



PARENT NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER

**"DECEMBER IS THE TIME FOR REMEMBERING THE PAST AND
REACHING TOWARD THE FUTURE."**

— RALPH WALDO EMERSON

Congratulations!



KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH

**STUDENTS ARE BEING RECOGNIZED FOR EFFORTS, CONTRIBUTIONS,
TECHNIQUES/SKILLS, EXTRAORDINARY SUPPORT TO PEERS AND COMMUNITY, OR ANY
OTHER SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENT IN ANY COURSE OR ACTIVITY FOR THE MONTH OF
NOVEMBER.**



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BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT RECOGNITION



OUR PROSPECT STUDENTS WERE HONORED AT THE DECEMBER 14 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS IN ACADEMICS AND SPORTS.

Board of Education Recognition

Thursday, December 14, 2023



Boys Golf

IHSA State 3rd Place State Trophy

- Luke Kruger - PHS Senior
- Patrick Raupp - PHS Senior
- Cole Bilecki - PHS Junior
- Colter Person - PHS Senior
- Jack Krueger - PHS Senior
- Matthew Mundt - PHS Junior
- Ryan Murray - PHS Freshman

6th Place at the IHSA State Boys Golf Championships

- Luke Kruger - PHS Senior
- Patrick Raupp - PHS Senior

Girls Golf

IHSA State Girls Golf All-State 4th Place

- Courtney Beerheide - BGHS Senior

Football

IHSCFA 7A All-State Team

- Anthony Palano - BGHS Senior

IHSCFA 7A All-State Team

- Carson Grove - JHHS Senior
- Will Nolan - JHHS Senior

Boys Soccer

Illinois High School Soccer Coaches Association All-State

- Dennis Likovoid - BGHS Senior

Girls Swimming

IHSA 3rd Place 500 Yard Freestyle

- Ella Houston - BGHS Sophomore

IHSA 2nd Place 100yd Backstroke

- Vera Coric - RMHS Sophomore

Journalism Education Association

National Write-Off (Superior Rating)

Superior in Copy/Caption Writing: Clubs

- Mollie Keams - PHS Senior

Superior in Feature Yearbook Photography

- Anne Lagowski - PHS Junior

National Scholastic Press Association

National Award

8th Place in Best of Show - CREST [yearbook]

- Charlotte Chengary - PHS Senior
- Mollie Keams - PHS Senior
- Sydney Lupo - PHS Senior
- Sarah Stavnes - PHS Senior

9th Place in Best of Show - PROSPECTOR [newspaper]

- Mollie Keams - PHS Senior
- PJ O'Grady - PHS Senior

10th Place in Best of Show - PROSPECTORNOW.COM [online]

- Brooke Michalczyk - PHS Senior
- Tessa Trylovich - PHS Senior

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LET'S KEEP CELEBRATING OUR COLLEGE SIGNEES.



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DECEMBER PHS MADRIGALS

AFTER THEIR BIG PERFORMANCE ON 101.9FM LAST WEEK, THE PROSPECT MADRIGALS HAVE BEEN INVITED BY FOX 32 CHICAGO TO SING DURING THEIR "ORANGE FRIDAY" BROADCAST ON FRIDAY, DEC 29TH.

TUNE INTO FOX CHICAGO BETWEEN 8-10AM TO SEE THE PROSPECT MADRIGALS SING LIVE ON TV FROM THE DOWNTOWN STUDIO! (WE ARE ALSO ANTICIPATING AN INTERVIEW WITH THE CHOIR AROUND 9:20AM)



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PHS ASSESSMENT CENTER NEWS

Second Semester- 2024



The PHS Assessment Center's goal is to provide you and your student with the knowledge and strategies to make the best-informed decisions for your student's needs.

Laura Bernstein, Assessment Supervisor : (847) 718-5413
laura.bernstein@d214.org

TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS

Students with IEP and 504 Plans may be eligible for testing accommodations. Please contact your case manager (IEP) or Mrs. Lauren Collins (504) with questions regarding testing accommodations.

PRACTICE SAT EXAM: JUNIORS ONLY

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

No charge and no registration needed. Juniors need to arrive to school by 8:20 am. The exam will run from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm. After testing, students will have lunch and then attend period 3 class.

Are you able to Login to your COLLEGE BOARD ACCOUNT ?

Go to collegeboard.org to sign in to your account.

Creating this online account prior to testing is the **ONLY** way to access your scores online, and will allow juniors and seniors the ability to send scores to colleges and universities. Your College Board account needs to accurately reflect your LEGAL name (first and last name). You can also link to [Khan Academy](#) for a free, personalized learning resource!

If you need help with your College Board account, please call College Board at 866-315-6068.



ACCESS TESTING

February 14-15, 2024

EL students, normal school day

The State of Illinois requires English learners to test proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.

SAT TEST PREP PROGRAM

February 8th- March 14th, 6 weeks
Thursdays 5:45 pm - 8:45 pm - via Zoom

PHS is offering SAT prep sessions to help Juniors prepare for the State Mandated SAT college Exam that will take place in April. This program will be open to Juniors only. Registration will be on a first come first serve basis on the Community Education website at ce.d214.org.
Registration opens Jan 12, 2024

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS:

AP

May 6-17, 2024

Students should check the Registration list posted by Door 5 to confirm they are taking the correct AP Exam.

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2024 DISTRICT WIDE TESTING

No registration needed. There will be no classes conducted on these days.



TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH

There is no school for Sophomores & Seniors.

JUNIORS: Illinois Science Assessment Test

All Juniors are required to take the Illinois Science Assessment (ISA) Test. The ISA will be administered to all juniors during school hours. Students will not attend class after the test is over, they will be dismissed.

Freshmen: Digital PSAT 9

The state required digital **PSAT 8/9** is aligned with and prepares students for the other tests in the SAT suite of assessments.

PSAT Testing information: [PSAT 8/9 Student Guide](#). It is designed to specifically evaluate incoming and current Freshmen in high school. The purpose is to benchmark students and evaluate college preparedness.

Note: Students with approved college board accommodations may follow a different testing schedule and will be given individualized details closer to the testing dates.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2024

There is no school for Freshmen and Seniors.

JUNIORS: Digital SAT Exam with an Essay

- The official SAT will include the Essay section and may be used for college admission.
- The SAT allows students to send up to 4 score reports at no cost.
- Students should come prepared with the names of colleges and universities they would like to submit SAT results to.
- More SAT Testing Information: [SAT Student Guide](#). (practice SAT is Wednesday, March 6th)
- **IMPORTANT: The SAT w/ essay is a State Graduation Requirement.**

SOPHOMORES: Digital PSAT 10

The state required digital PSAT 10 is aligned with and prepares students for the other tests in the SAT suite of assessments.

PSAT 10 Testing Information: [PSAT 10 Student Guide](#). It is designed to specifically evaluate current Sophomores in high school. The purpose is to benchmark students and evaluate college preparedness.

Scores are typically available 6 weeks after the test through the student's College Board account. Detailed testing information will be sent in March via school email.

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POSTSECONDARY SUCCESS CENTER

PSC (FORMALLY CCC)



Ms. Colleen Carroll
Postsecondary Counselor

Mrs. Katie Pardun
Postsecondary Counseling
Assistant

9:45a.m. - 1:45p.m.

**Open on
ALL School
Days**

IMPORTANT LINKS TO NOTE:

- [PSC Website](#)
- [Post Secondary Planning Guide](#)
- [College Application Guide](#)
- [CommonApp](#)
- [Parchment](#)
- [Part Time Job Board](#)
- [Scholarships](#)

Updated December 20, 2023

Upcoming dates & important info...

POSTSECONDARY SUCCESS CENTER

ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY DISTRICT 214 FULL TUITION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

SENIORS: ROOSEVELT D214 FULL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION IS DUE
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2024 AT 9:00AM

MR. JOSEPH DONER
FAFSA SUPPORT
JOSEPH.DONER@ILLINOIS.GOV

MEET HIM EVERY FRIDAY AT PHS
DURING LUNCH PERIODS IN THE
POSTSECONDARY SUCCESS CENTER
ROOM 110

!THE POSTSECONDARY SUCCESS CENTER HAS MOVED AND
WE ARE NOW LOCATED IN ROOM 110, NEXT TO THE KLC!



Colleen Carroll
POSTSECONDARY
COUNSELOR

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Katie Pardun
POSTSECONDARY
COUNSELING
ASSISTANT



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Congratulations!

Congratulations to Senior
Gracie Schiltz
for winning the
**Harper Faculty
Award for 2D Art**
at the the 40th Annual
Harper Art Show. This
award is given to only one
student in the entire show of
12 High Schools.



Gracie Schiltz, Class of 2024 and
Alva Kreutzer, School Board President,
District 214



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CONGRATULATIONS

KNIGHTMEDIA

IN NOVEMBER, OUR KNIGHTMEDIA PROGRAMS TRAVELED TO BOSTON TO ATTEND THE JEA/NSPA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM CONVENTION.

OVER 5,500 STUDENTS WERE IN ATTENDANCE, AND OUR STUDENTS COMPETED IN ON-SITE JEA NATIONAL STUDENT MEDIA CONTESTS, WHICH RANGED FROM WRITING AND PHOTOGRAPHY TO VIDEO AND DESIGN.

BEST OF SHOW [1st time in school history that ALL 3 publications were awarded this national award at the same convention]:

- **CREST Yearbook** - 8th Place
- **PROSPECTOR** - 9th Place
- **PROSPECTORNOW.COM** - 10th Place
- **Xander Adkins** [sophomore] - 7th place in Newspaper Design for Hallway Havoc
- **Alex Bonnette** [senior] - 3rd place in DEI reporting

Story of the Year:

- Graduate **Ella Mitchell** - took 2nd place in the nation in Blog Writing
- Graduate **Kevin Lynch** - received honorable mention in Blog Writing

Superior Awards (only 92 students competing earned this prestigious award):

- **Mollie Kearns** [senior] - Yearbook Copy/Caption Writing: CLUBS FOR THE 2nd YEAR IN A ROW!
- **Anne Lagowski** [junior] - Sports Feature Photography

Excellent Awards:

- **Regan Anderson** [senior] - Photo Story
- **Charlotte Chengary** [senior] - Yearbook Copy/Caption Writing: ACADEMICS
- **Brooke Michalczyk** [senior] — Editorial Writing

Honorable Mention:

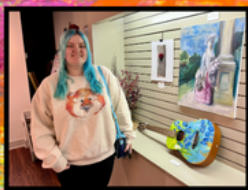
- **Sarah Stavnes** [senior] - Yearbook Copy/Caption Writing: SPORTS
- **Chelsea McGowan** [sophomore] - Yearbook Copy/Caption Writing: STUDENT LIFE
- **Lauren Seyer** [sophomore] - Yearbook Layout: Theme
- **Elena Katsogianios** [junior] - Yearbook Layout: Inside Pages
- **Sydney Lupo** [senior] - Sports Action Photography
- **Tessa Trylovich** [sophomore] - First-Year Photo
- **Kelly Conley** [sophomore] - Feature Photography
- **Kira Hammerstrom** [senior] - Themed Photo
- **Claire Wynkoop** [junior] - Commentary Writing



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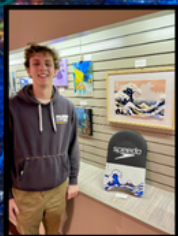
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Humanities Artist Gallery Reception

THANK YOU to
THE KNEE LAW FIRM, Ltd. for
hosting a public showcase for
the Humanities student's art
recreations on December 19th.
My Humanities classes
appreciated the support!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Nicole Stoltz



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PHS MEGADOC FOR PARENTS

<u>PHS BLOCK SCHEDULE</u>	<u>A/B PROSPECT CALENDAR 2023-2024</u>	<u>PHS WEBSITE</u>
<u>PARENT NEWSLETTERS</u>	NEW Updated /10.24 <u>BUS ROUTE/ SCHEDULES</u>	<u>KNIGHT TV</u>
<u>GO FANS/TICKETS</u>	NEW <u>SUPPORTING STUDENTS D214</u>	<u>FOOD & NUTRITION SCHOOL MENU</u>
<u>PARENT IC LOGIN</u>	NEW <u>SCHOOLGY INFO</u>	<u>FALL TRYOUTS</u>
<u>EVERY KNIGHT, EVERY DAY CAMPAIGN</u>	<u>DISTRICT CALENDAR 2023-2024</u>	<u>D214 ASSESSMENT BROCHURE</u>
<u>DUAL CREDIT INFO</u>	<u>TPC INFO</u>	<u>HARPER PROMISE</u>
<u>D214 WEBSITE</u>	2023-24 budget can be found at: <u>D214 BUDGET</u>	NEW <u>D214 NEWS Q3</u>

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Winter Athlete Photos:

Looking to order your photos from VIP?

Follow this link:

<https://www.vipis.com/group/8382cc71/prospect-high-school>



PHS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Curious about what's happening each week at PHS or how our programs are doing?


Follow our athletic pages at:
Instagram: Prospect Athletics:
[@scottmcdermott_phs](https://www.instagram.com/scottmcdermott_phs)

Twitter: Prospect Athletics:
[@ScottMcD_PHS](https://twitter.com/ScottMcD_PHS)

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Winter Athletics begins very soon. All athletes need a current sports physical to tryout. Tryout information is available on the school website and below.

Please click on the images to access flyer.

<div>  Prospect High School 2023 Winter Tryout Information  </div>				
Please Note: <small>* Current Sports Physical must be on file before athletes can tryout - please contact scottmcd@d21a.org or check outside the athletic office if you have any questions regarding physical dates **</small>				
Sport	Start Date	Times	Location	Head Coach
Boys Basketball	Nov. 6-8	Freshmen: 3:30-5:30 Gym Sophomores: 5:30-7:30 Fieldhouse 4 Varsity: 3:30-5:30 Main Gym	Gym/Fieldhouse	Coach Rathe scottmcd@d21a.org
Boys Swim/Dive	Nov. 20 Nov. 21	3:30-5:30 PM (Nov 20 only, Nov 21 3:30-5:30 PM) (See schedule)	Naturium (Next to the pool house)	Coach Lopez scottmcd@d21a.org
Wrestling	Nov. 6	3:20-5:20 PM	9th-Cafeteria 10th-12th Grade Wrestling Room (First day of practice - no tryouts)	Coach Brown scottmcd@d21a.org
Girls Basketball	Oct. 30 Oct. 31	3:30-5:30 PM	9th- Gym 1/2 10th-12th - Fieldhouse	Coach Weber scottmcd@d21a.org
Girls Bowling	Nov. 13	3:30-5:30 PM	Fieldhouse Peyer/Beverly Lanes	Coach Mahanna scottmcd@d21a.org
Girls Gymnastics	Nov. 6	3:30-5:30 PM	Gymnastics Gym (Gym 3)	Coach Donner scottmcd@d21a.org
Coed Comp. Cheer	Oct. 23 Oct. 24	3:15-5:30 PM 3:15-7:30 PM	Field House 4	Coach Rosin scottmcd@d21a.org

LET'S GO KNIGHTS!

MORE INFO

847-718-5232

scott.mcdermott@d21a.org

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A message from Superintendent Scott Rowe



Dear Parents and Guardians,

It's hard to believe that we're already halfway through the school year – my first as District 214 Superintendent. While I'm learning more about 214 every day, it didn't take long at all to understand that this is a community whose families care deeply about their teens and are eager to play a role in ensuring their children's future success.

This kind of commitment on the part of families is invaluable. As educators, our work is aided immeasurably by your involvement. This newsletter presents an opportunity to mention a couple of ways in which you can focus your support. Elsewhere in the newsletter, Board President Alva J. Kreutzer urges you to talk with your students about internship opportunities. This is so important – such a vital element of the learning experiences we offer.

You'll also find in this issue a reminder that student attendance matters. We are seeing signs of progress in recovering from the attendance issues that surfaced during and after the pandemic, but work remains. Please help us boost every student's chances of succeeding by making sure that students are here and actively participating every day.

Finally, you'll see a brief note on parenting resources available through the district and other local organizations. As a parent myself, I know that there are times when some additional support or information can be very helpful in a role that can occasionally be as challenging as it is ultimately rewarding.

Best wishes for a second semester and new year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Scott Rowe'.

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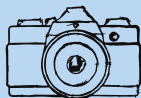


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YEARBOOK PICTURE INFO



**IF YOUR STUDENT TOOK A YEARBOOK PHOTO, YOU WILL BE RECEIVING
EMAILS FROM VIP PHOTO STUDIO REGARDING YOUR PROSPECT
YEARBOOK 2023-24 PORTRAIT.**

**THE EMAIL WILL HAVE A DIRECT LINK TO YOUR IMAGE TO ORDER YOUR
PORTRAIT PACKAGE.**

**IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE AN EMAIL BY MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 4TH...**

GO TO VIPIS.COM

SELECT, VIEW AND ORDER PHOTOS

SEARCH FOR PROSPECT HIGH SCHOOL

**CLICK ON SENIOR PORTRAITS OR 3K-12, DEPENDING ON YOUR YEAR IN SCHOOL
ENTER IN THE INFORMATION REQUESTED, SO THE SITE CAN LOCATE YOUR IMAGE**

PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#)

FOR YEARBOOK OPTIONAL PAYMENTS

INFINITE CAMPUS PARENT/STUDENT PORTAL

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IMPORTANT YEARBOOK PICTURE INFO

PROSPECT HIGH SCHOOL

DEADLINE: 02/08/2024

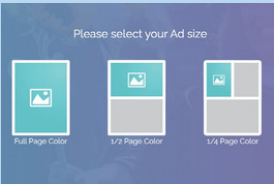
Dear Parent or Student,
Yearbook Recognition Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. In addition, revenues from Recognition Ads help our school create a better yearbook.
To purchase your ad online, follow the instructions listed below. Jostens is responsible for our school's yearbook ad sales. Please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please also consider our school's ad content guidelines below during the creation of your ad online. All orders must be placed by 02/08/2024.

ORDERR BY 02/08/2024	
COLOR AD	
1/2 Page	\$120.00
1/4 Page	\$95.00
1/8 Page	\$65.00

*Tax, service and delivery fee(s) will be added if applicable.

PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE ON ORDERS OF \$30 OR MORE.

3 EASY STEPS TO CREATE A YEARBOOK RECOGNITION AD!



Step 1

Choose your ad size and layout
(Options may vary by school.)



Step 2

Add your photos



Step 3

Enter your text

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the guidelines for recognition ad content?

Schools may review and edit ads per their guidelines. Jostens retains the right to remove any explicit text, graphic photos or copyright-protected imagery or photos.

School Ad Content Guidelines:

Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Please make sure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication.

How are the ad prices determined and what is the money used for?

Recognition ad prices are determined by our school. Revenue from recognition ads helps the school create a better, more affordable yearbook.

How is the ad deadline determined?

The ad deadline is set by our school based on the production schedule for the yearbook.

Can I create my student's ad on my mobile device?

Yes, yearbook ads can be created online from both desktop and mobile devices.



(800)358-0800
jostensadservice.com/student



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WINTER DANCE

General Information

ASB is hosting a winter dance on
Saturday, February 3, 2024.

ASB will require a minimum of 200
tickets sold in order for the dance to
occur. Money will be refunded if the
dance must be cancelled.

Ticket Information

Tickets are \$15 per person
& will be sold on GoFan.

Ticket sales will open on
Monday 1/22 @ 8am

and close on Sunday 1/28 @ 11:59pm





OPERATION SNOWBALL 

SATURDAY MARCH 2

**REGISTRATION FOR OSB'24 OPENS ON
JANUARY 8TH, 2024 AT 9AM**

Operation Snowball (OSB) is a club and event that gives Prospect students an opportunity to make a positive impact at school. Student leaders (juniors & seniors) are selected near the end of each school year to prepare for the annual OSB one-day retreat during the spring of the following school year. Leaders train throughout the year and meet once a week leading up to the retreat. Student leaders are responsible for leading small groups, made up of all Prospect students (9th-12th grade) during the retreat; All students are eligible to attend the retreat. The retreat is a 15-hour-long day that consists of guest speakers, small groups, large groups, community building, empathy, fun, and so much more!



23-24 PHS FINE ARTS BIG SHOW



SEPTEMBER 9
SEPTEMBER 16
SEPTEMBER 19
SEPTEMBER 30

PMK LAKE PARK LANCER JOUST ALL DAY
PMK COMPETITION BOA ALL DAY
PROSPECTS GOT TALENT 7 PM THEATER
PMK KNIGHT OF CHAMPIONS ALL DAY

OCTOBER 4, 5, & 7

THEATER FALL PLAY - IN THEATER 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE
10/4 AT 7 PM, 10/5 AT 7 PM, 10/7 AT 12:30, 4 PM, AND 7:30 PM

OCTOBER 10
OCTOBER 14
OCTOBER 15
OCTOBER 21
OCTOBER 25
OCTOBER 29

AIR - IN FIELD HOUSE 7 PM
PMK MARCHING BAND CHAMPIONSHIP UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS ALL DAY
CHOIR ROCKS - MULTIPLE LOCATIONS 1-4 PM CONCERT
PMK ILLINOIS STATE MARCHING COMPETITION ALL DAY
CHOIR CONCERT - IN THEATER 7 PM
BAND-O-RAMA - IN FIELD HOUSE 3 PM

NOVEMBER 2
NOVEMBER 11

ORCHESTRA CONCERT IN CAFETERIA 7 PM
SPEECH TOURNAMENT (HOSTING) ALL DAY

DECEMBER 3
DECEMBER 7-9
DECEMBER 10
DECEMBER 13
DECEMBER 15

MUSIC WINTER CONCERT 3 PM WITH HOLIDAY ART SALE
THEATER - WINTER PLAY IN THEATER 7 PM MAKE 'EM LAUGH
MADRIGAL DINNER/CONCERT METROPOLIS BALLROOM 5 PM
WINTER ART SHOW 6-8 PM (WITH PE DANCE SHOW)
JAZZ CONCERT IN THEATER 7 PM

JANUARY 20
JANUARY 24-27

JAZZ COMPETITION AT BGHS ALL DAY
ILMEA ALL-STATE CONFERENCE ALL DAY

FEBRUARY 22-24
FEBRUARY 23-24

ORCHESIS DANCE CONCERT IN THEATER AT 7 PM (2/24 AT 1:30 & 6:30 PM)
ORCHESTRA U OF ILLINOIS TOUR

MARCH 11
MARCH 20

MASTERWORKS AT NORTH SHORE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS 7 PM
MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND FESTIVAL IN FIELD HOUSE 7:30 PM

APRIL 13
APRIL 17-20
APRIL 25

BAND FESTIVAL AT JOHN HERSEY HIGH SCHOOL ALL DAY
SPRING MUSICAL IN THEATER 7 PM MAMMA MIA
SPRING PE DANCE CONCERT IN THEATER 7 PM

MAY 2
MAY 3
MAY 7
MAY 10
MAY 11
MAY 14
MAY 15 & 16

BAND CONCERT IN THEATER 7 PM
(K)NIGHT OF PERCUSSION IN THEATER 7 PM
SPRING CHORAL CONCERT IN THEATER 7 PM
JAZZ CONCERT IN THEATER 7 PM
A CAPPELLA CONCERT IN THEATER 7 PM
ORCHESTRA CONCERT IN CAFETERIA 7 PM
SPRING ORCHESIS IN THEATER 7 PM

TBD - THEATER IMPROV COMEDY - FUNDRAISING SHOW FOR THE DISTRICT TRIP

DISTRICT EVENTS OUTSIDE OF PHS

NOVEMBER 29
FEBRUARY 3
FEBRUARY 14
FEBRUARY 28
MARCH 12
MARCH 13
APRIL 21
APRIL 27

HARPER ART SHOW 7 PM AT HARPER (INSTALL ON 11/4)
ART EXPO 12-3 AT FVEC
SYMPHONIC BAND CONCERT AT RMHS
HONORS MUSIC CONCERT AT FVEC
HONORS DANCE FESTIVAL AT RMHS
CONCERT BAND FESTIVAL AT RMHS
IHSAE ARTCONNECTED ART SHOW 12-4 AT BRIDGEPORT ART CENTER
DISTRICT 214 ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION AT FVEC





Adult Lecture Series

Inviting Parents to Explore Religion and Culture:
A Unique Learning Opportunity for Parents



Location: Prospect Community Room | **Time:** 7:00pm to 9:00pm

We are excited to extend an open invitation to an enriching series of free adult lectures that delve into the realms of religion and culture. In an ever-evolving world, cultivating a deeper understanding of the diverse tapestry of human beliefs and practices has become essential.

As parents, your curiosity and engagement play an integral role in the education of young people, and lectures are designed to be an eye-opening exploration of the intricate interplay between religion, culture, and the human spirit. Each evening offers a diversity of perspectives and encourages meaningful conversations, and all are welcome. For more information, contact John Camardella at john.camardella@d214.org or visit

<https://www.prospectworldreligion.com/parent-courses>

Wednesday, September 27th | An Introduction to Religious Studies: Theories, Methods, the Constitution, and the Landscape of Religion in America

Delve into the rich and complex world of religious studies. Explore the diverse range of theories and methods that scholars utilize to understand the intricacies of religious belief and practice. Uncover the historical context of religious freedom in the US Constitution and gain a deeper appreciation for the multifaceted religious landscape that shapes American society.

Wednesday, October 25th | An Introduction to Hindu Traditions: Dharma, Karma, and the Pollution of the Ganges River Basin

Embark on a captivating journey into the heart of Hindu traditions. Delve into the profound concepts of dharma and karma and explore their significance in shaping ethical and moral principles. Learn about the challenges facing the sacred Ganges River Basin and the complex interplay between religious practices and environmental concerns.

Wednesday, November 29th | An Introduction to Buddhist Traditions: The Marathon Monks of Mt. Hiei and the Human Cost of Seeking Enlightenment

Immerse yourself in the contemplative world of Buddhist traditions. Discover the practices of the Marathon Monks of Mt. Hiei in Japan, who undertake an extraordinary journey of spiritual endurance. Reflect on the sacrifices and challenges accompanying the pursuit of enlightenment, which shed light on the profound depths of Buddhist philosophy.

Wednesday, December 20th | An Introduction to Sikhi Traditions: Chardi Kala and the Transformative Effect of the Punjabi-American Highway

Experience Sikhi traditions and the concept of Chardi Kala – the unwavering spirit of optimism. Explore the transformative impact of the Punjabi-American Highway in California, which has become a symbol of connection, cultural exchange, and resilience. Gain insights into the interplay between tradition and transformation.

Wednesday, January 17th | A Dynamic Understanding of Christianity & Jesus:

Biblical Archaeology & Contemporary Interpretations of a Historical Movement

Journey through time to explore the historical figure of Jesus. Engage with the fascinating field of biblical archaeology, uncovering artifacts and evidence that shed light on the life and times of Jesus. Examine contemporary interpretations of Jesus' teachings and their enduring impact on the course of history and human spirituality.

Wednesday, February 7th | An Introduction to Jewish Traditions: The Mourners

Kaddish, Scribes, and the Shifting Roles of Orthodox Women

Delve into the rich tapestry of Jewish traditions, exploring the ritual of the Mourners Kaddish and gain insights into the artistry of scribes, who meticulously transcribe sacred texts. Examine the evolving roles of women as they navigate modernity while honoring centuries-old traditions.

Wednesday, March 13th | An Introduction to Islamic Traditions: Space Travel,

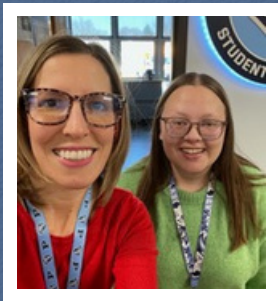
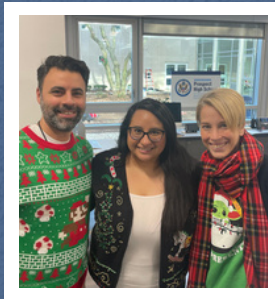
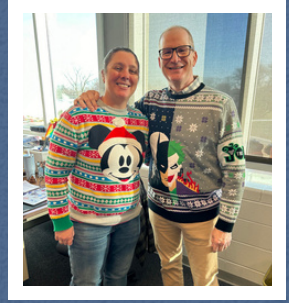
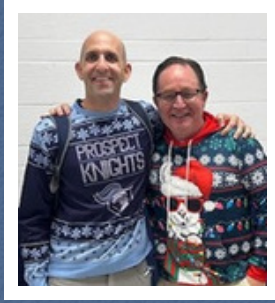
Fatwas, and the Dynamic Nature of Religious Requirements

Discover the dynamic facets of Islamic traditions by exploring the intersection of prayer, faith, and science through the lens of space travel, and the world of fatwas. Engage with the adaptive nature of Islamic religious requirements in response to evolving circumstances.

Wednesday, April 16th | An Introduction to Atheistic Traditions: The Great Lisbon

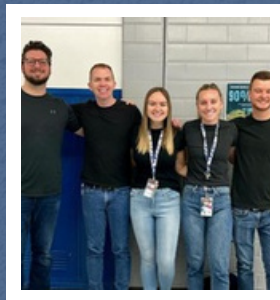
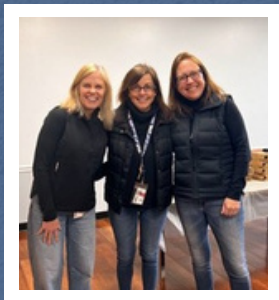
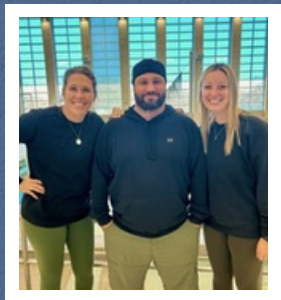
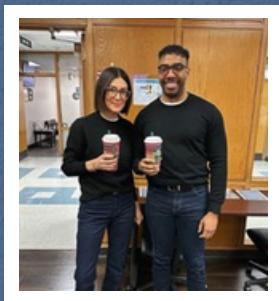
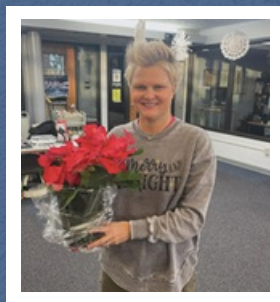
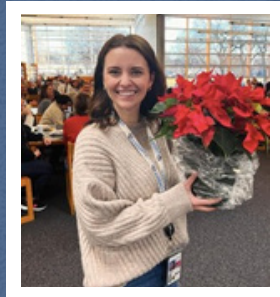
Earthquake and the European Enlightenment Explosion

Unearth the historical context of atheistic traditions by investigating the Great Lisbon Earthquake in 1755 and its role in catalyzing the European Enlightenment Explosion. Explore the intellectual currents that shaped modern atheism and its influence on the course of human thought.



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