

## Calendar of Events

May 1 to 4 Theatre Arts -  
*Fiddler on the Roof*

May 2 - Campus Closed for  
testing

May 7 - NHS - Election of  
Officers 11:30

May 13 - CAHSEE ELA Make-  
up 12:00 - 3:00

May 14 - CAHSEE Math Make  
-up 12:00 - 3:00

May 14 - CHEP Family Tour  
12:30

May 21 - Bio Lab

May 26 - Memorial Day

May 29 - 31 Theatre Arts -  
*Fiddler on the Roof* at PCHS

June 4 - Math Finals

June 4 - Grad Nite at Disney-  
land

June 6 - Last Day of School,  
Qtr. 4 Ends

June 10 - Senior Breakfast and  
Graduation Rehearsal

June 11, 2014 - Graduation  
Ceremony - at 11:00

July 4 - Independence Day  
Holiday

# Pacific Coast High School Newsletter

May/June 2014

## A Message from the Principal

### Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week

#### May 5th - 9th is Teacher and Staff Appreciation week for PCHS.

Please take time to email, or drop a  
thank you letter to a teacher or  
staff who has helped you this year.  
Little confirmations mean a lot.  
I feel so fortunate to be a part of a  
school that has such a friendly,  
professional, supportive and intelli-  
gent staff. I am so proud to hear  
comments from parents and  
students about how helpful and  
supportive and kind the staff is here  
at PCHS. We are very lucky.

I truly appreciate my staff and feel  
grateful everyday.

As the school year wraps up, I  
encourage all students (especially  
seniors) to not let up on their  
assignments. Work hard until the  
end and earn the grades you can be  
proud of.

We are here to help you in any  
way. Don't hesitate to ask. We  
want you to be successful.  
Anyone thinking about taking a  
course or two in the July - August  
session will need to get their  
registration paperwork in ASAP!

To Our Seniors.....  
Congratulations! Many of you  
have been with us for three or  
four years, some of you have  
joined us recently. No matter  
when you enrolled, you are a part  
of PCHS and I hope that you have  
learned and grown and have  
become a better student while  
you have been with us. We wish  
you future success on whatever  
path you choose. We look  
forward to celebrating with you  
at graduation. This is a very im-  
portant milestone in your life.  
Thank you for choosing PCHS.  
We wish you all the best in your  
future!



**Machele Kilgore**  
PCHS Principal

## Fall Registration and Summer Enrollment for current PCHS students

### Fall Registration:

All returning PCHS students  
should have turned in their fall  
2014-2015 registration forms. If  
you have not turned in your  
forms, please do so as soon as  
possible. The fall semester begins  
on August 25, 2014. We cannot  
enroll you in courses until your  
paperwork is received.

### July-August Enrollment (summer)

- Click on "Enrollment" - "PCHS  
Current Students."
- Complete and print all 3 enroll-  
ment forms.
- Parent and student must sign  
where indicated.
- Talk with your faculty advisor as  
to which courses are available.

- Return forms to your faculty  
advisor before **May 30, 2014**.
  - Keep the login directions.
  - Changes to courses may be  
made using the Add/Drop  
form by **June 25, 2014**.
- If you have any questions con-  
cerning registration forms, please  
contact Sandi Curtis at [scurtis@ocde.us](mailto:scurtis@ocde.us).

## Theatre Arts—Drama



### *Fiddler on the Roof*

- **Stage Door Cast** perform at **Stage Door Repertory Theatre** on:  
May 1st. 7:00 p.m.  
May 2nd. 7:00 p.m.  
May 3rd. 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.  
May 4th. 2:00 p.m.

Stage Door Theatre: 1045 N. Armando St., Suite A/B, Anaheim, CA 92806.

Tickets are \$10.00. Many of the tickets are sold out—contact Amy at [asydoruk@ocde.us](mailto:asydoruk@ocde.us) for ticket inquiries.

### AND

- **PCHS Cast** perform at **PCHS** on:  
May 29th. 7:00 p.m.  
May 30th. 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.  
May 31st. 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.

PCHS: 14262 Franklin Ave., Tustin, CA 92780.

Tickets are \$7.00 for general admission and \$5.00 for Students and children. Tickets will be available beginning May 12. For more information, contact Amy at [asydoruk@ocde.us](mailto:asydoruk@ocde.us) or Fawn Norrup at 714-245-6499.

## Math Finals



### **The Date: Wednesday, June 4, 2014**

Exams must be taken by this date to receive full credit. If you are unable to attend the testing date, contact your instructor to make arrangements to test earlier. Any exam taken after the testing date will incur a 50% penalty off earned points.

**The Time:** The following exam times are for both online and hybrid classes and are scheduled according to the **first initial of each student's last name:**

**8:30— A-F      10:30— M-S**  
**9:30— G-L      11:30— T-Z**

Math exams are not timed, and may take 30 minutes to a few hours to complete. All exams must be completed by 3 p.m., when the school closes.

### **What to Bring:**

- a pencil
- calculator
- handwritten notes - maximum 2 pp. of paper.

### **Math Support**

Monday 10:00-11:25  
Tuesday 9:00-12:00  
Wednesday 12:30-2:45  
Thursday 9:30-12:00

### **Test Taking Tips:**

- Study—form a study group.
- Do your homework.
- Review regularly.
- Ask for help—attend math support classes.
- Understand rather than memorize.
- To avoid anxiety—arrive early, answer the easier questions first. If you get stuck, leave it and go back. Take a deep breath—recall what you know.
- Get plenty of sleep the night before the exam.
- Eat a healthy breakfast.

## Grad Corner

### REMINDERS:

- Last call for your **BLUE 2014 Grad Information Sheet**. Be sure to turn it into Patty Brown upstairs. 714-245-6495. ([pbrown@ocde.us](mailto:pbrown@ocde.us))
- **GRADUATION SPEAKERS:** We are looking for 2 students who wish to speak at graduation. If you would like to be considered, please see Patty Brown for details and deadline.
- **ANNOUNCEMENTS** are scheduled to arrive at PCHS from Balfour on May 5th or 11th - contact Patty Brown.
- **GRAD NITE:** Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at Disneyland. For those of you who have purchased a ticket - your tickets and wristbands will be available June 2nd or 3rd at PCHS. See Patty Brown. Once you receive them, they cannot be replaced. So take care not to lose them.
- **CAPS and GOWNS** will be handed out at the Senior Breakfast.
- **SENIOR BREAKFAST:** June 10th @ 9:00 a.m. at PCHS (approximately 2 hours). Breakfast will be served for graduates, gowns distributed and graduation rehearsal will be held. **ALL GRADUATES NEED TO BE PRESENT AT THE REHEARSAL IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY.**
- **GRADUATION CEREMONY- LOCATION:** Plummer Auditorium, 203 E. Chapman Ave, Fullerton, CA **DATE:** Wednesday, June 11, 2014 **GRADUATES ARRIVAL TIME:** 9:30 a.m. (Please be prompt – allow time for traffic). **CEREMONY BEGINS:** 11:00 a.m. (Family & guests will be seated at 10:30 a.m.). Only Graduates will be admitted to the auditorium prior to 10:30 a.m.
- **All graduates' work and books must be turned in by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 30, 2014.**

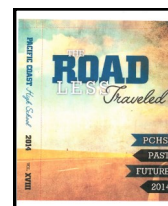


For more information, contact Patty Brown at 714-245-6495 or [pbrown@ocde.us](mailto:pbrown@ocde.us).

## Yearbook

**Have you purchased your yearbook?** Yearbooks are available for \$40.00, cash or check made payable to OCDE. Get them now while we have some left!

**Application for Yearbook Staff:** We are accepting applications for the next yearbook staff. For more information and to apply, contact Shanti Schiller at [sschiller@ocde.us](mailto:sschiller@ocde.us).



## BigSun Scholarship

### Attention Senior Athletes:

The BigSun Organization is proud to be able to help young athletes succeed in their academic pursuits.

They are offering an annual scholarship to a deserving senior athlete involved in any sport at their high school or in their community.

**Award amount:** \$500.00

**Application Deadline:** June 20, 2014

**For more information and to apply go to:** <http://www.bigsunathletics.com>.

Information is also available in our lobby.



## 2014 AES Scholarship

### Attention Seniors:

**AES Engineers** is continuing their support of higher education by providing scholarships to deserving students.

**Amount of Award:** \$500.00

**Deadline for entry:** Oct. 6, 2014

To be eligible, students need to answer one of the essay questions which they can find at: <http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm>. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of character, as determined by the evaluated essays they submit.

For more information, including previous winners, go to: <http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm>. Information is also available in our lobby.



## Cal Grant Competition

### Graduates who will be attending a Community College in the fall.

Students eligible to participate in the 2014 September Cal Grant Competition: Community College students who did not receive a Cal Grant award offer for the March 2, 2014 application process may still receive consideration for the 2014-15 September 2 award competition.

Students who did not apply for the March 2 award competition must:

- Complete a 2014-15 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) no later than September 2, 2014.
- Ensure that their verified grade point average (GPA) is submitted to the Commission for the 2014-15 Cal Grant application period by September 2nd.

If you have submitted your social security number to PCHS, your GPA has already been submitted.

- Have your Social Security number listed on a California Community College fall enrollment.
- Enroll in and attend a California Community College for the 2014 fall term.



## Planning for College

It's important for students to make educated decisions about where to apply to college and college visits play a definite role in that process. Here are five ways to trim the costs of those visits.

**Stay local.** "Do I want a large or small, urban or rural school?" If that's the case, do your exploring close to home.

**Cut the numbers.** Use the internet, school counselors and college fairs to narrow the list of prospective schools. Wait till spring when acceptances arrive, and visit two or three.

**a.** It's important to visit certain types of schools before applying. If you're a Californian and applying to the University of Maine or Michigan, you need to go see it in January.

**b.** Music and theatre majors need to meet with faculty.

**c.** Small, private schools see campus visits as an indication of your child's level of interest in them.

**Find hotel discounts.** Ask the hotel manager about college discounts when you book a room.

**Split costs.** Split travel expenses by bringing along friends who are interested in the same schools.

Some families also build college visits into their vacation plans.

**Live on Campus.** Many colleges offer an overnight program for prospective students. Even if you do not stay on campus, you'll want to eat on campus. It's cheaper than restaurants in town and it gives you a chance to interact with the real campus experts - other students.

**Book a tour.** Set up a tour with campus personnel before you visit.



## More Opportunities



### Summer at the Center

**Orange County Department of Education Safe Schools & Support Services—*Summer at the Center***

Don't miss out! OCDE/ACCESS and Segerstrom Center for the Arts announce open enrollment for *Summer at the Center*.

Summer at the Center is a program where high school students (grades 9-12) can attend two weeks of intensive theatre arts training including dancing, singing, acting and having fun.

Program dates are July 18 to August 2, 2014. Teachers will be notified of dates, times and locations. Submit completed application to your teacher before June 2, 2014. Applications are available in the PCHS lobby.



**Attention:** Government and U.S. History Students—**Constitutional Rights Foundation-Orange County (CRF-OC)** invites you and your teachers to attend a unique educational event. The Law Day Conference brings together students, teachers, judges, and attorneys to discuss, debate, and share opinions on current constitutional issues of interest to high school students.

**When:** Tuesday, May 20, 2014

**Where:** Whittier School of Law, Costa Mesa, CA 92626  
Lunch is provided.

**Topics:**

- Bullying and Bystander Liability
- Teacher Tenure
- Affirmative Action in College Admissions
- Violence in Society and Mental Health
- DNA and Privacy
- Peer Court

For more information and questions, contact Amy Sydoruk at 714-245-6492 or [asydoruk@ocde.us](mailto:asydoruk@ocde.us).



### Student Poll Worker Application—Upcoming Primary Election

**Attention Students:**

Interested in becoming a student poll worker at the upcoming election in June? The Registrar of Voters is preparing for the June 3, 2014, Statewide Direct Primary Election.

This election provides high school students the unique opportunity to be part of history and make a difference in their communities.

Apply online by visiting

[www.ocvote.com/volunteer](http://www.ocvote.com/volunteer).

Applications are also available in the lobby. Application deadline is May 20, 2014.

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## July/August and Fall Registration Questions & Answers

Here are some frequently asked questions regarding registration for Fall or July-August:

- **I did not receive my registration letter. What do I do?**  
Contact Sandi Curtis as soon as possible.
- **If I do not complete fall registration, will I be enrolled at PCHS for the fall?**  
No. PCHS is an independent study high school and is required to have a written and signed registration for each trimester. Students who do not complete registration are withdrawn on June 6, 2014.
- **I am not sure if I will be returning to PCHS in the fall. What should I do? Can I attend the July-August program even if I will not be attending in the fall?**  
Contact Sandi Curtis regarding fall registration. Yes, students may attend July-August program without attending in the fall.
- **Can I just register over the phone or fax in my registration paperwork?**  
No, Independent Study Law requires written agreements with original signatures; no faxing allowed.
- **I turned in my fall registration. I have now decided I would like to enroll in a July-August class. Is it too late?**  
No, it is not too late. We will be accepting July-August program enrollment up until 5/30/14 pending class availability.
- **I turned in my fall registration, but would now like to change a course I enrolled in for fall. What should I do?**  
If you wish to change something on your fall schedule, please contact your faculty advisor before June 6, 2014. After that date, all changes to fall courses will be made on August 25 and 26, 2014.
- **I turned in my registration for the July-August program, but would like to change the course(s) I listed. What should I do?**  
Contact your faculty advisor before June 6, 2014 and after that date complete a July-August Add/Drop form available on our website, July-August webpage. We will accept Add/Drop forms until June 30, 2014.
- **I signed up for fall registration at PCHS, but my plans have changed. What should I do?**  
If your plans changed before 6/06/14, contact Sandy Curtis or your faculty advisor. If your plans changed during the summer, please contact Kathy Fusaro at [kfusaro@ocde.us](mailto:kfusaro@ocde.us).
- **When will we have access to syllabi, books, online instructions, and passwords for the July-August program?**  
All courses are online. All syllabi will be made available online as of 7/01/14 to those students who have completed registration. Books are not required.
- **When do we pick up syllabi, books, online passwords and final student schedules for fall?**  
You may pick up student schedules, all hybrid course syllabi & books, purchase yearbooks, have student pictures taken and purchase student ID cards 8/25 and 8/26/14. Watch your mailbox for a letter in early August with more details regarding the start of the 2014-2015 school year.

## Holidays

**Memorial Day - May 26**, is a federal holiday honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U. S. military.



**Independence Day - July 4**, is a federal holiday in the U.S. commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776.

