

# PRINCETON HIGH SCHOOL TIGER TRIBUNE

September 30, 2022

TOP STORIES THIS ISSUE


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## PHS FALL CLUB FAIR OCTOBER 6!!

Our long awaited Club Fair is finally here! Due to some challenges with the letter day schedule and mandated testing, the fair was postponed until October 6th. Students will be able to participate in the club fair during their PE or Health Class, Free Period, and/or during Tiger Time.

At press time, over 125 clubs have submitted applications to be a club this school year! Applications to become a Club at PHS will remain open through the second marking period. There is still plenty of time to start a club at PHS. The Club Application is available to students through their PHS All Tiger Canvas Page under Club Hub.

Fall 2022/Winter 2023  
PIRL Cohort Announcement  
Princeton Introduction to Racial Literacy



PIRL | Princeton Introduction to Racial Literacy  
A Personal Journey to Antiracist Agency

pir (definition) to cause to revolve, spin, twist, move...

**Online Racial Literacy Course**  
Course Open from **November 14th - February 15th**

- Flexible/Asynchronous
- Online course facilitated within Canvas platform
- Anonymized participation
- Uses current models of best practice & research

• **Registration open from October 15th - November 11th**  
• Course must be completed by February 15th for credit

Register online at  
<https://tinyurl.com/PIRLfw2022>

## PIRL - Registration is Open for the Fall Cohort

In order for students to hold a leadership position such as a team captain, peer leader or club leader at PHS, students must complete Racial Literacy training. This training can be completed one of two ways:

1. Students may take our PIRL (Princeton Introduction to Racial Literacy) online course. This self paced online course runs three times a year (fall, spring, and summer.)
2. Students can enroll in the elective course Racial Literacy & Justice.

Since this is a newer requirement, students may participate in their training concurrently with their leadership roll. Please note that it is also a graduation requirement for all students in the Class of 2025, 26 and beyond to complete PIRL. [Register here.](#)

## Class Canvas Pages



All students should by now have been added and accepted into our PHS All Tigers Canvas Page.

Please make sure students have accepted that course invitation so they receive current up-to-the minute news they can use regarding school events, activities and important information.

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## The Week of Respect



PHS is celebrating the Week of Respect October 3-7 with the following spirit days! Collect Spirit cards and place them in the box at the front entrance for a chance to win prizes!

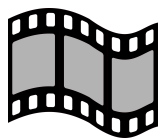
**Monday:** Put Bullying to rest! Wear PJs to School

**Tuesday:** Don't Sweat the Bullies! Wear Sweats and Sweatpants!

**Thursday:** Hats off to you! Wear your favorite hat.

**Friday:** Where are you from Friday? Celebrate your culture with your clothing or celebrate being from PHS with Blue and White.

Acapella Groups will be sharing the gift of song in the Cafeteria during break! Cats Meow on Monday and Around 8 on Thursday!



**FREE MOVIE NIGHT!!!!** Students can wrap up the week of respect with your fellow Tigers at Movie Night in the PAC Friday, October 7 at 7pm. The movie is currently being voted on through the PHS Canvas All Tiger Page.

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## PHS HACKATHON will be November 5 & 6.

Hackathons are where creative and enthusiastic people come together to build awesome projects in a single all-nighter. With awesome workshops and incredible prizes, hackers will learn about new tech, build innovative solutions to real-world problems, and share their creation with the community, all in one event. If you are looking for a competition, a place to meet fellow hackers, or even just a place to learn how to code, hackathons are for you. You are invited to take part in hack PHS on Nov 5-6! We will be doing admissions on a first-come first-serve basis, so apply ASAP! [Please register here.](https://dsboardhackphs.tech) For more info, [please click here.](#)



## School Picture Information:

**Pick up.** Students who took their photo on the second day of school will be able to pick up their IDs and photos (if applicable) this week during break on Tuesday and Friday, and all week next week during break. Location will be announced in morning announcements.

**Make-up/Re-take Day for 9, 10, and 11th grade is October 18th.** No appointment necessary. Seniors who did not sit for an ID Pic on the second day of school should also sit for a pic this day in order to receive a PHS ID card.

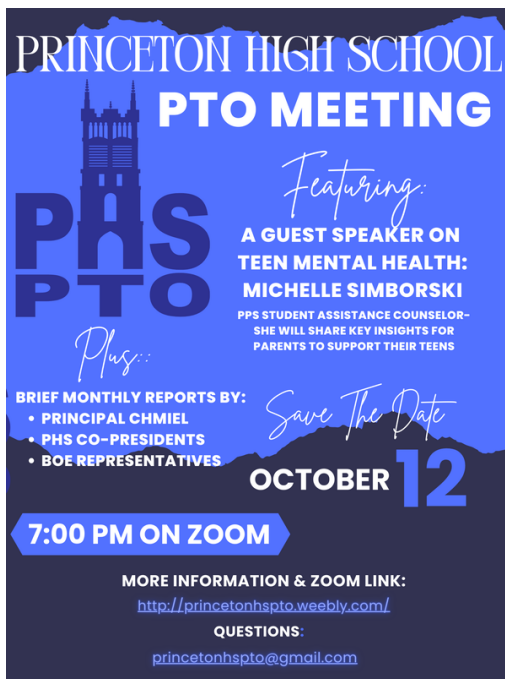
**School Pictures Purchases.** We received the school pictures for those who ordered a photo BEFORE picture day. Our Photography company changed things up without letting me know. They normally send a proof for those that didn't order with ordering info. But this year, they didn't! So I will get back to those wishing to order pics with directions asap.

**Senior Portraits by Lifetouch/Prestige:** Seniors should make an appointment to have their Cap and Gown photos taken asap. The link to make an appointment is [schedule.prestigeportraits.com](http://schedule.prestigeportraits.com).

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## PRINCETON HIGH SCHOOL PTO

[Please take a moment to check out the PTO Website. It is full with valuable up to date information for parents.](#)



**PRINCETON HIGH SCHOOL  
PTO MEETING**

**PHS  
PTO**

*Featuring:*  
**A GUEST SPEAKER ON  
TEEN MENTAL HEALTH:  
MICHELLE SIMBORSKI**  
PPS STUDENT ASSISTANCE COUNSELOR-  
SHE WILL SHARE KEY INSIGHTS FOR  
PARENTS TO SUPPORT THEIR TEENS

*Plus:*  
**BRIEF MONTHLY REPORTS BY:**  
• PRINCIPAL CHMIEL  
• PHS CO-PRESIDENTS  
• BOE REPRESENTATIVES

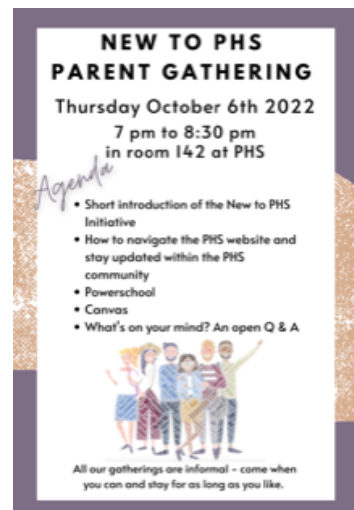
*Save The Date*  
**OCTOBER 12**

**7:00 PM ON ZOOM**

**MORE INFORMATION & ZOOM LINK:**  
<http://princetonhspto.weebly.com/>  
**QUESTIONS:**  
[princetonhspto@gmail.com](mailto:princetonhspto@gmail.com)

**PHS PTO General Meeting will be on October 12 at 7pm via zoom.** The topic of the evening will be Teen Mental Health with PHS Student Assistance Counselor Ms. Michelle Simborski. Zoom Link coming soon.

**The New To Princeton Group will also meet this month on October 6 from 7pm to 8:30pm.** This meeting is in person in Room 142 at PHS.




**NEW TO PHS  
PARENT GATHERING**

Thursday October 6th 2022  
7 pm to 8:30 pm  
in room 142 at PHS

*Agenda*

- Short introduction of the New to PHS Initiative
- How to navigate the PHS website and stay updated within the PHS community
- Powerschool
- Canvas
- What's on your mind? An open Q & A



All our gatherings are informal - come when you can and stay for as long as you like.

## The College Counselors Corner:

check out this website for information:

<https://www.princetonk12.org/princeton-high-school/academics/school-counseling/college-counselors-corner>

### Naviance:

- Parents, please set up a Naviance Account to receive updates and information about scholarships and other news. Click on this link to for directions on how to set up an account:  
<https://www.princetonk12.org/princeton-high-school/academics/school-counseling/access-naviance>

### Presentations/Programming:

- Princeton Review Presentation, Wednesday, 9/28, video will be posted soon at the College Counselor's website
- Senior College Application Night-Monday, 10/3 at 7pm in the PAC
- 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students, join us for the MCCC On-Ramps To College Program presentation—10/6 @ break, 11:04-11:34. More information at this website:  
[https://www.mccc.edu/omic\\_grant.shtml](https://www.mccc.edu/omic_grant.shtml)
- Seniors, Want to get accepted to college in one day? Join us for College Instant Decision Day Week, 10/31-11/4, 9:00am-11:00am, close to 20 different colleges/university in attendance. Stay tuned for more information!

### Important Dates/Deadlines:

- FAFSA--Free Application for Federal Student Aid Application opens tomorrow, Saturday, 10/1/2022
  - The first step to start the FAFSA is to create and FSA ID at this link:  
<https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/personal-info>
  - BOTH the Parent and the Student need to create an FSA ID

### Scholarships:

- Scholarships are all posted to our Naviance Scholarships page and sent out via news blasts via Naviance. Check the scholarships page often as we update this information frequently!

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## Mercer County Technical Schools Update:

[www.MCTS.edu](http://www.MCTS.edu)

<https://www.mcts.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/23-24-Program-Offerings.pdf>

<https://www.mcts.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/22-23-MCTS-Course-Book.pdf>

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLSbfrLN2hOp5qwY\\_KUqZZFSrUaZzw5bMN](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLSbfrLN2hOp5qwY_KUqZZFSrUaZzw5bMN)

### Attention Interested Students and Parents/Guardians:

MCTS is now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year!

Programs fill up fast, so students should apply now!

For Shared-Time Programs, apply in 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade, to attend in 11<sup>th</sup> and/or 12<sup>th</sup> grade. For Career Prep at Mercer County Community College, apply in 11<sup>th</sup> grade to attend in 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

\*if you have a younger student in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, they can apply to an MCTS Academy program that they would attend from 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.

### **Tentative Save the Dates:**

December 2, 2022 - MCTS grade level assemblies

December 7, 2022 - PTO meeting for parents with MCTS guest speaker

December 16, 2022 - MCTS Field Trip to the Sypek & Assunpink campuses - please let your counselor, case manager, and/or Dr. Dinan know if you are interested in attending, and to obtain a permission slip (once available)

### **District Information Sessions**

#### In-Person District Information Sessions

Thursday, October 27, 2022, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.  
Arthur R. Sypek - 129 Bull Run Road, Pennington, NJ 08534

Tuesday, November 15, 2022, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.  
Assunpink - 1085 Old Trenton Road, Trenton, NJ 08690

Thursday, December 15, 2022, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.  
Arthur R. Sypek - 129 Bull Run Road, Pennington, NJ 08534

#### **Virtual District Information Sessions**

Wednesday, November 30, 2022, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.  
Google Meet: [bit.ly/mcts-november-2022](https://bit.ly/mcts-november-2022)  
(US) +1 513-818-1326  
PIN: 281 853 816#

Tuesday, January 10, 2023, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.  
Google Meet: [bit.ly/mcts-january-2023](https://bit.ly/mcts-january-2023)  
(US) +1 570-671-0180  
PIN: 544 157 935#

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## **PRINCETON SUSTAINABILITY**

**S.H.R.E.D.fest 2022:** The Princeton Municipality's annual S.H.R.E.D.fest will be held on Saturday, October 15 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm (or until the trucks are full). S.H.R.E.D.fest will be held at Westminster Choir College at 101 Walnut Lane. Sustainable Princeton will be there, collecting block styrofoam, reusable bags, old cell phones, taped batteries, and more for recycling and upcycling. For more details, please visit [bit.ly/SP-SHRED-Oct2022](https://bit.ly/SP-SHRED-Oct2022). Also, check out the Municipality's website for a comprehensive list of what you can and cannot bring.

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## In our COMMUNITY

**The 101: Fund, PHS' college scholarship fund, is holding a benefit on October 22, 2022.**

The 101: Fund Executive Board cordially invites you to help us celebrate over 50 years of helping Princeton High school graduates realize their college dreams. In March of 2020 we regretfully cancelled our 50th anniversary party due to the pandemic, but over the past two years we have continued to raise money, award scholarships, and support students. We awarded **\$305,000 in 27 scholarships to 27 students in 2022** alone! Now—three years after our last annual benefit—we are planning to gather in person to celebrate our students, the organization's survival through the pandemic, and you—our friends and supporters!

When: Saturday, October 22, 2022, 6:00-11:00 pm

Where: Princeton Italian-American Sportsmen's Club, 8 Founders Lane, Princeton

Parking Info: Parking is limited; please consider carpooling or using Uber/Lyft.

Featuring a delicious cocktail-style dinner catered by Chambers Walk and fabulous LIVE MUSIC by the one-and-only Franklin Alison band, a local favorite!

\*Guests must be 21 years and older. For more information, go to <https://www.101fund.org/events>

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