

May 16, 2022

New Updates and Announcements

Attention Parents & Guardians

Please note that the following amendment has been added to the Student/Parent Handbook under the "Telephones/Cell Phones" section and is effective immediately:

At NO TIME are students allowed to record faculty, staff, or other students without their permission or knowledge. Any incidence of this will be grounds for immediate disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the school.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to <u>Heather Whitchurch</u> with any questions.



Check Out Our Video!

Mr. Pilola is on a quest to make PC's first YouTube video to hit 1000 views. And he just made a really good one about something amazing that happened at PC: fewer than 300 students and their families managed to raise over 1500 cans to support local food banks and the YVC. Then, the 8th and

9th graders competed Reality-TV-style to build the best sculpture out of the cans...and then the winning team hit Mr. Pilola with 14 pies. Please <u>watch the video</u> and share it with your friends and family, post it on social media, and otherwise help spread the message of how our students helped to feed the hungry.

And your students can benefit if you share the video, too. Your student will be entered in a drawing to win 10 Knightly Notes or a free tag day if someone likes the video and leaves a comment with your student's first name, last initial, and grade (Example: "I'm here for John S. 9th grade!") If 10 family members leave a comment like that, your student's name will be entered in the drawing 10 times. There's no cap: we just want to share the video with as many people as possible. Help make this the first video on PC's YouTube channel to hit 1000 views.

YouTube Video

SCA News!!!

SCA Picnic Lunch Ordering

Order your student's lunch for the SCA Picnic on Friday, May 20. Though we won't be grilling out as we've done in the past, your student can still enjoy a hamburger or a hotdog - or a veggie wrap - at the SCA picnic. Advanced orders must be placed no later than **TODAY**. There will be no cost for lunch



that day. If you do not order lunch for your student, they should bring their lunch. You will order SCA Picnic lunch the same way you order your student's everyday lunch through **FACTS Family Online**.

SCA is in need of Canopy Tents!

The SCA is in need of Canopy Tents for the Annual Picnic on May 20. Please contact **Peggy Rogala** if you can loan a tent.

Curriculum Guide

The <u>curriculum guide</u> for the 2022-23 school year is now available and counselors are meeting with students 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.





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 <u>Board Responsibilities</u> and submit a <u>Nomination</u> <u>Form</u> ASAP. For questions, contact <u>Heather Whitchurch</u>.

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

The time is finally here! You <u>MUST</u> turn in your Continuous Enrollment Contract in order to secure your students' space at PCHS. The Continuous Enrollment Registration Fee will be billed to you (after we have received your signed contract) unless you completed an Opt Out Form for the 22-23 school year.

DATES AT A GLANCE

After April 15: All Opt-Out requests will forfeit the \$150 nonrefundable 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 <u>HERE</u> Not sure if you are returning? <u>Click here</u> to opt-out of Continuous Enrollment



Schedule Changes for Upcoming Events

Please note the following positive changes to the PC calendar in May:

8th Grade Rite of Passage - Wednesday, May 18th at 8 AM
Invitations are forthcoming to the 8th Grade families
Academic, Athletic, and Service Awards Ceremony - Friday, May 20th at 8 AM
Parents with students receiving awards will be invited to attend. This event will be live streamed as well.

Summer Camp

The <u>PC Summer Camp Guide</u> is now available. We are offering SAT Prep Camps, Drama Camps and Study Skills Camps. There is a \$50 per session discount for multiple family members (for Drama and Study Skills camps) or signing up for both drama sessions (1 & 2 OR 3 & 4). Multiple students per family discount is available. Registrations are being accepted <u>online</u>.



Calling all PC Parents

How would you like to give back to your fellow Knight families? <u>Email Mrs. Padilla</u> for more details on how to be a part of the PC Parent Mentor Program!



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 <u>Admissions</u> 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 in-person 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.)

Minutes from the April Home & School Meeting are available <u>here</u> as well as posted on the Parents tab of the PCHS website under Home and School Association. If you have any questions or would like more information on volunteer opportunities, please contact <u>Melissa</u> <u>Williams</u>.

Open Position

The Home & School Association is pleased to announce that the position of Vice President is currently open. If you would like to be a part of the team that supports PC families, students, faculty, and staff, please consider running for this position. Officers serve for 2 years. You may also nominate someone you feel would do a great job as an officer. To nominate yourself or someone else, fill out this <u>form</u>. Applications are due by 8:00 a.m. on Friday, May 20th. Please contact <u>Melissa Williams</u> if you have any questions.

PCHSA Used Book and Uniform Sale!

Please see the <u>Used Book Sale Packet</u> for information about the upcoming Used Book and Uniform Sale. This information contains all of the instructions for how to sell your student's books that are no longer needed as well as a list of books that we cannot take back this year. Senior Book Drop Off will take place after school on May 24 and 25 and 8-11th Grade Book Drop Off will take place on June 2 and 3. The sale will be held on Saturday, August 6th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Signups will be required and a sign-up sheet will be sent out over the summer. For questions or additional information, please contact <u>Staci Davis</u> or <u>Holly McGuire</u>.

We Did It!

PCHS is one of twenty schools **nationally** to earn the designation of **W!se Platinum School**.

To earn the Platinum School award, 90% of students must pass the Certification Test with an average score of 85% or higher and personal finance instruction is provided to the majority of students on a grade level or a minimum of 10% of the students in the school take the Certification Test.



Congratulations to the entire PC community on a job well done!

Upcoming Events



BAYPORT BINGO IS BACK!

Come to the Bayport kiosk to make a deposit* or to open an account* and take a spin at BINGO! Every spin is a winner! Prizes include

sunglasses, candy, Chick-Fil-A and Starbucks gift cards...and CASH! Top prize is a \$100 Mastercard gift card.

Come talk to Jonathan and Diego to find out more!

**(\$5 deposit required for a spin, New account holders or those who link their existing Bayport accounts to the PCHS branch get TWO spins!)

New Uniform Vendor

Beginning on May 1, 2022, PC's new uniform vendor will be **Tommy Hilfiger**. Returning students are not required to purchase new uniforms. Sometime during the summer, Tommy Hilfiger will have a special promotion for PC. We will share those dates at a later time. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Padilla or see ordering instructions here



Exam Lunches

During Final examinations, our usual cafeteria service is suspended. Lunch on these days, **Thursday**, **June 2**, **2022**, and **Friday**, **June 3**, **2022**, will only be available by advanced order. No other food will be served on these days. The Deadline for online orders is Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at <u>1:00 pm</u>. The cost will be \$6.00 per meal. You will order the exam day lunch the same way you order your student's everyday lunch through FACTS Family. Little Caesar's pizza will be offered on both days. Sponsored by the 8th and 9th grade classes.



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, May 17 Pancakes & Eggs w/ Turkey Sausage or Bacon Greek Salad

> Wednesday, May 18 Empanadas, Rice, & Refried Beans Buffalo Chicken Salad

> > Thursday, May 19 BLT w/Chips Chef Salad

Friday, May 20 - SCA Picnic

Hamburger w/Chips Turkey Burger w/Chips Hotdog w/Chips Veggie Wrap w/Chips

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 Spring Fever?

Are you looking for something exciting to do as the weather begins to warm up. Consider helping out the Knights by volunteering at Bingo on a Monday or Thursday evening. Every time you volunteer, your child receives a tag day and your name is entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card. So, the more nights you volunteer, the more chances you have to win the VISA gift card and the more tag day coupons you can earn for your student. It's a win-win situation!



Thanks to all the parents who came out during March to help at Bingo. It makes a big difference in the amount of money the Knights are able to donate to PC. Check out this **SignUp Genius** to choose the nights that work for you. Thank you.

For more information, contact <u>Patrick McFadden</u>, 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.

