

Pope John Paul II

Pope John Paul II High School Weekly Newsletter

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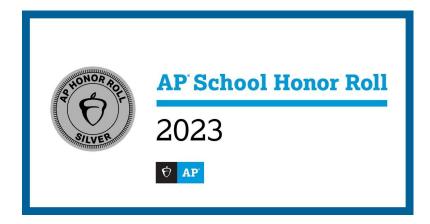
President's Office

The Pope John Paul II High School would like to recognize Blue Tree Landscaping for their continued "inkind" services to a number of athletic fields on the PJP campus. Blue Tree is engaged in a five step turf care program to a number of PJP fields including; the multi-sports field, the football practice field, the field hockey field, the baseball and the softball fields. Additionally, Blue Tree handles all aeration, overseeing and fertilization of said fields. If you happen to see an employee of Blue Tree Landscaping and or their owner Jeff Mattiola, please tell them thank you.

Principal's Office

What an amazing week for our students! First quarter ended, NHS members were inducted, 13 Senior Student Athletes signed their letters of intent and our Football and Volleyball teams won to continue in their state competitions!! Please encourage your students to support these teams this week and also their Studio 38 friends who will perform next Friday, Saturday and Sunday! What a great week to be a Golden Panther!!

Academic Affairs



College Board announced that Pope John Paul II has been named to the Advanced Placement® Program (AP®) School Honor Roll, earning the Silver distinction.

The AP® School Honor Roll recognizes schools whose AP programs are delivering results for students while broadening access. Schools can earn this recognition annually based on criteria that reflect a commitment to increasing college-going culture, providing opportunities for students to earn college credit, and maximizing college readiness.



The 1st Quarter of the 2023-2024 Academic Year drew to a close this past Friday, November 10th. Teachers are in the process of processing and validating grades and Report Cards will be issued the week of November 20th. Please remember you can always monitor your child's most current progress using the tools available to you in both PowerSchool and Schoology.

Student Services

Health Screenings

PJP students will have their health screenings in the auxiliary gym on Monday, November 20th.

Health screenings will include height, weight, and vision checks for all grades.

Please remind your student -- they will need their glasses or contact lenses for the screening on this date.

Student Affairs

Class Ring Information for Juniors

Jostens will be in the Cafeteria on November 17 during lunches to help Juniors with questions and sizing.

NHS Sponsors Blood Drive

The National Honor Society is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, November 15 during school for students 16 and older.

Every pint donated can save three lives. All donors must submit parent permission, even if over 18. Donors that are 16 must complete two permission forms, one for the Red Cross and one for PJP.

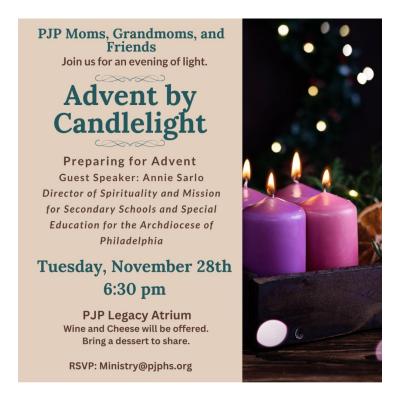
Donors will receive an email with their appointment time and may dress down in PJP attire for the day.

Thank You!

The PJP Parent Association would like to thank all those who donated TastyCakes on Friday, November 10. Students were able to enjoy a TastyCakes at lunch in celebration of the end of the 1st Quarter.

Office of School Ministry

We are excited to bring back an Advent tradition at PJP, Advent by Candlelight! Save the date and more information to follow:



Christian Service

A friendly reminder that as a way of acting out what we believe and what we learn about in Theology Classes, all PJP Students participate in Christian Service. As we prepare for Thanksgiving and Christmas there are many opportunities for students to earn Christian Service Hours in our local community.

Please encourage your student to check on the upcoming service opportunities which are posted on the Christian Service Schoology Class under "Updates."

Upcoming opportunities include: assisting in local Parish Religious Education Programs, helping to make food to donate to and volunteering at local Parish Christmas Bazaars, and making Thanksgiving Cards for local Veterans. For more information about our Christian Service Program, please click <u>here</u>.



Studio 38

STUDIO 38 PRESENTS The Rhapsodies in "Shout!"

PJP's very own Show Choir features over 140 performers and stage crew members! Tickets are available online and at the door. <u>Click here to purchase tickets</u>.





Advancement Office

Savor the Flavor

The first Savor the Flavor volunteer meeting will be on Thursday, December 14th at 5:30 pm over zoom. Email sarah.bauer@piphs.org if you plan on attending.

Athletics

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 11/14

Volleyball at State Semi-Finals

Saturday 11/18

Football at States (1st Round)- 12 PM Volleyball at State Championship- 3:30 PM at Cumberland Valley High School

Winter Sports

Winter sports will start on Friday, November 17th. If you have not already done so, please reach out to the Coach of the sport your child is interested in trying out for to get information about try-outs.

Tentative tryout information is below:

Boys Basketball: 11/17-2:45 PM-4:30 PM, 11/18-11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Girls Basketball: 11/17-6:30 PM-9:00 PM, 11/18-7:30 AM-10:00 AM

Wrestling: 11/17- 3:30 PM-5:30 PM

Swim: 11/17-7:15 PM-8:45 PM, 11/21-7:15 PM-8:45 PM

Winter Sport Paperwork

No student athlete will be allowed to try out for a sport if they do not have the appropriate paperwork submitted to BigTeams. If this is your child's first sport you must upload the complete PIAA CIPPE packet. If this is your child's second sport a completed Parent Recertification (section 7) must be submitted. If the recertification form is not showing up on your BigTeams account make sure a Winter sport is selected on their account.

Winter Track Club Interest Meeting

An interest meeting for the Winter Track Club will be held on Thursday 11/16 right after school. Anyone interested should plan to attend. If you cannot attend please contact Coach Lisa at trackandfield@piphs.org.

Fall Uniform Return

Any Fall student athlete that still has not returned their uniform is considered late. Please return your uniform/equipment ASAP to avoid an academic hold and potential fine placed on your account. Uniforms can be returned to Tracey or Kyle in the Athletic Office.

Fundraisers

Baseball:

-Are you looking to get your PJP student some baseball gear for Christmas? Look no further. Store closes Sunday 11/12. Visit the store by clicking here.

Boys Basketball:

-DEFEND THE DEN Merch! Check out the new clothing line for the entire PJP community! These tanks, tees, long sleeves, and hoodies can be used to show your support for not only any sport, but also academic clubs, the debate club, Mathletes, etc. (FYI-- All cotton items are the same color and all performance items are the same color even though the images do not look like that on the website.) Items can be shipped directly to you. Proceeds from every item support the boys' basketball program. Any questions/concerns, please email Jenn Zavertnik at jenn.zavertnik@gmail.com. Thanks for your support! GO PANTHERS!

https://shop.shirtandink.com/pjp_gold_blooded/shop/home

-PJP fan blankets. These are not sport specific and can be personalized. Follow the link to get yours. https://shop.shirtandink.com/pope_john_paul_ll/shop/home. For questions, please contact Jenn Zavertnik at jenn.zavertnik@gmail.com.

Athletic Department:

-Burger certificates for sale in the athletic office. Buy a certificate for \$10 from the Athletic Department which is good for a free burger and fries at Applebees from their handcrafted burger section (\$13+ value). Contact Tracey to get yours.

Guidance Office

SENIORS-College Acceptances and Scholarship & Grant Awards Please Submit to the Guidance Office

As seniors begin to receive college acceptances and scholarships & grant awards, please have your senior submit this good news to the Guidance Office! They can either make a copy of the acceptances or financial awards and drop it off to Mrs. Bell, Guidance Office Administrative Assistant, or they can take a screenshot / picture of it and email it to her at dbell@pjphs.org. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak with Mrs. Bell or your child's school counselor.

PSAT Scores-Available November 16th

Per the College Board website, PSAT scores will be available on November 16th. To access scores, students can log into their College Board account, or they can also access their scores in the BigFuture School mobile app if they provided their mobile number during testing for access to the app. In addition,

students can access free college and career planning resources through the BigFuture School mobile app or via their score report on College Board.

SENIORS-COLLEGE ADMISSION COUNSELORS VISITING PJP

Below is a list of colleges and universities that will be visiting PJP next week. Senior students who are applying to any of the schools, as well as students exploring their college options, should sign-up to attend these visits. It is an opportunity for your student to meet the college admissions person who will read their application. To sign up for a visit, please have your student login to their Naviance account and register. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Doreen Bell at dbell@pjphs.or.

College	Date	Time	
Cedar Crest College	Mon. November 13th, 2023	12:30 PM	
Monmouth University	Wed. November 15th, 2023	10:30 AM	
Elizabethtown College	Thu. November 16th, 2023	10:30 AM	
Albright College	Fri. November 17th, 2023	12:00 PM	
University of Mississippi	Tue. November 28th, 2023	12:00 PM	
Montgomery County Community College	Fri. December 1, 2023	12:56 PM	

Upcoming Standardized Test Registrations

Test	Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
SAT	December 2nd	November 2nd	November 21st
ACT	December 9th	November 3rd	November 17th

To Register:

SAT Registration - SAT Registration - SAT Suite | College Board

ACT Registration - www.act.org

Tuition Office

Archdiocesan Grants and Scholarships

Below is a link to several scholarships run by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for the upcoming school year (2024-2025) including one that provides assistance to current Archdiocesan employees either on the parish or grade school levels.

https://www.aopcatholicschools.org/affording-our-schools/financial-aid

Tuition Accounts

We also wanted to send out a friendly reminder to please keep tuition accounts current. If you have any questions, concerns or feel as if a discussion needs to be had, please feel free to reach out to me at year@pjphs.org. We want to make sure that every student gets through the school year with no bumps in the road due to missed tuition payments.

Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Application for the 2024-2025 school year is now open. Pope John Paul II High School highly recommends ALL families fill out an application for financial aid.

The application fee is \$30 and must be paid in order to submit. If you have any questions regarding the financial aid process, please feel free to reach out at year@piphs.org.

CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE FACTS WEBSITE

Have a great week!

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