

### PIERCE PAGES

**NOVEMBER 1, 2020** 

2020-2021 EDITION 5



**ABOVE:** Aquarius students engaged in reading their scripted monologues during connection time. Theater acts expose students to new vocabulary and ways of communicating through dance, acting and music.

# COUNSQLOR'S >>>>>

It's that time of year! Every fall we receive requests from students and their parents to complete applications and write recommendations for admission to private/parochial schools. If your child is considering applying to a private/parochial school, please follow the guidelines listed below:

- Contact your child's grade level guidance counselor at least 3 weeks prior to the application deadline date via email or phone when you have made the decision that your child is going to apply to a private/parochial school
- Ask your child to complete the Student Information Sheet. Counselors need this form in order to complete the recommendations. Click <u>HERE</u> to access the form.
- Guidance counselors are responsible for completing the school report form and the principal/guidance recommendation.
- If other teacher recommendation letters are required, please contact your child's teacher(s) directly via email to make that request and follow up directly with those teachers.
- Please give both Guidance Counselors and Teachers at least 3 weeks to complete the application/ recommendation process.
- In the Spring, please let your child's Guidance Counselor know if they will be attending a Private School for the 2020-2021 school year.
- If you are having technical difficulties with the websites, please contact Ravena/Gateway or the private school directly.

## HEALTH ROOM REMINDERS: IMMUNIZATIONS

NEW – Influenza Requirement: Influenza 1 dose; seasonal influenza vaccine for the current flu season (July-June) must be received annually for anyone 6 months of age or older by December 31. New students entering school between January 1 and March 31 must have received a dose of vaccine for the current flu season for entry. Depending on the child's flu vaccination history, ACIP may recommend a second dose of flu vaccine in the same season. In these cases, the second dose is recommended but is not required for entry. All students in PK-12 must receive the seasonal influenza vaccine annually by December 31.

Students entering grade 7 will be required to present a physician's certificate attesting to immunizations against polio, measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis B, chicken pox or documented history of the disease, Tdap booster and one MenACWY. Please submit proof of these immunizations to the school nurse

If you have any questions regarding your child's health or absence please feel free to contact the school nurse, Barbara Perry, via email <a href="mailto:bperry@miltonps.org">bperry@miltonps.org</a> at or via phone at 617-696-4575.



#### Pierce Pink-kin Patch

Supporting the FIGHTERS ▼ Admiring the SURVIVORS Honoring the TAKEN ▼ Never Giving Up HOPE







Students in Ms. Powers' and Ms. Mitchell's connectior time painted pumpkins for the Pierce Pink-kin Patch.







**ABOVE:** Students enjoying a little Frisbee golf during wellness class.

REMINDER: All students will be remote through Wednesday, November 4. Hybrid students are scheduled to return to school on Thursday, November 5.

#### HELPFULRESOURCES



Ms. Jaquette - Gr. 6 Guidance Counselor
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Adjustment Counselors' Google Classroom Code luzd6uw



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