



Pope John Paul II HIGH SCHOOL

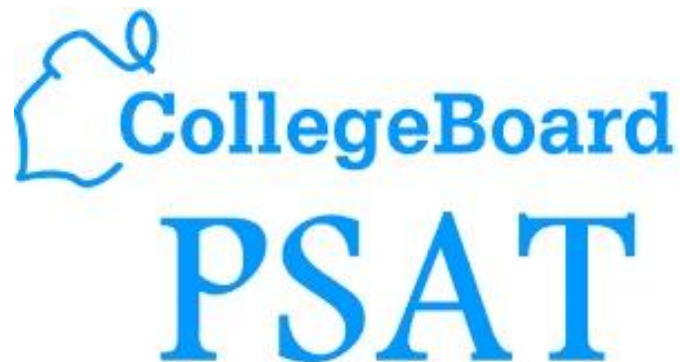
Pope John Paul II High School Weekly Newsletter

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Academic Affairs



After progress reports and parent teacher conferences are completed, many students seek the support of Peer Tutoring. Our NHS Students provide this service to all students and work with students both before and after school as well as during lunch periods in the Panthers' Learning Center. If your child needs additional help in any of their content areas, please encourage them to submit the [TUTOR REQUEST FORM](#). The form **MUST** be completed by the student seeking a tutor, and you are encouraged to share this link with your child.



All 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students will take the PSAT exam on Wednesday, October 30th. These exams are completely digital and will be taken on their chromebooks, so please mark this date on your calendar

and be sure that your student fully charges their chromebook the evening before. All students must bring their chromebook and charger with them to school.

These exams are important for many reasons:

- Results provide an “AP Potential” score for students that is part of the acceptance factor utilized by department chairs when accepting students into AP Level coursework.
- Results may be used during the course selection process to assist teachers with proper placement and movement between levels of their students.
- Serves as “practice” for the SAT utilized as an admission tool with most colleges.
- For 11th graders, this examination serves as the National Merit Scholarship Corporation Qualifying Tests. Students who reach a certain performance level on the PSAT test in their junior year may be invited to advance in the National Merit Scholarship Competition and/or receive special scholarships and recognition by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation and other entities.

Panthers' Learning Center

The Panthers’ Learning Center staff works closely with all students and families to promote academic success by connecting them to academic support resources.

We can assist students and families with getting access to Schoology and PowerSchool, checking grades and missing assignments, and signing students up for National Honor Society tutoring.

Students who are struggling in English-Language Arts may benefit from the use of audiobooks as an academic tool so students can listen to their text as they read, annotate their books, and take notes in their notebooks. Students interested in trying audiobooks should contact Mr. Rogers at jrogers@pjphs.org who can create a LearningAlly audiobook account.

Office of School Ministry

Hurricane Helene Golden Panther Relief Drive

Thank you! We want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to one of our own, sophomore Ella Tapp, for her inspiring initiative to organize a relief drive for those affected by Hurricane Helene. Ella’s compassion and leadership have truly made a difference in our community. Thanks to Ella's efforts, we were able to collect a significant amount of essential goods that will provide much-needed support to those in need. We also want to thank everyone who contributed to this drive—your generosity and kindness are greatly appreciated.

Memorial Mass

We will celebrate an All Souls Memorial Mass for those who have passed away in the last year as a school on November 5th. If you've lost an immediate family member or a close loved one within the past year and would like to pay tribute to their memory during this liturgy, kindly share their name, their relationship to the student, and a photograph via an email to ministry@pjphs.org.

All the names and photos received will be displayed throughout the entire month of November in the Legacy Atrium. Your participation will help create a beautiful and heartfelt tribute to those we hold dear in our hearts.

Mass Cards

PJP does offer Mass cards for a Mass to be said in the Chapel throughout the year. Mass cards can be purchased for \$10 to celebrate birthdays, baptisms, wedding anniversaries, retirement or to remember a deceased loved one on their anniversary or to repose their soul if they passed recently. Please email ministry@pjphs.org if you are interested in purchasing any Mass Cards throughout the year.

Adoration

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday in the chapel! Take some time to relax and be

with Jesus! If interested advanced sign-ups are needed, please fill out the sheet here in the time slot you are able to join us. When you arrive please enter in the main entrance with your ID and they will direct you to the chapel.

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)

Grandparents Day

We invite all grandparents to join us for Grandparents Day on October 30th at 12PM at Pope John Paul II High School. This event is open to grandparents of all PJP students.

We look forward to seeing you there!

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)



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Grandparents Day Agenda

12:00 PM	Check In- Auditorium Lobby
12:05 PM	Welcome and Opening Prayer
12:15 PM	First Rotation Red: Auditorium Green: Cafeteria Yellow: Self-Guided Tours Suggested stops: The Chapel, PLC, Student's locker, Classrooms
12:45 PM	Second Rotation Green: Auditorium Yellow: Cafeteria Red: Self-Guided Tours Suggested stops: The Chapel, PLC, Student's locker, Classrooms
1:15 PM	Third Rotation Yellow: Auditorium Red: Cafeteria Green: Self-Guided Tours Suggested stops: The Chapel, PLC, Student's locker, Classrooms
1:45 PM	Auditorium (All)... Closing and Dismissal

Tuition Office

Need Financial Aid?

The FACTS application portal is now open for the 2025-2026 school year! We encourage you to apply as soon as possible, as filing sooner is always better than later.

To complete your application, you will need to upload your 2023 tax documents, and there is a \$30 application fee.

www.factsmgt.com

If you have any questions, please contact the office for assistance.



Alumni Office

It's Class Reunion Season and you're invited! Check out the full list of legacy school and PJP class reunions, located at: <https://www.pjphs.org/reunions-and-events> to see if your class is celebrating any milestones this year.

Hall of Fame 2024

Please join us in celebrating the Legacy Hall of Fame Class of 2024 with a cocktail hour, butlered hors d'oeuvres, and beautiful induction ceremony starting at 6pm on Friday, December 13th.

[CLICK HERE TO RSVP](#)

Athletics

Stadium Perimeter Policies

As we start to host night athletic events outside we are instituting some new policies to help keep our PJP spectators and visiting spectators safe.

- All PJP spectators should enter the perimeter at the check in site closest to the school building.
- No outside food or drinks will be allowed past the check in area.
- No bags larger than a belt bag will be allowed past the check in table.
- All students must show their student IDs to enter the perimeter.
- Any student 8th grade or younger will not be admitted without a parent or guardian in attendance.
- Any student suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be required to be

tested. Students refusing to be tested will be disciplined according to the procedures listed in the handbook in our Substance Abuse Policy.

Winter Sports Update

Winter sports begin on Friday, November 15th. All students who plan to tryout need to have their PIAA paperwork completed and uploaded to BigTeams (<https://studentcentral.bigteams.com/?keyword=%2Fuser%2Fsignin&schoolID=0>) If winter is your student's first sport a physical is required. If this is your student's second sport a section 7 form is required.

Winter Sports Offered

PJP offers the following winter sports: Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Wrestling, Boys and Girls Swimming. If your child is interested in trying out for or competing in any of these sports please make sure you are reaching out to the coaches to be added to their email list for open gym and tryout information.

Girls Basketball- Coach Flanagan: Girlsbasketball@pjphs.org

Boys Basketball- Coach Wise: Boysbasketball@pjphs.org

Wrestling- Coach Jeff: Wrestling@pjphs.org

Swimming- Coach Emily: Swim@pjphs.org

Club Ice Hockey is also offered. Please reach out to Club President John Wiese at PJPatriotshockey@gmail.com for more information.

Concession Stand Signups

Now that athletics are in full swing, the concession stand will be open for volleyball and football games. Proceeds from the concession stand come right back to the athletic department and are used for Senior Flowers and a Senior gift for all Senior Student Athletes at the end of the school year. Students can sign up for shifts and get service hours. Please consider signing up for a shift.

VOLLEYBALL SIGN UPS

FOOTBALL SIGN UPS

Electronic Ticketing

PJP, as well as all other Archdiocesan High Schools, will be switching to electronic ticketing starting this Fall season. For Volleyball and Football there will no longer be any cash sales. **All home games, including Football, will be \$6 per person.** PJP students will still get free admission to events.

CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS

Fundraisers

Baseball-Yeti Cooler Raffle

The Baseball team is selling raffle tickets to win a Tundra 45 Yeti Cooler, 18oz Yeti Rambler, and various drinks. Tickets can be purchased for \$10 from Danielle Tindall, contact her at tindall206@hotmail.com.

Football-Discount Cards

Football is selling their annual discount cards. The card is \$10 and gets you various discounts at local establishments. Some of the discounts can be applied at Anna Marie's, Hilltop, Java's Brewin, Qdoba, SV Sports, Sweet Aloha and more. For a card see any football player, parent, or coach. You can also contact Tracey at trarich@pjphs.org

Guidance Office

SENIORS-COLLEGE ADMISSION COUNSELORS VISITING PJP

Below is a list of colleges and universities visiting PJP the week of 10/21. 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. Bell, PJP's College and Career Coordinator, at dbell@pjphs.org.

COLLEGE	ThuDATE	TIME
Roanoke College	Mon. October 21, 2024	9:45 AM
George Mason University	Mon. October 21, 2024	11:15 AM
University of North Carolina Wilmington	Tue. October 22, 2024	9:45 AM
La Salle University	Tue. October 22, 2024	10:30 AM
Saint Joseph's University	Tue. October 22, 2024	11:15 AM
Washington College	Tue. October 22, 2024	12:00 PM
Rosemont College	Wed. October 23, 2024	9:45 AM
Widener University	Wed. October 23, 2024	12:00 PM
Keiser University - Flagship Campus, FL	Thu. October 24, 2024	10:30 AM
Ithaca University	Fri. October 25, 2024	12:00 PM

COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID FORMS-FAFSA & CSS Profile

FAFSA – Opens December 1st

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is the application used to apply for federal student aid, such as federal grants, work-study, and loans. In addition, many states and colleges use your FAFSA information to determine your eligibility for state and school aid, and some private financial aid providers may use your FAFSA information to determine whether you qualify for their aid.

Senior students and parents can create their Studentaid.gov Account (FSA ID) now. This is recommended to be done prior to the release of the 2025-26 FAFSA application on December 1st, 2024. So, create your *StudentAid.gov* account now to be FAFSA® form ready!

FAFSA is free: <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

CSS Profile – Open Now

In addition to the FAFSA, there are about 400 colleges and universities that require the completion of an additional financial aid form called the CSS Profile. The CSS Profile is used for consideration of any institutional aid that the college may be able to offer your student. *Be sure the college requires the CSS profile prior to registration.* Again, like the FAFSA, the CSS Profile has a variety of deadlines to consider. Your exact deadline depends on the specific college you're applying to, so check the colleges' websites.

There is a cost for the CSS Profile: <https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org>

College Standardized Test Dates & Registration Deadlines for National Test Days

SAT TESTING – Register at www.collegeboard.org.

SAT Test Date (2024-2025 School Year)	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Late Registration
November 2, 2024	October 18, 2024	October 22, 2024
December 7, 2024	November 22, 2024	November 26, 2024
March 8, 2025	February 21, 2025	February 25, 2025
May 3, 2025	April 18, 2025	April 22, 2025
June 7, 2025	May 22, 2025	May 27, 2025

ACT TESTING - Register at www.act.org.

ACT Test Date (2024-2025 School Year)	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Late Registration
October 26, 2024	September 20, 2024	October 7, 2024
December 14, 2024	November 8, 2024	November 22, 2024
February 8, 2025	January 3, 2025	January 20, 2025
April 5, 2025	February 28, 2025	March 16, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025	May 26, 2025
July 12, 2025	June 5, 2025	June 20, 2025

SAT School Day Testing (for Juniors only) – PJP will offer the SAT School Day Test on April 16, 2025. Registration information for this test will be supplied to students in February.

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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