

Hello All!

Here are the reminders for the week of September 16th. Some changes to note:

1. The Taunton Christmas Parade is on **Sunday, December 8, 2019**. It was originally posted as Sunday, December 1st. It has been updated on the calendars.
2. We have added the University of Rhode Island's Annual Band Day on Saturday, November 2, 2019. More information will follow, but this is a fun afternoon in which the PHS Marching Band as well as other area schools will perform at half-time with the URI Rams Marching Band!

Marching Band Rehearsal

This Wednesday from 5pm – 8pm. Please make sure that you dress appropriately. Use long sleeve shirts and pants and make sure that you have taken precautions by way of using bug repellent spray before going outside. Remember, this is also a 1 hr. early release day.

PHS Open House

Open House will be this **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**, starting at **6:00pm**.

Car Wash Clements Market

Thank you to all those that helped making this fundraiser a fun and beneficial time! We appreciate your support!

BIG E Trip

We will be leaving this Tuesday for the Big E. All students should report to the auditorium in the morning, instead of going to 1st period. Thank you again to our Music Boosters for funding this trip!!

Information on the BIG E can be found on our website at: <https://www.portsmouthmusic.org/big-e-2019.html>

Jazz Band Auditions

Jazz Band auditions will be held Wednesday, September 25 and Thursday, September 26, after school until 3:30pm. Students should sign up in the music suite and pick up an audition packet. All winds (saxes, trombones, trumpets) will audition on Wednesday. Rhythm Section students (piano, drums, bass, guitar) will audition on Thursday. All wind players are invited back on Thursday to play for the rhythm section auditions.

Mattress Sale!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

10:00am – 5:00pm

Old Gym

On September 21 the PHS Music Boosters are hosting their first ever mattress sale in the 'old gym'!

This is not your traditional 'pop-up' store! There is financing available, credit and debit accepted and of course, personal check and cash. Quality products such as Sealy Posturpedic, Memory Foam™ and other great name brands will be available, all 50% off traditional retail pricing that you'd see at furniture stores.

Prior to the event we will be having a brief shout out the day of the family cookout explaining how everything works and how your student can actually earn cash bonuses in addition to helping our music program!

So, if you are in the market for a better nights sleep please save the date and we look forward to seeing you!

<https://www.facebook.com/events/89440944225264/?ti=icl>

Kate Grana Auditorium Dedication Ceremony

This is the culminating event of all the hard work members of the KGMAA have worked towards! Come celebrate with us as we officiate dedicate the auditorium to Kate Grana. Tuesday, **September 24th from 7-8:30 pm**. If you would like to be part of the chorus that will sing the introduction, please sign up here. The link will also be provided on the BAND app. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4aadae2fa4f58-kate>

PHS Band Calendar

Our 2019 - 2020 Band Calendar is available online to download. The majority of the dates that we know of have been placed. There may be additional events added throughout the school year. We will keep you posted ASAP if anything changes. <https://www.portsmouthmusic.org/calendars.html>

Ways to get the information that you need

BAND App. This is our main source of sending information home to you! - The Portsmouth High School Music Department uses the BAND app to disseminate all information quicker and more efficiently to you! Documents, calendars, weekly announcements, and up-to-date information will be available in this one application rather than checking weekly emails or paper documents. The BAND App is completely free to use. You can download the BAND App on your iPhone, Android device, or access it on your computer by going to band.us. We suggest that you set it up on a computer first and then download the app once you have an account established. The names of our BAND groups are listed below. Everyone should be part of the 2019-2020 Patriots Marching BAND app group as weekly announcements for the department will be posted there. Parents should also join the PHS Music Boosters BAND app also. The links are listed below:

PHS Patriots Marching Band – Invitation located at: <https://band.us/n/aea914R638I4j>

PHS Music Boosters – Invitation located at: <https://band.us/n/afa71cRe37H0n>

PHS Color Guard – Invitation located at: <https://band.us/n/a1a413Rd3fI2a>

PHS Dance Team – Invitation located at: <https://band.us/n/a5a61cR43cJaf>

PHS Drumline - Invitation located at: <https://band.us/n/aba514R130Jdw>

** We ask that ALL parents who have joined or will be joining – please change your profile name to include your first AND last name. All parents should indicate with a letter “p” after their name in their profile.

For example: Ted Rausch-P

** All students should have their two number year of graduation after their name

For example: Zach Rousseau-21

You can change this setting by clicking “My Info” and follow prompts to “manage” your profile. This is found in the upper right corner of both the app and on the web version.



Portsmouth High School Instrumental Music 2019 – 2020 Performance Dates

Version 3 - 9/16/19

SEPTEMBER

17	Tuesday	Big E Performance	8am - 9pm	Marching Band
24	Tuesday	KGMAA Auditorium Grand Opening	7:00pm	

OCTOBER

11	Friday	HOME Football Game	5:00pm	Marching Band
12	Saturday	Cranston East Marching Band Competition	TBA	Marching Band
14	Monday	Newport Columbus Day Parade	10:00am	Marching Band
18	Friday	HOME Football Game	5:30pm	Marching Band
19	Saturday	Somerset Music Town Festival Parade & Field Show	<i>Times to be announced</i>	Marching Band
26	Saturday	Homecoming, Parade & Game	10:30am	Marching Band

NOVEMBER

2	Saturday	URI Band Day	TBA	Marching Band
23	Saturday	ALL-STATE Auditions	<i>Times to be announced</i>	
28	Thursday	HOME Football Game – Thanksgiving Day Game	8:30am	Marching Band

DECEMBER

7	Saturday	Fall River Holiday Parade	10:30am	Marching Band
8	Sunday	Taunton Christmas Parade	9:00am	Marching Band
8	Sunday	Glen Manor House Performance	TBA	Flute Ensemble
12	Thursday	Winter Concert 1	7:00pm	
		<i>Jazz Ensemble, Concert Band, String Ensemble</i>		
16	Monday	Winter Concert 2	7:00pm	
		<i>All Choruses, Symphonic Band</i>		

FEBRUARY

13	Thursday	Music Department Student Performance Concert Night	7:00pm	
29	Saturday	RIMEA Jazz Festival	TBD	Jazz Ensemble

MARCH

4	Wednesday	Somerset Jazz Festival	3:30pm	Jazz Ensemble
12	Wednesday	Scholarship Concert	7pm	
		<i>Chorus, Symphonic & Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble</i>		
14	Saturday	Newport St. Patrick's Day Parade	TBA	Marching Band

APRIL

8/9	Wed or Thurs	RIMEA Senior Band Festival	8am-2pm	Symphonic Band
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MAY

13	Wednesday	Spring Concert – Chorus	6:30pm	
14	Thursday	Spring Concert – Bands	7:00am	
16	Saturday	Solo & Ensemble Concert	TBA	
18	Monday	Drum Major Auditions	5pm	
22	Friday	Music Banquet, Whites Restaurant	6:00pm	Music Department

JUNE

5	Friday	PHS Graduation	5:00pm	Graduation starts at 6pm
8	Monday	Marching Band Parent Meeting	6:30pm	All new band students