

# Junior Jags Newsletter

Pembroke Pines  
Charter Schools  
Academic Village  
Middle School

## Administrative Team

### Principal

Peter Bayer

### Assistant Principal

Jennifer Diaz

### Guidance Counselor

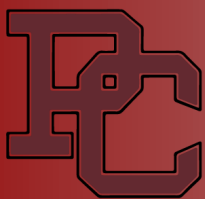
Jennilee Abolafia

## **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

February 2020

**Empowering students for the possibilities of tomorrow!**

**College      Citizenship      Community**

**WE ARE AN 'A' SCHOOL!!!**

## **NEWS AND EVENTS**

### Washington D.C. Trip.



The 8th grade Washington DC field trip took place from January 29th – February 1st.

The students visited memorials, museums, Arlington Cemetery and the Capitol. The students also had a dance party, went Ice Skating and participated on a Ghost Tour of Old Alexandria. The trip included their annual voyage to Target, a big treat for our 8th graders.

Special thanks to our amazing chaperones Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Carvajal, Mr. Curiel and Mrs. Diaz for participating. We also want to give special recognition to Mrs. Coolidge for organizing the trip for 6 years.

### Yearbook Sales

Yearbook sales have officially begun. The yearbook costs \$30 and \$38 if personalized with your child's photo and name. This

price is only available through February 14th. Checks are made payable to PPCMS AV PTSA and can be sent to the front office.

You are also able to purchase dedications or pages for advertisements.

All dedications and advertising are due by Friday, February 14th. Please submit the completed dedication/ad form along with full payment to the front office. Order form was sent via Jupiter Grades.

If you plan to design your own dedication/ad, please complete the design and email it directly to [debbiecilli@gmail.com](mailto:debbiecilli@gmail.com). Include your contact name and cell number for any questions. Please print out your email and submit with payment and dedication form to the front office.

**BUY YOUR**  
*Yearbook*



## 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

Congratulations to the students who made the Cheerleading, Flag Football and/or Track Team.

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



### **Athletics Dept.**

*Anthony Kelly*

Athletics Director

akelly@pinescharter.net

## 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/>



## Teacher of the Year

Ms. Mautner is our 6th Grade Math teacher and has been part of the Academic Village Family since its founding year, 2014. Ms. Mautner has been instrumental in developing the middle school Math curriculum for students entering The Village. Since the school's inception, the 6th grade math scores have been top in the county.

Ms. Mautner is a recreational fisherwoman and loves to be anywhere near nature. She has recently welcomed Harvey, her puppy, to the family.



We encourage our charter family to come and celebrate Ms. Mautner's success at our Teacher of the Year Ceremony. The event will take place on February 13th at 6:30PM in the school auditorium.

## Testing Season is Coming Soon!



Testing season is upon us! Students will be taking the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) during the upcoming weeks. Please review the list of test dates and make sure your child is in school and prepared with a good breakfast and a well rested night. We will be sending information regarding Test Prep Camp via Jupiter Grades. Some camps will be for a specific population and not geared for all students. The following are the established dates for testing. We ask that parents do not plan activities during the dates indicated below.

- ELA Writing (All Grades) April 1
- Science (8th Grade) May 4
- EOC Civics (7th Grade) May 4
- EOC Biology (8th Grade) May 4
- ELA Reading (All Grades) May 7 & 8
- Math (All Grades) & EOC Algebra and Geometry (7th & 8th Grade) May 11 & 12



### 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.



### 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

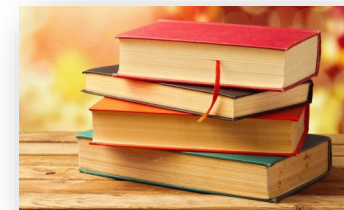
There is a procedure by which the charter school board resolves disputes. The school board is aware of this dispute resolution procedure.

- Parents speak with teacher. If not resolved...
- Parents speak with administrator. If not resolved...
- Parents speak with principal. If not resolved...
- Parents speak with Charles Dodge, City Manager



### Lottery Reminders

Our re-enrollment process will end on March 10th. All current students are required to re-enroll to confirm your seat. In addition, reassignment applications (e.g. to attend another campus) will run until 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.



## Curriculum Information—Middle and High School

Our curriculum meeting was held on January 28th in the auditorium.

The Curriculum Guide is now available on our school website

And on Canvas. We welcome all 6th and 7th

grade parents to come and meet with Mrs. Abolafia and Mrs. Diaz

to discuss additional questions regarding curriculum at our "Coffee

with the Village" event. The event will be held on February 6th at 7:45AM in room 113. Parents attending must check in the front office.

Our 8th graders will be participating in a number of events welcoming them into the high school. Dates below are also posted on Canvas:

- February 4th - Matriculation with their high school guidance counselor (students only)
- February 7th - High School Orientation (students only; during school day)
- February 8th - Parent Workshop for incoming students (parents only).



# Important Dates

*For the latest updates on all events, check Canvas.*

## February

- 3—Course Selection Assembly (6th)
- 4—Course Selection Assembly (7th, 8th)
- 5—First Club Day of Semester
- 6—Coffee with the Village
- 7—8th grade Orientation
- 8—Incoming 9th grade Parent Workshop
- 10— Parent Advisory Board
- 10—Course Selection Cards Due (6th & 7th)
- 11— Interim Reports Issued
- 11—SOS Dress Down Day
- 12—Ceviche SOS Fundraiser
- 13—Teacher of the Year Ceremony
- 14—Course Selection Cards Due (8th)
- 14—Early Release Day (12:45PM)
- 17— Presidents Day (No School)
- 21 – History Fair
- 27—PTSA Dress Down Day

## March

- 2 & 3—Cambridge Science Field Trip
- 9—Parent Advisory Board
- 10—SOS Dress Down Day
- 16—Spirit Week
- 17—Teacher Planning Day
- 19—Early Release Day (11:45PM)
- 19—PTSA Fun-A-Thon
- 20—Teacher Planning Day
- 23—Spring Break
- 28—Miami Heat Fundraiser

## April

- 1—FSA Writing (all grades)
- 9—Early Release Day (12:45PM)
- 10—Schools Closed
- 14—SOS Dress Down
- 14—Bundt Cake Fundraiser Begins
- 15—Honor Roll Ceremony
- 15—Report Cards Issued
- 27—Bundt Cake Fundraiser Ends
- 27—Texas Roadhouse SOS Fundraiser
- 30—Interim, Reports Issued

## **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), and Rebecca Lewis (Gifted and Computer Applications).

## **City of Pembroke Pines- Academic Village Middle School**

### Home of the Jags!

**17195 Sheridan Street  
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### **School Website:**

[academicvillage.pinescharter.net](http://academicvillage.pinescharter.net)

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### Governing Board Members

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Iris Siple, Vice-Mayor

Angelo Castillo, Commissioner

Jay Schwartz, Commissioner

Thomas Good, Commissioner

Charles Dodge, City Manager & Superintendent of Schools

