receive. If you need to update your e-mail address, or do not have email, please contact the Guidance office, 382-6541 ext.3922.

### PowerSchool Announcement

Parents and students are given separate access to student's PowerSchool accounts to access information on required coursework, current grades, and attendance. If you are a parent and have not yet created a Parent PowerSchool Account, please set up an account by following the directions found on the TRHS and District websites under documents entitled "PowerSchool Parent Portal Instructions." Parents will require an access code and access password for each student they wish to add to their account. These codes can be found on the student's schedule that was received in the mail. Student PowerSchool Access Username and Password codes are also on their schedules.

### Lunch Increases

There will be an increase in lunch prices of \$0.25. The new cost for a high school lunch will be \$3.25 (up from \$3.00). If you need assistance please fill out the free/reduced lunch application on the district website at: <http://wp.timberlane.net/wp-content/uploads/FreeReducedApp.pdf> and return the completed form to Patricia Mangini, in the Assistant Principal's Office.

### Bus Routes

Bus numbers and approximate pick up times are available through EduLog Web Query on the district website. <http://wp.timberlane.net/transportation/trsd-bus-routes/>

### Locker # and Combinations

All 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students can view their locker number and combination on their schedule. Please keep your combination in a safe place! Seniors will choose their lockers on the first day of school in their homeroom.

### Senior Parking

For seniors who missed the early registration for parking, there are still parking spots available. Students will need to see Mr. Mealey to reserve a spot, and they must bring a valid driver's license, original car registration, and proof of insurance. There is a \$25.00 parking fee, cash or check only, and checks can be made payable to TRHS.

### New Course Offering: Latin

We have exciting news! Over the summer we have hired a Latin teacher and we will now be running two sections of Accelerated Latin. This year-long, introductory course is open to juniors and seniors for elective credit. Interested students should contact their guidance counselors.

## TRHS Forecast

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

### >> Freshmen Orientation

08/24 | PAC | 6:00pm

### >> Transfer Student Orientation

08/24 | HS Guidance Office | 6:30pm

### >> First Day of School

08/26 | TRHS | 7:20am - 2:10pm

### >> NCAA Eligibility Presentation

08/26 | PAC | 6:00pm

### >> Athletic Awareness (for Fall athletes)

08/26 | PAC | 6:30pm

### >> Picture Day

09/02 | TRHS

### >> College Fair (Juniors & Seniors)

09/14 & 09/15 | TRHS | 9:00 - 11:00am

### >> PTSA Meeting

09/22 | TRHS Room 104 | 7:00pm

### >> Parent/Teacher Conferences

10/08 | TRHS | 4:30 - 7:00pm

## TRHS to Host College Fair on September 14 and 15th for Junior and Senior Students

The Timberlane Guidance Department is excited to announce their annual College Fair to be held in the TRHS Gymnasium on Monday, September 14th and Tuesday, September 15th from 9:00-11:00 AM. One of the biggest decisions a student will make in high school is determining their post secondary plan. It is our hope that by inviting these representatives to TRHS we are adding another layer of awareness to our post secondary planning process. Over 100 Colleges and Universities are expected to participate in the program during the two day period. Junior and Senior students will attend both dates to meet with different college admissions officers as well as representatives from the branches of the United States Military. The Guidance Department will be providing students with a list of potential questions to ask.

Although parking will be limited, we would like to invite junior and senior parents to attend if they can make it. TRHS is partnering with Bishop Guertin High School who holds their fair on the same days. Our fair will be held in the morning to accommodate representatives who will be attending the Bishop Guertin College Fair in the afternoon. College representatives are eager to speak with students and their parents about offerings within their campuses. This is an opportunity to interact one on one with admissions representatives to discuss admissions requirements, program offerings, financial aid and scholarship options. The following colleges have already committed to attending our fair:

Albertus Magnus College  
American International College  
Anna Maria College  
Bentley College  
Boston University  
Bryant University  
Burlington College  
Central Maine Community College  
Clark University  
Clarkson University  
Colby-Sawyer College  
Northeast Catholic College  
Curry College  
Daniel Webster College  
Elms College  
Emmanuel College  
Endicott College  
Fitchburg State University  
Franklin Pierce University  
George Mason University  
Gordon College  
Great Bay Community College  
Hofstra University  
Husson University  
Johnson & Wales University  
Johnson State College  
Keene State College  
Lakes Region Community College  
Lasell College  
Lesley University  
Loyola University of New Orleans  
Maine Maritime Academy  
Manchester Community College

Manhattan College  
Marist College  
Marymount Manhattan College  
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences  
Massachusetts Maritime Academy  
Merrimack College  
Michael's School of Hair Design  
Mitchell College  
Mount Ida College  
Nashua Community College  
National Aviation Academy  
Newbury College  
NH Air National Guard  
NHHEAF  
NHTI Concord's Community College  
Nichols College  
Northern Essex Community College  
Paul Mitchell  
Plymouth State University  
Queen's University  
Quinnipiac University  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rivier University  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Sacred Heart University  
Saint Joseph's College in Maine  
Saint Leo University  
Salve Regina University  
Seton Hall University  
Simmons College  
Southern New Hampshire University  
Springfield College

State University of New York at Geneseo  
Thomas College  
Tufts University  
United States Air Force  
United States Army  
United States Army National Guard  
United States Marine Corps.  
United States Navy Recruiting Center  
Unity College  
Universal Technical Institute  
University at Albany  
University of Connecticut  
University of Hartford  
University of Maine at Farmington  
University of Massachusetts Boston  
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth  
University of Massachusetts Lowell  
University of New England  
University of New Hampshire  
University of New Hampshire - Manchester  
University of New Haven  
University of Rhode Island  
University of Saint Joseph  
University of Southern Maine  
University of Tampa  
University of Vermont  
University of Maine at Farmington  
Vermont Tech  
Wentworth Institute of Technology  
Western New England College  
Wheaton College  
Wheelock College  
Xavier University

**Additional universities, colleges, and technical schools being added daily!**

For updates, please visit our website at <http://wp.timberlane.net/hs/guidance/>



## STUDENT'S CORNER

One of our two attendees to the New Hampshire American Legion Auxiliary Girls State program, was elected as Governor of the program, the highest accolade that can be bestowed upon an attendee. Girls State is a nationally acclaimed program is the premier program for teaching how government works while developing leadership skills & an appreciation for your rights as a citizen. As a participant in the program, students run for office, learn public speaking, create and enforce laws and actively participate in all phases of creating and running a working government. The following is a memoir by Cailee Griffin, TRHS Senior, on her experience.

From June 28th to July 3rd Arlyss Martin and I attended the 71st session of Granite Girls State as representatives of Timberlane Regional High School. The program was held at Saint Anselm College where we had the opportunity to meet some truly inspirational young ladies from our home state. While we were there we practiced making speeches, campaigned for public office, and gained a better understanding of what it truly means to be a public servant. Additionally, we were visited by several notable speakers including: Dr. Steven DiSalvo, President of Saint Anselm College; Donnalee Lozeau, Mayor of Nashua; Senator Lou D'Allesandro, New Hampshire State Senate; Senator Andrew Sanborn, New Hampshire State Senate; Representative Laurie Sanborn, New Hampshire General Court; Attorney Anne Edwards, Associate Attorney General of the State of New Hampshire; Councilor Christopher Pappas, Governor's Council, State of New Hampshire; and Janet Jefford, American Legion Auxiliary National President. The speeches they made were very enlightening and it was really special to meet these individuals and to hear about their personal experiences with government, politics, college, and civil service.

The majority of our time that week was spent campaigning and organizing the party platforms. Granite Girls State is represented by two political parties; the Federalist Party, of which I am a member, and the Nationalist Party, of which Arlyss is a member. Both of us were then elected to our respective Party Platform Committees. We each worked in our parties to develop a campaign before breaking off into town, city, and county elections. These elections were non partisan and after the elections were held we all adjourned to our respective meetings. The primaries and senatorial positions were the next

items on the list. Arlyss ran for a senatorial position as a Nationalist and she won the primary election. I ran for the Federalist Party's Gubernatorial Nomination and after winning the primary election, I ran against the Nationalist Party candidate in the general election. I learned that I had won the gubernatorial election the next morning and it was one of the best feelings I've ever had. It was really an honor to know that these girls had entrusted me with the position because they are exceptional citizens and students who are all very inspirational to me. The inauguration ceremony was also very special because the National President of the American Legion Auxiliary chose to visit Granite Girls State this year and she joined us for the ceremony. She escorted me to the stage where I sang the National Anthem before I was sworn into office. I also had the opportunity to give an inaugural address before the citizens of Girls State and to give a speech at the graduation ceremony where I was named first alternate to Girls Nation. It felt really amazing to do the job of a governor and it felt even more amazing to know that my peers had decided that I was the right person for the position.

The most memorable moments for me however, came from meeting the other girls. They were incredibly intelligent, talented, and independent young leaders and I am happy to say that I met some very close friends there. One night we chose to hold a talent show with all of the girls and I got a taste of just how talented, kind, and compassionate, these girls were. I chose to perform the Ave Maria for the show and I sang the song in German which was extremely nerve wracking as I do not speak the language and I was anxious to sing in front of so many extraordinarily gifted girls. Seeing how uneasy I was, a group of the girls came to stand with me on the stage before I started to sing so I wouldn't feel nervous anymore; this was a moment that I am never going to forget. The program really brought us together which was great because it gave us an opportunity to meet some wonderful ladies from every corner of the state. It seems that sometimes we all get too caught up in our own lives to take notice of the issues that plague our world and it was really nice to meet so many young people who want to make a change in our community and abroad. I feel that our love for service and our desire to see more women on the world stage really brought us together as our own unique community of Girls State Citizens.