



POCONO MOUNTAIN EAST HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear EHS Parent/Guardians

Pocono Mountain East High School is eager to continue our PRIDE program in the 2020-2021 schoolyear. PRIDE stands for Prepared, Respectful, Involved, Dependable, and Empathetic. This acronym guides all of Pocono Mountain School District and our positive behavior teams. The goal of the program is to create positive changes throughout the school environment by having clear and consistent goals for staff and students. The attached PRIDE Matrix has been expanded to include online learning this year.

At the high school we have PRIDE lessons reviewing expectations. We've created content specifically for virtual learning. We want to see every student be successful. A large part of PRIDE is celebrating success and spreading positivity. Students will receive PRIDE points and staff shout-outs recognizing their accomplishments. Students also have the opportunity to earn Marking Period Incentive. In order to qualify for these rewards students need to make the honor roll, have no major office referrals, and have no unlawful absences. Additionally at the end of the year we hold the Prestigious Incentive for students with perfect attendance, distinguished honors and no referrals. This is something every student should strive for.

Our East PRIDE Initiative Committee (EPIC) is a student - staff collaborative effort. This upperclassmen group includes over 50 EHS students who help to spread PRIDE in a variety of venues and formats throughout the year. They are a strong voice for students.

We will also continue to grow our Check and Connect program. Select staff is trained to provide individualized support to students with academic, attendance or behavioral needs. This program will be entering its second full year at EHS and looks to center on school engagement with a focus on graduation.

Finally, as we start the year with virtual learning it is critical to stay engaged. We need all students and families to stay connected. I encourage you to follow our EHS website at: <https://www.pmsd.org/Domain/10>
On Facebook we have also created a communication page at: PMSD East High School

Please continue to support your student by encouraging conversations at home about PRIDE and any upcoming events. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Walter Pawlowski (wpawlowski@pmsd.org) or 570-839-7121 ext. 80409.

WITH PRIDE,

WALTER PAWLOWSKI,
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

◆ TO PROVIDE DIVERSE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE MEMBERS OF THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY ◆

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