# PRINCETON HIGH SCHOOL TIGER TRIBUNE

# October 1-October 8

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**TRUE BLUE WEEK** is October 4-8! Re-Introducing True Blue Week!!! The first full week of October is officially the Week of Respect, but at PHS we like to call it True Blue Week to promote respect, acceptance and kindness throughout our school community. We hope all our students and staff will participate in this week's dress up activities to promote respect! Our week will be capped

off with an outdoor movie night on October 8th at 7pm on the upper field next to the tennis courts. We will be showing Big Hero 6!! Let's start off by putting bullying to rest and wearing PJs on Monday!



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#### Visit our site for more information: www.princetonhspto.weebly.com

Did you miss the PTO Meeting last week? Our guest speaker Lisa DiSciullo, certified parent coach/trainer, shared her advice and insights on Supporting Your Teen in the New School Year. You can watch the recording here! <u>https://princetonk12.zoom.us/rec/share/hjq1sdVAv2pLSzgskqzNwhpB7iRGW\_A4A8jsmwxE0cH4WiriHu5</u> <u>MhfNdeA08s72L.xiwE\_GQXpqKnZ15N</u>

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# Meet & Greet with Principal Chmiel

Join us for an informative morning at PHS. Hear Principal Chmiel's plan for the future and share your thoughts and ideas on how to strengthen our PHS community.

Wednesday, October 6, 2021 8:35 AM @PHS Front Lawn (Center Tent)





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Want to get involved? We need parent ambassadors to help our new families.

#### Sign up today.

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#### Facebook group for new families. https://www.facebook.com/groups/PHSnewfamiliesandfriends

#### For students: Join the **PHS Transfer Students and Friends club**. Student Club Website

They don't have to be a transfer student to join and meet other students.

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## Mercer County Parks: Just a Walk

Sunday, October 3, 1-3:30 p.m., Mercer County Park, East Picnic Area, Free For more information and to register, visit http://www.mercercountyparks.org/#!/calendar/just-hike-oct3/

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Looking for some new hiking trails? Visit https://njtrails.org for ideas.

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# **Events in Our Community**

Housing Initiatives of Princeton (HIP) Annual HIP Rent Party: Saturday, October 23, 2021 For more information visit <u>https://housinginitiativesofprinceton.org/</u> Housing Initiatives of Princeton (HIP) helps low-income working families and individuals in and around Princeton avoid homelessness. While providing transitional housing and temporary rental assistance, HIP equips families with tools for self-sufficiency, acting as a bridge between homelessness and hope. They provide transitional housing coupled with supportive services and temporary rental assistance – including arrears, first month's rent or security deposit – to enable low-income families to retain existing housing or acquire affordable housing. They work to raise awareness of insufficient housing options and challenges facing the working poor.

The Tiger Tribune is a weekly communication for PHS Families.

**Princeton High School** 151 Moore Street, Princeton, NJ 08540 For submissions: Email <u>tigertribune20@princetonk12.org</u>



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# Welcome to PHS FALL SPIRIT WEEK!



Monday - World Cultures Day - SHARE YOUR CULTURE WITH PHS!

Tuesday - Tacky Tourist Tuesday - WEAR YOUR FAVORITE VACA GEAR!

Wednesday - CLASS COLORS DAY

9th Grade - Orange

10th Grade - Red

11th Grade - Yellow

12th Grade - Green

Thursday - Throw Back Thursday - DRESS IN YOUR FAVE DECADE (Y2k, 70's, 80's, etc)

Friday - Tiger Friday - DRESS IN PHS TIGER WEAR OR BLUE AND WHITE



# PHS PEP RALLY DAY & HOMECOMING!

The Fall Pep Rally will be held on Wednesday, October 13th! Students who are in the building will report to their homerooms after break. 9th Graders will remain with their Peer Groups. All will convene to the PHS Tiger Stadium

when announced for the celebration! We will have games, cheers, music and giveaways! See you there!



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# www.mylifetouch.com Picture Day ID: EVT9GX6BT

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SENIORS - CAP AND GOWN FORMS FOR GRADUATION ARE OVERDUE!!! Please make sure you have filled out the form and submitted your payment to Ms. Salmons in the Main Office by Friday, October 15.

https://forms.gle/bapE334sPtB8rHCy6



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Join Zoom Meeting

https://princetonk12.zoom.us/j/86025487851?pwd=YzdVSUxzZ2YvN0tkZjBJWFI5M09 HUT09

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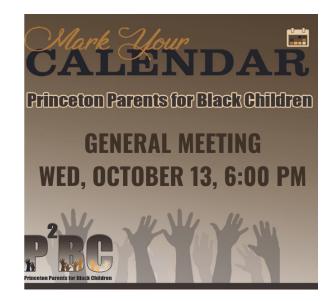
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**Princeton Parents for Black Children was registered as a 501 (c) 3 non profit organization in November 2020.** It is a collective voice that advocates for equity and supports all Black students in the Princeton Public School District. All parents of Black Children in the district are automatically regular members. Allies are welcome to join us as associates. Please connect with us and join us at our next General Membership Meeting on Wednesday, October 13th @ 6:00 pm via zoom. For questions, email us at princetonpbc@gmail.com or visit our website princetonparentsforblackchildren.org

Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81940819773?pwd=TkxrUmJmamNjS0l6S25RRjk4cTlzUT09</u>

> Meeting ID: 819 4081 9773 Passcode: 812317



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- The most developed countries in the world spent \$35 billion on bottled water.
- It takes 1.5 million barrels of crude oil to make PET water bottles, globally. This is enough oil to fuel 100,000 American cars for a year.
- The industry used 2.7 tons of plastic to bottle water. 86 percent of that plastic becomes garbage or litter.
- 1500 plastic water bottles are being used every second in the United States alone. These stats make the United States the biggest bottled water market in the world.
- US landfills are overflowing with 2 million tons of discarded water bottles alone.
- Making water bottles for the US generates a billion pounds of carbon dioxide each year.
- The energy we waste using bottled water would be enough to power 190,000 homes.
- Last year, the average American used 167 disposable water bottles but only recycled 38.3.
- Americans used about 50 billion plastic water bottles last year. However, the U.S.'s recycling rate for plastic is only 23 percent, which means 38 billion water bottles more than \$1 billion worth of plastic are wasted each year.
- Next to plastic bags, plastic bottles are the most prevalent (and unsightly) source of pollution found on our beaches and shores. Each year, over 500 billion disposable bottles and cups end up littering our soil, rivers, lakes and oceans, killing countless fish and animals.
- •Water bottles take over 1,000 years to biodegrade, and if incinerated, they produce toxic fumes.
- Once you add in the water needed to manufacture paper labels and transportation fuel, it actually takes closer to SIX bottles of water to produce 1 liter of bottled water.

The most sustainable option is to bring your own filtered tap water from home, in a reusable bottle. The healthiest reusable bottle options are glass and stainless steel.

Visit https://www.ewg.org/tapwater/ for information on what contaminants are in your water and find information on the best filter to use.

Are there any instances when serving bottled water is appropriate? Actually, yes. If you are hosting an event and need to provide water because guests are not able to bring their own reusable bottles, then single-use bottles are ok, as long as you remind your guests to recycle empty bottles (bottle tops go in the trash). Surprisingly this is a better option than providing water in pitchers with cups, because the cups would need to be thrown away. The best option, though, is always to encourage people to bring their own or provide reusable cups that can be washed.

### For more information, visit

https://www.smallfootprintfamily.com/why-plastic-bottles-are-bad-for-the-environ ment https://thewaterproject.org/bottledwater/bottled\_water\_wasteful https://www.hydratelife.org/bottled-water-why-its-bad-for-you-the-environment-an d-water-3/ http://www.gogreen.org/blog/impacts-of-plastic-water-bottles

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### 2021 Princeton Environmental Film Festival Fall Edition

Tuesday, October 12-Sunday, October 24

Online with one in-person screening on October 15

The Fall Edition of the 2021 Princeton Environmental Film Festival (PEFF) features 34 films — 20 short films, 13 feature-length documentary films, and one short narrative film. In its 15th year, the Festival is currently being held online with the exception of one in-person screening at the Princeton Public Library on October 15. The lineup and instructions for viewing the films using the Eventive platform can be found at the PEFF website.

### Sustainable Princeton @ S.H.R.E.D.fest

Saturday, October 16, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Thanet Circle This is Princeton's annual shredding and electronics recycling event for residents. Please review the Municipality's collections and drop-off instructions here. Sustainable Princeton will collect each of the following items for recycling or upcycling. Please read the green italicized instructions carefully.

- Batteries: All types of batteries from handheld devices will be reused or recycled through Wireless Alliance. NOTE: No corroded batteries. No car or other large batteries. Battery ends must be sealed with clear tape to prevent electrical discharge during shipping.
- Block Styrofoam<sup>™</sup> and peanuts: Packaging Styrofoam<sup>™</sup> used to encase a fragile item can be locally upcycled into picture frames. NOTE: All Styrofoam<sup>™</sup> must be brought in a CLOSED BAG to prevent debris during transportation and storage! This collection does NOT include plates, cups, egg cartons, or take-out boxes. No spongey lookalike foams. i.e., Styrofoam<sup>™</sup> breaks or crumbles under force, while the lookalikes act more like a sponge that bends or compresses.
- Cell phones and tablets: All cell phones and tablets, as well as their accessories, can be refurbished or shredded for precious metals reclamation by Wireless Alliance. Review their information regarding data security. NOTE: To allow data cleansing of Apple products, disable the Find My iPhone Activation Lock.
- Printer cartridges: Ink cartridges will be refurbished or upcycled by Wireless Alliance. All printer cartridges, including laser and inkjet, are accepted.
- Wine corks: Synthetic or natural corks can be upcycled into art and building projects through the Cork Club program. Any cork is accepted.

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