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Prospect PTSA – Build the Pride!

*Parent*Teacher*Student Association*

Thank you Lori Thomas and all of the parents who were on the Homecoming Decorating Committee! The students loved the food, decorations and were so appreciative.

If you missed Tyler Durman, check out his videos on Youtube or his parenting book Counterintuitive. He gave excellent advice on communicating and raising teenagers to be successful adults.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018

6:30-7:15pm PTSA Meeting in Room 30, General Meeting 7:30-8:30pm CPM Math Night run by our Math Department.

Are you confused about how to help your student with the CPM(College Preparatory Math) Curriculum? Then come to the CPM Math Night and learn from our PHS math faculty about what CPM is and what our math

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College and Career Center News

FAFSA, Dream Act, Scholarships...busy month for Seniors!

November is one of the most active months for our Seniors as they make their post secondary plans.

Deadlines for college applications are rolling out now. Please plan accordingly - do not wait for the November 30th deadline to submit applications! Try to have all applications done before the end of Thanksgiving break. Parents, if possible, have a lot of healthy snacks available. Seniors might experience some stress as they write multiple essays and a quick bite to eat can be a comfort as they navigate the details of college applications.



FAFSA and Dream Act are open!

If you are curious about more scholarship opportunities, please refer to our Scholarship Resources flyer for more information and tools to help you finance college. A popular app recommended by many colleges and universities is Raise.Me.

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faculty is doing to make this math curriculum more effective. The CPM Math Night was well attended last year and parents found this very useful. To check out previous meeting notes go:

prospectptsa.org/meetings/

Next PTSA Book Club Meeting – Mon, Nov. 5th, 7pm Library

We will be discussing chapters 3-6 of *Mindset*, Carol Dweck,. No worries if you missed the first meeting. This is an easy book to pick up and discuss and a great group.

PTSA Needs your Support! “Build our Pride”

If you joined your elementary or middle school Home & School Club or PTO please JOIN/Donate to the PTSA to support our amazing students and staff! *High School students’ education needs are more expensive than K-8th grades. Now is not the time to drop your school support. It is more important than ever to show your student your involvement.*

Join or learn more at ProspectPTSA.org

We Need Your Help!

Interested in helping with our Parent Education nights? Or want to get involved in another way?

Email: mailto:president@prospectptsa.org

Help Us Earn Money from your Computer:

Use Amazon Smile for all your purchases to help PTSA!

1. To support PTSA [go to ProspectPTSA.org](http://ProspectPTSA.org) and click on Amazon Smile icon on right before you purchase.

Sign Up for eScrip:

1. Log onto www.eScrip.com.
2. Enter the Prospect High School or PHS I.D: 137613021
3. Register your Lucky Card, debit, and/or credit cards

Grad Night - Tickets are on sale!

What is Grad Night? It is an all-night drug and alcohol-free celebration for our graduates at a surprise venue. It will include awesome socializing with friends, fantastic food, amazing entertainment, games, prizes and more! What a fabulous way to finish out Senior year with tons of your classmates!

When: Grad Night starts on Thursday, June 6th at 9:30 pm and ends at 6:00 am on Friday, June 7th.

Where: The venue is a graduation surprise! We will leave from and return to the Prospect parking lot.

How: Buses will provide transportation; all are required to ride the bus.

Cost: Tickets can be purchased for \$75 on campus on Oct. 30 - Nov. 2, Dec. 10-12, Jan. 10-15 in the lunch quad or online at <https://www.prospectptsa.org/GradNight/product-category/grad-night-ticket/>. On January 15th, price goes up to \$100 so get your discounted tickets now!

Please note that the event costs about \$200 per student to run and the other portion of the event is provided by fund raising. We want the entire senior class to be able to go. If you can afford to add on to your ticket price any donation amount, we appreciate your help making this event able to include everyone. Please let guidance or Mrs. Freeman know if you need help on the ticket price.



CLASS OF 2020

Junior Students and Families

Prospect High School will be hosting its annual Junior Parent and Student Night in the Performing Arts Center on **Wednesday, November 14th at 6:30 pm**. Don't miss out on this unique opportunity!

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2

SAT & ACT REGISTRATION DEADLINES

WWW.SAT.COLLEGEBOARD.ORG/REGISTER OR
WWW.ACTSTUDENT.ORG

SAT Test Date: December 1

ACT Test Date: December 8

NOVEMBER 4

CLAUDINE'S WINE EXPERIENCE
4:00 TO 7:00 PM

Buy tickets online by going to
tinyurl.com/claudinesevent

NOVEMBER 5

PTSA Book Club Meeting
7:00 PM in the Library
Discussion of Mindset by Carol Dweck

NOVEMBER 13

PTSA MEETING
6:30 TO 7:15
Room 30

Junior parents and students, Prospect is hosting a college information night **Wednesday, November 14th, at 6:30pm** in the **Prospect Performing Arts Center**. Please refer to the flyer for more details.

We are winding down the College Visits season with just 8 remaining colleges scheduled for the month of November. Your opinion is important to us. If there is a school or several schools you would like to see at Prospect, please let us know and we will encourage them to visit during their travel season in the fall of 2019.

Seniors, want your college applications reviewed by a team of experts? Submit your Personal Insight Questions and essay drafts to Ms. Bencomo by November 6th to be reviewed November 7th during our College App Crack Down. Each application will be reviewed at least twice. Students will be able to pick up their applications on the 8th to see the comments left by our panelists.

In career prep news, registration for next semester classes at Silicon Valley Career Technical Education Center (formally CCOC) opens November 1st. Classes are available in the morning (7:30 am - 9:30 am) or afternoon (12:30 pm - 3:30 pm). Some possible classes that still have space: Mechatronics, Mobile App Design, Auto Body Repair, Auto Body Refinishing, Baking and Catering, Culinary, and Trucks. *Students currently enrolled at SVCTE do NOT need to re-apply unless they are requesting to transfer classes at the semester.*

The College & Career Center is always open for students to drop by to ask questions or seek information about college or career choices. Please contact Amy Bencomo at abencomo@cuhsd.org if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions.

Class of 2019

Seniors: University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) campuses are now accepting applications for Fall 2018.

See next page for details

GOT TICKETS YET? for November 4th 4:00 – 7:00 PST

Buy tickets now online, by going to tinyurl.com/clauidinesevent

ADULT SOCIAL EVENT FUNDRAISER of the year at Claudine's Wine Experience in support of Grad Night.

Prospect parents and friends, please join us for this fun and special Grad Night 2019 Fund Raiser Fall into Fund Day Sunday: Adult Beverages (must be 21), Appetizers, Raffle* and Silent Auction**

What is Grad Night? It's a traditional fun and safe, all night party, at a surprise venue, for all of our graduating seniors organized by PTSA parents. Ticket sales cover only half of the expense (venue, food, transportation, activities etc.). The rest (\$15,000) comes from donations and fund raising.

Please help Prospect High School seniors celebrate graduation in a SAFE and FUN setting!

Claudine's Wine Experience is generously donating the appetizers. Please buy your tickets early so we know how much food to prepare!

***Raffle tickets will be sold online or at the event** for Graduation Reserved Parking Spot (9 drawings) and VIP Entrance line (3 drawings). You do not need to be present to win. Purchase raffle at <https://www.prospectptsa.org/GradNight/product-category/raffle-tickets/>.

****Silent Auction Items include:** Tahoe Cabin Weekend, Session with Jeff Cable Photography, (2) Passport Dining Cards, Graduation night Reserved Parking Spot, Graduation night VIP Entrance line, 2 Golf Lessons, Wine Tasting for 8

Remember to set you clocks back 1 hour Sunday November 4th !



Class of 2019 continued

Deadline to submit for UC and CSU is November 30th. Visit the links to apply:

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply (UC)

<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply> (CSU).

Seniors, do not wait until Thanksgiving vacation to start working on your college applications. **Students are encouraged to apply early!**

Top Five Reminders for First-Time Freshman Applicants to the UC or CSU:

1. Send official ACT, SAT and TOEFL scores to just one UC campus and UC will share them with all campuses to which you applied. CSU School Code = 3594. College Board will share official scores with all 23 campuses.
2. Check with specific UC/CSU campuses regarding last test date accepted. Some colleges/universities will accept the December Examination dates even though the application is due by November 30th. Indicate your December 2018 planned test date on the admission application; be sure to request that the official scores be sent to all 4-year university campus(es).
3. Do not send transcripts/academic records; UC/CSU will request them if they are needed during the review process.
4. Do not send letters of recommendation; UC/CSU do not require them or read them unless requested.
5. After submitting your application, check your email/portal **daily** for any communication from campuses regarding deadlines, required/missing documentation (transcript, test scores, etc..) or any other important information.

Private/Out-of-State universities: Seniors make sure that you check with the specific campus to confirm application and other required documentation deadlines; these may differ from UC/CSU deadlines. Students check if the specific campus(es) is on the Common Application Directory and accepts the common application by going to www.commonapp.org and create an account.

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Seniors: Some colleges and universities will still accept SAT and/or ACT results from no later than the December 2018 test date. Make sure you check with the specific campus to confirm that they will accept the December test date results. The PHS test center code number is 05710. The PHS school code number is 053344.

Part of the registration process is to request scores to be sent by College Board or ACT to your specific colleges. Colleges want official scores from College Board or ACT.

SAT website is:
www.sat.collegeboard.org/register

TEST DATE: December 1, 2018 / REGISTER by November 2, 2018

ACT website is:
www.actstudent.org

TEST DATE: December 8, 2018 / REGISTER by November 2, 2018

Community College: Seniors planning to apply to community college will begin the process in the Spring 2019. Stay tuned for more details in the Spring!

www.fafsa.ed.gov – FAFSA Application
www.fsaid.ed.gov – Create a FSA ID – electronic signature for students and parents - or -
<https://dream.csac.ca.gov> – CA DREAM ACT Application

Scholarship Opportunities: Naviance Family Connection can be used as a scholarship search tool:
www.naviance.com



Summer has been reluctant to leave us, weather-wise. Even those of us that prefer shorts and T-shirts to scarves and turtlenecks can't help but scratch their head at recent weather reports. "Eighty degrees? In *October*?" And it's not the first time in recent years that we've experienced this odd, seasonal mash-up. Sadly, the climate that permeates our dialogue as a society – especially in election years – has also stayed unusually, uncomfortably heated. The bitter venom in state and national ads now infects, far too often, the conversations we have with our neighbors and our co-workers. Suburbs and schools are not immune to this, but all of us who stay engaged in this quirky calling of education know that there is a method for untangling this knot of derision and division.

It starts with listening. It's so important to listen.

We must model listening as the first step to learning. Our young voters-in-training scrutinize our conversation as well as our instruction. When we take the time to hear their ideas, their questions, their histories, students build their sense of worth and value. They grow stronger in spirit, and consequently, are better equipped to learn. The most powerful lessons reach into students' own experience, giving them a chance to explore where math, science, and design might resonate in their lives, or how art, history, or literature might illuminate future paths. We have to model this empathy beyond the classroom, too. ASB leaders held student forums specifically to listen to students who did *not* attend Homecoming events, soliciting their honest feedback about how to better engage them; College Day gave students a chance to see and hear the narratives of several staff members, as well as a space to consider what their post-Prospect chapters might look like; and our Fall sports have been a resounding success not just because of the CCS berths (which we've certainly enjoyed and celebrated), but also with the pride, the work ethic, and the determination that our athletes have carried from the field and the gym into the rest of their lives.

We'll be administering a school climate survey to students, staff, and parents in November. This is our opportunity to authentically hear whether we have crafted an environment that gives students a place and a voice. Have we built a school that welcomes, connects, and authentically engages every student? It's very important that you tell us, and that your students tell us. I'm sure we have more work to do; thank you for guiding that work. We're listening.

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1^A	2^B Football vs. Yerba Buena (SENIOR NIGHT) 4pm/7pm	3 SAT @ Prospect ASB Sponsered Volunteer Day, 11am-3pm PHS Annual Open House, 1-4pm
4	5^A PTSA Hosted Book Club in the library @ 7pm	6^B	7^A Panther Paws meeting @ 7pm in the faculty lounge Grad Night meeting @ 7pm in the library	8^B Drama Club Showcase @ 7pm in the PAC	9^A	10
11	12 NO SCHOOL	13^B Fall Sports Banquet @ 7pm in the gym PTSA Meeting @ 6:30-7:15pm in room 30 PTSA Hosted CPM Parent Night 7:30-8:30pm in room 30	14^A Junior College Panel Night in the PAC @ 6:30pm	15^B Music Dept. Fall Gala Concert @ 7pm in the PAC	16^A	17
18	19 NO SCHOOL	20 NO SCHOOL	21 NO SCHOOL	22 NO SCHOOL	23 NO SCHOOL	24 Boys Soccer Alumni Game @ 11am in the stadium
25	26^B	27^A Music Boosters Mtg @ 6:30pm Grad Night meeting @ 7pm in the faculty lounge	28^B	29^A	30^B	