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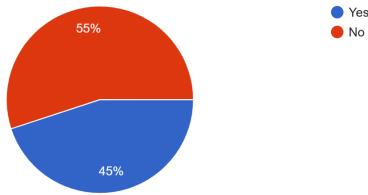
Board Meeting Report

March 2026

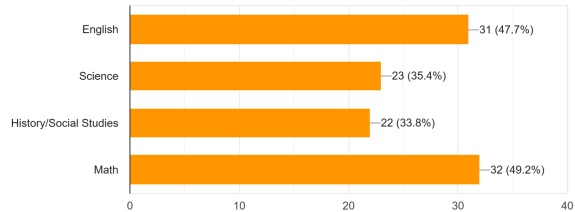
Academics

- 354 students are currently enrolled. The total number of new students enrolled this year is 91, the total number of students withdrawn this year is 132.
- 75 students are enrolled in IDLA.
- A draft schedule for next year is being developed. 117 7th-11th grade students answered a survey to assist in scheduling for the next school year. 45% were interested in Honors or AP courses. We would not be able to offer AP courses next year, but are looking at ways in which to offer Honors courses.

Would you be interested in taking an Honors or AP Courses ?
109 responses

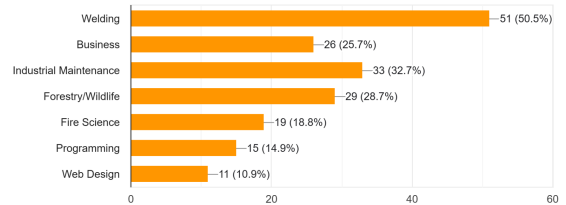


If so what Honors or AP courses would you like?
65 responses



- Electives with the highest priority for students included Speech and Debate, Sculpture, Outdoor Fitness, The History of Rock and Roll, Drama.
- The CTE pathways are also in high demand for students. Welding and Industrial Maintenance are the most requested of our current pathways.

What Career Technical Program are you interested in?
101 responses



- The Master Schedule for next year is limited in options for students. We would like to offer a wider variety of courses, but would need more staffing.
- The staffing wish list for PRLHS includes the following:
 - CTE Woodshop teacher- Completion of the new forestry building will relinquish the woodshop classroom, and the hiring of a new CTE Woodshop teacher will increase our CTE pathways, and give more flexibility to our master schedule. This position was part of the Levy proposal.
 - English/PE teacher - Hiring of a part time English teacher would allow PRLHS to offer honors English Courses. A part time PE teacher would allow PRLHS to transition to a AD/Dean of Students position.



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- Athletic Director/Dean of Students - This position would assist in discipline, and free the vice principal and principal to focus more on instructional leadership, and school culture.
- EdOptions Academy/IDLA monitor - this would be an expansion of the current 4 period a day position, that would monitor students enrolled in EdOptions Academy, our fully online educational program. Our exit survey indicates that desire to go online is the number one reason students are leaving PRLHS.
- College and Career Coach - This position would monitor student graduation progress, assist in creation of the state required 4 year plan, scholarship applications, and college and career readiness. This could be a non counselor position.
- PRLS has posted four category 1 positions: 2 English teachers, 1 SPED teacher, and 1 Science Teacher. These positions were filled with short term contracts, and had to be reposted due to Policy 5105.
- Credit petitions due to excessive absences and tardies have all been completed.
- Seniors are working on their college and trade school applications, as well as scholarship opportunities.
- Senior Project Presentations will be in Mid-May. We will be recruiting volunteers to judge presentations, and would love it if the Trustees could be part of these.
- ISAT testing will begin next week, and continue into April.

Events

- 3/4 - NAEP Testing for 8th Graders
- 3/10- Higher Ed Exploration Field Trip to Sandpoint High School
- 3/12 - Career Day -Postponed due to weather
- 3/13- Junior High Move Night 4:30 in the cafeteria
- 3/16 - Start of ISAT testing sessions
- 3/17 - Beginning Band Concert 6:30 in the Gym
- 3/20 - Spartan Booster Club Bingo, 6pm in the Cafeteria
- 3/25 - SAT Testing for all Juniors
- 3/26 - End of Quarter 3, Spring Break Send Off Assembly
- 3/27 - Teacher Work Day - Stop the Bleed Training
- 3/30 to 4/2 - Spring Break
- 4/8- Junior High Track Meet
- 4/9 - Parent Teacher Conferences
- 4/15 - Yearbook Purchase Deadline
- 4/16- Staff Coffee Klatch



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Sports

Softball, Baseball, Golf and Track are starting practice.

Celebrations from the Month

- Our Senior Student for this month is Petra Fernandez. The Office Staff and I are nominating her because " She is an ambitious and dedicated student who is currently working toward earning her CNA certification while also taking college courses to further her education. In addition to her academic pursuits, she has participated in the Distinguished Young Women program, demonstrating her commitment to leadership and personal growth. Soft-spoken and mature beyond her years, she approaches her goals with quiet determination and responsibility, making her a respected and positive member of our school community."

CAREER FAIR 2026

Tomorrow, PRLHS will welcome 22 local professionals who will share insights about their career paths and local opportunities. Attendance is mandatory for all students. Please find the schedule attached. A heartfelt thank you to all our volunteers for their support in making this event possible!

7:45-8:00 1st period
8:05-8:25 Welcome & Keynote
8:30-9:10 Breakout Session #1
9:15-9:55 Breakout Session #2
10:00-10:40 Breakout Session #3
10:45-11:15 Period 1
11:20-11:40 Period 2
11:45-12:25 Junior and Senior High Lunch
12:30-1:00 Period 3
1:05-1:35 Period 4
1:40-2:10 Period 5
2:15-2:45 Period 6
2:50-3:20 Period 7



IDAHO HIGHER EDUCATION TOUR



Appreciation for Sandpoint High School

A heartfelt thank you to Sandpoint High School for hosting the Higher Ed Tour. Students had the chance to engage with representatives from eight colleges and five military branches.



 **Date**
March 10th, 2026

 **Location**
Sandpoint High School