# PHS Student Ambassadors Date: December 8, 2020 Time: 3:30-5:00pm Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting



Attendance: Bob Maxwell, Courtney Hodge, Juston Pollestad, Tianyi Chen, Lily Johnston, Christopher Infranco, Dominic-Leonard Heidenreich, Jenica Thapa, Kellan Yoshikawa, Molly Jobson, Marissa Carper

## Representatives Absent: None

## Meeting Topics:

- Introductions
- > Overview of the goals of the student ambassador program
- Activity: Rose, Thorn, Bud
  - $\circ~$  Each student would brainstorm and then share the following:
    - Rose = A highlight, success, small win, or something positive that happened
    - Thorn = A challenge you experienced or something you can use more support with.
    - Bud = New ideas that have blossomed or something you are looking forward to knowing more about or experiencing.

# Essential Question:

- Bob posed the following question and the ambassadors had the opportunity to share: What is the most critical thing we need to do in order to be successful this year and/or what are the most critical items we need to focus on this year to improve all students' experiences at PHS?
  - Focus on informing students about the dangers of COVID-19 and the necessary safety protocols. If possible, make reviewing the information a requirement for students to complete.
  - Lack of social interaction for PHS students, create more clubs or activities for students to participate in online. Increase freshman participation.
  - More school resources for in regards to sports. Coaches create routines and or video instructions for students.
  - Encourage teachers to create more opportunities/activities that include peer interaction.
  - Strengthening teacher-student communication. Have more teachers do drop out sessions and more flexible times for students to connect with teachers.
  - Students need more non-academic activities.

- Prioritize making school enjoyable while also ensuring students get their learning. Varying levels of difficulty of assignments could be offered.
- Significant amount of zoom time spent in lecture propose more interactive group activities among students to help with the lack of social interaction.
- Supporting students especially in regards to Mental Health.
- Weekend zoom with all grade levels to allow for more peer interaction.
- Teachers check in with students more.
- Communication can always be improved. Any additional information or resources or students from the district would be helpful.
- Discouraging in-person interaction amongst students.
- Have more volunteering after school with local businesses.
- Are their ways students can help the teachers to lighten the work load?
- Bob will summarize the critical items and send out to the PHS Student Ambassadors to rank in order of importance.
- Student ambassadors will be introduced at the December 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Board meeting.

### Future Topics:

- Review the prioritized critical items that were ranked after feedback.
- Identify actionable items and look at process for working through addressing those critical items that are of high priority.

#### Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 9th from 3:30pm-5:00pm

### **Committee Members:**

Name	Representative
Bob Maxwell	Superintendent
Juston Pollestad	Pullman High School Principal
Courtney Hodge	Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
Lily Johnston	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Representative
Tianyi Chen	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Representative
Dominic-Leonard Heidenreich	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Representative
Marissa Carper	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Representative
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