

# POLAND REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

## STAFF

We are excited to welcome Christina Byther back as a .5 ELA teacher in our alternative program! We continue to interview for a student services aid (to replace Nelson Williams) and a social worker to replace Jenna Goldstein-Walsh.

## CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Professional development: 9<sup>th</sup> grade teachers, school counselors, and Patrick and I participated in two days of training on August 22 and 23 to implement the BARR program at the high school. Following the implementation of this program at the middle school last year, this program will ensure that students experience a great deal of support throughout their grades 7-9 experience and that the transition from the middle school to the high school will focus on not just building quality relationships but also on academic intervention when needed. Please follow this link to a recent article highlighting the effectiveness of the BARR program in school across the country.

<https://hechingerreport.org/a-little-known-program-has-lifted-9th-grade-performance-in-virtually-every-type-of-school/>

School based workshop days (August 24 and 28) focused on revising our assessment practices and grading practices to ensure that students who do not meet the standard on the first try continue to get ongoing instruction and support to learn the material. We continue our book study of "Seven strategies of Assessment for Learning," expanding on the new learning we engaged in last year.

### By the numbers:

- We have **61** students enrolled at LRTC
- We have **32** students enrolled in college classes first semester **9** students are enrolled in an AP4ALL course (online AP course offered through the state)
- Our current enrollment is 465 (480, 482, 484 for the last 3 years): 9<sup>th</sup>-115, 10<sup>th</sup>-111, 11<sup>th</sup>-130, 12<sup>th</sup>-107.
- We had **63** students meet enough standards to recover **52.5** credits in summer school.

## FACILITIES

The roof work in the first few days of school challenged us with noise and dust from the ceiling but it is complete and the roof is new!

## EVENTS

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September 5: Open House 6-7:30

September 11: distracted driving presentation to all students

September 12: Picture day

September 14: Celebration of 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of PRHS/WMS at home football game

September 27-29: Homecoming bonfire, football game, dance!

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