

Pana High School
Report to the Board of Education

December, 2023



- 9th Grade 104
- 10th Grade 106
- 11th Grade 94
- 12th Grade 77
- Totals 381

Good Things at PHS:

The second quarter attendance incentive took place on 12/13/23. Students with two or fewer absences and 1 or fewer tardies were able to participate. 153 students were able to participate.

An Angel Tree was started at PHS. 53 students were identified by teachers and staff and all 53 students were chosen by an angel.

The JH and HS Band and choirs presented their Sounds of the Season holiday concert to a packed house last week!

The Junior High and High School Music Department was well-represented by several students at the ILMEA District Festival on November 18. The following students were selected for Junior Band: Milo Martell, French Horn; Dace Jones, Tuba; Brynlee Tipsword, Trumpet; Karlee Hooper, Flute; Nancy Presenell, Oboe; and Alyssa Pieper, Clarinet.

Selected for the Senior Orchestra was Liberty Law, French Horn; selected for the Senior Band was Abigail Cline, Flute; and selected for the Senior Chorus were Nicole Arkebauer, John Berns, Cayden Hankins, Emmett Mendenhall, Emma Stephens and Maddie Wehrle. Selected for Senior Vocal Jazz were Emma Stephens, Gabby Heinrich and John Berns.

Selected to move on to the All-State level were John Berns, Vocal Jazz and Emma Stephens, Honors Choir. John Berns also received Honorable Mention for his Choral Composition "Easter Hymn".

The culmination of continuous collaboration and work analyzing data and programs resulted in a number of research based curriculum reforms and proposals for this year and beyond. These proposed changes address less than favorable report card data on freshmen on track, graduation rate, CCRI mandated requirements, college admissions and selection of the valedictorian. These recommendations were presented to the curriculum committee.

1. Dual Credit German
2. Weighting of all CP classes

3. Algebra 3
4. Animal Science will fulfill science graduation requirement
5. Freshmen at-risk
6. Service Learning & Mentoring will receive a letter grade
7. AFNR Animal Science Career Pathway endorsement
8. We are also planning for the implementation of AP classes in English, Math and German for 25-26.

We are collaborating with stakeholders to explore future changes to our Val/Sal system.

The December First National Bank Senior-of-the-Month was: Bailey Evrley

December Radio Students of the Month:

Freshman: Phoenix Pope
Sophomore: Parker Moore
Junior: Carter Collins
Senior: Bailey Evrley

The December Peoples Bank and Trust of Pana Student-Athletes-of-the-Month are:

Freshman - Carly Bland
Sophomore - Joey Laker
Junior - Brayden Carlson
Senior - Ethan Hicks

December CKH Responsibility Winners:

Freshmen: Tyson Mizeur
Sophomore: Kaylee Kuhn
Junior: Noah Gorenz
Senior: Delanyi Jones
Staff: Anna Patton