



# Pope John Paul II HIGH SCHOOL

## Pope John Paul II High School Weekly Newsletter

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### President's Office

The Continuous Improvement Survey administered by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia through the Office of Catholic Education is now open. Below you will find a link to the survey and the code specific to the parent survey for Pope John Paul II High School. The survey will be open until May 3rd.

Parent Feedback Link: <https://www.research.net/r/aops-pf>  
Parent Feedback Code: G#213

The student survey will be conducted during the school day sometime between April 8th and April 19th.

### Blue Tree Landscaping

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

We are very excited that our Panthers Achieving Worthwhile Success (PAWS) program continues to grow! As our enrollment continues to increase, we want to ensure that our students continue to receive individualized and intentional support. We are hiring an Academic Support Coordinator to join Mr. Rogers, Mrs. Gray, and Mr. Faella in the Panthers’ Learning Center. If you know someone who meets the qualifications in the job description and would be a good fit, please encourage them to contact Mrs. Guyger at [kguyger@pjphs.org](mailto:kguyger@pjphs.org).

**Please take a moment to read the letter from the Office of Catholic Education below regarding the Solar Eclipse on Monday, April 8, 2024.**



All students enrolled in an AP course must take the AP Exam for the course, including those taken by dual enrollment with the Arrupe Virtual Learning Institute. Below is the exam schedule dictated by the CollegeBoard. Please note that even though school is closed on Thursday, May 9th to observe the Feast of the Ascension, both the AP Environmental Science and AP Psychology exams are scheduled for that day and all students in both of these classes will have to report to school for their exam.

### AP EXAM SCHEDULE

DATE	8:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.
Monday May 6, 2024	US Government and Politics	Chemistry
Tuesday May 7, 2024	Human Geography Microeconomics (AVLI)	Statistics (AVLI)
Wednesday May 8, 2024	English Literature and Comp	
Thursday May 9, 2024	Environmental Science	Psychology
Friday May 10, 2024	US History European History (AVLI)	Macroeconomics (AVLI)
Monday May 13, 2024	Calculus AB Calculus BC (AVLI)	Precalculus
Tuesday May 14, 2024	English Language and Comp	Physics C Mechanics 12:00 Electricity & Magnetism 2:00
Wednesday May 15, 2024	World History: Modern	Computer Science Principles
Thursday May 16, 2024		Biology
Friday, May 17, 2024	Physics 1	

More details will follow as we get closer to the testing dates.

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## Panther's Learning Center

The Panthers' Learning Center works to meet all students where they are and position them for success. Pope John Paul II High School is working collaboratively with the Spring-Ford School District to access Title III funding to support students who may be learning English as a second language.

All students are required to have the opportunity to [fill out this Home Language Survey](#), and students identified as English language learners will participate in a screening process conducted by the Spring-Ford School District. The survey is due by Friday, May 3.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Rogers at [jrogers@pjphs.org](mailto:jrogers@pjphs.org).

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## Student Services

### Friday, May 3rd 12:00 PM Early Dismissal Transportation Information

**The following school districts will NOT provide transportation home on Friday, May 3, 2024. Alternative transportation home will be required.**

Methacton  
North Penn  
Owen J. Roberts  
Souderton  
Spring-Ford  
Upper Merion  
Upper Perkiomen

***The following districts will have transportation home at 12:00 PM on Friday, May 3, 2024.***

*Boyertown  
Norristown*

## Spring/Summer Uniform

Beginning Monday, April 8rd, the start of the 4th quarter, students may begin to wear the spring uniform.

- All students may choose to wear an official Pope John Paul II High School polo in place of the shirt, blouse, tie, and sweater. Any shirt placed under the polo must be white, tucked, and not protrude from the bottom of the polo or past the ends of the sleeves. If students are cold, they are permitted to wear a long sleeve polo, school sweater, or winter uniform. Sweatshirts or PJP sports attire are not permitted during the school day.
- Ladies have the option to wear navy blue opaque Flynn and O'Hara knee socks pulled to the knee in place of their tights.

The spring uniform is optional, students may continue to wear the full winter uniform if they wish, especially on cooler spring days.

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## Student Affairs

### Junior Week Updates

- **RETREATS**
  - Monday and Tuesday, April 8 & 9
  - See email from Mr. Kozeniewski for more information
- **CLASS MASS**
  - Wednesday, April 10
  - Rehearsal during Homeroom (Late arrival students must attend)
  - Class Mass RSVP - [RSVP HERE](#)
- **DRESS DOWN DAY**
  - Thursday, April 11
  - Juniors only will have a Dress Down Day (PJP Spirit Wear)
- **PROM**
  - Friday, April 12
  - 6:30-10pm - Main Gym
  - Tickets will be distributed on Wednesday
  - Prom participants will have a meeting with administration after 4th period
  - Dismissal approximately 12:00
  - Win a chance for 2 free Prom Tickets (benefits Pantheron)
    - [PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS HERE](#)

### Pantheron Updates

The Pantheron Committee is hard at work preparing for an epic event on April 26. Check out the Pantheron website for more information about registration and donation.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)

Please see some of the fundraising opportunities coming up! Feel free to participate in any or all events!!!

### Teacher Head and Beard Shaving Contest

We are proud to announce our newest fundraising idea, Teacher head and beard shaving! Teachers were asked to provide a goal for them to shave their beard, and a goal for them to shave their head. If their goal is reached the teacher will have to shave their beard/head. Some of these teachers may be shaving their heads or beards at Pantheron, so get your registration done! For collection, there will be jars at the front of the lunchroom during each lunch period with posters that have teachers' goals posted on them. The teachers that will be participating in this are the following: Mr. Rogers, Mr. Mullarkey, Mr. Martinko, Mr. Koz, Mr. Allen, Mr. Fogarty, Mr. Tower, and Mr. Wahl.

The collection is going to start this Monday April 9th, so get your cash ready! Can't wait to see how we do! Have a good day PJP.

## Chick-Fil-A Day

- Order a Chick-fil-a Sandwich or Nuggets for lunch on April 18
- Use the link to order a Chick-fil-a sandwich or 8 piece nuggets by THURSDAY, MARCH 11.
- Includes a water and bag of chips.
- Bring in the money to the Student Affairs Office by Monday, March 15.

ORDER FORM - [ORDER HERE](#)



The poster features a Chick-fil-A logo at the top right, a Pantheron logo at the top left, and a Chick-fil-A logo in the center. It includes images of a sandwich, nuggets, and a bag of chips. The text reads: '\$8', 'INCLUDES A WATER AND BAG OF CHIPS', 'April 18', 'CHICK-FIL-A FUNDRAISER', 'for the benefit of Pantheron', 'PRE-ORDER BY APRIL 11', and a list of instructions: 'Order a Chick-fil-a Sandwich or Nuggets for lunch on April 18', 'Use the link to order a Chick-fil-a sandwich or 8 piece nuggets.', and 'Bring in the money to the Student Affairs Office by Monday, April 15.'

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## Mr. PJP

The annual Mr. PJP competition is coming up fast and soon a new Mr. PJP will be crowned. Who will it be?



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.](#)

### Upcoming Dress Down Days

Periodically, PJP will offer donation dress down days. A few dress down days will be conducted as a fundraiser for a particular organization and a donation will be accepted. Students who do not have or wish not to participate in the dress down theme may wear PJP spirit wear (donation still required) or PJP Uniform in place of the designated dress. Donations can be brought to the Office for Student Affairs during lunch periods on the days leading up to the Dress Down Day. All donations must be received at least one day prior to the dress down day.

## Dress Down Day Rules

- Students may wear sweatpants or jeans.
- Clothing must be appropriate for school.
- IDs must be worn and visible.
- Students may not wear shorts or leggings/tights/yoga pants.
- Students may not wear clothing with inappropriate slogans/sayings.
- Students may not wear open toed/open heeled footwear.
- Students may not wear ripped/torn clothing or shirts without sleeves.

## Upcoming Dates

- Savor the Flavor - 4-19-24
- Pantheron - 4-25-24
- Morgan's Message - May

## Friends in Faith

Juniors and Seniors have been invited to represent Pope John Paul II at the Friends in Faith symposium at Barrack Hebrew Academy on Monday, April 15. Each year, members of PJP and members of Barrack Hebrew Academy come together for a discussion about faith and Jewish Christian relations. If your child is interested, please have them contact Mrs. Honyara.

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto:ycarr@pjphs.org).

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## Development Office



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

The much-anticipated "Savor the Flavor" event is coming soon! Be sure to buy your tickets today! You can 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.](#)**

To learn more about "Savor the Flavor," feel free to reach out to Sarah Bauer at [sarah.bauer@pjphs.org](mailto: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 Home Events**

#### **Monday, April 8th**

Girls Lacrosse vs Lansdale Catholic- V at 4:30, JV to follow  
Softball vs Owen J. Roberts- V/JV at 4:30  
Girls Flag Football vs Spring-Ford- 4:30

#### **Tuesday, April 9th**

Boys Tennis vs Methacton- 3:30 (Senior Day)  
Girls Lacrosse vs Pottstown- 3:45 (V only)  
Baseball vs Methacton- V/JV 4:00

#### **Tuesday, 11th**

Boys Lacrosse vs Upper Merion- V 3:45, JV follow  
Girls Lacrosse vs Upper Perkiomen- V 3:45, JV to follow  
Softball vs Pottstown- 4:00 (V only)



## Spring Signing

There will be a Spring signing event for Senior student athletes who have committed to play their sport in college, and did not attend the event in November. The Spring event will be held on Thursday 4/25 immediately after school in the Atrium. Please RSVP to Tracey to confirm your attendance.

## PIAA Paperwork Update

The PIAA has changed the dates accepted for physicals for the 24-25 school year. The new beginning date is May 1st. That means physicals dated May 1st 2024 or after will be accepted for Fall sports in August. PJP will be hosting physicals in early June.

## Senior Athlete Banquet

The Senior Athlete Banquet will be held on Thursday May 30th this year. The banquet will begin at 6:30 PM. Stay tuned for more information.

## Fundraisers

### Softball

Grab lunch or dinner from California Tortilla on Tuesday, April 17th and 25% of your purchase will go directly to the softball team.

On April 30th head to Handel's in Royersford to treat yourself to some ice cream and 20% of your purchase will be donated to the team.

### Baseball

Don't feel like cooking, wait until Wednesday, April 24th and visit Texas Roadhouse. If you do Baseball will get 10% of your food order donated back to them.

### Strike Out Cancer

Baseball will be Striking Out Cancer on May 8th against Boyertown. Any student who buys a Strike Out Cancer shirt from the link below will be able to dress down on May 8th. All money raised from the sale of t-shirts will go to The CHOP foundation. Buy shirts here:

[https://shop.shirtandink.com/pjp\\_baseball/shop/home](https://shop.shirtandink.com/pjp_baseball/shop/home)

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## Guidance Office

### College Academic Accommodations Workshop-Thursday, April 18th at 6:30 PM (Virtual)

Find out how students can apply for 504 and IEP accommodations in college. Dr. Andrea Swift, Director of Accessibility Services at Alvernia University, will provide information regarding what services are available and how to access those services. We will discuss the right time to initiate conversations with colleges regarding accommodations and what documentation you must provide to receive those services. We will also address FERPA and its impact on parent involvement in the process. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions. Students who currently receive accommodations at PJP and their families are encouraged to attend.

Presenter: Andrea Swift, Ed. D., Director of Accessibility Services at Alvernia University

Zoom Link: [College Academic Accommodations Workshop](#)

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

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Late Registration
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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	Registration Deadline	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](http://www.collegeboard.org)

ACT Test Date (2023-24 School Year)	Registration Deadline	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](http://www.act.org)

### 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](mailto: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](#)

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**Have a great week!**

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