

# VIKING NEWSLETTER

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PLEASANT GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

## Principal Message - Tim Brantley



We are looking forward to **Parent Teacher Conference** on **February 13<sup>th</sup>**, from **3:00 until 7:30 pm**. We encourage you to track how your student is doing in Skyward, where you can view attendance, assignments and grades. We are transitioning more towards electronic communication to save time and money. However, if you would like a paper copy of your student's report card, you will be able to print a copy from Skyward or just come by one of the offices and we will gladly print one for you.

All juniors have the opportunity to take the ACT on Tuesday, **March 5<sup>th</sup>**, at no cost to the student. The ACT is used for college admission and most universities require an ACT score. By doing so on March 5th, one of the hurdles of getting into college has been cleared. Since this is not a mandatory school day for seniors and sophomores, we are asking them to use this day for activities such as university or college visits, career exploration, job shadowing or visiting a vocational training center. If seniors and sophomores should decide to attend school this day, they should not be at the school before noon, so as to minimize the noise during testing. Lunch for all students will be served from 12:00 noon-12:45 pm. All students are encouraged to use the remainder of the day to work with teachers on make-up work, turning in missing assignments, making up absences/tardies in Attendance School or any other additional help necessary.

We would especially like to celebrate the academic success of our students and teachers with regard to our UCASS test scores totaling a composite score of 523. Any score over 470 is considered very good, but as you can see in the adjacent chart, **PGHS is the second highest scoring 4A-5A school in the state!**

Kindest Regards,

*Tim Brantley*

### ACT TESTING SCHEDULE - TUESDAY, MARCH 5th

7:30-7:45 am	Juniors arrive at school
<b>8:00-12:00 noon</b>	<b>ACT TESTING</b>
12:00-12:45 pm	Lunch
12:45-2:15 pm	All students work with teachers or Attendance School make-up

### UCASS TEST SCORES FOR ALL 4A/5A UTAH SCHOOLS

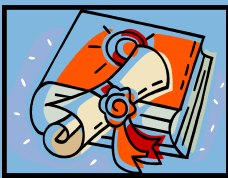
Davis	527	Hillcrest	425
Pleasant Grove	523	Skyline	422
Timpanogos	513	Roy	420
Mtn. View	505	Salem Hills	420
Weber	494	Fremont	416
Viewmont	490	Olympus	415
Westlake	487	Timpview	411
Woods Cross	485	Layton	402
Clearfield	482	Copper Hills	396
Springville	479	Bingham	395
Box Elder	477	Alta	394
Northridge	469	Sky View	383
Herriman	469	West Jordan	374
Bountiful	465	Jordan	365
Maple Mtn.	464	Hunter	362
Mtn. Crest	461	Taylorville	358
Riverton	457	Logan	354
Murray	449	Provo	349
Am. Fork	448	East	334
Bonneville	445	Highland	324
Syracuse	441	Granger	323
Orem	438	Cottonwood	317
Lone Peak	434	West	301
Lehi	431	Cyprus	284
Brighton	429	Kearns	282

# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS



## FREE ACT TEST—March 5th, 2013

**A**LL JUNIORS will be afforded the opportunity to take the ACT test at NO COST again this year! ON that same day, sophomores and seniors will be excused from school, but encouraged to use this day for university or college visits, career exploration, job shadowing or visiting a vocational training center. For those who need some additional academic support, we would encourage you to visit one or more of the Open Homework Labs that will be available. Hours spent in these classrooms may be used for NC makeup.



**PARENTS OF SENIORS!!! NOW IS THE TIME TO ORDER YOUR SENIOR AD!!** Please contact a member of the Yearbook staff or visit our table during Parent Teacher Conference if you wish to **RECOGNIZE YOUR GRADUATE**. Mr. Carter (yearbook advisor) can also be reached in room #215. If he does not answer, please leave a brief message. Space is limited and will be granted on a first come basis.  
**AD PRICES:** 1/8 page: \$35.00 1/4 page: \$70.00 1/2 page: \$100.00



## DRIVER'S EDUCATION OFFERED AFTER SCHOOL

PGHS offers an after school Driver's Education course from **March 18-April 11, 2013**. Class will be held Monday -Thursday from 2:45-5:00 pm in Room 128 (Mr. Sampson's room). **This course requires a fee of \$135.00.** Please see LaRaine Montgomery in the Financial Office **PRIOR** to attending the first day of class. Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis (Maximum of 34 students).

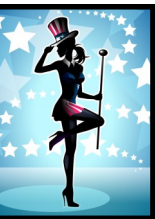
**REGISTRATION: Students must present a current Utah Learners Permit to register.**

\*Please note that by signing up for this class you are obligated to attend every class period in order to fulfill the UTAH state requirements for classroom hours. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## H.O.S.A



**P**GHHS HOSA CLUB (Future Health Professionals) had a very productive service activity in December. They participated in a 2-part project to benefit Primary Children's Medical Center. First, they spearheaded a **MEDIA** drive to collect toys, games, books, nail polish, and other requested items for the children who had to be in the hospital over the holidays. At their next monthly meeting, they tied 20 fleece blankets that the hospital can give out to the patients. They ended up with a van full of goodies. Thanks to everyone who donated or helped to make this possible!



**P**GHHS **VIKETTES** competed in **Region Competition** on Saturday, January 26th, at Lone Peak High School. They came out strong and qualified for State in the "military" and "dance" categories (finishing 3rd) and 2nd in the "kick" category. Overall we placed 3rd behind Lone Peak (2nd) and Bingham (1st). **All-Region accolades** went to **Brittany Conner, Brooklin Frampton and Kaylee Whiteley**. **All-Region Academic honors** went to **Brittany Conner, Brooklin Frampton, Maycie Nielsen, & Kaylee Whiteley**. **Brittany Conner** also took **ALL STATE Honors** and **Kaylee Whiteley** was **Academic All-State** as the team took 7th Overall in the STATE!! Great job gals!



**I**n an attempt to promote the learning and loving of math in high school students, all Alpine School District math clubs are being funded this year by a grant from IM Flash. Even though the **PGHS Math Club just started this year**, there are over **70** active members with 105 members on our rolls.

Once a month, we have a meeting as an entire club where we play math games, eat food, and give out SWAG ("Stuff We All Get"), which can be earned by the students who tutor and compete. **PGHS has participated in 3 district competitions** (Orem, American Fork, and Pleasant Grove) which were run almost exclusively by students. Over the last few



**Club Advisor:** Amy Smithson

**Club President:** Jill Debuck **Vice Presidents:** Brandon Graf and Lacey Jones **Board Members:** Kevin Goodrich, Marina Johnson, Kaylee Whiteley, and Nicole Tucker.

# COUNSELORS CORNER



## SKYWARD ONLINE REGISTRATION

**\*\*IMPORTANT!! PLEASE READ CAREFULLY\*\***

**\*\*DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\***



### JUNIORS (GOING TO BE SENIORS 2013-14)

#### REGISTRATION DATES

March 18 @ 2:45 p.m. Online registration **OPENS**  
 March 21 @ 7:00 a.m. Online registration **CLOSES**

### SOPHS (GOING TO BE JUNIORS 2013-14)

Feb 25 Counselors will hand out registration materials

#### REGISTRATION DATES

March 25 @ 2:00 p.m. Online registration **OPENS**  
 March 28 @ 7:00 a.m. Online registration **CLOSES**

### FRESHMEN (GOING TO BE SOPHOMORES 2013-14)

**April 8-9 Pleasant Grove Junior High** (Geography classes pass out materials)  
**March 20 Oak Canyon Junior High** (Assembly-pass out materials and on-line training)  
**April 10 FRESHMAN PARENT/STUDENT online registration training**  
**6:00 AND 7:00 pm in Choir Room (132)**  
**April 11 3:30 p.m. Online registration OPENS**  
**April 16 7:00 a.m. Online registration CLOSES**  
**April 16-17 Pleasant Grove Junior High SEOP's**  
**April 18-19 Oak Canyon Junior High SEOP's**

\*School Computer Lab (Room 113) will be open from 2:00-4:00 pm for students and parents who need help with on-line registration.

#### \*MORE COUNSELING INFO\*

**March 13 LAST DAY TO PAY FOR AP TESTS** in the Finance Office. **\$89 PAID in FULL!**

#### **\*\* SENIORS w/ SCHOLARSHIPS \*\***

Please see **Shauna Black** in Counseling **TODAY!**

If you have received a scholarship, please **report to Shauna Black in the Counseling Office AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!**



### CALLING ALL JUNIORS!!

#### **FREE ACT TEST!!!**

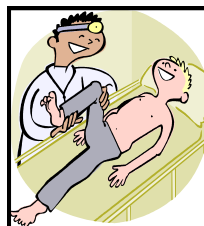
**WHEN:** March 5th  
 (You will register in **ENGLISH** classes!)

#### WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU:

1. PHOTO ID
2. SHARPENED # 2 pencils with good erasers
3. ACT APPROVED calculator ONLY  
 PROHIBITED CALCULATORS:  
 All model numbers that begin w/ TI-89 or TI-91  
 TI-Inspire CAS  
 HP 48GII  
 For more information: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

**\*\* IMPORTANT ACT POLICY \*\***

**ABSOLUTELY NO CELL PHONES!!** If your cell phone goes off during the test, your test **WILL BE VOIDED!!**  
 Please do **NOT** bring them!



## HEY SPRING SPORT ATHLETES!

**IF YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW** is interested in participating in a spring sport, you need to complete a try-out packet **ASAP!** This includes a current

physical (good for only one school year), parent consent forms and a try-out check list (you can pick these up in the Main Office or from your coach). **ALL paperwork is due prior to try-outs (NO later than Thursday, Feb. 21).** For your convenience, the PGHS Athletic Training department will be hosting a **Physical Clinic on Thursday, Feb. 21** (Girls at 5:00 pm, boys at 5:30 pm) and will provide pre-season physicals to all athletes. The cost is \$20.00. Athletes **MUST have their paperwork signed** by a parent prior to receiving a physical.





## IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb 13 Parent Teacher Conference
- Feb 15 Mid-term
- Feb 18 President's Day  
NO SCHOOL
- Feb 21 Spring sports physicals
- Feb 23 Sweethearts Dance  
BOYS CHOICE
- Feb 25 Spring sports begin
- Mar 4 Minimal day schedule  
Professional development
- MAR 5 ACT TEST ALL JUNIORS**  
Sophs/Seniors adj. schedule
- Mar 12 School Community Council
- Mar 16 Sweater Swing Dance  
GIRLS CHOICE
- Mar 22 END OF TERM THREE
- Mar 29 Student Council Elections
- Mar 30 Senior Dinner Dance
- Apr 1 Snow Make-up Day  
NO SCHOOL
- Apr 2 Teacher Comp Day  
NO SCHOOL
- Apr 3-5 Spring Break  
NO SCHOOL
- Apr 9 School Community Council
- Apr 13 ACT test
- Apr 27 MORP Dance  
GIRLS CHOICE
- May 11 PROM  
BOYS CHOICE
- May 14 School Community Council
- May 27 Memorial Day – no school
- May 30 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL  
Graduation @ BYU 9:00 am

## WINTER SPORT ALL-STATE ACADEMIC ATHLETES

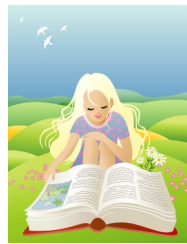


**FRONT ROW:**  
Jacob Robley.....Basketball  
Nathan Bramhall.....Swimming  
Brandon Dennison.....Wrestling  
Brandon Young ...Wrestling

**BACK ROW:**  
Alyssa Crabb.....Basketball  
Melanie Andersen....Swimming  
Megan Wilde.....Basketball  
Kaylee Whiteley....Drill (Not pictured,  
at State Drill Competition)

## PGHS IS GOING GREEN!!

In the near future, PGHS will be going paperless! You may access your student's report card through your **Family Access Skyward Account**. In addition, the **PGHS newsletter** will be posted on our school website (pghs.alpineschools.org). If you do not have internet access, we will be happy to assist you in the Main Office.



**READ**

The **PGHS library** sponsored some fun activities in December for Viking students in expectation of the movie release, "**The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey**." The larger effort was to promote reading, book circulation, and language arts. The main purpose was in getting students to realize the value of reading for recreation and fun, and not just because they had been assigned a book to read for a specific class. The winning team won movie tickets and a \$5.00 gift card for each player.

## 2012-13 REFLECTIONS WINNERS

**P**GHs student artists and writers were celebrated with a luncheon and awards presentation on January 10th during lunch. **A Special Thank You** to our Reflections chairs, **LeeAnn Heder** and **Michelle Wolferts**, and all teachers who encouraged our students to participate. **We have not had this kind of representation in years!**

**Visual Arts:** Monika Robinson (1<sup>st</sup>) Brittany Wolferts(2<sup>nd</sup>) Liam Lane (3<sup>rd</sup>), Ani Henriksen (4<sup>th</sup>) Katie Clark, Josslyn Barton, Karina Richardson, Anna Thulin (Hon. Mention)

**Literature:** Madison Giles(1<sup>st</sup>) Matt Ottens (2<sup>nd</sup>) Briana O'Neal (3<sup>rd</sup>) Cassidy Wood (4<sup>th</sup>).

**3-D art category:** Brittany Wolferts (1<sup>st</sup>) Jacob Lindow (2<sup>nd</sup>) Desiree Short (3<sup>rd</sup>) Brandon Short (4<sup>th</sup>) Erick Ottens (Honorable Mention)

**Photography:** Krista Rapier (1<sup>st</sup>) Max Atwood (2<sup>nd</sup>)

**Visual Arts:** Evan Taylor (1<sup>st</sup>)

**Music Composition:** Jacoby David (1<sup>st</sup>)

**Special Artists:** Clarissa Wise, Erik Ottens, Megan Bullock, Rebecca Bingham, Mercedes Anderson, and Daniel Bodine.

**EXCELLENT JOB !!**

