

# Pope John Paul II HIGH SCHOOL

# Pope John Paul II High School Weekly Newsletter

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# **President's Office**



March 2, 2025

Dear PJP parents;

As in past years, I write with a special invitation for you to participate in a very important project here at Pope John Paul II High School, our annual Continuous Improvement Survey.

The data we gather from the survey helps us understand what we are doing well as a school and also what opportunities we have to make us even better. Survey questions center on five key areas, Instructional Quality, Constituent Relations, Operational Excellence, Finance and Overall Satisfaction. We estimate it should take 10-15 minutes to complete. You will have the chance to rate each area on a five point scale and also add comments where necessary.

Here are some other details

- The survey will be open from now, until March 31, 2025.
- Since parents from each Archdiocesan high school will be completing the survey, we
  ask that if you have students at a high school you complete the survey at each
  school.
- · All information gathered is secure (you don't have to provide your name).
- · For data accuracy, we ask each family to complete the survey once.
- We will receive the survey results in April and will communicate them to you soon after. Know that all data gathered benefits us here at Pope John Paul II High School.
- The survey results will provide us with needed data that helps us maintain a school culture focused on continuous improvement.

Here are your links for: **Pope John Paul II High School** Parent Feedback: <u>https://www.research.net/r/aops-pf</u> Parent Feedback Code (all parents): **G#213** 

Sincerely,

Vincent F. Cazzetta President

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# **Prinicpal's Office**

Congratulations to our Ice Hockey Team for winning the Division II Varsity Championship! This win gets them a spot for the state championship. Way to go!!

### **Academic Affairs**



3rd Quarter Progress reports were sent electronically last week, and Parent Teacher conferences will be available by appointment over Zoom on Thursday, March 6 from 5:30 -7:30 pm for the parents of those students who are struggling with their courses. The sign-up links will be shared by e-mail on Monday and will be open through Wednesday at noon.

### **Student Affairs**



St. Patrick's Day shirts are now available!! All proceeds benefit Pantheron for a DIPG charity in memory of EJ Wahl (PJP grad), son of Social Studies Teacher, Mr. Wahl. Shirts are \$20 and can be purchased using the link below. Anyone who purchases a shirt will have a full dress down day on Monday, March 17.

#### Please order by Noon - March 7, 2025.

#### CLICK HERE TO ORDER

#### Acai Bowls

On Friday, March 7, Pantheron will providing make your own Acai bowls. Deadline to pre-order is Wednesday, March 5 at 12 noon. Must order using your PJP email.

All Bowls will start with the Acai base. You can add your selections from the toppings bar, but mark what you would like below to ensure we have enough toppings.

Bowls are \$10. Money will be collected at the Student Affairs Office during lunch periods.

#### CLICK HERE TO ORDER

#### **Parent's Association**

As we prepare for Ash Wednesday, the PJP Parents Association will provide donuts for the students and faculty on Tuesday, March 4th. We will be serving donuts during the lunch periods.

If you would like to donate 1 or 2 dozen donuts, use the sign up below. The students like regular glazed and vanilla and chocolate iced donuts. They usually do not like the traditional faschnauts.

Donuts should be dropped off in the school office by 9:00 am on Tuesday, March 4th. The kids really love this day and we can't do this without your help! We really appreciate your support!

#### CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP

#### Pantheron

PJP's annual dance marathon is quickly approaching. This event is called Pantheron and will take place on Friday, April 25, 2025. Benefiting from our event are the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Archdiocesan Special Education Schools, DIPG Foundation and the Lenny Martelli Foundation. All proceeds raised will directly impact these causes. Students should register using the website: PANTHERON WEBSITE.

Also on the website are ways to raise funds and prizes to be won at certain levels.

Donate safely and securely to Pantheron by visiting DONATE HERE.

We are still looking for some corporate sponsors. Let us know if you would like to donate!

We have several events coming up to help raise money for Pantheron:

- Friday, March 7, 2025 Acai Bowl Day
- Wednesday, March 12, 2025 Dine and Donate at Chipotle in Royersford
- Mr. PJP, Phillies Tickets Raffle, Pantheron Dress Down Day, Color Run, 3v3 Basketball Tournament, Teacher pie challenge and more!

### Studio 38



Thank you to all who supported this sale for this weekend's performances! You can still support Studio 38 with our pre-sale for flowers and candy bouquets. Order one today for your favorite *GREASE* cast and crew members. Flowers and candy bouquets will be available to purchase in advance for any of the show performances. You can pick up your order in the lobby before the show or during intermission. <u>ORDER</u> <u>FORM WILL RE-OPEN on Monday, March 3rd for pre-sale orders for the 2nd weekend</u> of shows (March 7 & 8), Orders are due by Thursday, March 6th by 4:00pm.

Show your support by purchasing flowers or a candy bouquet! Use this link to place your order today:https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=NzvsCj

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> There will be a limited number of flower and candy bouquets available for cash purchase on the performance nights. Ordering in advance is encouraged.

# Development



### Summer Camp

Exciting news! Summer camp session sign-ups are now live. Don't miss the chance to give your child an unforgettable summer filled with fun, learning, and adventure. Spots are limited, so secure your place today!

### CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

### Name That Tune

#### Name That Tune has been POSTPONED due to inclement weather to March 21st.

We're excited to announce a fun twist for this year's annual fundraiser event! Instead of Trivia Night, we'll be hosting Name That Tune, a lively evening of music, fun, and friendly competition.

When: Friday, March 21st
Time: Doors open at 6:30 PM, and Name That Tune kicks off at 7:00 PM
Where: Pope John Paul II High School Cafeteria
Included: Drinks provided (BYO snacks!)
Prizes: Lots of exciting prizes to win!
Tickets:

\$35 each

• \$200 for a table of 8

Gather your friends, bring your musical knowledge, and prepare for an unforgettable night of melodies and memories. Whether you're a solo superstar or part of a harmonious team, there's something for everyone.

Tickets are limited, so secure yours now!

We can't wait to see you there and hear you Name That Tune!

#### CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS

## **Savor The Flavor**

We are thrilled to invite you to this year's Savor the Flavor: Prom Night, an evening dedicated to fun, laughter, and reconnecting with friends. This year's event, held on Saturday, May 17th 2025, promises to be more exciting than ever with live music, dancing, and a night to remember!

Here's what you can look forward to:

- A Live Band to keep you on your feet all night long.
- Delicious Restaurant Faire paired with an open bar to enjoy throughout the evening.
- Silent and Live Auctions offering a variety of unique items and experiences.

While there will be plenty of opportunities to bid on amazing prizes, the true heart of the evening is about letting loose, enjoying great food and drinks, and having a memorable night with friends.

Mark your calendar and get ready to relive the magic of prom—with a grown-up twist! More details, including ticket information, will be shared soon.

We can't wait to see you there!

PJP would like to thank the following restaurants that have committed to supporting Savor The Flavor: Manfredo's, Philadelphia Pretzel Factory, Gotta Make the Cupcakes, Handels, Keepin' It Simple Catering. More restaurants are expected to join in. We will keep you posted.

Tickets for Savor The Flavor will go on sale March 17th. This is the one PJP event of the year designed to bring the entire community together.



# **Tuition Office**

#### **Important Updates for Parents**

(1)3rd Round of Financial Aid Awarding Sent

The third round of awarding has been sent out. If you have not received a response, please feel free to reach out.

#### (2) Financial Aid Applications on Hold

Some applications are currently on hold due to missing documentation. Please ensure all required documents are submitted as soon as possible, as incomplete applications will not be processed.

#### ③FACTS Account Adjustments

Please review your accounts, as some have been updated with charges for gym uniforms and marketing class materials.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you for your attention and cooperation!

# Athletics

### **Spring Sports**

Spring sports begin on Monday. Please do not forget about the Prayer Service and Parent Meetings Monday Night at 7:00 PM. All student athletes trying out for a sport and at least one parent/guardian should plan to attend.

#### **Fundraisers**

**Baseball-** Will be hosting a dine and donate at MaGerks on Thursday, March 13th. You can go any time during the day. Just tell the staff you are there to support PJP Baseball for the team to get back 15% of your bill.





# **Guidance Office**

### **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.

2024-2025 Educational Enrichment Opportunities - Google Docs

### **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

### Junior Parents: School Day SAT at PJP

PJP is offering a School Day SAT test for juniors on <u>Wednesday April 16, 2025</u> at 7:50 AM. The SAT registration fee is \$68 (nonrefundable) and will be charged to your student's FACTS account. The registration deadline is March 1st.

To register please complete this form: School Day SAT

*Please note: There is no bus transportation provided on April 16th. Students who take the bus will need to make alternative transportation arrangements.* 

Please contact Mrs. Bell at dbell@pjphs.org with any questions.

### College Fair at PJP - March 4th, 6:00-8:00 PM in the Main Gym

Join us for the annual College Fair at PJP on Tuesday, March 4th, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, in the Main Gym. This event is free and open to the public. No registration is required. So, bring a friend!

The College Fair is a great opportunity to begin your college search or refine your college list! For a list of schools attending the fair, please scan the QR code below. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Bell, College and Career Coordinator, at dbell@pjphs.org, or your child's school counselor.

Scan for a list of participating colleges and programs



### SENIORS - College Acceptance and Scholarship & Grant Awards Please Submit to the Guidance Office

As the first semester comes to a close, some colleges may request your midyear grades. Most colleges do not require midyear grades, so they are only sent if requested. If requested, an updated academic report, which will include your first and second marking period grades, as well as first semester grades, will be sent to the colleges you indicate. Please complete the Midyear Grade Request Form (below) if your college(s) are requiring midyear grades.

If your college does not request your midyear grades but you would like to submit them, then please check your portal first to see if grades can be uploaded (this is the quickest, most efficient way). If you cannot upload senior grades to your portal, then please complete the Midyear Grade Request Form (below). If you self-reported your initial transcript (ex. SRAR), then you need to self-report your midyear grades, as well. Please let Mrs. Bell know if you need an updated copy of your transcript for reference.

Midyear transcript requests will be processed beginning the week of February 3rd, which is when the second quarter grades, first semester grades, GPA and rank will be finalized and validated. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to Mrs. Bell at dbell@pjphs.org.

Please complete this form Mid-Year Grade Request if you need your grades to be sent.

# 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
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

SAT School Day Testing at PJP (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

#### ACT TESTING - Register at<u>www.act.org</u>

ACT Test Date (2024-2025 School Year)	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	Deadline for Late Registration
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				
Have a great week!						
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