



PROVO HIGH SCHOOL

April/May Newsletter 2014

Principal's Message

Spring sports, competitions, and activities are underway at Provo High, and our students are shining. We've highlighted just a few of these throughout the newsletter, but we want to take this chance to acknowledge all of Provo High's athletics and clubs for the success they have achieved as many of them tackle end-of-year state and national competitions. We are so proud of our diverse and talented student body!

We have two months left in the school year, and coming up are sporting events, dances, and service opportunities that we hope will appeal to our entire student body. One of these service opportunities that we are particularly excited about is Comcast Cares Day on April 26th.

Comcast has chosen PHS as one of the sites for a nationwide day of community service. We are partnering with Comcast to bring as many volunteers to PHS on April 26th as possible. We want to encourage you and your families to participate in the event. All participants will get treated to breakfast and lunch on the day of the event and everyone who participates will receive a free T-shirt. Everyone is invited, even young children; this is a family event.

A detailed flier and registration form can be found on our website and in our Main Office. All children under 18 must have a parent signature. Please sign up as soon as possible so Comcast can start planning for food and t-shirt orders. We hope to get 1500 students, teachers, and families here on April 26th.

We need our Provo High community's help with another service. As many of our Provo High School family knows, the Provo School District has a \$108 million bond proposal to be voted on in November, and we need your support! The bond will empower the Provo School District to rebuild at least five schools that continue to be a drain on district resources. Provo High School is the first proposed school to be rebuilt, provided we get community support to pass the bond.

In order to make this bond happen, we need community support! The bond vote will be included in the November ballot. Watch for news about upcoming informational meetings to educate and answer questions. More information is available on the school (pHS.provo.edu) and district (provo.edu) websites. We also need help getting the word out! Tell your neighbors, your friends, and your family to help support our schools by making them safe for our students!

As we strive to keep our academic programs focused and fulfilling, we have to make changes occasionally to Provo High School's policies. Beginning this month, Provo High School will no longer be allowing birthday and holiday celebration items, such as balloons, gifts, stuffed animals, flowers, etc., in the classrooms. They will not be delivered to students during class, and if a student has these items in the classroom, the items will be sent to the Main Office where the student can pick them up at the end of the day. Provo High School is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

We are thankful for such a supportive and involved Provo High community. As we strive to improve our school and seek opportunities for our student body, we encourage parents to stay current on Provo High news on the website. Go Bulldogs!

Los deportes de primavera, concursos y actividades se están llevando a cabo en Provo High, y nuestros estudiantes están acogiendo todos ellos. Hemos destacado sólo unos pocos de estos a lo largo del boletín, pero queremos aprovechar esta oportunidad para reconocer a todos los deportes de Provo High, artes escénicas, grupos y clubes, por el éxito que han logrado, mientras la mayoría, están entrando al final de sus competencias, por este año. Estamos muy orgullosos de nuestro diverso y talentoso cuerpo estudiantil!

Faltan dos meses para terminar el año escolar, y vienen eventos deportivos, bailes y oportunidades de servicio que esperamos que motive a nuestro cuerpo estudiantil. Una de estas oportunidades de servicio, con las que estamos particularmente entusiasmados, es Comcast Cares Day el 26 de abril.

Comcast ha elegido PHS como uno de los sitios para un día nacional de servicio a la comunidad. Nos hemos asociado con Comcast para traer la mayor cantidad de voluntarios para PHS el 26 de abril, como sea posible. Queremos animarlos, a ustedes y a sus familias a participar en el evento. Los participantes recibirán desayuno y almuerzo en el día del evento y también recibirán una camiseta gratis. Todos están invitados, incluso los niños pequeños; este es un evento familiar.

El volante detallado y formulario de inscripción se pueden encontrar en nuestra página web y en la oficina principal. Los menores de 18 años deben tener la firma del padre. Por favor regístrate tan pronto como sea posible para Comcast puede comenzar a planear los pedidos de comida y de la camiseta. Esperamos obtener 1.500 estudiantes, profesores y familias aquí el 26 de abril.

Necesitamos la ayuda de nuestra Comunidad de Provo High con otro tema. Como muchas de las familias de Provo High School saben, el Distrito Escolar de Provo tiene una propuesta de adquirir un préstamo de \$ 108 millones en la boleta electoral de noviembre, y necesitamos su apoyo! El préstamo autorizará al Distrito Escolar de Provo para reconstruir Provo High School y cuatro escuelas primarias más, las cuales se encuentran en estados desesperados y peligrosos de deterioro.

Ha habido preguntas sobre cómo afectará este préstamo a una familia promedio de Provo High. El préstamo, en definitiva, incrementará la tasa de impuesto mensual por \$ 13 en una casa de \$ 200.000. La Comunidad de Provo High tiene que reunirse, todos juntos, para ayudar a conseguir que el préstamo sea aprobado, para que estudiantes de todo el distrito tengan una escuela segura y apropiada donde asistir. El préstamo es una inversión en nuestros estudiantes que ellos merecen. Si usted está interesado en saber más acerca de las necesidades que se abordarán por el préstamo, puede revisar el sitio web del distrito (provo.edu) o visitar a un miembro del equipo administrativo Provo High.

Necesitamos ayuda haciendo correr la voz! Dile a tus vecinos, a tus amigos y a tu familia para ayudar a apoyar a nuestro hijo al votar por el préstamo (bond) en la boleta electoral de noviembre!

Estamos agradecidos por una comunidad de Provo High tan solidario e involucrada. A medida que nos esforzamos por mejorar nuestra escuela y buscar oportunidades para nuestros estudiantes, animamos a los padres a mantenerse al día sobre las noticias de Provo High en el sitio web (phs.provo.edu). Vamos Bulldogs!

Un último punto, a partir de este mes, en Provo High School ya no estará permitiendo artículos para celebrar cumpleaños o días feriados (tales como globos, regalos, peluches, flores, etc) en los salones de clase. No podrán ser entregados a los estudiantes durante la clase, y si un estudiante tiene estos artículos en el salón de clases, los mismos serán enviados a la oficina principal donde el estudiante puede recogerlos al final del día. Provo High School no se hace responsable de los objetos perdidos o robados así que por favor animen a los estudiantes a no traer estos items a sus amigos. Gracias por su apoyo.

Calendario de Eventos

Favor de visitar el sitio de web www.phs.provo.edu y la pagina "Calendar" para ver todas las actividades de Provo.

Upcoming Events

Please click on "Calendar" on the PHS Website (www.phs.provo.edu) to view all school events, athletics, and activities.


Career Day	April 1
Early Out	April 3
Spring Break—No School	April 5-11
Comcast Cares Day	April 26
Prom	April 26
Teacher Appreciation Week	May 5-9
Morp	May 9
Senior Dinner Dance	May 24
Memorial Day—No School	May 26
8 Period Day	May 27
Graduation	May 28 @ 2 pm
Early Out	May 28-30

Provo School District Summer School

Summer school will be offered at Independence High school. Registration is from April 14–May 16. Please register at Provo High School.

Monday–Thursday
June 2–26

- Packet Factory- 4 packets for \$30
Every day: 8:30–11:30 am
- Classroom Session: \$15/session
Session 1: June 2–12, 12-3 pm
Session 2: June 16–26, 12-3 pm
- Free lunch for ALL students in the district.



Prom

April 26, 2014
8:00 - 11:00 p.m.
Provo City Library

Promenade will begin at 9:00
School Dress Code will be enforced.

HOSA Blood Drive is on May 1 in room S-3.

Please contact Mrs. Francis with any questions.

Check your eligibility to donate at: <http://www.redcrossblood.org/donating-blood/eligibility-requirements>

The combined Provo High/Timpview High **Peer Tutor Party** is Friday April 18. This for all peer tutors, including seminary peers, and best buddies. It has a Hawaiian theme. You can dress Hawaiian if you want. Remember all clothing must meet the school dress code. There will be food, fun, friends, and dancing.

When: Friday, April 18, 2014
Where: Timpview Auditorium Foyer
Time: 6-8 pm.

Summer Driver's Ed

Summer driver education class is June 2 to June 27.

Class times:
6:30am–8:00am
8:30–10:00 am

<http://www.phs.provo.edu/programs-activities/driver-education/>

Concurrent Enrollment

As we prepare for the new school year, students can start to apply to UVU for Fall 2014 now and courses will open for registration on April 7th. A list of Concurrent Enrollment courses is available from Jeri Marshall in B1-6. Students who need to test into English or Math as well as all incoming CE Sophomores can take the Accuplacer test the week of June 2-6, from 8:00 to 1:00 in the Computer Lab in the Media Center. See Mrs. Marshall for more details. Sign up for your UVU CE course early to make sure everything is in order before Fall.

Distance Learning

Distance Learning: Distance Learning students should plan to meet with Mrs. Marshall prior to leaving for the summer to make sure their school schedule is correct and check on all prerequisite test scores for their UVU DL courses to ensure they qualify for the courses they are scheduled for and to make sure they are registered with the college correctly.

How to Pay for College

Seniors: Complete your FAFSA in April

All seniors should complete their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in April. The FAFSA determines the amount of money a student receives in grants, work study, and loans. In 2013-2014, the federal student aid programs will provide more than \$150 billion in aid to more than 15 million people.

Common myths about the FAFSA:

"...my parents make too much money, so I won't qualify for aid."

Reality: There is no income cut-off to qualify for federal student aid. Many factors besides income—from the size of your family to the age of your older parent—are taken into account. Your eligibility is determined by a mathematical formula, not by your parents' income alone.

"...I am planning to defer college because of a mission or military service."

Reality: Filing your FAFSA before your planned deferment is a great backup plan in case your boot camp or mission is delay due to injury, illness, or visa problems. It also makes the renewal process much easier when you return.

The College & Career Center (CCC) is holding three events to help parents and students complete their FAFSA.

Thursday, April 3rd, from 7am to 3pm in the CCC

Friday, April 4th, from 7am to 3pm in the CCC

Wednesday, April 16th, from 6-8pm in the Media Center/ Computer Lab

Seniors : Completa la FAFSA en abril

Todas las personas mayores deben completar su Solicitud Gratuita de Ayuda Federal para Estudiantes (FAFSA) en abril. La FAFSA determina la cantidad de dinero que un estudiante recibe en becas, estudio y trabajo , y préstamos. En 2013-2014 , los programas federales de ayuda estudiantil proporcionará más de \$ 150 millones en ayuda a más de 15 millones de personas.

Los mitos más comunes acerca de la FAFSA :

" ... Mis padres ganan demasiado dinero , así que no voy a recibir ayudas."

Realidad : No hay ningún ingreso de corte para tener derecho a la ayuda federal para estudiantes. Muchos factores, además de los ingresos por el tamaño de su familia a la edad de su más viejo padre- se tienen en cuenta . Su elegibilidad se determina por una fórmula matemática , no por los ingresos de tus padres en paz.

"... Tengo la intención de aplazar la universidad debido a una misión o el servicio militar."

Realidad : La presentación de la FAFSA antes del aplazamiento de pago previsto es un gran plan de respaldo en caso de que su campo de misión o de arranque es de retraso debido a problemas de lesiones , enfermedad , o de visado. También hace que el proceso de renovación mucho más fácil cuando usted regrese.

El College & Career Center (CCC) es la celebración de tres eventos para ayudar a los padres y estudiantes a completar su FAFSA.

Jueves, 03 de abril , 07 a.m.-3 p.m. en el CCC

Viernes, 04 de abril , 07 a.m.-3 p.m. en el CCC

Miércoles, 20 de abril , de 6 a 8 pm en e

Regents' Scholarship

The counseling department is excited to announce that a representative from the Regents' Scholarship will be coming to our school on Wednesday, April 23rd to meet with interested students. There will be sign-ups going around for interested sophomores to make an appointment with this Regents representative to review their transcript and specific requirements to qualify for this scholarship. Parents are welcome to join.

The Regents representative will also give a group presentation for any interested students (all grades are welcome) during our lunch hour (12:20-12:55). Walk-ins will be welcome after school from 2:15-2:45 (this will be a first come, first serve basis). Contact Stephanie Johnston in the counseling department for more information!

Student/Club Shout Outs

We are so proud of our students and clubs who constantly represent Provo High with style and success. Listed below are just a sample of the amazing students and clubs that have made us proud over the last few months.

At the end of February a number of PHS students competed at the State DECA competition. Here are the results:

DECA

- Tristan Hatch—Business Finance—Finalist
- Estafania Doniz & Julius Adsit—International Business Plan—Finalists
- Chris Soza & Emmanuel Valdez & Sunni Holmberg—International Business Plan—Finalists
- Tristan Hatch—Business Services Operations Research—Finalist
- Marcelo Ortolano & TJ Shelley—Financial Services Decision Making—Finalists
- Derek Christensen—Business Administration Exam—Top Ten Percent
- Abby Van Buren & Christian Wendelboe—Hospitality & Tourism Research—5th Place
- Elizabeth Bradford & Derek Christensen—Business Services Operations Research—5th Place
- Marcelo Ortolano & Sawyer Riedelbach—International Business Plan—4th Place
- Julius Adsit—Sports & Entertainment Operations Research—3rd Place
- Sawyer Riedelbach & Derek Christensen—Business Law & Ethics Decision Making—1st Place

Three students qualified for the International DECA competition in Atlanta, GA, this May:

Julius Adsit	Sawyer Riedelbach	Derek Christensen
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HOSA

Our Provo High students competed at State HOSA in Layton during March. Six of eight of the students who attended placed in the top 10!

Hayley Francis—1st in Extemporaneous Health Poster. She qualifies to attend the national conference in Orlando this summer.

Natalie Nelson, Sammie Francis, Anna Dean, Camille Campbell, and Ali Payton—7th with their Public Service Announcement.

Sammie Francis—tied for 7th in Medical Photography.

SkillsUSA

On March 28, six students competed in the SkillsUSA State competition. They were amazing and represented Provo High School well.

- Omar Tsai - Ad Design 6th Place
- Estefany Mendez - Ad Design 8th Place
- Samantha Francis - Screen Printing 2nd Place
- Julia Peterson - Screen Printing 8th Place
- Brayden Harris - Welding 16th place
- Stephen Brockbank - Photography 3rd Place

ProStart

Provo High's Management Team took first place at the State competition on March 6th! Now, they're preparing to go to Nationals and represent our school. In the team were Sarah Smith, Stephen Tovar, Kaylee Webb, Pamela Sperry, and alternate Amiee Andrews.

Representing the PHS Culinary Team and tying for first place were students Logan Sanford, Nate Anderson, Melanie Carruthers and Sunni Holmberg, with alternates Utahna Warren and Larissa McBride. If you see these students please congratulate them on their performance! Thank you for all your help and support!

BALLROOM

For the past decade, Provo High Ballroom has dominated the State Championships, and this year was no different. Our Varsity Ballroom Team took the state title in both the Latin and the Standard Medley events, earning all first place marks.

Provo's JV team also took 3rd in the Latin Medley event. In the individual events, Provo had six of the seven finalists in the Ballroom event, all six of the finalist spots in the Latin event, and all six of the finalists in the American Event. These students were as follows:

- Brandon Olivas and Julian Laws Waltz
- Jacob Reesor and Lucy Black Samba
- Nik Bichsel and Esther Laws Tango
- Matthew Edwards and Rachel Baker Cha Cha
- Austin Olivas and Erynn Williams Quickstep
- Jordan Downer and Talissa Simpson Swing

Congratulations to our incredible Ballroom dancers, and a huge thank you to Angela Williams for her years of dedication and service!

Sterling Scholars 2014

Provo High

Business & Marketing: Emmanuel Valdez
Computer Technology: Brittany Rieske
Dance: Ari Powell
English: Starla Eckhardt
Family & Consumer Sciences: Logan Sanford
Instrumental Music: Margot Porter
Mathematics: Joshua Jarvis
Social Science: Kevin Torgersen
Skilled & Technical Sciences: Simon Li
Science: Rachel Uh
Speech/Theater Arts: Michael Allen
Visual Arts: Ivan Ramirez
Vocal Performance: Rebecca Bishop
World Languages: Emily Pace

Semifinalists

Emmanuel Valdez
Starla Eckhardt
Logan Sanford
Margot Porter
Kevin Torgersen
Simon Li
Michael Allen
Rebecca Bishop
Emily Pace

Congratulations to the following Provo High athletes for earning high accolades from UHSAA:



Dylan Thomas, for winning both of his matches at Friday's State Wrestling Tournament and for ultimately placing 6th at State.
Dylan was also invited to wrestle in a special All-Native American tournament in Arizona.



Kevin Torgersen, for being honored at the Wrestling State Championship Finals as one of ten Academic All-State 4A wrestlers.



Wesley Bosco, for being honored as an Academic All-State Basketball player.

MathCounts

For the second year in a row, Provo High School's MathCounts team took first place at the MathCounts chapter competition held Saturday, February 8th. In addition, four Provo High team members excelled in the individual competition and received awards. The results are as follows:

Brian Dong placed 2nd
Teresa Gao placed 3rd
Marie Li placed 6th
Adam Lewis placed 8th
Selin Caliskan, Meghan Hunter, and Marissa Angell also competed.

Thanks to Amanda Gao who has volunteered her time coaching these fine students for the past two years. She is truly an inspirational student leader!

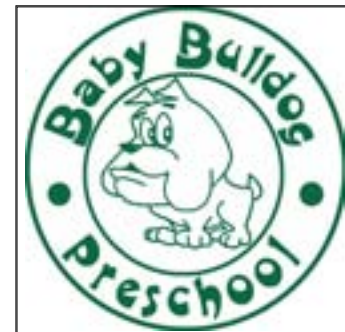


The Philharmonic Orchestra again distinguished themselves as among the very best musicians in the state with straight superior ratings at the Region Orchestra Festival at Springville HS Wednesday. They will take their award winning performance to State on Saturday May 17th. Congratulations to each of the performers!

Support Best Buddies

The Best Buddies High School program has become an essential element of integration in the schools where there are chapters. Often students with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) enter the same building and walk the same hallways as their peers but are left out of social activities. Introducing Best Buddies into high schools crosses the invisible line that too often separates those with disabilities from those without.

Provo High has one of these chapters. We are currently looking for officers and buddies for next year. It is a great opportunity. For more information contact Ms. Agle in B1-10 or Ms. Davis in B1-12.



Applications for the Baby Bulldog Preschool will be available in May for the 2014-15 school year. Please send a request to camillew@provo.edu. Children must be 4 by October 1, 2014 and live in Provo District boundaries to qualify.



Modern Dance Auditions

Dance Company and Dfusion/Dance 3
April 15 & 16, 2014

April 15 2:30-4:30 Workshop/ Learn Sequences

April 16 3:00-6:00 Auditions

*Paperwork will be available in the office or dance room
April 1, 2014

Ballroom Dance Tryouts

JV and Varsity Teams and Advanced Ballroom
April 16 and 17th
Gym 2 starting at 3:00 both days

April 16th will include paperwork turn in, learning a tryout routine, and then a mandatory parent meeting at 5 PM.
April 17th will include dancing the tryout routine and a syllabus Waltz and syllabus Cha Cha.

Students need to come dressed to impress! Please do NOT bring a partner that is NOT trying out. You will need to dance with another student trying out. Good luck to all who wish to be part of the State Champion High School Ballroom Team! We would love to see you all there!

After School Program

The After School Program provides free tutoring for students in the library from 7 -8 a.m. Monday – Friday, and from 2:15 – 4:15. The tutors can help with all subjects.

Does your student need a packet to make up for a failing grade? Have them talk to the counselors, and After School can help pay for packets and registration, based on need.

Students can earn ¼ credit for every 35 hours spent working on homework in the library before and after school.

After School also provides enrichment activities, such as break dancing, ACT prep, and soccer. On Wednesday, April 2, students can enter to win fabulous prizes for every A or every full grade improvement during 3rd term. We'll be celebrating with a movie, popcorn, and prizes.

There is also test proctoring for eSchool between 2:15 and 4:00 in the library, with a \$10 fee for each eSchool exam.

If you have questions about the After School Program, please contact Mary Hutchings at maryh@provo.edu, or call at 801-373-6550, ext. 3379.



Ballroom Dance End of Year Concert

Join us for a night of "Dancing Thru the Decades!"
May 2nd and 3rd

Come see the great things happening in ballroom dance at Provo High School.

Tickets will be available on line, at the business office, and from the ballroom dance students.

Presale tickets are \$4.00, \$3.00 for students

At the door tickets are \$6.00, \$4.00 for students

Family tickets \$20 up to 6 people (immediate family only please).

**Modern
Dance
Concert**
"Benchmarks"
April 24 & 25, 2014
7:00 pm
\$3 w/student ID

Ask to MORP on May 9th.

It will be the last dance of the year. Girls ask. More details will be announced closer to the dance, so pay attention to signs and announcements at school.



Tuesday, September 17, 2013

Dear Parents,

We are starting a fun new program to reward students for getting good grades! We call it "We Pay for A's." Basically, you can send in your child's report card to us at the end of each term. For each "A" on the report card we will donate \$1.00 to your school. This is a fun incentive for students to get good grades and reward their school for their progress!

Here are the official rules of the program:

- This program applies to all students at your school!
- It is the responsibility of the student/parent to send in the report card.
- Students have 1 month from the end of the term to send us their report card
- We will accept report cards from the most recent term of this school year only. We will not donate for A's earned in previous school terms
- Rather than bringing in their report card, you can email an original picture or screen shot. Your honesty is appreciated! You can blur out any information that needs to remain confidential. We just need to see the student name and the school name and the grades. Email to thompsonreportcards@gmail.com.
- Once we have reviewed all of our participants report cards we will bring in a donation check.

We are excited to partner with your school and we ask that you help us get the word out to other parents and students at your school. The more participation we get, the more money we are able to donate!

Sincerely,

Lindsey South
Thompson Orthodontics
www.thompsonorthodontics@gmail.com

Library News

****Very Important Information****

Please turn in your overdue library books, pay your overdue fines, and turn in the textbooks that you are no longer using. At this moment we have a little over 240 overdue books and are owed over \$1000 in overdue fines. We appreciate all of your help. We also have books and fines that have already been turned over to Mrs. Thomas in the business office to be placed on accounts because the books are at least 2 months late. Returning the books to me will clear the cost of the book from their account. They will still have the overdue fees. Seniors will NOT be able to get their cap and gown until all their fines are taken care of. Parents, if you have any questions about your child's fines and over dues, you are welcome come in or to e-mail me (best choice) at maryannm@provo.edu. Please be aware that I leave at 1:30 most days. We will have more information available closer to the end of year.



The Young Adult Beehive Nominee Book Awards for 2014-15 have been narrowed down to the top 12.

This award will be voted on at the beginning of May, so there is plenty of time to read the books and make your decision. The finalists for 2014-15 are: **Born of Illusion** by Teri Brown; **Cardboard** by Doug TenNapel; **The Caged Graves** by Dianne K. Salerni; **Guitar Notes** by Mary Amato; **Insomnia** by J. R. Johansson; **My Family for the War** by Anne C. Voorhoeve; **The Name of the Star** by Maureen Johnson; **Ship Out of Luck** by Neal Shusterman; **Skinny** by Donna Cooner; **Slated** by Teri Terry; **The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight** by Jennifer E. Smith *; **The Testing** by Joelle Charbonneau*; *mature readers. We will have ballots in the library & also in Mrs. Pierce, and Mrs. McPherron's room.



The Computer Lab opens at 6:30 am with a tutor and has tutors available after school from 2:15-4:15. Mr. Brown's hours are 8-2 daily. Right now it is open every day during lunch. Students are allowed to go in and work on homework during these times. During school hours this is up to the discretion of the teacher and the availability of the lab. As end of year testing starts...in about 3 more weeks, it will be harder and harder to use the computer lab. Please encourage your children to stay caught up on their work so they don't meet with frustration trying to find a time they can go in to the lab.

Happy Reading,
Mrs. Miller