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Weekly Family Update – September 8, 2025

Hello, Allderdice Families!

We hope that you had a great weekend! Students will have a half day this upcoming Friday and will be dismissed at 11:10 am. Lunch is not provided prior to dismissal.

Additionally, all students have received their laptops and should be bringing them to school every day.

Upcoming Dates

Mon., Sept. 8 – Wed., Sept. 17: Homecoming Tickets on sale (\$15) during lunches in the cafeteria

Fri., Sept. 12: half-day for students (11:10 am dismissal)

Mon., Sept. 15 – Mon., Sept. 22: CDT Testing for students – students must have their laptops

Tues., Sept. 16: PSCC Meeting at 6 pm (auditorium)

Thurs., Sept. 18: PTO Meeting at 6 pm (virtual, link will be sent)

Fri., Sept. 19: Homecoming Dance, 6-10 pm in the gym; students MUST have a ticket to attend.

Tues., Sept. 23: No School for Students (Rosh Hashanah)

Fri., Sept. 26: half-day for students (11:10 am dismissal)

Summer 2026 trip to Montréal and Québec

There will be an in-person informational meeting about Madame Fischer's trip to Montréal and Québec during the summer of 2026 on **Wednesday, September 10th**, at 6:00 pm at Allderdice in Room 114. We will visit Old Montréal, Notre Dame Basilica, Montmorency Falls, the Chateau Frontenac and more. During the meeting we will discuss our itinerary, what's included in the price, safety, and scholarship opportunities available for our students. This will be a truly impactful experience, and we are so excited that our students have this opportunity! Click to RSVP for the meeting: [RSVP HERE](#).

2025-26 Student Handbook

The 2025-26 Student Handbook is available for students and families to view by clicking [here](#). The handbook outlines all the school policies and procedures that will be in place throughout the school year. You can also access the handbook by visiting our [website](#) and clicking on Pittsburgh Allderdice 2025-26 School Handbook.

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Parent Hotline: 412-529-HELP (4357)

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College Application Presentations for Seniors

Counselors will be presenting in all 12th grade English classes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Presentations will include important information about the college application process, including dates, deadlines, upcoming fairs and admissions events, strategies for success and logistical information on how to process applications, transcript requests and letters of recommendation. The following documents will be shared with your students ([College Application FAQs](#); [College Application Process in Naviance](#); [Transcript Request Form](#)).

Upcoming College Fairs for Seniors

September 16 - Infinite Scholars Fair at Greenway (Click [here](#) for permission slip.)

September 30 - Pittsburgh Promise Preferred College Partners Fair (Click [here](#) for permission slip.)

October 9 - HBCU Steel City Fair - Permission slip not yet available.

Admissions Visits for Juniors and Seniors

Representatives from a variety of post-secondary institutions will be visiting Allderdice throughout the Fall. These visits will start on September 15 and will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during lunch periods in Room 114.

Juniors and Seniors can obtain a pass to attend from any counselor. Passes must be signed by their teacher, if a student will be missing class to attend. If a student misses class to attend a visit, they will be marked as a School Activity absence and are responsible for any missed work.

A schedule of these visits will be shared in upcoming Newsletters, on Microsoft Teams for students, and is available for students in Naviance.

Future-Ready Facilities Plan Update – Your Help Needed!



As part of the District's ongoing commitment to transparency and community engagement, Pittsburgh Public Schools is seeking input on the proposed [Future-Ready Facilities Plan](#). This plan includes potential school closures, reconfigurations, and feeder pattern changes that could affect many of our students and families.

Please take a few moments to complete the survey that can be found at this link: www.pghschools.org/futurereadysurvey. The survey closes on Sunday, September 14.

Whether the proposal directly impacts your school community or not, every voice matters. Feedback will help us better understand concerns, identify priorities, and plan thoughtfully for next steps should the Board approve a final plan.

Beginning of Year Forms

If you have not completed your back-to-school forms, please do so by visiting [Online Forms](#) as soon as possible. Paper copies of forms will not be sent home this year, so this is the best way to ensure your information is updated and on file. Please contact the main office with any questions. Thank you!

Club Catalog

The current club catalog can be accessed by clicking [here](#). Clubs are a great way for students to get involved and meet other students with similar interests. The catalog is always being updated, so continue to check back for updates! If a student is interested in a club that isn't listed, please see Mrs. Scheuring, Activities Director, for information about how you can get it started.

Additionally, all clubs and activities must complete the appropriate paperwork before holding meetings or hanging signs. See Mrs. Scheuring for the required paperwork.

Follow Allderdice High School on Social Media!

Follow Allderdice High School on the following social media platforms:

Facebook: Allderdice High School

Instagram: @allderdice_highschool

X (formerly known as Twitter): @AllderdiceHS

Athletics Updates

You can find all team schedules and updates at www.allderdicedragons.com.

Boys' Soccer

The Dragons moved their record to 3–3 this week with a strong 3–1 victory over Chartiers Valley followed by a tough 2–1 overtime loss on the road at Penn Trafford.

Senior captain Ethan Voight-Cherna earned Man of the Match honors in the win, leading the attack and now pacing the team with 3 goals and 5 assists on the season. In the Penn Trafford match, junior goalkeeper Harrison Fiscus was recognized for his excellent play, coming up with several outstanding saves to keep the Dragons in contention.

Overall, the team's effort and open play have been excellent, with chance creation continuing to improve. Converting more of those opportunities into goals will be the next step as the Dragons prepare for a challenging week ahead.

Next up, Allderdice travels to face perennial playoff opponents Latrobe (Wednesday) and Franklin Regional (Thursday). Fans are encouraged to come out in support, and to follow along on social media and at: <https://www.maxpreps.com/pa/pittsburgh/taylor-allderdice-dragons/soccer/>

Girls' Field Hockey

Despite the pouring rain on September 4th, the team showed incredible drive and a positive attitude throughout the game against Ellis. It was a challenging match, ending with a final score of 0–7, but the defensive energy on the field was undeniable.

Shoutout to goalkeeper Lillian Madoni, who recorded over a dozen impressive saves—her focus and determination never wavered. All of our defensive players earned a spot on the pyramid this week for their relentless effort and teamwork.

Leading the way was **Lucy Bindewald**, recognized for her tenacity and excellent blocking skills. **Mae Balog** made a huge impact by preventing two scoring opportunities with her sharp stickwork. Topping the list this week alongside Mae is **Priya Holloway**, whose fierce defensive moves kept the pressure on Ellis throughout the game.

We're looking ahead with excitement to **Senior Night on September 11, at 3:15 PM at Cupples Stadium**. Come out and support the team!

Girls' Tennis

The girls' tennis team improved their WPIAL record to 4-0 this week. The team defeated Thomas Jefferson 4-1 and Baldwin 4-1. The team has been practicing hard all season to win big matches like the team did this week. The team played with heart and discipline to improve their record to 4-0.

Winning matches for Dice at the singles positions were) Evelyn Lewis, Emme Anish , Lara Garrett and Ila Waldrup.. The winning doubles teams were) Myla Halasz/Lara Garrett and Cecilia Starr/Myla Halasz.

Participating in the junior varsity matches were Sara Bunting and the doubles team of Sofia Alacio Rivas/ Devorah Hartz.

Good luck to the team on Monday on the road against tennis powerhouse Shady Side Academy.

Cross Country

A Great Day for the Allderdice cross-country team at the Red, White, & Blue invitational at White Oak Park on Saturday. **27 Allderdice runners ran personal best times** for the Season. The Boys' varsity **finished 4th** out of **34** schools. Dice was led by **Top 25 finishers Will Kuchera, 16th, and Eli Coffey, 22nd**. Reeve Flotta, 28th, Henry Marriott, 57th, and Marc Lebita, 59th, completed the scoring. Aran McNutt, Kai Richardson, & Thomas Aldous completed the varsity squad.

The Girls' varsity **finished 11th** out of **27** schools, and we're led by Bailey White, followed by Tiana Tompkins, Annabelle Oberbarnscheidt, Zoe Densmore, & Olevia Steinhauer. Sivon Feinberg, Ceci Passero and Chloe Crawford completed the varsity squad.

The Freshman boys team finished 4th out of **14** schools, and were led by **award winner Max Brumley, 9th, and Milo Brasier, 24th**. Greyson Pegher, 26th, Beau Peterson, and Phineas Regan completed the scoring. Gabe Stagno, Braden Burger, and Canyon Rengers completed the Freshman Team

The Girl's freshman team finished 5th out of 13 schools. They were led by **award winner Selah McGinley, 12th**, Ellen Pastor, Leah Alpert, Noa Harding, & Sasha Coupland. Sujin Johnson completed the girls team.

The Girls' JV **finished 10th out of 23 schools**, and we are led by Lydia Csokai, Daniella Babichenko, Avery Short, Lucia Doeblor, & Ingrid Lund. Sylvia Svoboda completed the team. The Boys' JV **finished 10th out of 26 schools** and were led by **award winner Sam Tobais, 7th**, followed by David Rizzo, Cobi Davidson, Ezra Forrest, and Jake Worthington. Ryan Moak completed the team.
