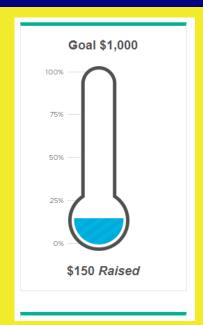


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New Updates and Announcements



The Season of Lent

During Lent, we are continuing to collect money for Catholic Relief Services, the official relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Money donated through CRS Rice Bowl supports the work of CRS in more than 100 different countries each year while 25% of donations to CRS Rice Bowl stay here in the Richmond Diocese, supporting hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. Collections this year will be all online. So far, we are at 15% of our goal. There is still time for you to make a difference. Follow this link to join our team and Donate to CRS.

Senior News!

Would you like to adopt a PC Senior?

Home and School is sponsoring an Adopt-a-Senior-Knight program, a fun way to make our seniors feel extra special as we approach the end of their time with us at PC. Please click here for more information and to adopt your PC Knight!

Honor Your Graduate

Celebrate your graduate with a personalized commemorative brick for our meditation garden so he/she can be a part of PC history forever. The bricks are available in two sizes: 4"x8" or 8"x8". Each brick



order includes a complimentary replica tile of your inscription as a keepsake. Bricks are available for a limited time for Class of 2022. Order deadline is Wednesday, April 13th to ensure that we can have the bricks in place for their graduation.

Click <u>here</u> for more information and to place your order. Questions? Contact Robin Thomas at <u>rthomas@peninsulacatholic.org</u> or 757-596-7247, ext. 117.

Thank you for helping us to honor the Class of 2022.

NHS giving back to the community with the Red Cross blood drive - Only a Few Spots Remaining!

The NHS will host a community blood drive with the American Red Cross on April 12th from 8 am to 1 pm in our Aux Gym. For more information or to make an appointment to donate, sign up online at redcrossblood.org Enter our sponsor code PCHS in either the "Find a Blood Drive" or "Make Your Appointment" quick links. Spaces are limited and only a few remain! Book your appointment today!



Hosting a blood drive coincides with PCHS and NHS's core values of giving back to the community. "With a simple blood donation, we have the ability to help save the life of someone who could be a coworker, loved one, or neighbor."

Blood is routinely transfused to patients with cancer and other diseases, premature babies, organ transplant recipients, and trauma victims, according to the Red Cross.

"The short amount of time it takes to donate can mean a lifetime to a patient with a serious medical condition. We urge eligible donors to join us in the selfless act of giving blood."

Donors of all blood types are needed, especially those with types O negative, B negative, and A negative. According to the Red Cross, type O negative is the universal blood type that can be safely transfused to anyone and is often used to treat trauma patients.



School Advisory Board Member Nominations Open

We are now accepting nominations for candidates to join our School Advisory Board. If you are interested in being considered for a position on the School Board or know someone who would be suitable to join our team, review these Board Responsibilities and submit a Nomination Form by May 15. For questions, contact Heather Whitchurch.

Refer a New Family - Save \$\$

Refer a new family from a non-feeder school to PCHS and receive a \$1,000 credit on next year's tuition. Maximum of 2 referral discounts per family, per year.

Continuous Enrollment Contracts

Please fill out your Continuous Enrollment Contact today! Log in to your Family Portal now to access your students contract. All families will be invoiced the Continuous Enrollment registration fee on Thursday, **April 14.**

DATES AT A GLANCE

April 14: Last day to Opt-Out for the upcoming academic year

April 15: Non-Refundable Continuous Enrollment Registration Fee billed via FACTS

unless an Opt-Out form is submitted by April 14.*

After April 15: All Opt-Out requests will forfeit the \$150 non-refundable registration fee and

be assessed a tuition penalty

April 15-June 30: 20% tuition penalty **July 1 and later:** 100% tuition penalty

Learn more about Continuous Enrollment HERE

Not sure if you are returning? <u>Click here</u> to opt-out of Continuous Enrollment

We're Reviewing the Dress Code!

The Peninsula Catholic High School community believes
that a student's appearance influences academic
performance, personal behavior, and self-image. In this
spirit, we are CONSIDERING revisions to the dress code
and are seeking input from students, faculty, staff and parents.

*No changes have been made, and the current dress code remains in effect until the end of this school year. *

Please take a few minutes to answer the questions in this survey to help us begin the process. Your responses are anonymous.

We will be selecting committee members from a list of volunteers. If you are willing to be on the committee that reviews these results and compiles recommendations, please email Mrs. Strickland (cstrickland@peninsulacatholic.org).



Curriculum Guide

The <u>curriculum guide</u> for the 2022-23 school year is now available and counselors will begin meeting with students later this week to plan classes for the coming year. Should you have any questions about course planning then please contact your student's counselor for more information.

Host Families Needed

Are you interested in being a host family to an international student? Current families that host a student will have their service hours waived for the year, and, depending on the international agency



that the visiting student is with, will receive a monthly stipend. Interested parents please email **Admissions** for more information.



Join our Team!

Peninsula Catholic has a few faculty and staff openings for the 2022-23 school year. Help us spread the word so we can continue to grow our team with highly qualified people to better serve our students. More information can be found on our website. For questions, please contact Heather Whitchurch.

Home and School Association

A general reminder about VIRTUS training

A reminder that VIRTUS training is required for parents/guardians participating in any school-related activity that may involve direct contact with students. This training class takes approximately 2-3 hours, and there are both inperson and virtual options. To register for a class, please



click <u>here</u>. (Please note that participants do not receive volunteer hours for attending and completing this training.)



Seeking volunteers to help with After-Prom

Your help is needed to make this year's after-prom party a success. Please review the volunteer opportunities and sign up to help using this SignUp Genius. Virtus training is required and monthly bulletins must be current. If you have any questions about the event, please contact Eddie Rusak (va_son@yahoo.com) or

Holly McGuire (hollymcguire@clancytheys.com)

Clean out those closets and drawers! Send in all those tshirts before **April 1** so our students can cut them up and make dog toys to donate to the Peninsula Regional Animal Shelter. T-shirt donations can be placed in the donation box located in the main foyer.



Upcoming Events



Attention Sophomore Parents/Guardians

A Jostens representative will be meeting with Sophomores this **Thursday**, **March 31**, **2022**. This will be in preparation for the Junior Rite of Passage. Sophomores will be receiving a packet of information regarding class rings and

commemorative tokens. If your student is virtual, you may pick-up the Jostens packet starting Friday morning, during school hours. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Padilla.

Easter Lily Sale!

The sophomore class is having an Easter Lily Sale to fundraise for our class. Flowers will be \$20 each, and we have a limited quantity. Please make sure to get your orders in as soon as possible! Orders can be placed online and are due by April 1. Pickup of the flowers will be at PCHS on April 13.









Celebrating Artists

Several PCHS students are displaying artwork in the VAEA 2022 Youth Art Month Exhibit. View the gallery here and look for art from Aza C. ('22), Parker C. ('22), Hallye P. ('23), Gia Y. ('23), Abbi W. ('25), & Megan M. ('23).

PC Players Present...

The PC Player's will present Sister Act, Jr. April 7th, 8th and 9th at 7 pm. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students and



children. Tickets are available at the door and in the PC Main Office. Contact

Ms. Wigley for any questions.

Lunch Menu

Just a reminder - ALL lunch orders MUST be placed NO LATER than 9:00 AM the day of. This helps us ensure there are enough lunches for everyone.

Regular snacks are available for purchase during lunch including fruit cups, yogurt, chips, and cookies. Occasionally there are specialty items such as Mac & Cheese, spaghetti, or corn dogs. All snacks range in price from \$1 - \$1.50 and are payable with cash or can be billed through FACTS.

Tuesday, March 29

Spicy Chicken Sandwich with Chips Cobb Salad

Wednesday, March 30

Baked Potatoes BLT Salad

Thursday, March 31

Zuppa Toscana Chef Salad

Friday, April 1

No Lunch - Early Dismissal

Weekly Reminders



Used Uniforms Needed

The School Store is in need of used uniforms. If your student has outgrown their PC polos, oxfords, pants, or skirts, please send them to Mrs. Hyland. We are also in need of belts.

Do You have the Luck of the Irish?

March could be your lucky month - you could be the lucky winner of a \$50 gift card just for working Bingo in March! Each time you volunteer for Bingo, you will receive a tag day pass for your PC student AND you will be entered into a drawing for a \$50 VISA gift card. The more nights you volunteer, the more dress-down passes and chances you have to win the VISA gift card. But wait, there's more! When you volunteer for 4 nights at Bingo, you will get a FREE t-shirt!

Bring your lucky leprechaun friend with you to Bingo on Monday and Thursday evenings from 5:30-10:30 pm in a leprechaun-friendly, smoke-free hall. No prior experience is necessary.

Check out this **SignUp Genius** to choose the nights that work for you.

For more information, contact **Patrick McFadden**, our Booster Club President.



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If Amazon is the place for you, make sure you link your Amazon account to Peninsula Catholic through Amazon Smile. Simply log into Amazon Smile with your Amazon credentials and select Peninsula Catholic as

your organization to support. Shop through the Amazon Smile page or switch to the Amazon Smile before your checkout and PC will receive a portion of your purchases. It's an easy way to support PC as you are shopping. If you have any questions, contact **Robin Thomas**. Thank you.





