



# DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



## School Assemblies

Each month Pittsfield Elementary School and Pittsfield Middle High School have monthly assemblies to promote school programs, recognize individual, group, and school-wide accomplishments, and to foster school pride. Elementary school assemblies are the third Wednesday of each month at 8:15 a.m. in the school gymnasium. Grade levels rotate through hosting the assemblies. This month the sixth grade will host the assembly. At Pittsfield Middle High School our assemblies are the third Friday of each month at 12:25 p.m. in the school gymnasium. This year our IMPACT Team will be hosting the monthly assembly series. Families and community members are always welcome to attend. All you have to do is sign in at the main office and get a visitor's badge.



## SAT Exam Date

The SAT exam date has been rescheduled for Wednesday, October 25. All students (seniors and some juniors) taking the exam must report to testing locations by 8:00 a.m. All other high school students do not have to report to school until 9:27 a.m. If you have any questions regarding the testing schedule or the SAT exam, please contact Melissa Brown, at 435-6701 or at mbrown@pittsfieldnhschools.org.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Stand Up Pittsfield Meeting**  
PMHS Library  
October 16, 2017, 6:00 PM

**School Board Meeting**  
PMHS Library  
October 19, 2017, 5:30 PM

**Rotary Movie Night**  
PMHS Lecture Hall  
October 20, 2017, 6:30 PM

**PTO Trunk or Treat**  
PMHS Parking Lot  
October 21, 2017, 6:00 PM

**SAT Exam Date**  
PMHS Classrooms  
October 25, 2017, 8:00 AM

**School Board Meeting**  
PMHS Library  
November 2, 2017, 5:30 PM

**Rotary Club Penny Sale**  
PMHS Gym  
November 4, 2017, 7:00 PM

**Stand Up Pittsfield Meeting**  
PMHS Library  
November 7, 2017, 6:00 PM

The district calendar is available at:  
[www.pittsfieldnhschools.org](http://www.pittsfieldnhschools.org)

## Meet Ms. Engler

Amybeth Engler grew up and attended school in Ipswich, Massachusetts. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English Teaching from the University of New Hampshire and her CLAD Certification from California State University Dominguez Hills. While living in Los Angeles following college, Ms. Engler taught English at Locke High School through Teach for America. After returning to New England and starting a family, she enjoyed a variety of education and nonprofit related professional experiences. In addition to enjoying time with her three children, Ms. Engler is an avid runner who is usually training for a distance race.

### PARENTS CORNER

#### Early Release

This month's early release at PES is Wednesday, October 18. Students will be released from school at 11:30 a.m. Early release is the third Wednesday of each month.

#### Halloween Parade

The PES Halloween Parade is Friday, October 27, at 1:30. The parade will be at the elementary school this year. Families and community members are welcome to join us for the parade and classroom celebrations!

#### Student Assistance Program

This month's newsletter includes a newsletter from Amber Violette, our Student Assistance Program Counselor. The flyers highlight the mission of the program and the services the program offers including prevention education, individual and group counseling, crisis intervention.

### Late Start Becomes Service Learning Wednesday for Middle School Students

New and improved. That's this year's late start Wednesday for middle school students. With an emphasis on service learning, students have begun the process of brainstorming ideas to bring to the newly formed Rocky Ridge Town Forest to share with the Pittsfield Conservation Commission. Service learning focuses on the importance of community, assessment of community need, and opportunities to draw on the strengths of the community to support areas identified as needing improvement.

Students engaged in this new learning activity who meet the competencies set forth in the Extended Learning Opportunity rubrics will be awarded one half high school elective credit for their accomplishments. Be on the lookout for future updates of student progress as we continue this service learning throughout the year!

