

Week of October 12th, 2025



October 2025 Calendar

Office of the President



Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you and your family are having a great start to the school year.

Thank you for your ongoing trust, partnership, and support of Pope John Paul II High School. Together, we continue to make PJP a place where faith and excellence thrive.

I am writing to share an important update about how tuition and fees will be structured at Pope John Paul II High School. Beginning with the 2026–2027 school year, tuition and the school fee will be combined into a single, all-inclusive rate. When you receive the updated tuition schedule in February, you'll notice this new combined total.

Rest assured that everything currently covered by the school fee will continue to be included in this new structure.

Fees not previously included in the school fee such as: PAWS, Kairos, Graduation, Registration, AP Exams, Prom, Student Parking, ID cards, and Locks, will remain as individual charges and will continue to be billed separately.

Across our Archdiocesan schools, 12 of the 15 secondary schools have already adopted this tuition model. The Office of Catholic Education is encouraging all secondary schools to do the same to promote greater transparency, clarity, and consistency for families.

At PJP, our mission remains the same: to provide your child with a superior education and faith formation in a caring, Christ-centered community. Every day, our students bring vibrant energy to our campus, and we are truly grateful to have them as part of our community.

The tuition rate for the 2026–2027 school year, inclusive of the school fee, will be shared with families in early February, once our budget has been passed by the PJP Board and approved by the Office of Catholic Education.

May God bless you and your family.

Advancement Office



Join us on Friday, November 14th for the Legacy of Impact Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. Honorees for this year are:

Jim Shaffer
1976 Bishop Kenrick Boys Basketball Team
Charles A. McPherson

Alyssa (Neilson) Borzillo
Douglas T. Dunn
Rick Keeley

For more information see our website: [PJP LEGACY OF IMPACT HALL OF FAME](#)

RSVP



The flyer is for an "Information Evening" at Pope John Paul II High School. It features logos for Holy Cross Regional Catholic School, PJP, and BLOCS. A circular photo shows students and a mascot in front of a yellow school bus. The event is on Thursday, October 30, 2025, at 6.30pm in the Legacy Atrium at Pope John Paul II High School, located at 181 Rittenhouse road, Royersford, PA, 19468. A QR code and a "CLICK HERE" button are provided for RSVP.

YOU ARE INVITED TO

INFORMATION EVENING

AT POPE JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL

You are invited to an EITC Information Evening hosted at Pope John Paul II High School in partnership with BLOCS.

Learn how the Education Improvement Tax Credit program allows you to make a meaningful impact on Catholic education and directly support Pope John Paul II High School.

Please RSVP by clicking the link or scanning the QR code below:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2025
at 6.30pm
In the Legacy Atrium at Pope John Paul II High School

181 Rittenhouse road, Royersford, PA, 19468

[CLICK HERE](#)



RSVP

Academic Affairs



We have reached the mid-point of the 1st quarter. Please check your child's progress using the tools available to you in PowerSchool.

Progress Reports were shared electronically with the parents and guardians of all students who have a grade less than 75% in any of their classes. Parent Teacher conferences will be held virtually via zoom on Wednesday, October 15th with scheduled

appointments from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. If you received a Progress Report for your child, you are encouraged to make an appointment with any of the teachers you would like to

collaborate with to identify areas for improvement to support your child. If there are no conference times available, or you are not able to make an appointment for that day and time, please reach out to the teacher(s) directly by email.



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Virtual conferences will be available by appointment over Zoom for the parents of those students who are experiencing academic difficulties on

Wednesday, October 15th from 5:30-7:30. Please refer to this [Appointment Scheduling Form](#) to find the link to your child's teachers' bookable appointment blocks. If the teacher you wish to meet with is not available, please e-mail them to find a time that will be convenient for both of you to meet.

Admissions



We are excited to announce our upcoming **Grandparents Day** celebration at PJP, a special opportunity for your child's grandparents to join us for an afternoon filled with faith, family, and fun.

Grandparents Day is on Thursday, October 30, 2025 from 11:45 am - 1:45 pm. Please RSVP by *Friday, October 17th*.

RSVP

Student Services

WINTER UNIFORM

Students will begin wearing their winter uniform Monday, October 20, 2025. They will

remain in their full winter uniform until the beginning of the 4th quarter (March 30, 2026). We have begun reminding our students about their responsibilities with respect to the winter uniform. We are asking all parents for support by reiterating these expectations at home. Please see the winter uniform requirements below. Thank you in advance for your support.

Ladies' Winter Uniform:

- An official PJPII plaid Flynn & O'Hara skort, no shorter than one inch above the knee.
- A white button-down blouse that is banded at the bottom (long or short sleeve).
- Navy blue opaque Flynn and O'Hara tights without rips, tears, or holes. (NO leggings or socks are permitted).
- The regulation school shoe – burgundy, Classic Eastland Penny Loafers, or brown, Eastland Plainview Oxfords.

Gentlemen's Winter Uniform:

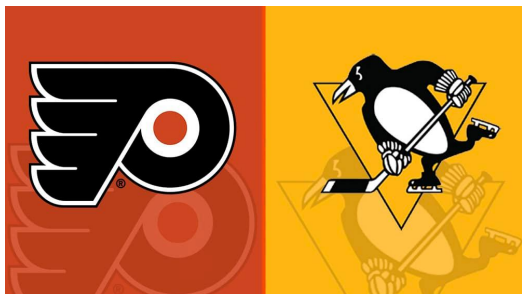
- Official gray Flynn & O'Hara dress pants with belt (black).
- Black belt.
- A white button-down collar shirt (long or short sleeve).
- Navy and gold striped tie. Seniors are permitted to wear an appropriate tie of their choice.
- The regulation school shoe Nunn Bush - Bleeker Street (Black)
- Clean shaven.
- Hair is to be clean and neat, may not fall below the shirt collar, and must not obstruct or cover their face or eyes.

All students:

- White undershirts only.
- Navy blue school sweater, vest or blazer. Special Note: Seniors may wear the senior fleece in place of the sweater. They must also wear their winter uniform shirts under their fleeces.
- Student ID on a PJP school lanyard worn on around their neck during the school day.

Full details regarding the dress code can be found on page 29 of the Student Handbook.

Student Affairs



Hockey Fans, Get Ready!

Join us for Flyers Praise Night on **Tuesday, October 28** as the Philadelphia Flyers take on the Pittsburgh Penguins!

Purchase your tickets through the link below to sit with the PJP community. Every ticket includes a free Flyers tumbler, and a portion of each sale will directly support PJP.

Don't miss this fun night out with fellow Golden Panthers!

Tickets On Sale Now!



Everyday Menu

Weekly Specials

Healthy Choices 🍏 Chicken Caesar Wrap Buffalo Chicken Wrap Chicken Caesar Salad Tossed Garden Salad Yogurt Parfait Veggie & Dip Cup Seasonal Fruit Made-to-Order Salads, Sandwiches & Wraps Customize your own Deli Sandwich, Wrap, or Salad. Select your protein, select your cheese, and customize with toppings and condiments of your choice. Grill Crispy Chicken Nuggets Classic Grilled Cheese Hot & Fresh French Fries Homestyle Chicken Sandwich Spicy Chicken Sandwich Chicken Cheesesteak Pizzeria Classic Cheese Pizza Buffalo Chicken Pizza Featured Pizza Dessert Chocolate Chip Cookie Sugar Cookie Wingtopia Wing Bar Every Wednesday Monthly Featured Sauces • Buffalo • Jamaican Jerk • Honey BBQ	Sept 29th – Oct 3rd Feature Appetizer: Cheesesteak Eggroll Grill Feature: Buffalo Chicken Stuffed Grilled Cheese Pizza Feature: Sausage & Sweet Pepper Flatbread Salad Feature: Crispy Chicken Caesar Main Plate: Teriyaki Dumplings w/Fried Rice Dessert Feature: Strawberry Shortcake Parfait
	Oct 6th – 10th Feature Appetizer: Mini Pierogies w/Dipping Sauce Grill Feature: Chicken Bacon Jalapeño Ranch Hoagie Pizza Feature: Meat Lovers Salad Feature: Autumn Salad Main Plate: Burrito Bowl Dessert Feature: Churro
	Oct 13th – 17th Feature Appetizer: Mac & Cheese Bites Grill Feature: Tennessee Hot Honey Chicken Sandwich Pizza Feature: Sausage Salad Feature: Autumn Salad Breakfast Rewind: Bacon, Egg & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich Main Plate: Protein+ Pasta Bar Dessert Feature: Cinnamon Pretzel Nuggets
	Oct 20th – 24th Phillies Week Feature Appetizer: Jerk Chicken Tenders Grill Feature: Stadium Chicken Sandwich Pizza Feature: Garlic Parmesan White Salad Feature: Autumn Salad Main Plate: BYO Fully Loaded "Bank" Nachos Dessert Feature: S'mores Dessert Slice
	Oct 27th – 31st Feature Appetizer: Cheesy Pull-apart Flatbread Grill Feature: BBQ Pulled Chicken & Cheddar Sliders Pizza Feature: Crispy Chicken Bacon Ranch Salad Feature: Autumn Salad Breakfast Feature: Mini Cinnies Main Plate: Yaki Soba Noodle Bowl Dessert Feature: Party Cake Slice

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Feast of Saint Pope John Paul - Cupcake Day

To celebrate the Feast of Saint Pope John Paul II, the PJP Parents' Association will be serving cupcakes to students and faculty on Wednesday, October 22nd.

We kindly ask that all cupcakes be store-bought (no homemade items, please). If you'd like to donate a dozen (or even two) please sign up using the link below.

Cupcakes may be dropped off in the school office on Wednesday morning before 9:00 a.m. Feel free to decorate them in PJP colors to show your school spirit!

Thank you for your generosity and support—our students love this tradition, and we couldn't do it without you!

PJP's first Coffee House of the year will take place on Friday, October 24th at 7:00 PM in the Panther Learning Center (aka the Coffee House Café)!

The Coffee House is a relaxed, welcoming event that gives students the chance to perform in front of a small, supportive audience. Singers, musicians, poets, and performers of all kinds are encouraged to participate, you can share a song, recite a poem (original or not), or even perform a monologue!

If you'd like to take the stage, **please email Mr. Mullarkey** with your performance details, including the titles of your pieces and who will be accompanying you (if anyone). Performers may share up to three pieces, and instrumentals are always welcome!

Underclassmen Retakes are scheduled for Wed. October 29. If you know your child was not in Winter uniform, did not get a picture, or needs a retake please contact [Mrs. Tammany](#).

The Junior Ring Parent Meeting will be held via Zoom on **Tuesday, October 29th** at 6:30 PM. A meeting link will be shared closer to the date.

If you ordered senior fleeces, they have all arrived and have been distributed, please check in with your senior to make sure they received theirs. Additionally, graduation information has been shared with seniors and needs to be completed.

Guidance Office

SENIORS & JUNIORS – COLLEGE ADMISSION COUNSELORS VISITING PJP

The following college admission representatives will be visiting PJP during the week of October 13th. These visits are a great opportunity for seniors applying to a school and juniors exploring their college options to connect directly with the admissions representative who will review their application. A complete list of colleges visiting PJP is posted in Naviance.

Students can sign up by logging into their Naviance account and registering for the visits they'd like to attend. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Bell, PJP's College and Career Coordinator, at dbell@pjphs.org.

College	Date	Time
Northeastern Joint Apprenticeship	Mon October 13, 2025	9:45 AM
Alvernia University	Tue October 14, 2025	9:45 AM
Temple University	Tue October 14, 2025	10:30 AM
Drexel University	Tue October 14, 2025	11:15 AM
Saint Joseph's University	Tue October 14, 2025	12:00 PM
Saint Anselm College	Wed October 15, 2025	9:45 AM
Xavier University	Wed October 15, 2025	10:30 AM
Villanova University	Wed October 15, 2025	12:00 PM
Lehigh University	Thu October 16, 2025	11:15 AM
Juniata College	Fri October 17, 2025	11:15 AM
The George Washington University	Fri October 17, 2025	12:00 PM

National College Fair in Philadelphia – Saturday, October 25th

The Philadelphia National College Fair, hosted by the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC), will take place on Saturday, October 25th, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. This free event is open to the public and offers students the chance to connect directly with admission representatives from a wide range of colleges and universities across the nation. Students can also take advantage of NACAC's convenient barcode scanning system to easily share their information with colleges of interest. For more details and to register, please visit the link below.

[National College Fair](#)

COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID FORMS – FAFSA and CSS Profile

FAFSA – Open Now

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.

The FAFSA is now fully available for families to fill out. So, create your *StudentAid.gov* account so you can complete the FAFSA. Please note, while the federal FAFSA deadline isn't until June, many colleges and states have much earlier priority deadlines - some as early as November - January. Submitting the FAFSA by your student's earliest deadline is the best way to maximize eligibility for financial aid.

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

CSS Profile – Open Now

In addition to the FAFSA, there are about 300 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. 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>

Scholarship Newsletter –

Below is a Google Doc link listing scholarships that the PJP Guidance Department has learned of and wants to share with you. There are also links to some of the better online resources to assist you with searching for scholarships, as well as links to financial aid websites. If you need additional resources, just reach out to your child's school counselor. 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!

[Link to PJP Scholarship Newsletter](#)

COLLEGE STANDARDIZED TEST DATE & REGISTRATION DEADLINES FOR NATIONAL TEST DAYS

SAT TESTING – Register at www.collegeboard.org

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
November 8, 2025	October 24, 2025	October 28, 2025
December 6, 2025	November 21, 2025	November 25, 2025
March 14, 2026	February 27, 2026	March 3, 2026
May 2, 2026	April 17, 2026	April 21, 2026
June 6, 2026	May 22, 2026	May 26, 2026

ACT TESTING - Register at www.act.org

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
October 18, 2025	September 12, 2025	September 30, 2025
December 13, 2025	November 7, 2025	November 24, 2025
February 14, 2026	January 9, 2026	January 23, 2026
April 11, 2026	March 6, 2026	March 24, 2026
June 13, 2026	May 8, 2026	May 29, 2026
July 11, 2026	June 5, 2026	June 24, 2026

**** School Day Testing (for Juniors only) – PJP will offer the SAT School Day Test on April 1st, 2026. Registration information for this test will be supplied to students in February. ****



Upcoming Sporting Events

Monday, October 13th

JV Football vs Pottstown- 3:45 PM

Golf Districts- 9:30 AM (Turtle Creek)

Tuesday, October 14th

Cross Country at PAC Championships- Boys V 1:30 PM, Girls V 2:05 PM, Boys JV 2:40 PM, Girls JV 3:15 PM (Limerick Community Park)

Volleyball vs PAC #3 Seed- PAC Semi Finals- 5:00 PM (Upper Merion High School)

Field Hockey vs Methacton- PAC Semi Finals- 6:00 PM (Upper Perkiomen High School)

Wednesday, October 15th

Boys Soccer at Dock- JV 5:15 PM, Varsity 7:00 PM

Thursday, October 16th

Volleyball PAC Championships- 7:00 PM (Upper Merion High School)

Field Hockey PAC Championships- 7:00 PM (Upper Perkiomen High School)

Girls Tennis Doubles District Playoffs- Legacy Tennis Center

Friday, October 17th

Boys Soccer vs Coatesville- 3:30 PM

Football at Upper Merion- 7:00 PM

Saturday, October 18th

JV Football vs Upper Merion- 11:00 AM

Winter Sports

Winter sports begin on Friday, November 14th. Any student interested in trying out for a Winter sport needs to have PIAA paperwork completed and uploaded to Big Teams ([Log In here](#)). If this is your student's first sport you must upload the entire packet including a physical signed by a doctor and dated May 1, 2025 or after. If this is your student's second sport of the school year, you just need to log into Big Teams and

complete Section 7 or 8. It will automatically populate in Big Teams. Below are the Winter sports offered;

Boys Basketball: Earl Wise- boysbasketball@pjphs.org

Girls Basketball: Jack Flanagan- girlsbasketball@pjphs.org

Swimming: Emily Webber- swim@pjphs.org

Wrestling: Matt Ford- wrestling@pjphs.org

Post Season Update

Congratulations to Madison Young and Sophia Valligny for winning the PAC Doubles Championships last week. The Girls Tennis team also qualified for team Districts last week, and played Villa Joseph Marie in the first round. The girls played hard but unfortunately dropped the match 3-2.

Beau Bliem and Ryan Kelly will represent Pope John Paul at Golf Districts on Monday at Turtle Creek.

Uniform Return

Uniform return for all student athletes who are done competing in the Fall season is Wednesday, October 29th from 7:30 AM to 7:50 AM and 2:30 PM- 3:30 PM. All student athletes are responsible for returning their own uniforms. All uniform pieces issued to student athletes (besides soccer and hats) must be returned. All uniforms must be handed to Tracey or Kyle in the athletic office.

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WHEN: Wednesday, October 15th!! ALL DAY

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checkout online.



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Join us on Wednesday, October 15th!

From 11:30 AM to close, dine in or place a takeout order to support PJP Studio 38's Dine & Donate event.

☐ Be sure to tell your server you're there for PJP Studio 38 Dine & Donate, 15% of all sales that day will be donated back to us!

☐ Ordering online? Don't forget to add "Dine & Donate" to your cart before checkout to ensure your order counts.



Studio 38 Raffle – Score Big with the Eagles!

Get ready to cheer on the Philadelphia Eagles in style! Support Studio 38 and enter our exclusive raffle for a chance to win (2) Philadelphia Eagles Club Tickets for the final home game of the season against the Washington Commanders. Your ultimate Eagles fan experience also includes:

- Eagles Super Bowl LIX Hats & Backpack
- Clear Stadium Bag
- Yeti Cooler
- Eagles Blanket
- PJP -Pope Eagles T-Shirt
- Parking Pass Included

Game date and time are TBD – and every ticket you purchase helps support Studio 38, empowering our students to shine on stage and off through the performing arts.

Get your tickets today and bring home the ultimate Eagles fan package!

**The winner will be announced on October 30th and will be contacted regarding the transfer of the game tickets.

Get Your Raffle Tickets Today!

Have a Great Week!



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