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### **Counseling Staff:**

### Tim Belleau (A-K)

Laura Kallenbach (L–Z)

Teresa Paulson, District Registrar/ Counseling Secretary Provide services to ALL students to be *college and career ready*!

- Course selection that fits future goals
- Academic and Career Planning (ACP)
- Middle school and post-secondary transitions
- Confidential problem-solving

# 100%graduate

### **PHS Graduation Requirements**

- 4 English credits
- 3 Social Studies credits
- 3 Math credits
- 3 Science credits
- 1.5 Physical Education credits
- .5 Health credit
- .5 Personal Finance credit
- 8.5 electives to total 24 credits

## Earn 6 credits yearly to graduate in 2026



### **Student Tips for Success**

- Daily attendance
- Do homework
- Prepare for tests/projects
- Seek help from teachers
- Follow the Warrior Way



#### Pass classes to earn credits

60% = D-

59% = F

### The Warrior Way

• Be Respectful • Be Responsible • Be Safe • Be Prepared • Be On Time





### Parent Tips



- Review grades weekly in IC
- Support attendance (only 10 days of absences allowed per year)
- Check email and HS website weekly
- Email teachers/counselors with concerns
- Attend school events



### Counseling Office Website

- Link to ACP software Xello
- Course Description Booklet
- College links and ACT test Info.
- Scholarship information
- Volunteer information
- Role of HS Counselor videos

### First Day – Sept. 1 Freshmen Only

### No classes that day



- Welcomed by Link Crew
- Meet Homeroom Teacher
- School Tour
- Get Chromebook
- PHS expectations
- Activity Fair



### Join our PHS Community



- Meet people with common interests
- Gain teamwork, volunteerism, and work ethic skills
- A plus for college admissions and scholarships
- Just have FUN!

### Studies have shown that students who participate in school activities get better grades!



Good grades and extra-curriculars allow for more choices in your future....





- Skilled jobs
- **Colleges**
- Scholarships

### Your Schedule

- Block and Skinny classes w/ Homeroom
- 5 min. Passing time
- 7:50 3:20 daily
- Lunch time (5th period class):

Block (Lunch 1) 11:38-12:08 Skinny (Lunch 2) 12:25-12:55

(Different time on early release Fridays)

- Closed campus for Grade 9
- Teachers, course times and/or lunches may change at semester

#### TONIGHT...

\*Find your classrooms

\*Meet your teachers

\*Move into your locker

### Thank You!

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Committed to the growth of ALL students, families and community.

#### We are glad you are here!

