

Pope John Paul II HIGH SCHOOL

Pope John Paul II High School Weekly Newsletter

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President's Office

I want to thank the PJP community for coming together for Savor The Flavor. It is because of events like these that PJP is able to continue to enhance the teaching and learning experiences for our students.

I would also like to especially thank the Board of Directors of Pope John Paul II High School for their leadership, our parent volunteers who among many duties handled signing up eating establishments, decorating the gymnasium and providing prizes.

I am very appreciative of all of the PJP students who participated in a "dress down day" to raise funds for this event, helped out with the setup of the event, assisted our restaurants as servers and demonstrated their musical talents during the event.

Thank you to the wonderful team of administrators and staff of PJP who assisted Sarah Bauer, PJP's Coordinator of Development for Alumni Relations and Special Events, with many pre-event planning and organizing activities. And thank you to Sarah Bauer for all your effort to bring this event together.

Finally, I would like to thank those who purchased tickets, bought a program ad, served as a sponsor, and/or provided items for the raffle baskets, silent auction and live auction.

Academic Affairs



PARENTS OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND/OR AP PSYCHOLOGY

Please note that even though school will be 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(s).



The course selection window has closed for students. Guidance Counselors are reviewing the submissions to ensure that any student who failed to submit their requests completes this process so that we can begin the process of building classes for next year. Please note that students are no longer able to submit requests on their own, they must have the help of their counselor.

Panther's Learning Center

A New Quarter and Opportunity

Now that Quarter 3 has concluded, students have a great opportunity to reflect on how they are doing in their courses. Some students may continue using their organizational and study strategies that served them well in earlier quarters while others may try new ones.

Here are some tips on how to make the most of Quarter 4 and the end of the year:

- Check Schoology, PowerSchool, and email regularly for grades and updates.
- Turn in all assignments to earn maximum points,
- Create flashcards out of index cards to study vocabulary and mathematical and scientific concepts.
- Begin preparing for final exams by gathering and organizing notes and handouts.
- Communicate with teachers when assignments may be late or if students aren't sure what to do.

Title III Funding Survey

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 <u>fill out this Home Language Survey</u>, 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.

Office of School Ministry

PJP Moms Tea

All Moms, Grandmas, Aunts and Friends are invited to an evening tea sponsored by the MOM's Prayer Group on May 14th at 7:00pm in the Legacy Atrium. Please bring a dessert to share. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by filling out the form <u>here</u>.



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 Phoenixville Pottsgrove Perkiomen Valley

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.

Student Affairs

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. <u>CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO</u>

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

Parent Volunteers for Pantheron

On Friday, April 26th, the PJP community will be hosting Pantheron to raise money for three different worthy charities. There will be many students participating and the PJP Parents' Association is supporting this amazing effort.

The Pantheron committee has asked us to help with snacks and drinks for the evening. We are also looking for several parents to help that night. Use the link below to sign up for donations and volunteer shifts.

You can drop off the items starting Wednesday April 24th until April 26th in the school office. Thanks again for your support of these amazing causes!

SIGN UP HERE

Dine and Donate

Parents come out and enjoy Sunset Hill Brewing Company on the Night of Pantheron. A portion of all sales that evening will be donated to Pantheron.





Fine Arts

May is *Fine Arts Month* at PJP. All events/shows are free! Mark your calendars and join us as we celebrate the arts and the amazing talents of our PJP family.

May 1st @ 5:00 - 7:00 pm "Reflection" Art Show Opening

- (All art students will have works in this show. It will remain on display throughout the entire month.)
- In addition to the artwork & hors d'oeuvres, there will be musical performances by Studio 38's Jazz Band, String Ensemble, Mallet Ensemble, as well as solos and duets.

May 7th @ 7:00 pm - Spring Concert

• Featuring: The Studio 38 Orchestra, Jazz Band, String Ensemble, Mallet Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Drum Line, Chorus, & Performing Arts Classes

May 15th @ 7:00 pm - Studio 38 presents Clue

• This Theatre Workshop is a completely student run production of the play.

<u>Studio 38 Fundraiser</u> - private event at *Her Hide Out* in Providence Town Center on *May 5th @ 11:00 am* - 3:00 pm.

Shideout

Shop with us and support



Sunday, May 5th, 2024

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Her Hide Out 141 Market Street Suite 3 Collegeville, PA 19426

* We are located in Providence Town Center, across from Movie Tavern *

Shop 'til you drop at this private event for PJP families & friends and support Studio 38 at the same time!

20% of sales will be donated to PJP Studio 38!

Purchase a gift for Mother's Day or the soon-to-be Graduate!



Health Suite

Juniors

Current Juniors must have a second dose of MCV (Menactra) on file in their PJP health record to receive a Senior parking pass and to remain in school senior year. Emails to juniors still missing this required health information were sent on 4/17/24.

Sophomores

Current Sophomores can turn in *physical exams with updated vaccines* now to satisfy this 11th grade requirement. **These are due by September 30, 2024.**

Tuition Office

Reminder

All tuition balances for the 2023-24 school year should be cleared. If you have questions, contact the tuition office with any questions or email Yvette Carr at ycarr@pjphs.org.

Athletics

Upcoming Home Events

<u>Monday, April 22nd</u> Boys Tennis vs Phoenixville- 3:30 PM Softball vs Pottsgrove- 4:00 PM (Varsity Only) Girls Lacrosse vs Pottsgrove- 3:45 PM V, JV to follow (Senior Day)

<u>Tuesday, April 23rd</u> Boys Lacrosse vs Spring-Ford- 3:45 PM V, JV to follow

Wednesday, April 24th Softball vs Perkiomen Valley- V and JV 4:00 PM

<u>Thursday, April 25th</u> 9th Baseball vs Phoenixville- 3:45 PM Flag Football vs Bristol- 4:00 PM

<u>Friday, April 25th</u> Baseball vs Upper Merion- JV and V 4:00 PM Softball vs Upper Merion- V 4:00 PM, JV to follow

Fundraisers



Baseball

Dine and Donate at Texas Roadhouse on April 24th. Eat at the restaurant or pick up to go and the team will get 10% back.

Softball

Dine and Donate at California Tortilla on April 17th. The team will get 25% of your purchase. Orders must be placed online.

Ice Cream Night at Handels on April 30th. Grab some ice cream and the team will receive 20% back.

Girls Basketball

Girls basketball is hosting a night at the Phillies Game on Thursday, May 16th vs the Mets. Purchase tickets from the following link for \$30.00. The Girls Basketball team will receive \$6 for every ticket sold. Watching the Phillies and supporting PJP Girls Basketball, what can be better? Order tickets here: https://www.mlb.com/phillies/tickets/specials/pjp

Guidance Office

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

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	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	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

ACT Test Date (2023-24 School Year)	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Late Registration
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, Scholarship, & Grant Awards, and Financial Aid Award Letters Please Submit to the Guidance Office

Seniors are asked to please submit any and all college acceptances and financial aid award letters (scholarships and grants) to the Guidance Office. This is for any and all colleges to which they have applied and been accepted to.

The name of the scholarship / grant award(s) gets listed in the Graduation Program.

You can either make a copy of the acceptances and scholarships / grants and drop it off to Mrs. Bell, College and Career Coordinator, or you can take a screenshot / picture of it and email it to her at <u>dbell@piphs.org</u>.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak with Mrs. Bell or your 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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