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POST GRAD
POST GRAD PRESS
Mari Lynott

ASSESSMENTS
It's never too early to start preparing!
ALL STUDENTS ARE AUTOMATICALLY SIGNED UP TO TAKE THEIR DESIGNATED ASSESSMENT!

SPRING ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE
SCHOOL DAY - SAT - April 13, 2022
SCHOOL DAY - PSAT10 - April 14, 2022
SCHOOL DAY - PSAT 9 - April 15, 2022
CMAS - 11th grade - April 15, 2022

- Check out test-specific info below to get started.
- Need help accessing your College Board account?
- Juniors: Need a paper based CMAS assessment? Contact khogan@dcsdk12.org
- Students or parents/guardians can call the College Board Student Line at 866-917-9030 (option 2).

The next national testing date for SAT is March 12, 2022.

CONGRATULATIONS Jackson Engles
ROTARY CLUB of PARKER
Please read what his nominating teachers had to say about him:

As a teacher, I have been fortunate to have Jackson Engles in my classes over these last four years as well as having him in the Technology Student Association this year. Jackson is not only a bright and hardworking student, but one of the most insightful and communicative students that I have had in my seven years as a teacher. He is always willing to help his fellow classmates and if things get too serious he is willing to talk about anything to engage them.

Jackson is currently the President of the Technology Students Association (TSA) a club that with his input was able to finish in 3rd place at the Front Range Best Robotics competition in 2021. Jackson is a member of National Honor Society (NHS). He is also the Vice President of Mu Alpha Theta which is the Math club.

He has also been a 4 year team member and 4 time letter winner for the Rugby team that plays for Ponderosa, Legend and Chaparral. He has done all of this while posting a 4.25 GPA and turning in a great deal of community service hours.

I can't think of a student more deserving of recognition for his involvement in every aspect of Ponderosa High School. Jackson really does embody the Proud - Productive - Proven Ponderosa High School Motto. Congratulations Jackson!

The Rotary Club of Parker, Colorado is a volunteer service organization whose members donate their time and resources to help others in the community and throughout the world. The organization recognizes students from the Parker area high schools weekly.

CONGRATULATIONS - APPLE AWARD
Ponderosa is proud to announce its Apple Award Representatives - Kayla Diaz and Jennie Streighton!

ASSESSMENT PREP - Post Grad Press
There are still a few spots available for the upcoming free ACT and SAT practice tests. Below are opportunities for ANY high school student (9th - 12th grade) to take a FREE ACT and/or SAT practice test. Families (students and parents together) can receive the student's score and trend analysis by scheduling a free, 1-hour meeting with Class 101 to review the student's test. Meetings can be scheduled by contacting 720-767-3101 or lweitenhagen@class101.com.

SAT
January 15 at Lone Tree Library, 10:30am Check-in
MESSAGE FROM PHS NURSE

Ponderosa is currently experiencing a high volume of sick calls, with a significant amount of them being COVID-19 positive. COVID exposure letters are still being sent out to families. Due to this volume, it may be a day or two before the information is shared. Thank you for your understanding.

PONDEROSA THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS...

The Skokie Detective Charter School

A Student-Directed Short Comedy for All Ages -

All the students are detectives-in-training at the Skokie Detective Charter School, learning firsthand how to follow the facts and find the culprit. But now, these miniature private eyes are about to discover their biggest case yet when students start acting strangely, monsters are spotted in the hallway, and their teacher goes missing! These student super sleuths reconstruct the day's events through four classic story-telling perspectives to solve the mystery in this clever and fast-paced comedy.

January 21 & 22
Tickets: General Admission - $5
https://our.show/ponderosaskokie

MESSAGE FROM COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Hello Parents and Guardians,
Please take a look at the next two videos on anxiety from Dr. Scott Cypers that can be found on this link.

Segment four provides tools for talking back to anxiety.

Segment five delves deeper into the actual steps needed for engaging their anxiety in an active way.

Please watch these videos if you could use some tips and tricks to help someone in your life that might be struggling with anxiety!

SOURCES OF STRENGTH

The Community Sources of Strength night scheduled for January 24th is postponed to a later date due to the impact that COVID is having on our school district and community. We are dedicated to providing the highest quality event for our Sources of Strengths supporters and look forward to another date. Further communication will be released about our rescheduled event.

WINTER 2022 COMMUNITY EVENT OPPORTUNITIES

National Western Stock Show
Colorado Avalanche
Colorado Mammoth
Denver Nuggets

For more information, click here!
### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### 2021 - 2022 BELL SCHEDULE

#### 2021 - 2022 DELAYED START BELL SCHEDULE

#### 2021 - 2022 CALENDAR

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