

General School Culture: 1/27/26

We welcomed our new school counselor with open arms and great enthusiasm, Pam Dickson. We have been earnest in transcript and scheduling training, and getting to know our awesome Pirates.

We are in the midst of scheduling and starting the 2nd semester, teachers are grading and students are making new selections. With staff collaboration we decided to alter our Friday scheduling adding more electives that students truly wanted- naturally they are excited about this—and we are hoping for increased Friday attendance as a result.

Additionally with the district approval of adding iReady for student assessments, universally practiced in our district now, we have added in some Math and ELA intervention courses, paired with study skills. We will be documenting pre/post scores and meeting once a month to review as a team.

On that note we are looking towards spring testing. I have planned the iReady and SBAC testing dates. Ms. Stout will be planning and preparing the state testing portions.

Recently we formed a Student Curriculum Committee- the desire being to retain student voice in regard to providing higher Ed online options. These are to be utilized for internal PHS electives as well as for Family Academy as students often transfer in/out of house. This aligns the curriculum(s) for grading purposes and the best content alignment. We additionally tasked the current options regionally so again alignment is succinct for learners and families. We have created a rubric, provided averages, of the students favorite selections. Costs and functionality is also provided.

Please let us know what you think- we appreciate choice and flexibility.

I have completed a discipline rubric at this time for MS/HS, it is currently being reviewed by Mr. Miller. Please let me know if you have any questions/concerns in regards.

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