



Pope John Paul II HIGH SCHOOL

Pope John Paul II High School Weekly Newsletter

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President's Office

Student Retention

We are proud to share some exciting news: **Pope John Paul II High School is the ONLY school among all 15 secondary schools in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia whose enrollment has increased since the start of the school year.** This marks the fourth consecutive year that PJP's enrollment has increased during the school year — a testament to the strength of our community, the dedication of our faculty and staff, and the exceptional experience we offer our students.

Thank you for being a part of what makes PJP such a vibrant and thriving school!

45th Annual Academic Honors Convocation

On Thursday, May 20th, I had the honor to attend the 45th annual Archdiocesan Academic Honors Convocation. Six students from PJP were recognized for ranking in the top three percent of their Senior Class based on cumulative academic standings at the end of the first semester of senior year.

We proudly congratulate the following honorees:

Andes Lugo, Ethan Dwyer, Benjamin Robbins, Allesandro Pulizzi, Abigail Simmers, and Belle Rosenberger.

Your dedication and academic excellence are an inspiration to us all. Well done!

President's Office

Congratulations to our baseball team on their District 1 win on Friday! Congratulations also to the Gold team on their Blue and Gold Day win. A special thank you to all the faculty, staff, parents and Knights of Columbus volunteers who made this day of fun possible for our students.

Thank you to Bishop Efrén Esmilla who celebrated our Marian liturgy with us on Tuesday. As you may have heard, the Bishop gifted us a day off from school. Due to the busy schedule we have remaining, this day will be granted in the following school year.

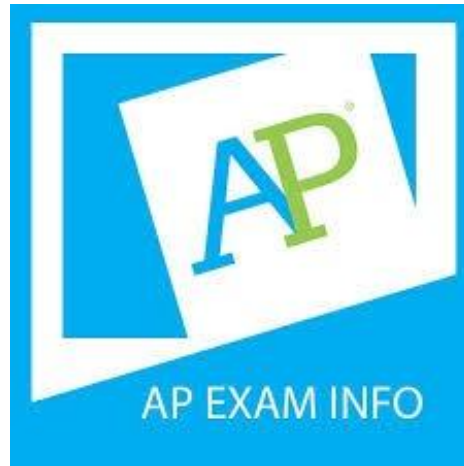
Thursday, May 29th is a day off from school in honor of Ascension Thursday, a Holy Day of Obligation. Please make the time to attend Mass on this special day. Friday is a regular day of school for underclassmen, conflict exam day for seniors and yearbook distribution and signing day for seniors.

As the year winds down, a reminder to make sure our students finish strong. We are working hard to help all students complete the necessary assignments and tasks to prevent the need to attend summer school. We

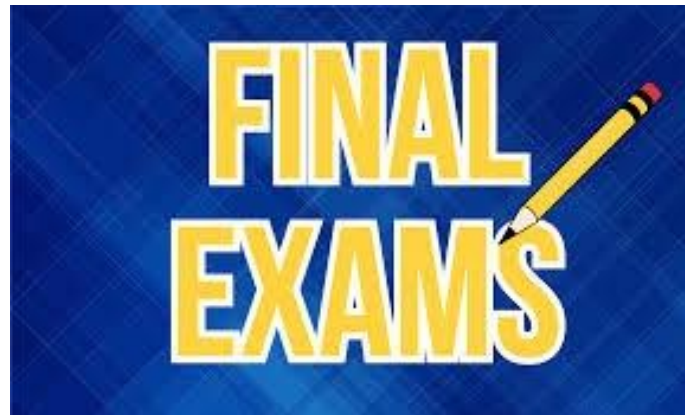
encourage anyone in need of help to reach out to their teachers or Mr. Rogers and his staff in the PLC.

Happy Memorial Day! Let us remember all who died in order that we might have continued freedom. May their sacrifice never be forgotten.

Academic Affairs



Due to the global outage of Bluebook, the CollegeBoard has provided a new testing date for AP Psychology. This test is scheduled for Wednesday, May 28th at 8 a.m. Senior students in Ms. DiGiorgio's Anatomy class who are also enrolled in AP Psychology will take the Anatomy exam during the conflict period on Friday, May 30th at 2nd period.



Final exams begin for seniors this week on Tuesday, May 27. Seniors are expected to be dressed in full uniform and should report to school only when they have an exam scheduled. All other students in grades 9-11 will be in class following the regular schedule.

UNDERCLASS Exams will be taken on June 5, 6, and 9th. To protect the academic integrity of exams, **NO STUDENTS** may take any exams early. If any students are absent from school during the exam period and miss exams, they must take their exams when they return. Late exams will cause incomplete grades on the student's report card. Class rank for students with incomplete grades will not be calculated properly. While GPA will be adjusted as soon as the corrected report card is issued, Class Rank is only updated when S1 and Year-end report cards are issued and will be corrected at the end of the 1st semester of the 2025-2026 Academic Year.

The **SENIOR EXAM SCHEDULE** was sent by email on Wednesday, May 21st to all senior students and their parents.

Office of School Ministry

During the week of May 26, students will receive information in their Theology classes about the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) — a dynamic, three-day Catholic experience for high school teens held in Indianapolis from November 20–23, 2025. NCYC includes inspiring speakers, prayer, worship, and fellowship with thousands of young Catholics from across the country.

To learn more, view the presentation here: [NCYC 2025 Slide Deck](#)

Registration is due by June 5, and a parent/student meeting will be held in September. You can also visit ncyc.us for additional details.

Adoration

Come spend an hour in prayer with the Blessed Sacrament during the School day on Fridays. Sign up required.

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)

Student Affairs

Family Brunch

Pope John Paul II High School's 2025 Family Brunch will be held on Sunday, June 1, 2025 from 12-2 pm at the Sunnybrook Ballroom - Pottstown, PA
Tickets will be \$45/person

Order tickets by Friday, May 23.

[CLICK HERE TO ORDER TICKETS](#)

Blue and Gold Day

Blue and Gold Day, Wednesday, May 21st, is quickly approaching. Homerooms will be competing throughout the day starting and ending with a Pep Rally in the gym. Because of the nature of the competition in which they will be participating, students will be permitted to dress down. The dress code rules for this day are different from any other day. Please read the following dress code regulations carefully. **TEN POINTS WILL BE AWARDED TO EACH HOMEROOM IF EVERYONE COMPLIES!** Members of the BLUE TEAM must wear a BLUE T-shirt and GOLD TEAM members must wear a GOLD/YELLOW T-shirt. The shirts must have sleeves and they may be decorated to show your SCHOOL SPIRIT. Please avoid any inappropriate sayings or slogans. **FOR BLUE AND GOLD DAY ONLY--** sweatpants, yoga pants/leggings, or athletic shorts/gym shorts may be worn. (They will not be permitted on future dress down days.) Athletic shorts must be as long as your fingertips when you hold your hands down by your side, and they should not have any writing on the back. Athletic shoes will suit you best for competition. All clothing must be whole—not ripped or torn.

The day will be warm and sunny, so don't forget your sunscreen. You may wear face paint on your cheeks only. Remember, the day will be warm and sunny, so think about whether painting your face is a good idea.

A BBQ Lunch is being provided for the entire school through the generosity of the PJP Parents Association and our local Knights of Columbus who will be grilling! The menu is Hotdogs, Hamburgers, snacks, and drinks will be provided. If you have dietary restrictions please pack a brown bag lunch for the day.

The dress code was created to ensure everyone is able to compete in comfort and to allow everyone to show SCHOOL SPIRIT. Please remember to limit yourself to the instructions above.

Health Suite

Medication Pick Up

If your PJP student has any medication stored in the nurse's office, please make arrangements with us at nurse@pjphs.org for pick-up prior to your student's last day. There is no nurse available for pick up once the school year ends, and storing meds for the summer is not permitted.

- EpiPens, Inhalers, and Diabetes Supplies can be taken home by students.
- Daily or 'as needed' medications must be picked up by a parent/guardian.

Rising Seniors

Dose 2 of MCV is required by PA Immunization Law for attendance in 12th grade. Students who have not completed this obligation will not receive a parking pass and will be excluded from school after day 5 of senior year. Medically signed waivers are accepted at PJP. Emails were sent on 5/21/25 to parents and students who do not currently have this dose on file.

Rising Juniors

A completed physical with updated vaccines (including dose 2 of MCV) is required in 11th grade. As your student gets the age 16 well-check OR a sports physical, please have a physical form (or copy of PIAA exam) completed and sent to nurse@pjphs.org.

Development

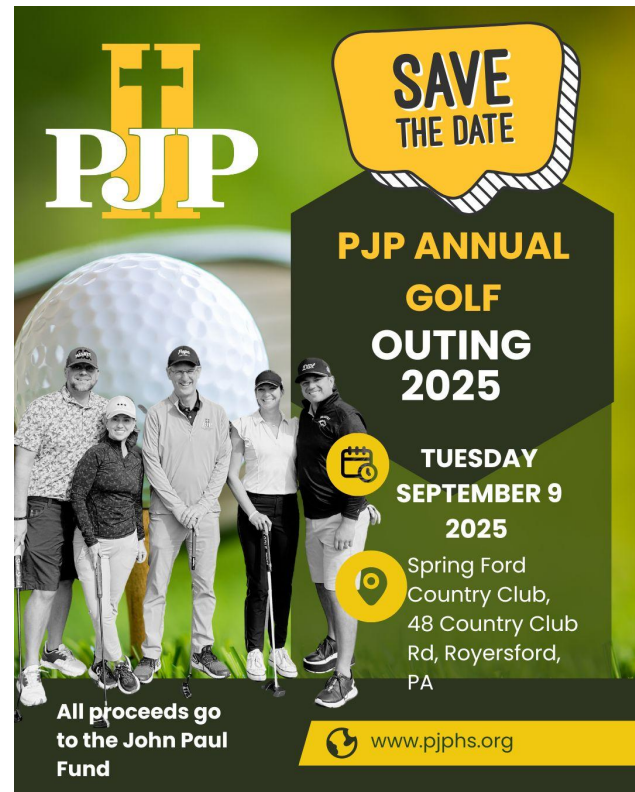


We would like to extend a BIG thank you to everyone who supported our Savor the Flavor: Prom Night event last weekend. Everyone had a great time listening and dancing to live music from Brass Pocket, and the food donated from 13 local area restaurants was amazing! We are grateful to our Savor the Flavor committee, who put so much time and effort into the planning of our largest fundraiser of the year! We are truly grateful to all of them for volunteering. We are thankful not only for those who attended the event, but also those who participated on the Accelevents website and by making a bid for the silent auction items or buying raffle tickets. We would love to hear what you liked and would recommend for our future event. We are asking those who attended or bid on the auction website to kindly complete the Google form to provide feedback here: <https://forms.gle/RtZMfpY9E7YVu68K8> Your feedback helps us plan future events for our PJP community.

Please continue supporting our local business partners who made Savor the Flavor a great night! To see all

our local business sponsors and vendors, you can access our Savor the Flavor Program booklet on our website: <https://www.pjphs.org/savor-the-flavor>

- Want to get involved in planning our event for next year? Reach out via email, savortheflavor@pjphs.org, to inquire about joining the committee. Planning will begin in September 2025 for our 2026 event.



Save the Date for our Annual Heritage Golf Outing!

This year's event will take place on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at Spring-Ford Country Club. Do you have a business or would you consider sponsoring our event?

Please contact Susan Mollahan, susan.mollahan@pjphs.org, for sponsorship information.

Athletics

Upcoming Home Events

Tuesday, May 20th

Baseball vs Holy Ghost Prep- 4PM, District Semi-Final

Softball at Merion Mercy- 4PM, District Semi-Final

Uniform Returns

Uniform return for Spring athletes done competing was Wednesday, May 21st. That means uniforms are now late. All student athletes should return their uniform to the athletic office ASAP. Please make sure you are returning your uniform to Kyle or Tracey and completing the process of returning. Uniforms left at the door will not be accepted. Any Seniors who have not returned their uniform will not receive their cap and gown.

Coaching Vacancies

All student athletes who are interested in participating in a sport during the 2025-2026 school year must have a physical dated May 1st, 2025 or after to be eligible to try-out. PJP will be hosting physicals on Tuesday May 27th from 4:00 PM-6:30 PM. Physicals are \$20 cash. There are some time slots still available. To sign up for a slot click [here](#).

Fundraisers

Football - Football will be hosting their annual Golf Outing on Friday, June 20th at Linfield National Golf Course. \$125 for an individual golfer, or \$500 per foursome. There are also hole sponsorships available. To find out more information please reach out to Coach Darrell Scott at football@pjphs.org.

A promotional poster for a golf outing. At the top is a football helmet. Below it, the text reads 'PJP II HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL GOLF OUTING' in large, bold letters. The location is 'Linfield Golf Course' and the date is 'Friday, June 20, 2025'. The start time is '9:00 AM Shotgun Start with Lunch to Follow'. Pricing is '\$125 Per Player • \$500 Per Foursome'. A note says 'Cost Includes: Greens Fees, Cart, Lunch, and Beverages'. Another note says 'Come for lunch and hang out with no golf for \$50'. Contact information for Darrell Scott and Matt Bildstein is provided. At the bottom, there is a registration form with checkboxes for 'Foursome (\$500)', 'Single Player (\$125)', and 'Lunch Only (\$50)'. Fields for contact name, email, phone, and shirt size are included, along with spaces for golfer names.

PJP II HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL
GOLF OUTING
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Friday, June 20, 2025
9:00 AM Shotgun Start with Lunch to Follow
\$125 Per Player • \$500 Per Foursome
Cost Includes: Greens Fees, Cart, Lunch, and Beverages
Come for lunch and hang out with no golf for \$50

For more information please contact
Darrell Scott
Email: Football@pjphs.org
610-608-5292
Matt Bildstein matthewbildstein1@gmail.com • 484-622-1822

Please return the bottom portion along with cash or check (payable to Pope John Paul II Football) to:
Darrell Scott---181 Rittenhouse Road Royersford, PA 19468

YES, I WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PJP II HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL GOLF OUTING

☐ Foursome (\$500) ☐ Single Player (\$125) • Lunch Only (\$50)

Contact Name _____
Contact Email _____
Contact Phone _____
Shirt size for golfer(s) _____ Golfer 1: _____ Golfer 2: _____ Golfer 3: _____ Golfer 4: _____

Football is hosting a Big Man Clinic on Sunday, June 22nd. This Big Man Clinic will focus on developing lineman skills in players from grades from 5th-9th. To register for this event, please click the following link: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=mop2eh>



Guidance Office

Senior Reminder - Final Transcripts

Final Transcripts will be sent to the colleges and universities you listed on the *Final Transcript Request Form* (submitted via Google Forms earlier this spring). Transcripts will be ready to send once the school year officially ends for all students and PowerSchool finalizes the data.

Important: If your college plans have changed and you are now attending a different school than originally indicated, please notify the Guidance Office as soon as possible so we can ensure your transcript is sent to the correct institution.

Junior Parents - PARENT BRAG SHEET for Class of 2026 for Counselor's Letter of Recommendation

The PJP School Counselors request Junior parents/guardians to complete a Parent Brag Sheet for their child. Completion of this form is optional, but, during the College Application process, many colleges and/or scholarships require a Counselor Letter of Recommendation, and a parent/guardian's insight can provide invaluable information that is worth including in a Counselor Recommendation, conveying your child's unique qualities. This information will aid counselors in writing the individualized counselor letter of recommendation. If you choose to complete the Brag Sheet, the link is below and please have it completed by August 1st.

LINK: [Parent Brag Sheet for the Class of 2026](#)

Juniors: CONSENT TO RELEASE TRANSCRIPT & LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FORM

Attention Juniors, this is a friendly reminder to submit your *Consent to Release Transcript & Letters of Recommendation Form* by the end of the school year, if you have not done so already. This signed form authorizes the Guidance Department to send your official transcript and letters of recommendation to all colleges and scholarships when you start to apply next year. The Guidance Office would like to be preemptive and get this on file now, before the rush of next year's application cycle.

LINK: [Consent to Release Transcript Form](#)

Please return your completed form to Guidance or email it to Mrs. Bell, College and Career Coordinator, at dbell@pjphs.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
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
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025	May 26, 2025
July 12, 2025	June 5, 2025	June 20, 2025

Have a great week!

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