

### October 11, 2021

### **New Updates & Reminders**



What Parents Need to Know About Exams! Exams are Thursday, October 21 and Friday, October, 22. On Thursday, students will have exams in blocks 1 and 2. On Friday, the exams will be for blocks 3 and 4. While many exams are in a traditional test format, many classes have projects instead. Check in with your students to see the expectations for exams next week. Lunch, is also different. Please see the

announcement about ordering exam lunches, which is a fundraiser for the freshman class. Exam tag days are sponsored by the Junior Class on Wednesday-Friday, \$1 per day. Please ensure your students are following tag day guidelines. Finally there is NO AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION on exam days. All students should be picked up by 2:00 unless remaining for practice or rehearsal. The afternoon bus will depart at 1:30.

#### **Exam Day Lunches**

Lunches on these days, Thursday, October 21, 2021, and Friday, October 22, 2021, will only be available by advanced order. No other food will be served on these days. The Deadline for online orders is Wednesday, October 20, 2021. The cost will be \$6.00 per meal. This year you will order the exam day Lunch the same way you order your student's everyday lunch through FACTS Family.





Newport News City Boards and Commissions Youth Representatives Application link: Make a Difference

#### EF Tour to France and Spain Summer 2023 Summer of 2023 will be here before we know it, so it's time to start planning our next trip.

On this tour, our group will have the chance to discover more about the beautiful countries of France and Spain. Paris, Barcelona, and Madrid each offer world-class art and culture that, experienced together, will amaze you. From iconic architecture like the Eiffel Tower and Park Güell, to savory regional cuisine like steak frites and paella, each day offers new and unforgettable experiences.



We will be hosting an informational Zoom meeting for this trip on October 13th at 6:30pm.

If you have questions or are unable to attend the Zoom meeting contact Mrs. Strickland here

RSVP using this QR code to receive the Zoom link: \*This trip is not sponsored by Peninsula Catholic



### Knights Round Table

was sent to all students on Friday, October 8. Check out the <u>latest issue</u> with news on athletics and student activities.



During your school journey, you will gain real-life knowledge that you will continue to use throughout your adult lifetime. One valuable lesson available to you is learning about finance and banking. PCHS has partnered with Bayport Credit Union to provide an on-campus credit union run by BayPort staff and your peers. You will have access to BayPort accounts, online banking and more!



### Wednesday is PSAT Testing for Grades 8-11

Testing will begin promptly after morning prayers and announcements so please have all students to school on time. Each student will NEED TO BRING PENCILS AND A CALCULATOR to complete testing. Dismissal is scheduled for noon, and any students who have not completed testing by noon will be dismissed in groups



when their room completes the testing process. Students who qualify for the extended time testing accommodation will be dismissed closer to 1pm (or when their testing concludes). For any questions about the PSAT or test administration please feel free to contact Mr. Batkin (dbatkin@peninsulacatholic.org).

This is a reminder to all students that THIS WEDNESDAY is a noon dismissal. Because of this, there will be NO AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION and all students should be off school grounds unless staying for practice or rehearsal. All other students must be off school grounds by 1:00, so please ensure you are picked up by that time. Bus riders, the bus will roll out at 12:15.

## **Mark Your Calendars**

#### Swim Team

There will be a Swim Team interest meeting for all interested students in the library on **October 14th** at 2:40 PM.





### Home & School Meeting this Thursday!

Our next Home & School meeting is **Thursday, October 14th**, 6:00 PM. We will be meeting in the cafeteria and look forward to seeing you there. As a reminder, every family is a member of the Home & School organization. We need your help! If you are able to attend the meeting, not only will you earn a service hour, you'll also learn about great opportunities to earn additional service hours. We will be following the school guidelines for Covid protocols, so remember to bring your mask.

#### Stop making Taxes so Spooky!

Join us **Thursday**, **October 28th** at 6:30 to find out how you can save 65% or more on your Virginia State Taxes through Virginia Education Improvement Scholarship Tax Credit Program.

In-person at the Peninsula Catholic High School Library or join virtually! Reserve your spot by contacting <u>Robin Thomas</u>





#### Trunk or Treat!

**Friday, October 29** from 6:00-7:30. Mark your calendars now for the return of our exciting Community Event that you and your little ones will not want to miss!

## News from the Home & School Association



The Home and School Association really need parents to sign up for upcoming volunteer opportunities!

Click here to sign up for a time: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c44adaf22a1fc1-home

#### **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 in to Mrs. Hyland.

We are also in need of belts.



# **Volunteer Opportunities**

The library is in need of parents to bring discarded library books to 2nd & Charles Used bookstore. We have many boxes that would need to be dropped off, with unsold books picked up the same day. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Sharon Hyland.





#### Cafeteria Help

Our cafeteria ladies are looking for volunteers who would be open to helping in the mornings from 9:00am-12:00pm. These opportunities are typically on short notice so those interested will need to be flexible. This is an excellent way to take care of those service hours. Interested in helping?? Click here to chat with Cathy!

The Scoop from the CCC Tidewater/Eastern VA area is HERE.





#### No need to be afraid of Bingo!

Grand Knight, Stephen Chipman, will give you a personal orientation to address any fears that may be haunting you. Contact Stephen Chipman to make arrangements in advance.

You will have a spooktacular time volunteering. No tricks, just treats! Commit to 4 nights at bingo and you will get a FREE t-shirt! Also, our *Give 4 For Bingo* program is a great way to complete your service hours.

Bingo is held on Mondays and Thursdays, full moon or not, at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Nettles Dr from 5:30-10:30 pm in a fog-free environment. Gather your ghoulish friends and check out this SignUp Genius to choose the nights that work for you.

## **Weekly Reminders**



Lunch Drop-off. Parents/Guardians, if you or a family member is bringing your student a lunch they need to have it here **NO LATER THAN 11:00!** Students should not be eating in their 3rd Block class.

**Snacks are available** for purchase during lunch including fruit cups, yogurt, chips, and cookies. Occasionally there are other items for \$1. You may see a dish of Mac & Cheese, spaghetti, or corn dogs, etc. Prices are \$1 to \$1.50.

**Pre-Order Lunch-** Student's lunch must be pre-ordered via FACTS Family online and all orders should be placed **no later than 9:00 am the day of.** As the lunch reports are running daily at 9:00 am. **Click here** for instructions on how to order your student's lunch.



Diocesan Virtus Teen Program- A new diocesan Safe Environment training program "Boundaries Module for Youth Who are Employees or Assisting/Volunteers" for teens ages 13 to 17 years old is now available on Virtusonline.org. In this training program, "Teens will learn about maintaining appropriate boundaries, awareness of inappropriate behavior, proper reporting procedures, and an understanding that their role is not a supervisory one, but that

they must always assist a VIRTUS-trained and background-screened adult." It is recommended that all diocesan teenage volunteers complete the training but it is not mandatory unless employed by the diocese. Click here for the **registration form**.

Attention Parents: When logging into the Parents section of the PCHS website please use your FACTS Family log in. These two logins are the SAME.





**Do you shop on Amazon?** Have you linked your Amazon account to Peninsula Catholic through the Amazon Smile program? Simply log into Amazon Smile with your credentials and select Peninsula Catholic as your organization to support. It's that easy! Just remember to shop through the Amazon Smile page and PC will receive a portion of your purchases.

Contact, Robin Thomas if you have any questions.

