

PHS College and Career Counseling Department Newsletter

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Course Selection and Registration Materials

Students will be receiving their Course Selection materials during Advisory on Monday, February 5th. The course Registration Portal will be open from Monday, February 5th through Friday, February 16th.

The materials include a paper course request form that must be completed, signed and returned to the student's advisor. There are also instructions for the online registration which must be completed as well.

Class of 2028 Course Selection Information Night

Monday February 12, 2024

6:00pm-7:00pm

Please join us in the PHS Gymnasium for a brief presentation on the course selection process and a Q & A with Department Deans. Course selection packets will be distributed and important information will be provided regarding course recommendations, requirements, leveling explanations, and more.

It's time for Juniors to start preparing!

The counselors will continue to meet with all Juniors to discuss the College and Career Planning process. This will be a brief overview to discuss transcripts, course selections for next year, researching colleges and majors, and much more! We look forward to starting this exciting process with the Class of 2025!



With the new FAFSA form finally going live after the soft launch, Granite Edvance has partnered with community colleges around the state to offer FAFSA Filing Open House Events for our NH students and families. These will be group filing events with FAFSA experts assisting families as they move through completing the form. The campuses that are (currently) the most local for students are NHTI, Nashua Community College and Great Bay Community College, although families are welcome to join them at any of the locations found on their website (see link below).

Registration is now open for time slots between 2:00pm and 8:00pm. As always, this is a no-cost event. Families will need to register for a time slot and read the confirmation email closely to be prepared to file.

https://graniteedvance.org/find-your-direction/upcoming-events/



We have the pleasure of welcoming back representatives from the NH Army National Guard as well as the United States Air Force.

Tuesday, February 6th, SSG Jared Bain, NH Army National Guard

Friday, February 16th, Steven Marquis, MSgt, USAF

Both gentlemen will be here during the lunch periods outside of the cafeteria to provide more information to students regarding these military branches.



Community Service

Community Service is a Pelham High School graduation requirement. The Class of 2024 <u>must have</u> their 40 hours completed and submitted by March 15th, 2024. Please check your email often for community service opportunities sent out by Mrs. Frechette.

Please be sure to turn in your completed community service hours within 8 weeks of completing your service activity. Fill out and submit the <u>completion form</u> to the College and Career Counseling Department. Forms submitted later than eight (8) weeks will receive only ½ credit, provided the forms are presented within the academic year in which they were performed. Community service opportunities and completion sheets are available on the Pelham High School website under the College and Career Counseling Department tab.



Community Service Opportunity

The VFW Auxiliary is collecting Valentine's Cards to be given to the NH Veterans Home, VA Medical Center and other nursing homes where there are Veteran patients.

The cards we are collecting must be quality, homemade cards. There will be a box in guidance for you to drop off your cards. For every 6 cards you make you will receive an hour towards your community service. The maximum amount of hours you can receive from this will be **20 hours**.

You must complete a community service form, and a paragraph when you turn in your cards into guidance. Please be sure to put some effort into making them as they are much appreciated by our Veterans. The deadline to drop off your cards is **Friday, February 9th**.



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