

Junior Jags Newsletter

Pembroke Pines
Charter Schools
Academic Village
Middle School

Administrative Team

Principal

Peter Bayer

Assistant Principal

Jennifer Diaz

Guidance Counselor

Jennilee Abolafia

Our MISSION

The Pembroke Pines Charter Community will provide a challenging educational foundation to prepare students for college success and responsible citizenship.

Our VISION

At Pembroke Pines Charter Schools, we are "Empowering Students for the Possibilities of Tomorrow."



A Cambridge Certified Center

September 2019

College Citizenship Community

Welcome to the 2019-2020 School year!

WE ARE AN 'A' SCHOOL!!!

What's New at AVM?

We are delighted to welcome our incoming 6th graders, all of our new students, and their families to the Jaguar team!

The Jaguar Family is excited to welcome our new staff members: Paula Berti (Math) & Angela Mills (Science). We would also want to welcome back Mrs. Belviso (Civics).

Peace Week

Start with Hello! and Peace Week begins September 23rd.

Last year, students at the Academic Village Charter Middle School participated in several activities for teach and educate our students the importance of giving back to those less fortunate.

During our Peace Week Dress Down, our students raised over \$700.00 for a small village in Haiti to create a chicken coop. Our Drama students invited a guest

speaker to discuss the important of sustainability in small villages in Haiti.

We will be sending additional information regarding the week via Jupiter Grades.

Clubs

Our club days will begin September 15! Below is a list of our clubs this semester:

- Fishing
- Color My World
- Girls Who Code
- Science Competitors
- Arts & Crafts
- Sports
- Drama Game
- Dance
- Gaming
- Ping Pong
- Yearbook
- Jewelry Making

Kids of Character

In September, students are recognized for demonstrating cooperation. Through various school and classroom activities, our students are learning to work together to accomplish a common goal.

Important Announcements

Parent Advisory Meetings

Our parent advisory meetings will be held once a month at 6:00PM at the SW Regional Library Auditorium. Parent volunteer hours are given for attending the parent advisory meetings. Check Canvas for the dates.

Uniforms

In order to maintain a safe and orderly campus, all students must be in proper uniform, including their sweaters. Students are also required to wear their ID.

On-Campus Supervision

On-campus adult supervision is provided from 8:15AM-3:45PM. Students who are at the library after school are subject to Broward County Libraries' rules & regulations.

Sign-Out

Students will not be able to sign out after 2:30PM.

Parent Volunteer Hours

It is the parent's responsibility to keep track of their hours. Please note the following dates for your records. The commitment of 30 parent hours must be completed by **May 22, 2020**.

Student Code of Conduct

The Code of Conduct (Student Survival Guide) was sent via email. Please note our school complies with BCPS, in conjunction with our Proactive Discipline Plan.

Drop-Off Policy

When dropping off items at school, you are responsible for contacting your child and ensuring that they know to pick up all items during their lunch or between classes. We will **NOT** contact your child as this disrupts the learning environment.



Athletics Department

Soccer Season is approaching!

Please check Canvas for the most up-to-date calendar.

Athletics Dept.

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Athletics Director

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Fortify

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. We encourage all stakeholders to bookmark the link below:

<https://getfortifyfl.com/>



General Charter Policies



Charter School Liaison

Our Charter School Liaison for Academic Village is Aner Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager. You may reach Mr. Gonzalez at agonzalez@pinescharter.net or 954.431.4884.



Dispute Resolution Procedure

There is a procedure by which the charter school board resolves disputes. The school board is aware of this dispute resolution procedure.

1. Parents speak with teacher. If not resolved...
2. Parents speak with administrator. If not resolved...
3. Parents speak with principal. If not resolved...
4. Parents speak with Charles Dodge, City Manager

Address Changes



Please note: If your address changes, you must complete an address change form and attach a copy of a current utility bill (light, water, etc.) The utility bill **MUST** have the name of the parent/ guardian and complete address. **Updating this information in Jupiter Grades and/or the emergency contact card does not complete the process.** This form and utility bill can be turned in to the front office.



Employee Performance Assessment

Parents have the opportunity to provide input into the faculty and administration performance evaluations. If you are interested, please provide the Principal with your input by April 30, 2020.

“Culture does not make people. People Make Culture.”

- Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

Our Village has always driven our culture. Thank you to all stakeholders for your never-ending support. It truly takes a village.





Important Dates

September

- 2- No School (Labor Day)
- 6- Picture Day
- 9 - Parent Advisory Meeting
- 10 - Dress Down Day
- 12 - Charter Study Day
- 13 - Interim Reports Issued
- 18 - First Club Day
- 19 - 6th Grade Health Screenings
- 23 - "Start with Hello" & Peace Week
- 30 - Day Off (No School)

October

- 8 - Picture Day (Makeups)
- 9 - Day Off (No School)
- 10 - SOS Dress Down Day
- 14 - Parent Advisory Meeting
- 17 - Early Release Day & End of Quarter 1

- 17—Vaping/Drug Awareness Presentation (Students)
- 18 - Teacher Planning Day
- 21—Red Ribbon Week

November

- 4 - Parent Advisory Meeting
- 11- No School (Veterans Day)
- 12 - SOS Dress Down Day
- 13- Report Cards Issued
- 13 - Honor Roll Ceremony
- 27-29 - No School (Thanksgiving)

**Details of events & up-to-date information (e.g. location and time) are posted on Canvas.*

Faculty Members Broaden Their Areas of Expertise

All of our professional teachers are continuously upgrading their skills and developing increased levels on content expertise. We would like to recognize those teachers at Pembroke Pines Charter High School who are expanding their expertise beyond their current certification by pursuing college work and/or training sessions to become certified in another subject. While completing this work, they will be teaching those subjects to students. They have been approved by the School Board of Broward County to teach out of field. Paula Berti (Gifted), Dan Capiro (ESOL), Jennifer Carson (Gifted), Lisa Coolidge (Gifted), and Rebecca Lewis (Gifted and Computer Applications).

City of Pembroke Pines- Academic Village Campus

Home of the Jags!

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