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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

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Happy Friday NPHS Students and Families,

I can hardly believe there is only one instructional day remaining. This year has been filled with new learning, valuable experiences, and meaningful opportunities for collaboration. I've watched our students overcome challenges and flourish, with many contributing to the development of our school culture through suggestions, proposals, and action projects.

I am deeply appreciative of the support from our NPHS families. Partnering with you in your student's education has been a privilege. I also commend our faculty and staff for consistently putting students first.

As we move into Regents testing, I am confident our students will continue to work hard and find success. Teachers remain available for extra help by appointment after June 16th.

As you may already know, beginning next year, the high school will implement a bell-to-bell (full-day) phone and electronic device ban for all students. Additional details will be shared soon.

Wishing you all a safe, restful, and enjoyable summer!

Principal Simms

Important Dates

June 13- AP Studio Art Showcase
June 16 Last Instructional Day
June 16 Scholarship Award Night @ 6:00 pm
June 17-PIGLETS presentation
June 17 Regents Exams
June 18 Regents Exams
June 19 Holiday
June 20 Regents Exams
June 20 End of 4th quarter
June 23-25 Regents Exams
June 25 Graduation Practice @ 12:00 pm @ the HS
June 26 Senior Ball
June 27 Graduation @ 6:00 pm
Reports Card Distribution/Last Day of School



Around NPHS

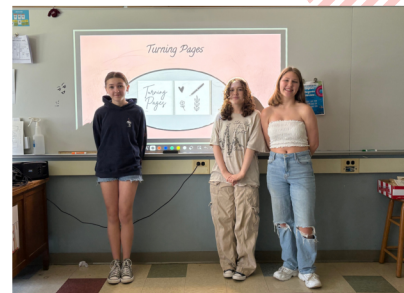
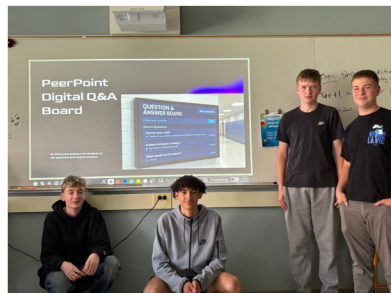
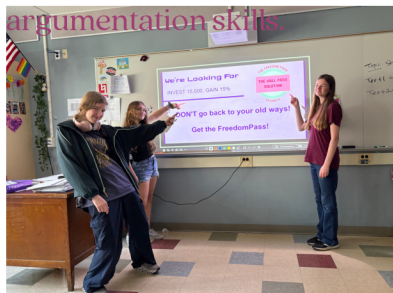
HORTICULTURE CLUB

Several new trees were planted in the courtyard over the weekend! Special thanks to our Facilities Department for making it all possible! - Mr. Esposito



ENGLISH

Ms. McKenna's English 9 classes worked in groups to reimagine common classroom items and pitch them in a Shark Tank-style presentation to the class. The winning inventions were the "Story Steps" bookcase by Della Sheridan, Lillian Culpepper, and Nyla Byrne, the "Q&A Board" interactive bulletin board by Theo Salamone, Maxon Alma, Phoenix Ennest, and Andres Gutierrez, and "The Freedom Pass" hall pass by Sonia Levy, Ruby LeRoy, and Zoe Curtis. Students had a great deal of fun with this project while practicing collaboration, public speaking, real-world writing, and



CLASS OF 2025 TOP TEN

1. Charles DePoala
2. Brian Tierney
3. Jiho Son
4. Lalita Ma
5. Roxanne deNey-Bhagat
6. Michael Ayala
7. Shelby De Jong
8. Isabel Loyer
9. Sophie Brassard
10. Loyal Goodermote



JUNIOR AWARDS

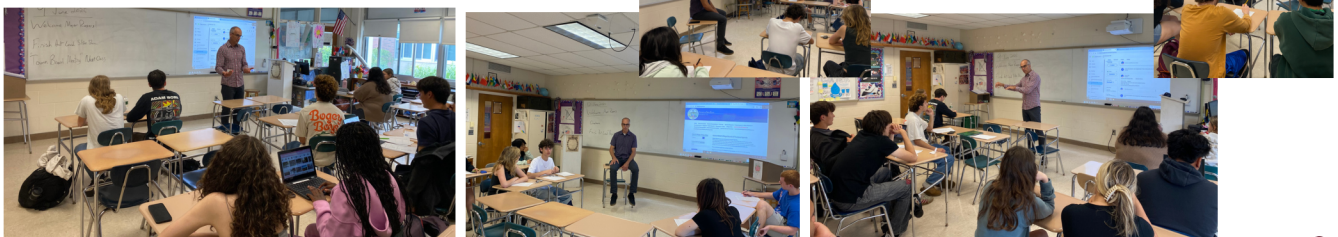
Congratulations to our Juniors who have been awarded College specific Scholarships if they decide to attend the post secondary institution.



Nicholas St. George, Bradley Hart, Olivia Lathrop, Ruby Stelmaszyk, Kelsey Hacker, Dylan Friedman, John Kelly III, Adam Looft, Ella Brassard, Nicolas Burda, Bailey Kane, Audrey Shannon, Alexis Ames, Tessa De Chiara Saffer, Cole Maseo, AJ White, Dahlia Haselton, Bohdi Stevens, Bridget Lillis, Miriam Bickoff, Addison Mumford, Lukas Kallio, Valentine Morales, Olivia Gandin, James D'Amour, Mark DiDonna, Alexander Adourian, Phoenix Johnston, Katie Burke, Carly Brustein, Abigail Adams, Lily Nocito, Hisashi Shimada, Lila Disciull, Nafi Diedhiou, Andres Galvan

PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT

Mayor Rogers visited PIG classes and discussed what the job of a village mayor entails and listened to student ideas regarding what they would like to see happen in New Paltz.- Mr. Gill



ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



New Paltz Rotary Club 2025 Scholarship Recipients

Doing Good in the World Scholarship: Malana Douglas

Interact Club Scholarship: Sophie Brassard

Jim Tinger Humanitarian Scholarship: Molly Saunders

Rotary BOCES Scholarship: McKenley Smart-Christiana

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The Central Hudson STEM Scholarship: Isabel Loyer

The Seakill Custom Home Builders Scholarship: Eleanora Murphy

The Law Offices of Robert F. Rich Scholarship: Ben Gorney

The George Devine Memorial Scholarship: Maeve Eisenhandler

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

As part of her Seal of Civic Readiness Project, Sonia Soto developed a program titled "Lunch Time Activities" to benefit both the students and the school community. She chose this initiative in response to the school's recent decision to implement a phone ban starting next school year. Understanding that students might find it challenging to fill their 40-minute lunch period without their phones, Sonia focused her project on identifying alternative activities that would keep students engaged and entertained.

To gather input, Sonia distributed a survey to all students in grades 9 through 11, asking what types of activities they would be interested in during lunch. Based on the feedback collected, she compiled a list of preferred options such as a basketball hoop, cornhole, and various board games. She extends her gratitude to the student government for providing the funding that made it possible to purchase these items. Through this project, Sonia successfully created enjoyable alternatives to phone use during lunch, helping to ensure that students continue to have a fun and positive midday break.



ATHLETICS- 2025 SIGNING DAY

- Michael Ayala - SUNY Plattsburgh - Men's Cross Country & Track and Field
- Landon Fracasse - SUNY Cortland - Men's Cross Country & Track and Field
- Nicolas Horowitz - Ursinus College - Football
- Adelynn Laurie - Scripps College - Women's Track and Field
- Jackson Maiale - University of Delaware - Baseball
- Sidney Mayers - Johnson & Wales University - Women's Lacrosse
- Leah Schamberg - Pace University - Women's Soccer
- Alaura Sheeley - SUNY New Paltz - Women's Swimming and Diving
- Kate Suchowiecki - Central Connecticut State University - Women's Swimming and Diving
- Rhiana Thomas - Johnson & Wales University - Women's Track and Field
- Annika Walsh - St. Olaf College - Women's Track and Field



Congratulations to our incredible senior athletes who have committed to continue their athletic careers at the collegiate level! We are so proud of each of you!

A heartfelt thank you to the coaches, families, and mentors who supported our athletes throughout their journeys.

And a special shoutout to Gregory Warren, Director of Health, Physical Education, and Athletics, and Jenna Manning, Secretary to the Director, for their outstanding leadership and tireless work running the entire department.

TRACK AND FIELD

Wishing lots of luck to (left to right) Sean Marz, Ady Laurie, Livi Lathrop, Rhiana Thomas, Annika Walsh and Dylan Friedman!!! They left today to compete in the state track and field championships in Middletown against the best in New York State. -Coach Seim



STUDENT LIFE

Advanced Film and Video students have continued the tradition of producing the end of year film known as "Student Life". After months of hard work and endless hours of editing they are excited to premiere their capstone project next Monday on the big screen in the auditorium to the entire school community. We hope you enjoy it! --Mr. Woods





Important Dates!!!



May 30
ALL BOOKS DUE!!!

June 5
Last Day for Chromebook Loans

June 9-25 
Senior Chromebook Collection



June 11,17-25
Regents Exams !

SUMMER

CARING, CONNECTING, MAKING A DIFFERENCE