

# 10/13/2021

# Meeting:

# Pines Charter

# NEHS



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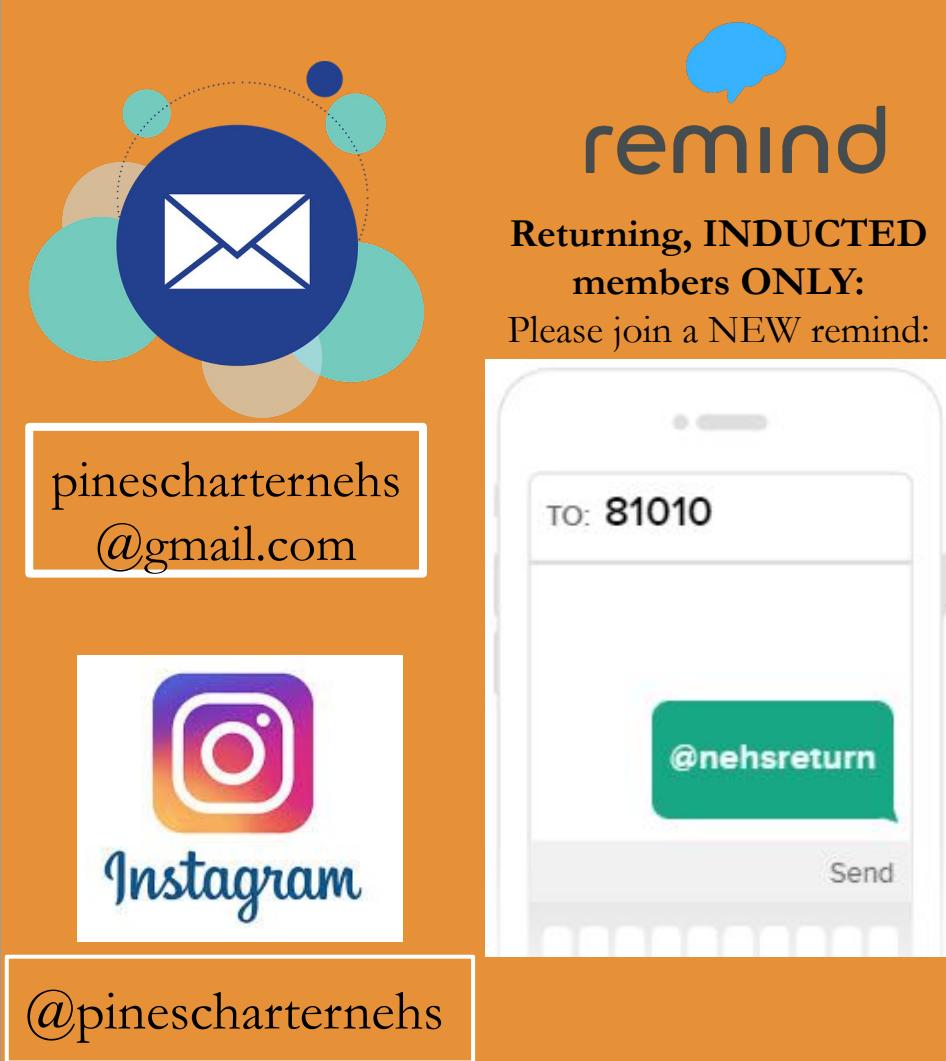
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# Stay Informed!

Make sure you have access to our NEHS Canvas course and are receiving emails from NEHS. If there is an issue please make sure to email us and we will figure it out.

Most info can be found at our [pinescharternehs website...](http://pinescharternehs.weebly.com)



# Banned Books Week: September 28th - October 2nd



@pinescharternehs

GEORGE

ALEX GINO



This book is one of my favorites! It is about a young girl who finds that she's struggling to be herself due to the fact that everyone sees her as a boy. Melissa is only in the fourth grade, and she finds that she doesn't identify with the name everyone's been referring to her with: George.

Celebrating Banned Books Week!

*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

*To Kill a Mockingbird* is a classic novel written by the American author Harper Lee and was published in 1960.

The book focuses on morality and racism. The book is banned in some schools for containing racism and offensive language.

Why Should You Read This Banned Book?

This book is important to read because it highlights the prejudice and treatment of black people at that time. Not only that, it contains very important life messages and advice, as well as indications on the issue of feminism at the time from the main character and other characters. All in all, it contains a lot of significant themes that make it worth reading!

Books Unite Us. Censorship Shuts Us. By: Sydney F. (10<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Banned Books Week

*Lord of the Flies* by William Golding

One of my favorite novels, *Lord of the Flies*, is considered a banned book by many schools that deem the book too vulgar or savage. While the book does have these elements, it is done so with a purpose. Some characters within the novel are portrayed as animalistic, and the book is used to teach children about the savagery of humans and helping them sanity. It's not false to state that some humans are indeed animalistic, and this book intends to highlight the high levels of savagery humans are capable of when placed into extraneous circumstances. The book never promotes the animalistic nature of humans portrayed, and instead advocates for the opposing view of these actions.

No matter what themes the book holds, literature in itself is meant to challenge our minds to think and to question the world around us and the figures within it. It is important to read this book and to allow its censorship, as it has unique symbolism and literary plot lines like no other. The characterization through symbolism William Golding, the author, evokes through his writing tells its readers that there is evil in everything and everyone. *Lord of the Flies* is a must read for those interested in allegorical pieces and psychological fiction.

Thank you to everyone who participated!

# Kinder Reading/ Debate Mentorship Updates!

- You can review submission requirements on the website!
  - If your video is over 5 minutes long we ask you send in a transcript
- We are currently reaching out to teachers at FSU to start live zoom meetings
- **You can still participate by sending in videos and media release forms to nehskrp@gmail.com and CC pinescharternehhs@gmail.com**
- Making a new video for the editing portion!
- Sign up for the book you want to read by filling out the google form on the website

# This month's PPCHS writing contest: SHORT STORY

- PPCHS SHORT STORY CONTEST
- Open to ANY current PPCHS student
- Submit an original short story written this year
- Should be 4-10 double-spaced pages
- Should use size 12 Times New Roman font
- Should be titled
- Do not put your name on the actual document
- Submit using [THIS LINK](#)
- Earn 3 NEHS hours for your submission
- Winner will...
  - Represent PPCHS in the Broward County Lit Fair
  - Be published in *the atala*
  - Be announced on our website and on social media



# NEHS Poetry Writing Contest

- ★ Open to returning (already inducted) members only.
- ★ Each month, members of the NEHS Advisory Council and Central Office personnel will read and select the best of the entries; the best submissions will be published through social media outlets and archived on the Society blog, NEHS Museletter.
- ★ This month's challenge is to write poetry with the theme "Power and Corruption" OR "Outside the Window". Members cannot submit more than three poems for a cycle. More information can be found [HERE](#)
- ★ Use size 12 font.
- ★ After submitting your entry to NEHS per their specifications, send evidence to our email: [pinescharternehs@gmail.com](mailto:pinescharternehs@gmail.com)
- ★ You will receive 2 hours for your properly completed submission.

# Bennington College Young Writers Award

Each year, students in the 9th-12th grades are invited to enter in one of the following categories: Poetry, Fiction, and Nonfiction.

First-place winners in each category are awarded a prize of **\$500**; second-place winners receive **\$250**; third-place winners receive **\$125**.

- All entries must be original work and sponsored by a high school teacher.

The competition runs annually until **November 1**. The winning submissions will be posted on the website in mid-April. More info can be found [HERE!](#)



*Great Opportunity!*

# NEHS Shirts/Sweatshirts

- Thank you to everyone who voted on a new design!
- Based on 106 votes, the following design has been chosen:



# New York Times: Coming of Age in 2021 Contest

The New York Times is offering an opportunity for teenagers across the country to submit multimedia describing their experience as a teenager during these times. Submissions can include writing, video, audio, and many other ways that you may digitally express oneself.

Winners will have their submission published on NYTimes.com or potentially in print.

- To submit this competition, it can be submitted to New York times directly and a screenshot can be sent to [pinescharternehs@gmail.com](mailto:pinescharternehs@gmail.com) to earn 2 hours for a properly completed submission.

The competition goes from **September 15 to October 27**. More info can be found [HERE!](#)





- Visit [poetryoutloud.org](http://poetryoutloud.org) to select a poem to recite at our NEHS Recite Night!
- Will be *live* event in early December
- Contestants will receive more information
- Earn 3 NEHS hours for your participation
- The top 10 Recite Night performers participate in PPCHS POL finals at NEHS Poetry Slam in early February.
- School POL champion wins \$100 and competes at the State Finals on March 5th (for \$\$\$).
- National winner gets \$20,000 scholarship!
- [Sign up to participate HERE!](#)
- Informational meeting for contestants TBA

# Annual NEHS Poetry Slam!

- Tentatively scheduled for early February
- Showcases original student poetry readings/performances, spoken word contest, & Poetry Out Loud Recitation Finals
- Announcement of Literary contest winners
- Participate as performer and earn NEHS hours!



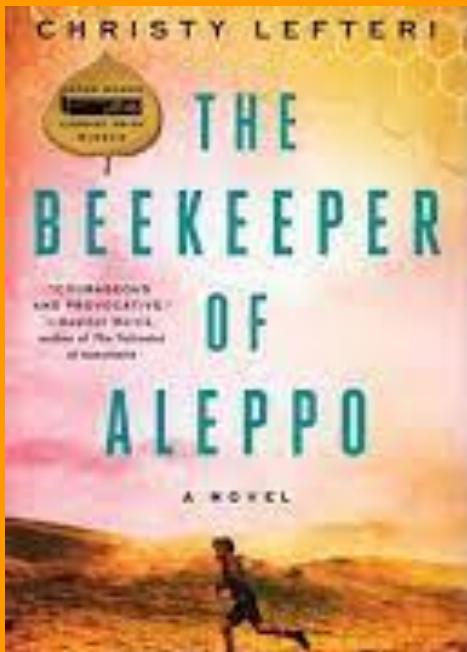


# the atala

a journal of poetry, prose, & literary criticism

- The first issue of our new literary journal will be released later this semester!
- Publish your own work!
- Earn NEHS hours by submitting original poetry, short fiction, essays, and ART!
- One hour per submission; two-three hours if accepted for publication (depending on length)
- See our Pines Charter NEHS website for submission guidelines!  
(see literary magazine tab)
- Email submissions to [theatalalitmag@gmail.com](mailto:theatalalitmag@gmail.com)

# NEHS Scholarship money opportunity for seniors!



[Click HERE for more information on this scholarship!](#)

- NEHS seniors should read the NEHS Common Reader to apply for merit-based scholarships before January 14th!
- This year's book is *The Beekeeper of Aleppo* by Christy Lefteri
- Earn 5 NEHS hours for reading the book and writing the 850 word maximum essay!
- Win thousands!

# Induction for New Members



- Potential inductees who have completed at least 7 of their required NEHS volunteer hours by the end of Q2 and 12 by the end of Q3 will be officially inducted.
- Not certain what “induction” will look like yet.



# Member Dues:

*Due to recent membership fee changes at the national level on NEHS Connect, dues are now \$15 for both rising and returning members.*

*They will show as obligations on mypaymentsplus.com.*

*Please pay by the end of quarter 1.*

# NEHS Requirements

- ❖ **15 hours** required per year for all members
  - For *rising members, at least 7 of those 15 must be completed before winter break and 12 by the end of 3rd quarter.*
    - General meetings count as an hour
    - Contribute videos to our online Kinder Reading Program
    - Submit original poetry and prose to our literary journal
    - Submit to our featured monthly writing contests!
    - Participate in events such as Recite Night, Poetry Slam, and Poem in your Pocket Day! They will be transitioned online.
- ❖ Remember, both your **English and CUM GPA** must stay at a **3.0** or higher
  - Returning members must submit verification info if not done already!

# Reminders...



- Please make sure you sign in so you can receive your hour for attending the meeting
- Check [pinescharternehs.wordpress.com](http://pinescharternehs.wordpress.com) for returning member forms, hours sheet, information about past events, and more!
- Email returning member forms to [pinescharternehs@gmail.com](mailto:pinescharternehs@gmail.com)
- Sign up for Remind!!!
- Follow us instagram [@pinescharternehs](https://www.instagram.com/pinescharternehs)
- Next General Meeting: [Mid-November](#)