Pana High School Report to the Board of Education August, 2017

We will be reporting our enrollment in September.

Open House will be Thursday, August 24th, 6:30 – 8:00pm.

We have two new faces at PHS this year: Jeff Crylen – Unit Band Director and Lynn Pumphery – Social Studies/Driver Education. We are also housing the new Mid-State Program Coordinator Bobbi Hartman.

Registration was held August 3rd with all district schools in the high school building again. We had a successful turnout and again had many positive comments about registration being done in this manner. The high school had several of the forms on-line and many parents printed forms at home, filled them out, and turned them in – saved them a lot of time!

Freshmen Orientation was Tuesday night, August 8th. We had the incoming freshmen in the building from 1:30-5:30pm. The incoming ninth graders attended sessions with PHS staff members and discussed the following topics: tips on high school success; credits, transcripts, graduation requirements; office procedures, school rules, importance of a diploma. We also met with the parents from 6:00-6:30pm. Kudos to Bonnie Sowarsh for organizing this event!

Mr. Crylen has been busy with band camp. The Marching Band has already participated in the Hillsboro Old Settlers Parade, and the Illinois State Fair Twilight Parade in which they got 3rd Place! This year's halftime show will showcase songs from Billy Joel.

Fall athletic teams have begun practicing with the following number of students participating: Football – 50 (-11), Volleyball – 31 (-4), Boys Golf – 5 (-4), Girls Golf – 10 (+4), Boys Soccer – 16 (-2), Football Cheerleading – 15 (+5) and Cross Country – 1 boy, 3 girls.

Seniors will be recognized for volleyball-golf-cross country on Thursday, August 31st at the volleyball game at approximately 6:45 pm. Seniors will be recognized for soccer on Tuesday, September 5th. Seniors will be recognized for football-cheerleading-band on Friday, October 6th at the football game.

The following is information regarding the Orange & Blue scrimmages for our fall sports:

Soccer - Thursday, August 17th - 5:30 warm up & player introduction - 6:00 scrimmage. Admission is free but a non-perishable food item for the food pantry would be appreciated.

Football - Friday, August 18th - player introduction at 6:00. F/S scrimmage at 6:15, varsity scrimmage at 7:00. Admission is free but a goodwill monetary donation to Pana QB Club would be appreciated. The Lion's Club will also have a pork chop sandwich tailgate from 4:30-7:00 pm.

Volleyball - Tuesday, August 22nd - player introductions 5:45. F/S scrimmage at 6:00, varsity scrimmage at 7:00. Admission is free but a non-perishable food item for the food pantry would be appreciated.

The GOOD DEEDS GROUP along with some help from students from AAMP used sidewalk chalk to create "welcome back" positive messages to our students. This is a super-awesome idea!







As we enter year 18 in the high school building, it still looks brand new! Our custodial staff has once again done an awesome job of getting the building ready for another school year.



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