

October 19th, 2020

News and Announcements



Please review this Message from the Vicar General

The change in exam schedule announced last week is as follows: Blocks 1 and 2 will have exams on Wednesday, October 21. Blocks 3 and 4 will have exams on Thursday, October 22. For both exam days, dismissal is at 1:15. All students are expected to be off school grounds by 2:00 pm both days, with the exception of athletes or drama members who have practice on Thursday afternoon. There is **NO SCHOOL** on Friday, October 23. Parents are further reminded that Monday, October 26 is a scheduled DLD day. ALL students will attend classes virtually. The day begins at 7:45 am in



Homeroom. There will also be no after school activities on Tuesday and Wednesday as students prepare for exams. All students should be off school grounds by 2:00 pm. for the second announcement, Instead of low-cut shirts, just put "cut and fit of clothing"

During exam week, the juniors will sponsor three tag days--Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Prior to leaving the house, please approve your student's tag day attire. In particular, we ask parents to review the length of skirts, low cut shirts, and jeans with holes. Tag Day Guidelines can be found in the Student-Parent Handbook.



During midterm examinations our usual



cafeteria service is suspended. Lunches on these days, Wednesday October 21, 2020 and Thursday October 22, 2020, will only be available by advanced order using regular lunch ordering service through FACTS family. No other food will be served on these days. The cost will be \$5 per meal, and the meal is a Chick-fil-a sandwich, chips, and a drink. The Deadline for online orders is Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 9:00 am. How to Pre-Order Your Student's Lunch.

Looking for a break on your Virginia taxes? There is a tax credit program that provides scholarships for PC students. Join Lisa Candella, CPA, for a Conversation with Candella to learn more. She will share the benefits of participating in this program this week. Coffee with Candella will take place on Tuesday, October 20 from 10-11 am or Cocktails with Candella on Thursday, October 22 from 7-8 pm. Register today to join one of these virtual meetups on Zoom. For questions, contact Robin Thomas.

Help spread the word about PC! Our Fall Open House takes place on November 4th from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm. Appointments are required share the sign up **link**. Remember, you get a referral discount for bringing in new families - up to \$2,000 each year! PENINSULA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



The PC Experience Project is open to parents/guardians who want to share their experiences, ideas, and feedback to members of the administration and faculty. While this opportunity is open to all, space is limited. Be part of the PC Experience Project!

What to do when your student will be absent from classes or will be attending virtually instead of on campus.

- 1. Please send an email to **Mrs. Warren** and your student's teachers; If your student is ill, also cc: **Mrs. Silcox** in this note prior to 7:30 is preferable so that teachers are aware before the day begins.
- 2. Explain why your student will be absent. If he or she is ill (in any way), you must share that information so that Mrs. Silcox can follow up with you as necessary.
- 3. If your student is on-campus and will be attending virtually, please note that.
- 4. If your student will not be attending either on campus or virtually, please note that as well.

If you forget to send an email the day of their absence, please send in a note upon their return **OR** send an email as soon as possible. Without properly documented and approved/excused absences, your student will receive a zero in each class. Also this communication is also necessary for Mrs. Silcox to promptly follow up with any students who are ill. Thank you for your continued cooperation during this time.

Knight's Fest Virtual Auction - Thanks to all who participated in our first virtual auction. This 80s inspired evening was fun. Just like the Super bowl, it was all about the commercials. Thanks to all who volunteered their time and talent to make





this a successful event. We raised over \$15,000 for our Impact Fund to support our safety and technology upgrades for this year. Mark your calendars for **March 27, 2021** for our Great Gatsby night that is tentatively planned as an inperson event.

Eating disorders are serious health problems that usually start in childhood or

adolescence and affect both girls and boys. With early diagnosis, eating disorders are treatable with a combination of nutritional, medical, and therapeutic supports. Recognizing the importance of early identification of at-risk students, the 2013 Virginia General Assembly passed a law requiring each school board to provide parent educational information regarding eating disorders on an annual basis to students in the fifth through twelfth grades. **Eating Disorders**

Virginia Legislation requires that school divisions provide parents of students in grades five through ten with the following scoliosis educational information. Parents are encouraged to read this important health information in order to gain an understanding of this condition and the treatment available for your child. Please contact your school nurses should you have any further questions or concerns. Learn about Scoliosis



Congratulations to Pattye Oliver, Holly M.'s Aunt, for being the winner of our 50/50 Raffle. Thank you to everyone who participated to help us raise nearly \$2,000 for our athletic programs.



Athletics

Boys Volleyball meets every Tuesday and

Thursday in the Aux gym at 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm. Everyone is welcome! You don't know how to play? It's OK. You will learn. You play another sport? That's great! We will work with you. Questions. See <u>Ms. Gomez</u> in Rm. 106. Go KNIGHTS!

Girls Basketball workouts are every Monday and Wednesday after school. Please reach out to **Coach Cox** or 757-618-0797 with any questions.



Student Activities

Club Meetings begin at 2:30 pm and are open to both Virtual and On-Campus Learners. Please <u>take a look</u> at some of our offerings and share with your student. While participating in clubs is not a requirement — it is highly encouraged! Your student, whether in person or virtual will have the opportunity to join! Students should listen to morning announcements AND review the Club And Activity Calendar that has been shared with all students.

The Sophomore class is sponsoring a Halloween Face Mask contest on Friday October 30th in conjunction with our Halloween Tag Day. Virtual and in person students can participate by decorating a disposable face mask and wearing it to school on Oct. 30th. 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place prizes will be awarded based on craftsmanship, creativity, & effort. Awards will also be given



for the funniest, most creative, and most Halloweeny mask! Violent, political, and inappropriate imagery is prohibited and store bought (already decorated) masks will be disqualified. Students may wear face paint that corresponds with their decorated mask, but may not wear any other type of costume. (Halloween hats, headbands, etc. are allowed.) If students would also like to participate in the tag day, regular tag day rules apply. Students participating in the tag day should wear Halloween colors (black, orange, purple, green) and bring \$1.

Parent Organizations



Home and School Service Opportunities. There are still spots open for donations for Exam Treats for students. Click <u>here</u> to sign up. We are in need of 3 volunteers to help distribute the treats at dismissal, from 2:15 pm - 2:45 pm on Tuesday, October 20th. Please email Sharon Hyland if you can help out.

Volunteer Opportunities

Service Hour Opportunity. PCHS will be having a Homeroom Pumpkin Decorating Contest! Parents, please <u>sign up</u> to purchase a healthy-sized pumpkin, hollow it out, and bring it to PC on Monday, October 19th. A reminder that donations of purchased goods can fulfill service hours for the 20-21 school year only. Purchasing \$5 or more of goods per event is equivalent to 1 service hour. For purchasing and hollowing out a pumpkin, you will receive two service hours. **The Knight's Spirit Shop is now open for business** and we need help selling inventory. The Spirit Shop will be open every other Wednesday during dismissal and Activity Block from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Click the **link** to sign up for the day and time that works best for you. Questions, contact **Cody Wiley** at 757-596-7247 Ext. 118

Bingo is Back and Volunteers are Needed! The Knights of Columbus Council 5480 has restarted. They are continuing to update their protocols for bingo workers to follow the current social distancing guidelines. They are in need of adults who are comfortable working with the public under these circumstances. Masks and gloves will be mandatory for volunteers. Volunteers are in need from 5:30 pm - 10:30 pm on Thursdays. It is a NON-smoking environment.

Students are NOT permitted to volunteer.

The Knights of Columbus provide a significant amount of money to Peninsula Catholic each year which allows us to keep tuition as low as possible. Since many of the members are elderly, they are not able to volunteer at this time; therefore, they are expecting a shortage of regular bingo workers. We need your help. If you are able to volunteer for bingo a Thursday in the future, please contact <u>Patrick McFadden</u> to secure your spot. It is a great way to satisfy your family volunteer hours.

