2021-2022 October Newsletter



Upcoming Calendar Events:

- October 20-Early Release for Parent Teacher Conferences 1:00pm
- October 20-Parent Teacher Conferences
 1:30-5pm
- October 26th–Special Board Meeting 3pm
- October 28-PTO Fall Carnival, Gym 5-7pm
- November 8-Governing Board Mtg, 6pm
- November 10-Celebrating Veterans 7:45-11:30am

NOTEWORTHY EFFORTS:

ALL STUDENTS-for finishing the 1st Quarter strong!

Colette-for a successful Fingerprint audit. Thanks for helping protect students.

Ray and Josh-for cleaning up and drying out the "swamp" near the greenhouse. Evidently, we haven't had a functioning sump pump for years.

David S.-thanks for your efforts during the first quarter AND best of luck in your next life phase.

Eric-for stepping into our HS Math & Science class.

You Are Invited

Community Members are encouraged to be a part of our Citizenship Character-building at 7:45 every morning, at the flagpole.

CONTACT US:

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YPS Community News 2021-2022: Reconnecting for Our Future

Financial Transparency: Where are we? How do I know?

Young Public School, like all public schools, operates on money provided by the citizens through the state. We also receive some funding from grants. This money serves as our district budget and provides us with what we need to run the school. Student Activity funds come from fund-raising and donations. Student Activity funds are controlled by the students. YPS is responsible to the public for accurate records of how every dollar is used. Our district is audited each year by private auditors not affiliated with the school or any employee, as well as by the state. All financial records are open to the public and are monitored by the elected Governing Board members each month. This includes receipts and expenses being approved regularly. I am happy and grateful to announce that our Stephanie Rider, our Chief Financial Officer has been and is doing an excellent job with the control and monitoring of all funds. Ms. Rider consistently reports all financial information to the Board and Student Activity leaders. The safeguards and procedures she has developed and implemented protect and use the funds to best provide quality educational programs. I am proud to have Ms. Rider as the steward of our funds. I invite anyone to visit the school with financial questions or concerns.

Mr. O'Donnell is welcoming and open to meeting each member of the YPS Community. His desire to move YPS forward is evident as seen in the efforts so far. His ears are open and he wants to hear ideas and concerns. Please make a point to connect with Mr. O'Donnell.

YPS and all of Pleasant Valley is proud of those
who have and do serve to protect our country
and its ideals. YPS will again this year recognize and honor our veterans on November 10,

2021.

The morning will begin at 7:45am with the flagraising, a couple songs, and some words from students.

We'll then move into the FFA room for sharing from and with our local veterans about their service.

New this year is the opportunity to honor a veteran, past or present, with a tree planted on the YPS school grounds. Sponsors may purchase a drought-tolerant tree (\$50) to become part of the landscape and a gathering place for families over time. Students will assist in the tree planting on November 10th. Additional information about the tree sponsorship is available in the school office or by calling 928-462-3244.

PTO FALL CARNIVAL

This year's Carnival will be October 28, 5-7 pm.
There will be food, fun, and games. If you want
to help, please contact PTO members Sara Bunce,
Julee Recker, or Natalie Mehen or call the school.

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UPDATES

-We currently have 52 students in K-12

-The old redbrick building will soon have new HVAC and electric. Watch for contractors during the next few weeks. Still planning to open the Weight-room after Christmas.

-Our first quarter finished well and students are already into the second quarter. Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance will be announced on our website.

-Our FFA program is restarted. They are still looking to increase active membership.

Current Openings:

-Teacher: Jr/Sr High Science-Math

If you are interested in applying, please email Stephanie for an application: srider@youngschool.org

Position details have been posted at the

school, around town, as well as on our web-

site. If you are interested in working or vol-

unteering with the us, please let us know.