

Junior Jags Newsletter

Pembroke Pines
Charter Schools
Academic Village
Middle School

Administrative Team

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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

December 2019

Empowering students for the Possibilities of Tomorrow!

College Citizenship Community

2019-2020 School Year!

WE ARE AN 'A' SCHOOL!!!

Upcoming Events

Winter Fantasy

Students will be invited to attend the Winter Fantasy dress rehearsal on Wednesday, December 11th. Cost is \$5.00 and all proceeds benefit our Drama program.

The night performance will be held on December 13th in the Auditorium. Students may purchase tickets via Drama class.

Nothing Bundt Cake

Fundraiser Coming Soon! Proceeds benefit our PTSA. Be on the lookout on Jupiter.



History Fair Exhibition Night

Come join us on History Fair Exhibition Night and see what our students will be submitting for the History Fair County Competition. The event will be held on Decem-

ber 9th from 6PM-8PM. Parents will receive hours for attending (up to 4 hours per family).

Incoming 9th Grade Parent Workshop

We are delighted to invite you to our high school's ninth (9th) grade [current 8th grade] parent workshop, "Let's Teach Our Children" on Saturday February 8, 2020 from 8:30AM – 11:00 AM. Volunteer hours will be given for attendance.

Curriculum Night

Curriculum Night for **CURRENT** sixth (6th) and seventh (7th) graders will be held on Tuesday, January 28th at 6:30 PM in the auditorium. Course selection will be discussed. Parents will receive 2 volunteer hours for attending.

We will also be hosting "Coffee with the Village" after Curriculum Night to discuss questions regarding the course selection cards. "Coffee with the Village" will be held on February 5th at 8:00AM.

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

Flag Football Season is approaching!
Please check Canvas for the most up-to-date
calendar.

Athletics Dept.

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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.

Lottery News



Beginning January 10-March 10, our re-enrollment process will begin. All current students are required to re-enroll to confirm your seat. In addition, reassignment applications (e.g. to attend another campus) will run from January 10-February 10. If you are planning on re-assigning your child to the West or Central Campus, you must complete **BOTH** the re-assignment and re-enrollment application.

Parents will also be rewarded with one (1) hour of volunteer service for re-applying for the new school year.

Idiom Day

On October 31st, the village celebrated their annual "Idiom Day." Students selected or given their idiom to wear. Students were also given the choice to choose a vocabulary "WOW" word.



SOS News & Events



Our annual Walk-A-Thon will be held on January 22nd. Cost of the Walk-A-Thon will be \$5.00 and includes dress down. Students participating in the Walk-A-Thon will also be receiving a yellow scarf for "School Choice Week."

To pre-pay for the SOS Dress Down Days (not including the Walk-A-Thon), please stay tuned to Jupiter Grades. We will be sending the link to pay for the remainder of the school year. For more information regarding our system's foundation, please click on the link below:

<http://www.ppcsf.org/>



Important Dates

December

- 3 – NJHS Induction
- 9– “Nothing Bundt Cake” Fundraiser Ends
- 9—History Fair Showcase*
- 9—Parent Advisory Board Meeting*
- 10—SOS Dress Down Day
- 10—CREAM Fundraiser*
- 11—Winter Fantasy Assembly
- 13—Winter Fantasy (night event)
- 17—Midterm Period 1 & 2
- 18—Midterm Period 3 & 4
- 19—Midterms Periods 5 & 6
- 20—Midterm Makeup Day
- 20—Early Release (12:45PM)

January

- 6—Teacher Planning Day
- 13—Parent Advisory Board Meeting*
- 14– SOS Dress Down Day
- 15—PSAT Exam (8th Grade)

- 16—Charter Study Early Release (12PM Dismissal)
- 20– No School
- 22 – SOS Walk-A-Thon*
- 24 – Honor Roll Ceremony
- 28 - Curriculum Night*
- 29 – Washington DC Trip
- 29—Report Cards Issued

February

- 5– First Club Day
- 7—8th grade Orientation (at HS)
- 8—Incoming 9th grade Parent Workshop*
- 10– Parent Advisory Board Meeting*
- 11– Interim Reports Issued
- 11 - SOS Dress Down Day
- 13—Teacher of the Year Ceremony
- 14 - Early Release Day (12:45PM)
- 17– Schools Closed

**Parent Hours Given for Attending*

Faculty Members Broaden Their Areas of Expertise

All of our professional teachers are continuously upgrading their skills and developing increased levels of 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 Middle School



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Charles Dodge, City Manager & Superintendent of Schools

