

# KNIGHTLINE

September 27th, 2021

## New Updates & Reminders



### **Clarification on Visitor Policy during the School Day.**

The Visitor Policy has not changed from last year. This policy is stated in the *Student-Parent Handbook* and was stressed in the Reintegration Materials (both written and recorded) and shared with all parents in August, prior to the beginning of the school year. They are as follows.

### **To maintain the highest security and safety for our students:**

- Parents/guardians/guests will not be allowed past the check-in desk before, during, or after school hours without an appointment with a staff member or teacher or unless otherwise invited to attend a special event. (This does not include parents who are spectators at athletic events.)
- Parents/Guardians may not bypass the check-in window during "open" periods (6:30 AM-7:45 AM or 3:00 PM-4:30 PM).
- Parents/Guardians may drop off and pick up items for their students or conduct minor business via the check-in window, but may not enter the building without an appointment.
- Volunteers must check-in before proceeding to the event or scheduled meeting.
- All visitors must have an appointment to enter the building or have been invited to attend a meeting or other event.
- All visitors must receive and display a visitor's pass if entering the building.
- **Only faculty, staff and students will be allowed at Mass and scheduled student events/programs that occur during the school day until further notice.**

Please note that some events that had an open visitor policy in years past will have to continue to be modified to account for social distancing in event spaces such as the cafeteria and main gym. In many cases, there will be no visitors allowed in order to ensure our students have the space to distance as required (as was the case for Jr/Sr Showdown). In other cases, such as the upcoming drama production in October and Rite of Passage in November, seating for visitors will be limited and prioritized for parents of students involved, continuing to maintain social distancing guidelines as required. Future events such as dances, the homecoming game, and other special events will be planned based on safety protocols for our students, which is our first priority. While we would all prefer for events to go back to "normal," we are not there yet. And until we are, we appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we do all we can to keep your students safe.

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**Virtual Parent-Teacher Conference Week  
begins Tuesday, September 28.**

Please click [here](#) for more information on conference week details. Tuesday also marks “binding grades.” Please reference pages 10 and 19 of the *Student-Parent Handbook* for information on eligibility for extracurricular activities.



# KNIGHTS

*Round Table*

**Student newsletter: Knights Round Table** was sent to all students on Friday, September 24. Check out the [latest issue](#) with news on athletics and student activities.

## Upcoming Events



**Virtual College Fair-** The National Association for College Admissions Counselors will be hosting a series of virtual college fairs throughout the fall. The first is scheduled for September 28th from 4-8pm. For details and more information please [click here](#) or contact Mr. Batkin ([dbatkin@peninsulacatholic.org](mailto:dbatkin@peninsulacatholic.org))

**Jostens-** A Josten rep will be at PC on **Thursday, September 30** during Activity block to take graduation orders, answer any questions regarding the orders, and start payment plans( if needed). If you have any questions you can also contact Byron Thorne at [thorne.office@jostens.com](mailto:thorne.office@jostens.com) or Mrs. Padilla.



**Coming soon - FAFSA Night!** Senior Parents, PC will be hosting our first ever FAFSA Open House on **Tuesday, October 5 from 5-7:30 pm**. Join our College & Career Counselor, Mr. Batkin, our Econ & Personal Finance teacher Mrs. Weser, and our Hispanic Representative Mrs. Torres as we help families complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. This is an essential step in ensuring our students receive as much need-based aid as possible for the

colleges they hope to attend next year. We will be meeting in the cafetorium and computers will be available, or you are welcome to bring your own device. Families would also need their student’s social security number or alien registration number and federal income tax returns, W-2s, and other records of money earned from the 2020 calendar year. For more information please contact [Mr. Batkin](#).

**Flu Clinic at PCHS-** PC will be hosting its annual Flu Vaccination clinic again this year on Oct 6th. Your student was given a form on Thursday during homeroom, should you choose to have them vaccinated during the clinic, complete and return the form to the clinic no later than Oct. 4th to ensure we have a correct number of vaccines needed. Forms will not be accepted after the 4th- there will be no exceptions. The Flu clinic is open to PCHS students and immediate family members within the household over the age of 5. You will need to complete one form for each family



## News from the Home & School Association and the Office of Development



### We have some important news to share!

Cody Wiley has decided to pursue another employment opportunity at the Chrysler Museum. We wish him well as he continues his professional journey! With this change, the Development and Marketing Department is restructuring. Renee Minella will continue as our Marketing coordinator creating all

our fantastic graphic design work, videos and the yearbook. She will assume a few other marketing projects currently overseen by Cody, to include the weekly newsletters (Knightline and The Knights Round Table), social media and the website. We are in the process of hiring an Events and Alumni Relations Coordinator.

If you know anybody who might be interested, here is the [job description](#) which can also be found on the [PC website](#).

In the meantime, if you have questions about events or information to share about alumni, please contact Robin Thomas. Contact Renee if you have any special feature stories we can promote as part of our marketing efforts. Share any relevant social media announcements as soon as possible so she can post them in a timely manner.

Again, best of luck to Cody. We will miss his bright smile, his enthusiasm, and his dedication to his craft. He has learned so much in his time with us, and I know his next employer will reap those rewards. While he may be leaving us, he will always remain an honorary PC Knight.

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**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 Scoop from the CCC Tidewater/Eastern VA area is [HERE](#).



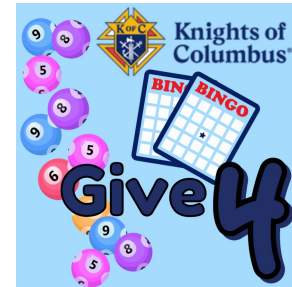
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The library is in need of parents to bring discarded library books to 2nd & Charles Used bookstore. We have many boxes that would need to be dropped off, with unsold books picked up the same day. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact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



**Have you signed up for Bingo yet?** Simply commit to 4 nights to bingo and you will get a FREE t-shirt, what a deal!. Our *Give 4 For Bingo* program provides volunteers for bingo to support the Knights of Columbus Council 5480.

Thanks to their support, we recently resurfaced the tennis courts and repainted our large school bus with proceeds from bingo. Additionally, the Knights provided scholarship funding for over 50 students.



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 be part of our Give 4 For Bingo program, check out this [SignUp Genius](#) to choose the best nights for your schedule.

For more information, contact [Patrick McFadden](#), our Booster Club President. Thank you for supporting the Knights who provide monetary support to PC throughout the year.

## Weekly Reminders



**School Ties Update:** All gentlemen will be expected to be wearing a school tie at this week's Wednesday mass. 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 have not already preordered a tie, please click [this form](#) to place your order. The cost is \$30, and parents will be billed through their FACTS family account.

**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.

### **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.



**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.

