

KNIGHTLINE

August 30, 2021

News and Announcements

Important Transportation Procedures

Morning Drop Off Times. The busiest time for drop-off begins at 7:30 am and lasts until about 7:40 am. It can be hard to turn left at the light into the parking lot for those coming from Harpersville. Please be patient, do not cross in front of those coming straight (you do not have the leading green). We have communicated with the Virginia Department of Transportation who made some adjustments, but the problem is simply the volume of cars all coming in at the same time in the morning. Realizing some parents have fixed schedules, you may not be able to adjust your timing; however, for those of you with more flexibility, if you could drop off between 7:00 am - 7:15 am, that would make an impact on the traffic flow for the whole morning. We appreciate your consideration. If problems still persist, we may have to move to having specific drop-off times for grade levels in order to maintain a safe and orderly morning drop-off.



Carpool Lines

When picking up, you may choose either line--either the one on the right (as you enter) that wraps around the side parking lot OR the line on the left. It DOES NOT matter which lane you use--pick up is not based on Grade Level it is based on keeping the carpool lines moving.

As the cars in front of you exit, please pull up--but please do not block the pedestrian crossing.

Our Neighbors

Last but not least--parents and student drivers--please be gracious to our neighbors on Groome and other neighborhood roads. Drive the speed limit and come to a complete stop at the stop signs.



SCA will be selling parking passes starting on Monday, August 30 for \$10. All student drivers are required to have a 2021-22 parking pass decal displayed on the rear window of their car (last year's pass doesn't count). Students will need to fill out a form that includes their vehicle make and model and license plate number and shows their Driver's License to [Mrs. Hyland](#). Passes can be purchased in the library, Monday through Friday. All student drivers must have a parking pass displayed before Tuesday, September 7.

Reunknighed! Welcome Back Mass and Social will be held on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm. **THIS IS A LIVE EVENT!** Mass will begin at 5:30 pm. Following

Mass, there will be Food Trucks, bingo, and other fun activities for the family, sponsored by classes and clubs. Families may either purchase from the Food Truck or bring their own picnic dinner. Weather permitting, we will be sitting outside, so bring your lawn chairs and blankets. If rain persists, we will eat indoors. (Small bottled waters will be provided.) In order to ensure we are well-prepared, please **fill out this form** by Wednesday, September 1 if you plan to attend Mass and/or if you plan to purchase food from the Food Truck. It will be a great night to Reuknight! Masks are required any time you are inside the building. When outside, masks are not required.



Parent Alert Test on Wednesday, September 1 at 10:00 am.

Peninsula Catholic High School uses a Parent Alert that enables school personnel to notify all households and parents by phone within minutes of an emergency or unplanned event that causes early dismissal, school cancellation, or late start. (We will continue to report school closings due to weather on the local TV stations and on www.peninsulacatholic.org.) The service will also be used to communicate general announcements or reminders. When appropriate, some messages might be relayed via email or text. We will test this system by email, text messaging, and phone. Please review the letter sent home in August for more details. Should you not receive the three different messages, please check your settings in **FACTS Parent Portal** on the **PCHS website**. If you need help clarifying the issue, please contact **Mrs. Padilla**.

Virtual Back to School Night this Wednesday night!

After the success of the Virtual BTS Nights last year, we have opted to keep this format. We have found it is easier for all parents to Zoom into the classes they want and also helps parents who live and work on the Southside. Virtual Back-to-School night will be held this Wednesday, September 1 beginning at 6:00 pm. By Wednesday, **this chart** will include the links for every Zoom session for every teacher. (It will make it easier for you to join without searching through a lot of emails in your inbox.) All you need to know is your student's schedule, then click on the correct link at the correct block at the correct time. You will be joined by your student's teacher and other parents of students in the class. You will hear more about the course and expectations. There will be a 10-minute Zoom meeting for each class with 10 minutes between classes, starting at 6:00 pm. (Band will begin at 5:45 pm.)



College Workshop - Tuesday, August 31

Join Mr. Batkin for our annual College Workshop for Senior families on Tuesday, August 31st at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria. This presentation is specifically designed to walk you through all of the steps and things you need to know about applying to colleges and everything else that will be special about this process. Please contact **Mr. Batkin** if you would like to attend virtually.

First Home & School Meeting, this Thursday, September 2nd, 6:00 pm

Please join us for the first Home & School meeting of the 2021-2022 school year. We will be meeting in the cafeteria on **Thursday, September 2 at 6:00 pm**. We look forward to seeing old friends and making new friends as we start planning a memorable year for our students, faculty, and families. In case you didn't know – every family

is a member of the Home & School organization. You don't have to do anything special to join! You also earn an hour to count towards your service hours by attending, as well as finding out about other opportunities to earn more service hours. We will be following the school guidelines on Covid protocols, so remember to bring your mask.

For those who cannot attend in person, join us via [Zoom](#).

Meeting ID: 748 9099 4057

Passcode: 9Ywc8m



Jostens Ring Packets. Jostens met with your Junior this past spring to discuss the purchase of class rings in preparation for the Junior Rite of Passage this coming November. Students were given a packet from Jostens with ring information and designs. Parents are not required to purchase a class ring from Jostens, but they are our recommended vendor. Some parents choose an entirely different token to commemorate their student's Rite of Passage. **The last day to order from Jostens will be on Tuesday, September 7**, in order for the order to be fulfilled on time for the Rite of Passage. If your student needs a packet there are some available at the front office. Here is a link to view the [Jostens Video](#) and this link [Ring Order](#) will take you directly to the website to order online. Please contact [Mrs. Padilla](#) with any questions.

School Ties and Uniform Update: If you are the parent of an 8th or 9th-grade boy or you have a male student who needs or wants the new school tie and has not already pre-ordered a tie, please click [this form](#) to place your order. The cost is \$30, and parents will be billed through their FACTS family account. **The ties will be arriving the week of September 7.** For our first (and possibly second) forum dress day, male students will be allowed to wear any appropriate tie until the new school ties arrive.



If any young lady has not received their skirt from Lands End, please wear another knee-length skirt OR blue or khaki pants with your forum shirt. Parents, please check the length of your student's skirt to determine if it follows the rule: "No skirts should be worn shorter than the top of the knee."

If any student is still missing their forum shirt, please wear an appropriate collared shirt.

Parents, please send a note with your student if they will be substituting a piece of their uniform due to a backorder issue.

Faculty and Staff will fully enforce dress code expectations beginning this week. Reference the [Student-parent Handbook](#) for all the guidelines for dress code.



Did you know that PC offers a referral program? Refer a new family from a non-feeder school to PCHS and receive a \$1,000 credit on tuition. Maximum of two referral discounts per family per year.

Did you refer a family for the 21-22 school year? Make sure to fill out the [New Student Referral Incentive Form](#) and return it to Alyson LeMaster by September 30, 2021.

FACTS Family Online: Parents/Guardians please review the following document regarding important information that must be updated such as Medical forms, emergency contacts, etc... Click the link for the

FACTS Family Online Information. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact **Mrs. Padilla**. Please make sure to log in and update any necessary information prior to the start of school.

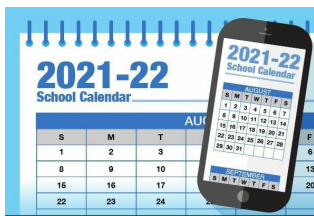
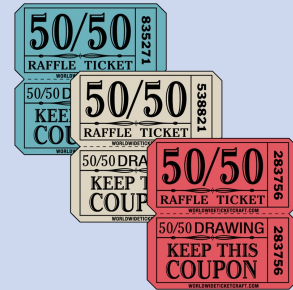


Support Peninsula Catholic Athletics at our annual golf tournament! This is a great way to get to know the families at PCHS! We hold this tournament annually in honor of D.B. Brackin- a PC Alum and true champion of Peninsula Catholic. All proceeds from the tournament go directly to advancing our athletic programs.

Friday, September 10th
Sleepy Hole Golf Course
The shotgun start at 8:00 am

[Register Here!](#)

50/50 Raffle! Thank you for helping us raise money for our Athletic Programs by selling these 50/50 tickets. Tickets are affordable at 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10 and can be purchased with cash and check or [online](#). Anyone can participate. Winners need not be present to win. Last year, the winner took home nearly \$2,000! The winner will be announced Friday, September 10th in conjunction with the annual D.B. Brackin Golf Tournament. If you need additional tickets, please contact anyone in the [Development office](#). Thank you for your assistance.



Last week your student should have received a physical copy of the **PC At-A-Glance calendar** for the 21-22 school year. If for some reason you did not receive one please email [Mrs. Padilla](#).

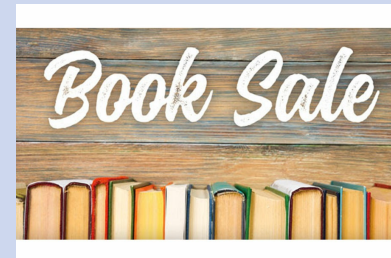
Reminder to Parents/ Guardians - Student's lunch must be pre-ordered via FACTS Family online and all orders should be placed no later than 9:00 AM the day of. As the lunch reports are running daily at 9:00 Am. [Click here](#) for instructions on how to order your student's lunch.



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](#).

Used Book Sale checks. Checks for books that sold at the Used Book Sale will be sent out at the end of the month, and we will be contacting anyone who has books to pick up that did not sell.



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**.

Knights Round Table: Student Newsletter will be sent to students via Constant Contact every Friday. **This newsletter** includes important information for your students such as club meetings, sports schedules, lunch menu, and student activities for the upcoming week. A copy of the Knights Round Table will be available on the Student and Parent pages of the PCHS website as well as linked in Knightline each Monday. Questions? Contact [Mr. Wiley](#).



Clubs and Activities are starting up for the 21-22 school year!

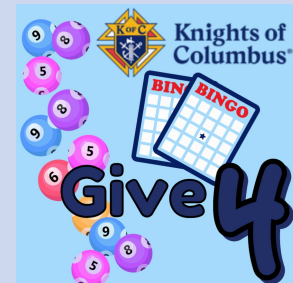
Club Meetings begin at 2:40 pm and are open to both PC Virtual and On-Campus Learners. Please take a look at our offerings and share with your student. While participating in clubs is not a requirement — it is highly encouraged! Your student, whether in person or virtual will have the opportunity to join! Students should listen to morning

announcements AND review the Club And Activity Calendar that has been shared with all students.

Volunteering

Volunteer for our Give 4 For Bingo program. Give us 4 nights for bingo and your family service hours are done for the year. Plus, you get a FREE t-shirt! Volunteers are needed to sell "Instants" for \$1 each. No training is necessary. If you can count, you are qualified!

Adults and students 16 and over are welcome to come out to earn money for their PC club or sports team when they provide 6 volunteers on a Thursday night.



Bingo is held on Mondays and Thursdays at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Nettles Dr. from 5:30 - 10:30 pm in a non-smoking environment.

To sign up to **Give 4 For Bingo**, check out our [SignUp Genius](#) to choose the best 4 nights for your schedule.

For more information, contact [Patrick McFadden](#), our Booster Club Bingo Coordinator. Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus Council 5480 who give so much back to PC each year.



