

Pope John Paul II

Pope John Paul II High School Weekly Newsletter

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Academic Affairs

This week we will begin to host class meetings where students will learn about the upcoming course selection process and elective course offerings. In early March, the new course catalog will become available and the PowerSchool course request portal will open for students for their elective choices.

Panther's Learning Center

Punxsutawney Phil predicted that it will be an early spring, and while warm weather will hopefully soon be on the horizon, here are some tips to help position students for success with their quarter and yearly grades:

- Check Schoology and PowerSchool daily to ensure they are aware of upcoming assignments.
- Seek help from teachers for challenging courses.
- Create a checklist each day of tasks that need to be completed at particular times.
- Set goals for assignment completion, study times, and test grades.
- Use the resources offered by the Panthers' Learning Center like <u>after school studying</u> and <u>National</u> Honor Society tutoring
- Take time to enjoy the warm weather and do something fun after work is completed as a reward.



Coffeehouse

PJP in cooperation and conjunction with the Palladium, PJP's award-winning literary magazine, will be hosting a coffeehouse on Friday February 23 at 6 pm, where students have the opportunity to perform a song or poem in a smaller setting with loads of encouragement from an enthusiastic audience. If you know a student that is interested in performing, please email Mr. Mullarkey.

Senior Panoramic Photo

The Seniors will report to the Gym on Tuesday, February 27 for the Senior Panoramic Photo. They will receive specific email instructions. Please be sure that they are in full winter dress code including the official sweater, not the fleece. They can change into the fleece after the photo. Please also be sure that they are in the correct shoes and that ladies have tights without rips.

Save the Date-Class Dances

- Cotillion March 22 PJP Main Gym
- Junior Prom April 12 PJP Main Gym
- Senior Prom May 3 Presidential Caterers

Tuition Office

Tuition for the 2024-25 school year:

- Tuition \$10,225
- School Fee \$1,850
- Total \$12,075

Payments for the 2024-25 school year will begin in June. As a reminder, to be considered for any financial assistance you must complete/submit a FACTS application.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Yvette Carr at ycarr@pjphs.org.

Thank you!

Health Suite

We are now collecting physical exams for 10th grade students who have turned 16 (with updated vaccines). Please think ahead at your sophomore's age 16 well-check to satisfy this requirement due the beginning of junior year.

Current 11th Graders

A second dose of Menactra (MCV) is REQUIRED to obtain a senior parking pass and to start senior year. Please look for an upcoming email from nurse@pjphs.org if your junior has not yet turned in this mandatory update.

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/GoCfnGAho2Vdr4208
- 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. https://host.nxt.blackbaud.com/donor-form?svcid=renxt...

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

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!

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Athletics

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 2/20

-Boys Basketball vs Collegium Charter (District Semi-Finals)- 7:00 PM -Girls Basketball AT Mastery Charter (District Semi-Finals) - 7:00 PM

Pioneer Athletic Conference Champions

Congratulations to our athletes who competed in PACs recently. The girls basketball team defeated Upper Merion in the Quarterfinals to make it to the Semi-Finals of the league playoffs last week. It was only the second time in school history the girls basketball team won a PAC Playoff game!

Congratulations to the Swimmers who participated in PACs at Upper Merion last weekend. Dominic Testa '27 who placed 3rd in the 100 Breaststroke and Shae Gonzales who placed 2nd in the 50 Freestyle.

Girl's Lacrosse Interest Meet

There will be a mandatory meeting for any girls interested in playing girl lacrosse on Wednesday, March 28th from 3-4 in the cafeteria.

Track Interest Meet

There will be a track interest meeting on Wednesday 2/21 after school in the Cafeteria. Please plan to attend if you want to participate in track and field in the Spring.

Prayer Service

The Spring sports prayer service and parent meeting will be on Monday, March 4th at 7PM. All student athletes trying out for a Spring sport and at least one parent/guardian should plan to attend. Athletic department information as well as individual team meetings will happen after the prayer service.

Uniform Return

All Winter sport athletes who are done competing should return their uniforms on Thursday 2/22. All uniforms should be returned to Tracey or Kyle in the Athletic Office. The office will be open from 7:30am-7:50am and then after school from 2:30pm-3:15pm. Student athletes are responsible for returning everything that was issued to them. Please DO NOT leave bags at the door to the office or in the office without confirming return with Tracey or Kyle. Failure to do so could result in your student athletes being charged for failure to return their uniform.

Spring Sports

Spring Sports begin on Monday, March 4th. If you have a child who is interested in playing a Fall sport please make sure you are contacting the coach of that sport to get on their distribution list. Below are the names and contact emails for our Spring coaches.

Baseball: Charles Deluzio- <u>Baseball@pjphs.org</u> Softball: Steve Faella- <u>Softball@pjphs.org</u>

Boys Lacrosse: Matt Bildstein: Boyslacrosse@piphs.org Girls Lacrosse: Erik Fritzinger: girlslacrosse@piphs.org Track and Field: Lisa Cagliola: trackandfield@piphs.org Boys Tennis: Sue McDonough: Boystennis@piphs.org Girls Flag Football: Lauren Hughes: lhughes@piphs.org

Bag Bingo

Are you practicing your best Bingo yell?? Don't forget to join us on February 23rd for Bag Bingo. This BYO food and drink event is a night of fun that supports solely the athletic department. Individual tickets are \$30, or reserve a table (10 people) for \$275. This year money will go towards branded signage at our venues and replacing track equipment (hurdles and weather covers). To purchase a ticket follow this link: https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=bdce23

PIAA Paperwork Reminder

Please do not wait until the last minute to try and submit the required PIAA paperwork. All paperwork must be uploaded to Student Central on BigTeams. No paper will be accepted in the athletic office. If this

will be your student's first sport of the school year you will need to upload the completed packet with a physical dated June 1st, 2023 or after. If this is your student's second or third sport of the school year you will only need to complete section 7 on BigTeams. To make an account for you and your student, and upload your paperwork follow this link: https://studentcentral.bigteams.com/? keyword=%2Fuser%2Fsignin&schoolID=0.

Guidance Office

Junior Parent College Information Night (Virtual Event)-Thursday, February 22nd, 6:30 PM

Junior parents and guardians are invited to PJP's "Junior Parent College Information Night" on Thursday, February 22nd, at 6:30 p.m. This is a virtual, information session hosted by Mrs. Mary Frances Traywick, Director of Guidance at PJP, explaining key aspects of the college admission process. Topics will include: the college search, Naviance, college application details and criteria, the Common Application, the SRAR (self-reported academic record), standardized testing, junior / senior year timeline, and upcoming events. If you have any questions, please just reach out to Mrs. Traywick at mjtraywick@pjphs.org.

The Zoom link to join is below:

Zoom Link for Junior Parent College Information Night

College Fair at PJP-March 5th, 6-8 PM, in the Main Gym

Join us for the annual College Fair at PJP on Tuesday, March 5th, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, in the Main Gym. This event is free and open to the public. No registration is required. So, bring a friend!

The College Fair is a great opportunity to begin your college search or refine your college list! For a list of schools attending the fair, please scan the QR code below. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Bell, College and Career Coordinator, at dbell@pjphs.org, or your child's school counselor.

Scan for a list of participating colleges and programs.



College Standardized Test Registrations-SATs and ACTs National Test Days for Remainder of the Year

SAT Test Date (2023-24 School Year)	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Late Registration
March 9, 2024	February 23, 2024	February 27, 2024
May 4, 2024	April 19, 2024	April 23, 2024
June 1, 2024	May 17, 2024	May 21, 2024

ACT Test Date		
(2023-24 School Year)	ı	

February 10, 2024	January 5, 2024	January 19, 2024
April 13, 2024	March 8, 2024	March 22, 2024
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024	May 17, 2024
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024	June 21, 2024

To Register:

SAT Registration - https://mysat.collegeboard.org

ACT Registration - 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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