

# Pope John Paul II HIGH SCHOOL

# Pope John Paul II High School Weekly Newsletter

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# **President's Office**

This Easter season, we celebrate the strength of God's love. As a faith-based community, we know that the light of Easter overcomes the darkness of Good Friday, leaving us with a renewed sense of hope.

Last week when I spoke at Kairos I talked about the Presence of God, The Gifts of God and the Hope of God. It is the Hope of God that allows us to continue to witness God's love that is so alive in the PJP community.

May the joy of Easter and the hope it brings replenish our spirits as we embark on the final months of the school year. Wishing you and your family a blessed Easter.

# **Student Services Reminders**

# **REMINDER: Visitor Policy**

All those entering Pope John Paul II High School who are not members of the faculty, staff, or current student body, are deemed as visitors. All visitors upon entering the building must report immediately to the main entrance lobby to receive a visitor's pass. Visitors will be asked to present an ID such as a Driver's License, which can either be scanned or manually entered into our Raptor system. If a visitor does not have a US government-issued ID, the school staff member can use any form of identification and manually enter the person's name into the Raptor system. The Raptor system will check to ensure that registered sexual offenders are not entering our school campus without our knowledge. The Raptor system checks the visitor's name and date of birth for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders. The registered sex offender database is the only official database checked by the Raptor system. No other data from the ID is gathered or recorded and the information is not shared with any outside agency. Once entry is approved, Raptor will issue a badge that identifies the visitor, the date, and the purpose of his/her visit. In the event that someone is identified as an offender an administrator will be notified.

# **REMINDER: Student Pick-Up and Drop-Off Procedures**

Both teachers and students have complained about almost being hit while walking through the parking lot by cars moving too fast, and because the procedures are not being followed. In addition, parents are dropping-off and picking-up students in the parking spaces designated for students and individuals who work in the building. Parking in the spaces causes our students, faculty, and staff to be delayed.

While we understand everyone's time is precious, so is safety. Please be aware that these procedures have been established to keep everyone in the PJP community safe. We appreciate all those who take the safety of our community seriously.

Parents who drop-off students in the morning or pick-up students in the afternoon should enter the parking lot using the main entrance and follow the map below so that our students can be dropped-off/picked-up at the right side of the curb in front of the school. Parents waiting for students at dismissal may line up next to the curb, but please leave enough room on your left to allow other drivers to pass.



# **Office of School Ministry**

Happy Easter! May the risen Lord bring your family joy this Easter Season. April brings a busy month in the ministry office.

#### **Junior Retreats**

April 8th (Junior Ladies) and April 9th (Junior Gentlemen) at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Royersford. Information was emailed to all juniors and their families. If you have not received the email and or permission slips, please let Mr. Koz in the Ministry Office know ASAP.

#### **Senior One Day Retreat**

All Seniors that were not able to attend a Kairos this year are required to go on the Senior One Day Retreat on April 15, 2024. Seniors and their families that have not attended a Kairos retreat should have received an email as well as a permission slip with the details. If you have not yet received one, please contact Mr. Koz in the Ministry Office ASAP!

### **MOMs Prayer Group Adoration**

Attention all Moms of PJP, you are invited to spend time in prayer with the blessed sacrament on select

Friday's throughout the school year. St. Teresa of Calcutta puts it perfectly: To be alone with Jesus in adoration and intimate union with Him is the Greatest Gift of Love - the tender love of Our Father in Heaven.

Feel free to sign up <u>here</u>. When you arrive, please come to the main entrance with a form of ID to receive a visitors badge.

## MOMs Prayer Group Mother's Day Tea

Save the date for an evening Tea with other PJP Moms and women and listen to a dynamic speaker on living as a Catholic Mom! May 8th in the Legacy Atrium, RSVP to come.



JUNIORS - Check your email for a chance to win Prom Tickets.

#### **Pantheron**

The Pantheron Committee is excited to announce our new website! It can still be found under the Student Affairs tab on the PJP website. Check it out <u>HERE!</u>

Pope John Paul II High School's PANTHERON Committee will be hosting a COLOR RUN on Sunday April 7, 2024. The COLOR RUN will begin with sign-in starting at 11:30 am and the RUN beginning at 12:00 pm. Pre-Registration will be \$20.00 per runner. Registration the day of is \$30.00 per runner. The first 50 registrants are guaranteed a t-shirt! All Proceeds go to Pantheron 2024.

# PANTHERON COLOR RUN 2024



Sunday, April 7th: Sign in starts at 11:30 am The run begins at 12:00 pm

20 preregistration \$30 day of the run

### SIGN UP HERE

F	PLEASE JOIN US FOR Mother Son other Daughter Brunch	
	Sunday, April 28 12-2 pm Cedarbrook Country Club Blue Bell, PA	

Pope John Paul II High School's 2024 Mother-Son Father-Daughter Brunch will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2024 from 12-2 pm at the Cedarbrook Country Club - Blue Bell, PA. Each student is able to bring one parent or significant adult to accompany them to this event. The cost of the event is \$40 per person and includes a buffet meal, drinks, door prizes, and more. Please use the link in the email to register and complete payment by Friday, April 12. Once registered, each participant will receive a google form to complete for seating chart purposes. We look forward to celebrating with you!

#### **PURCHASE TICKETS HERE**.

# **Parent's Association**

### **Ballpark Treats**

To celebrate the start of the Phillies season, the Parents Association will be providing ballpark snacks to the students on April 5th. Please click the link below for more information. Thank you!

#### SIGN UP HERE

### **Attention Sophomore Parents**

It is a PJP tradition for our Sophomore Families to host a reception for our Junior Class Families after the Junior Class Mass. Can you help?

#### Date: Wednesday, April 10th, 2024 Time & Location: After the 6:30 Mass (approx. 7:30pm) in the School Atrium

Your contributions of time, food, or drinks would be greatly appreciated if you are able to volunteer. Food and drink donations may be dropped off at the Main Office that day or to the Atrium that evening. Thank you in advance.

#### SIGN UP HERE

# **Tuition Office**

Happy Easter from the Tuition Office!

**Financial Aid** 

Financial Aid applications have been reviewed, all families should have received a letter. If you have not heard from us, please send me an email at ycarr@pjphs.org.

#### Reminder

Just a reminder, all 2023-24 school year balances need to be cleared by April 15th. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Yvette Carr at ycarr@pjphs.org.

# **Development Office**



Secure Your Seats for Savor the Flavor – Tickets Available Now!

We are thrilled to announce that tickets for the much-anticipated "Savor the Flavor" event are now available! You have the opportunity to show your support by either purchasing a table for 8 or securing individual tickets.

Opting for a table not only guarantees preferred seating but also ensures your table will be recognized at the event. Don't miss out on the chance to elevate your experience at Savor the Flavor. Secure your seats today and be a part of an unforgettable evening!

#### Ticket prices include: Food, Beer, Wine, Soft Drinks, and Student Performances

#### Click here to purchase a table or tickets.

Other ways to support include:

- 1. Check out our Amazon Wish List and make a difference!Simply select an item to donate, add it to your cart, complete the checkout process, and have it shipped directly to PJP. Your generosity will make a lasting impact.
  - https://www.amazon.com/.../36HO0.../ref=nav\_wishlist\_lists\_1\_1
- 2. Do you have tickets to a game, event, or concert? Or perhaps you can donate the use of a vacation home or offer a valuable business service? Your contributions to our auction are greatly appreciated! Fill out the donation form to share your generosity with us. https://forms.gle/GoCfnGAho2Vdr42o8
- 3. Become a proud sponsor of our event! Whether you're an individual, part of a group, or represent a business, your sponsorship plays a crucial role in the success of "Savor the Flavor." We deeply value your support and would be honored to have you on board. <u>https://host.nxt.blackbaud.com/donor-form?svcid=renxt...</u>

#### List of restaurants attending:

Aquilante's, Gennaros II, Zachary's BBQ, Keepin it Simple Catering, Rice House, Sweet Ashley's, Handel's of Royersford, Gotta Make the Cupcakes, Capriotti's, JC's Catering, Soup'wich, Philly Pretzel Factory

#### Prizes to keep an eye out for:

Silver Turf Cape Program from Blue Tree Landscaping, A Ninja Foodi, Phillies Tickets

To learn more about "Savor the Flavor," feel free to reach out to Sarah Bauer at sarah.bauer@pjphs.org or call 484-975-6500 ext. 3001. Sarah will be more than happy to assist you!

Thank you for your unwavering support of PJP. Together, let's make April 20th a memorable and magical evening over the rainbow!

# **Athletics**

### **Upcoming Home Events**

<u>Tuesday, April 2nd</u> Boys Tennis vs Phoenxiville- 3:30 PM

Wednesday, April 3th Track and Field vs Pottsgrove- 3:15 PM (Senior Day) Boys Tennis vs Spring-Ford 3:30 PM Baseball vs Pottsgrove- Varsity and JV 4:00 PM

#### <u>Thursday, April 4th</u>

Boys Lacrosse vs Owen J. Roberts- Varsity at 3:45 PM, JV at 5:15 PM Girls Flag Football vs Spring-Ford- 4:00 PM

#### Friday, April 5th

Boys Tennis vs Upper Merion- 3:30 PM Baseball vs Upper Merion- Varsity and JV 4:00 PM

# **Guidance Office**

### College Admission Panel Night-Wednesday, April 3rd at 6:30 PM (Virtual)

The Pope John Paul II High School Guidance Department will be hosting a College Admission Panel Night via Zoom on Wednesday, April 3rd, at 6:30 pm.

Admission counselors from Penn State University, St. Joseph's University, West Chester University and Elizabethtown College will in attendance to discuss various admission and application topics specific to their schools, such as: their application process and timelines, admission trends, application tips, the importance of test scores and GPAs, how students can stand out among other applicants, programs of study, etc. We believe that hearing directly from college admission representatives provides valuable insight to our students, and we greatly value their expertise and perspective.

#### Zoom Link for College Admission Panel Night

# Class of 2025-College Standardized Test Dates and Registration Deadlines for National Test Days

SAT Test Date	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	Deadline for Late Registration
May 4, 2024	April 19, 2024	April 23, 2024
June 1, 2024	May 16, 2024	May 21, 2024

### Anticipated Dates for through Fall 2024 (Subject to Change)

SAT Test Date	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	Deadline for Late Registration
August 24, 2024	TBD	TBD
October 5, 2024	TBD	TBD
November 2, 2024	TBD	TBD
December 7, 2024	TBD	TBD

**SAT TESTING (is digital)** – Register at www.collegeboard.org

ACT Test Date (2023-24 School Year)	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	Deadline for Late Registration
April 13, 2024	March 8, 2024	March 22, 2024

June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024	May 17, 2024
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024	July 5, 2024

#### ACT TESTING (is paper and pencil) - Register at www.act.org

### 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.

### **Educational Enrichment Opportunities**

Below is a Google Doc link listing programs that PJP students can engage in that are offered by organizations and universities across the country. Many of the programs are competitive and have deadlines that need to be followed. There is more detailed information on the websites listed, including application processes and associated fees. Should you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Bell, College & Career Coordinator, at dbell@pjpsh.org or your child's school counselor.

2023-24 Educational Enrichment Opportunities - Google Docs

Please bookmark this page and check back with it often, as we will be adding new experiences and opportunities to the list as we learn of them!

### **Scholarship Newsletter**

Below is a Google Doc link listing scholarships that the PJP Guidance Department has learned of and wants to share with you. This page will be updated frequently, so please bookmark it and check back often to review and learn of any scholarships that your student may qualify for and/or have an interest in!

Scholarship Newsletter - Google Docs

# Have a great week!

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