

Phoenix Notes

Renaissance High School

October 2022 Edition



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Upcoming Events

Count Day 10.5

PSAT/NMSQT (11th grade) 10.12

Parent Teacher Conference 10.12

Hustle for a Cause 10.20

Title 1 Parent Meeting 10.20

Phoenix Halloween 10.31

Quarter 1 Ends 10.31



Principal Stroughter's Corner



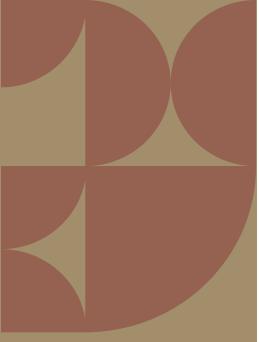
We have had a fantastic beginning to our school year! The energy is high, learning is happening, students are acclimated, and Homecoming 2022 was a success!

This month the junior class will take the PSAT/NMSQT assessment. This is a high stakes test in which they will have the opportunity to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Program, a nationwide competition for recognition and awards. This

assessment will also prepare them for the SAT that will occur in the spring. Please prepare by getting plenty of rest, eat a light breakfast and come prepared to win!

Too much of our dismay, we are still living with COVID-19. Parents, we ask that if your child does not feel well, please keep them at home and get them tested. We have over 1,200 students and staff to keep safe and this is a major mitigation factor.

Let's maintain our wonderful beginning and use this month to continue to RISE!



Congratulations!

Student Danielle Cade Evans for the illustration of Ms. Periwinkle, The Purple in my Rainbow

Student Troy Perkins has been named a Commended Student in the 2023 National Merit Scholarship Program for his score on The PSAT/NMSQT in 2021.

Ms. Janice Rowley, MCTE HS English Teacher of the Year & NCTE HS English Teacher of Excellence Award (Michigan)

After School Tutoring

- Monday Thursday,3:30pm 5:30pm
- Saturday, 8:30am -12:30pm
- Teachers available for ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies
- Students on academic probation & those with attendance make up time must report each session.
- Students reporting to tutoring must be in the room and out of the hallway by 3:30pm.

Parent Teacher Conference

Parent Teacher Conference is a chance for you to discuss the progress of your student in each of their classes. As a reminder, Quarter 1 ends on October 31^{st} and report cards will be available on November 7^{th} .

Parent teacher conferences will be held in person on Wednesday, October 12th from 2pm – 6pm.

Due to the limited number of spaces per teacher, we ask that you pack your patience as you may be waiting in line to see a teacher. Each conference will be limited to 5 minutes. We want to give all parents who attend an opportunity to speak with teachers. It is imperative that we stick to the 5-minute guideline. If more time is needed to discuss progress, please email the teacher to set up for additional time.

After School Tutoring Program

The After School Tutoring Program begins on Monday, October 3rd. The program will run Monday – Thursday from 3:30pm-5:30pm and Saturday from 8:30am-12:30pm. Registration is not required, however students who stay MUST report directly to their room and be picked up no later than 5:30pm.

Students will not be able to loiter in the hallways after school. Students must have a destination to stay after school.

Welcome Dr. Robyn Williams

We welcome our newest hire, Dr. Robyn Williams to the English Department who's first day was this past Thursday. Please see the note from Dr. Williams below.

Hello Parents and Guardians,

I'm Dr. Williams and I am excited about joining the Renaissance family and working with your children to help them attain success! I am a product of DPSCD and have served in the district in different capacities for several years. I believe that my background in English and Psychology with School Administrator certification and a Doctor of Ministry in Community Building and Organizing will assist me in helping your children continue to develop and grow. Teaching Creative Writing and the Writing Lab will enable me to impart knowledge about something that I am passionate about and deem very important. I am an avid reader and I love to travel. I look forward to working with you to help your children reach their full potential!