

# THE WILDCAT ROAR



PACETTI BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

2023-2024 Volume 17

Happy March Wildcats!



PBMS had two students compete at the 2023-2024 District level Science Fair. Both students put in countless hours to prepare their projects and we could not be more proud of how they represented Pacetti Bay.

Congratulations Angelina and Saurev.



Do you want a free tree! Our ACCESS class is participating in Neighborhood Forest's 15th Annual Free Tree Program. If you would like to support the class in this program please read the information below.

Spring Break is almost here! Don't forget that there is no school Monday March 18th as well for teacher planning. Enjoy that extra day off.

Reminder: there is a lost and found in the cafeteria and gym if your student is missing any items.

## UPCOMING DATES:

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|-----------|---|
| Mar 4-8   | Student Council Spirit Week (more information below)                  |
| Mar 5     | Girls Basketball Home Playoff Game vs Swiss Point (information below) |
| Mar 6     | BHS at PBMS to register rising 9th graders                            |
| Mar 8     | Battle of the Books (information below)                               |
| Mar 8     | End of the 3rd Quarter  |
| Mar 11-15 | No School– Spring Break   |
| Mar 18    | No School– Teacher Work Day   |
| Mar 19    | Character Chats (different bell schedule below)                       |

## SPIRIT WEEK:

# STUDENT COUNCIL SPRING BREAK SPIRIT WEEK

Monday 3/4

Hawaiian Day

Tuesday 3/5

Country vs.  
Country Club

Wednesday 3/6

Senior Citizen  
Day

Thursday 3/7

Twin Day  
Dress alike  
with a friend or  
group!

Friday 3/8

Adam Sandler  
Day  
Dress like Adam  
Sandler!

Remember: Stay in dress code! No masks/ costumes.

## **GIRLS BASKETBALL PLAYOFF GAME:**

# **PLAYOFFS WE DID IT AGAIN!**



**#3 Swiss Point Lady Raiders**

**VS.**

**#2 Pacetti Bay Lady Wildcats**

**Tuesday, March 5th**

**5:30 pm**

**Pacetti Bay Gym**

**Tickets**



## **TEACHER OF THE MONTH CONTEST:**

95.1 WAPE's Teacher of the Month will honor the areas BEST TEACHERS! Nomination are open now! Each month the WAPE morning show, Dex & Barbie T will name of Teacher of the Month who will receive some amazing gifts along with a plaque to display for all!

Nominations can be made here: <https://www.wape.com/fp/951-wape-honors-jacksonvilles-best-teachers-with-teacher-month-award/>



## **FREE TREE:**

### **Help us make Florida greener by planting your FREE TREE!**

This spring, we are thrilled to announce our participation in [Neighborhood Forest's](https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/) (https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/) 15th Annual Free Tree Program as part of our Earth Week celebrations from April 22nd to 26th!

Since 2010, Neighborhood Forest has engaged over 1,500 institutions, reached over 500,000 families and planted over 130,000 (mostly urban and residential) trees through the hands of children and parents across North America.

Check out their [2023 Annual Impact Report](https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/2023-annual-impact-report/) (https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/2023-annual-impact-report/)!

We are excited to be participating in this wonderful program that teaches youth about the importance of environmental stewardship through the magic and wonder of planting and watching trees grow.

Please fill out the following online registration form by March 15th and receive a free tree (6-12 inches in size) during Earth Week (April 22-26). The tree species will be announced in early April. Neighborhood Forest aims to provide native trees in all regions they serve.

**Register to receive a free tree for Earth Day to plant with your child:**  
<https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/parent-registration/?school=65269>

When you fill out the form, please include your child's **7<sup>th</sup> period teacher** so we'll be able to get it to them right before they go home.

You will also have the option to donate and / or purchase additional trees and tree-related educational products (via the registration form). Please note this is optional and any purchases/donations will help fund more free trees for kids in the program.

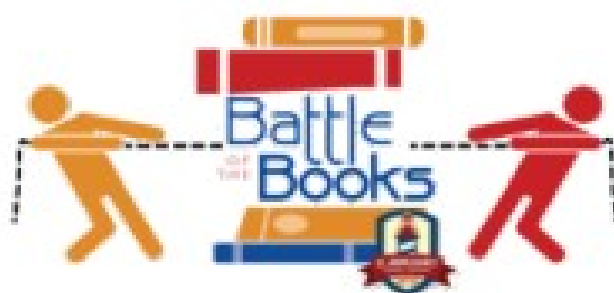
**Trees will be delivered to us and we will arrange to get the trees in the hands of your children on or around Earth Day (April 22nd) either via pick up or sending home with your child(ren).**

Other products that are purchased by you will be fulfilled by Neighborhood Forest.

Instructions on planting and caring for the trees, along with species details, will be emailed a few days before the tree delivery and will also be accessible in the [“Resources”](#) section on the Neighborhood Forest website. For further questions, please check out the [Parent FAQs](#).

Thank you for your support and participation. For more information about this program, please visit [www.neighborhoodforest.org](http://www.neighborhoodforest.org) or [www.facebook.com/neighborhoodforest](https://www.facebook.com/neighborhoodforest).

## BATTLE OF THE BOOKS:



# SJCSD Battle of the Books for 2024

Join us live!

Please click this link to join us:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCILgcV6EDwrHXpQszRB1pRg>

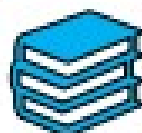
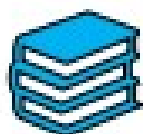
## District Battle of the Books

Date:

Middle School: March 8th  
9AM-11AM

Elementary School:

- March 21st: North 9AM-11AM
- March 22nd: South 9AM-11AM



## TESTING INFORMATION:

April and May are very busy months for testing so please look at the dates below. Please try not to make appointments the days your students will be testing. There will also be a modified schedule for all days of testing which will be in the newsletter when it gets closer.

April– 1st: *Writing 8th Grade*  
2nd: *Writing 8th Grade*  
4th: *Writing 7th Grade*  
5th: *Writing 7th Grade*  
8th: *Writing 6th Grade*  
9th: *Writing 6th Grade*

May– 2nd: *Civics EOC*  
3rd: *Reading 6th grade*  
6th: *Reading 7th grade*  
7th: *Reading 8th grade*  
9th: *Math 6th grade*  
10th: *Math 7th grade*  
13th: *Math 8th grade*  
14th: *Geometry EOC*  
16th: *Algebra EOC*  
20th: *Science 8th Grade*

Please visit <https://flfast.org/families.html>, this site has practice tests, fact pages, and information for after the test.

## BEWARE OF MOBILE APPS FOR HAC:

We are hearing that some HS students are using a mobile app called GradeWay to see their grades stored in eSchoolPlus HAC. In order to use this app, students/parents give their HAC password away to these unknown apps and, therefore, give access to all their private student record information contained in HAC.

This has happened before with other mobile apps that use HAC credentials to produce their own School app, which is why the District purchased the **eSchoolPlus Family App**. **Please understand GradeWay (and apps like it, that access HAC) are not District approved. Students/parents who use apps that are not district approved do so at their own risk.**

# PBMS BELL SCHEDULE

Character Chats

## 6th Grade

7:10 Doors Open  
Breakfast Available

7:20  
Report to 1st Period

7:24  
Daily ROAR

Character Chats  
7:30-8:10  
1st Period  
8:10-8:46

2nd Period  
8:50 - 9:31

3rd Period  
9:35 - 10:16

4th Period  
10:20 - 11:01

LUNCH  
11:05 - 11:35

5th Period  
11:39 - 12:20

6th Period  
12:24 - 1:05

7th Period  
1:09 - 1:50

## 7th Grade

7:10 Doors Open  
Breakfast Available

7:20  
Report to 1st Period

7:24  
Daily ROAR

Character Chats  
7:30-8:10  
1st Period  
8:10-8:46

2nd Period  
8:50 - 9:31

3rd Period  
9:35 - 10:16

4th Period  
10:20 - 11:01

5th Period  
11:05 - 11:46

LUNCH  
11:50 - 12:20

6th Period  
12:24 - 1:05

7th Period  
1:09 - 1:50

## 8th Grade

7:10 Doors Open  
Breakfast Available

7:20  
Report to 1st Period

7:24  
Daily ROAR

Character Chats  
7:30-8:10  
1st Period  
8:10-8:46

2nd Period  
8:50 - 9:31

3rd Period  
9:35 - 10:16

4th Period  
10:20 - 11:01

5th Period  
11:05 - 11:46

6th Period  
11:50 - 12:31

LUNCH  
12:35 - 1:05

7th Period  
1:09 - 1:50

**TCHS COLOR GUARD FOR RISING 9TH GRADERS:**

2024 TCHS MARCHING BAND

# COLOR GUARD MEETING



For all future parents  
and students in the  
TCHS color guard

Learn about the  
upcoming 2024  
marching season!

**THURSDAY MARCH 7TH  
7:00PM**

## **MEDIA CENTER:**



### **Overdue Books:**

Books are due 3 weeks after they are checked out. The due date is stamped in the back of the book. Overdue notices are emailed home every Monday afternoon. If applicable, these records will also show books or fines owed to, and to be taken care of at, other SJCS D schools and will be indicated by that school's initials. Please promptly return books to the Media Center. You can pay for lost/damaged books in the Media Center with cash (exact change) or a check made out to PBMS. You can also pay for PBMS MATERIALS ONLY using our online School Pay. The School Pay link can be found on the Media Center website or (<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Pacetti-Bay-Media-Fines/SVqbYI>).

Please DO NOT use our PBMS School Pay if the book/fine you need to pay for is owed to a different school. You will need to pay that school directly or you can send in a check made out to the appropriate school with your student and we will forward your payment to that school. Thank you!

### **Media Center Policy:**

Our students are expected to check out books and read throughout the school year. Students are responsible for returning or renewing their library books and textbooks by the due dates given. Students with outstanding materials or fines need to clear their account before being allowed to continue checking out books. Students, and their parents, are responsible for the replacement costs of any lost or damaged materials. Please check before attempting to replace a book with your own copy as many of our books are library bound so a copy you get at retail is not a suitable replacement. Students may be excluded from end-of-year activities with Media Center materials outstanding. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this policy, please contact our Media Specialist at [karin.gowens@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:karin.gowens@stjohns.k12.fl.us).

### **Library Book Access Form:**

If you would like to change your student's level of access to library books at school, please complete the Library Book Access form found on the Media Center website or (<http://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2022/08/Parental-Choice-Library-Book-Restriction-Form-Update-8-8-22.pdf>) and submit it to the Media Center.

## Schoology Information:

- Schoology is our online learning management system. Teachers will be posting announcements, calendar events, assignments, and class materials in Schoology.
- New this year > Students will now access Schoology via Clever. The link to Clever can be found on the PBMS website homepage.
- All of our students completed Schoology training the first week of school and received the “[Getting Started with Schoology](#)” guide. Students who join PBMS mid-year will receive this training by a WEB leader.

<https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2023/08/2023-24-Getting-Started-with-Schoology-Guide.pdf>

- If your student is having trouble signing in at home, please make sure they are following the specific steps in the guide provided above. Also, clearing the Chrome browser history completely and restarting your computer often solves login issues.
- Students should check their account regularly, at least once a week. It is strongly recommended that students check Schoology daily when absent.
- Parents are encouraged to set up their own Schoology accounts. Parents will need their child’s parent access code to set up a new account or add a child to an existing account. Parent access codes are available in HAC. Click on the Registration tab and look under Additional Information. If you don’t see your parent access code listed, please keep checking back, it could take up to a week to populate for new students. Then follow the directions given on the SJCS D Schoology for Families webpage (link below) to set up your account.
- Visit the <https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/schoology-information/> and <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/schoology/schoology-for-families/> for additional information and resources.

**Pacetti Bay Middle School**

Home Attendance Classes Grades Student Support **Registration**

**Demographic**

Student ID: [REDACTED] Student Name: [REDACTED] Birth Date: [REDACTED] House/Team: [REDACTED] Counselor: [REDACTED]	Building: Pacetti Bay Middle School Gender: Male Calendar: Regular Calendar	Grade: 08 Language: English - EN
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**Additional Information**

**Schoology Parent Access Code** : [REDACTED]

**Emergency**

Doctor: None Phone: Ext: Hospital:	Insurance: Group: ID: Subscriber:
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## PBMS CLUBS:

 PBMS Clubs				
Club Name	Sponsor	Location	Day of the Week	Time
Art Club	Turnbull	498	Tuesdays	2:00 - 3:00
Anime / D & D Club	Starner	P16	Mondays	2:00 - 3:15
Battle of the Books	Gowens	Media Center	Tuesdays	1:50 - 2:45
Chess Club	Kennedy	390	Mondays	2:00 - 3:00
Film Club	Petow	215	Mondays	2:00 - 3:30
Lego STEM	Washington	450	Thursdays	2:00 - 3:30
Magic the Gathering	Meadows	240	Mondays	2:00 - 2:30
Math Club	Ahmed	495	Mondays	2:00 - 3:00
NJHS	McCaleb	Auditorium	2nd Tuesday of the month	2:00 - 3:00
Running Club	Hicks/Martel	Gym	Thursdays	1:50 - 3:00
Student Council	Therre	460	2nd Tuesday of the month & last Friday of the month	2:00 - 2:45

## ART CLUB:

Art Club will meet every Tuesday January—April from 2:00-3:00 in Ms. Turnbull's classroom except March 12th & 19th.

## PBMS 2024 YEARBOOK:

Order your yearbook online at [www.YearbookOrderCenter.com](http://www.YearbookOrderCenter.com) School Code: 25018

Current Price \$50

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A BOOK OR AD!



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## PTSO NEWS:

Please visit our website which includes our school spirit wear store!

This will be your new spot for information on PTSO events, Wildcat Announcement Marquee Sign-ups and your place to buy spirit wear. Plus, sign-up to be a member of our PTSO to receive a local business partner discount card.

<https://pbmsptso.memberhub.com/>

To keep up with the latest information, please join our Pacetti Bay Middle School PTSO Facebook page

(<https://www.facebook.com/PacettiBayMiddlePTSO>)!

## FortifyFL App

FortifyFL is a website and app developed at the direction of the Florida Legislature. Any student, educator, parent or member of the public can report school safety concerns directly to law enforcement and school administrators anonymously and easily through the FortifyFL app or [getfortifyfl.com](http://getfortifyfl.com).



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## SCHOOL INFORMATION:

**Cafeteria News:** Parents can complete the online Free and Reduced lunch application by using this link <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/free/> We encourage you to fill out the online application-English or Spanish, but you can also print a form on the same website and return it to school. Parent should not delay applying to prevent a gap in their student's meal eligibility. A new application must be completed every school year.

If you have any questions please contact the Café Manager, Keri Jessop.  
keri.jessop@stjohns.k12.fl.us  
904-547-8776

**Ordering Gym Uniforms:** Gym uniforms are available through SchoolPay. Once ordered through School Pay, they can be picked up at the gym during Meet the Teacher August 8th. Gym clothes purchased on or after Aug 9th through School Pay will be delivered to the student through their PE class.

T-Shirt: <https://schoolpay.com/pay/for/PE-Fee--PBMS-PE-TShirt-2324/SdWmf85>



Shorts: <https://schoolpay.com/pay/for/PE-Fee--PBMS-PE-Shorts-2324/SMkOHm>



**Lockers:** Lockers are optional. Students may choose to rent a locker for \$5/year through School Pay. Once payment is made, visit the gym to collect your locker information. Lockers rented on or after Aug 8th will be delivered to students within one business day. We can typically assign lockers to students the next day after payment is received through School Pay. <https://schoolpay.com/pay/for/Lock-Rental-Fee/Sch9YwG>



**RSV (Returning Student Verification):** The RSV must be completed in order for your student to have a schedule on the first day of school. Every summer, the School District requires parents to complete the returning student verification (RSV) form online. Parents must complete the returning student verification for each child separately. Parents should have received an email from: noreplyregistration@powerschool.com at the end of last school year that contains the link to the RSV & your child's individual snap code. Once you have the snap code, you may go to: <https://registration.powerschool.com/family/gosnap.aspx?action=36240&culture=en> to complete this mandatory form online.

**Rising 7th Graders:** 7th grade students are required to have a Tdap and updated FL680 immunization form on file. Students will not receive a schedule until records are received. If you have any questions please contact Ms. Pelletier 547-8767 Rebecca.Pelletier@stjohns.k12.fl.us or Kimber Ponce at 547-8773 Kimber.Ponce@stjohns.k12.fl.us .

**Lunch Accounts:** Each student is provided with a lunch account. Please visit our Wild Cat Café's website to deposit money into your student's account through PayPams and/or access free/reduced meals application. <https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/cafe/>

**Student Dress Code:** Please review St. Johns County dress code policy as you begin back to school shopping. See pg. 13-15 of the Student Code of Conduct 23-24  
<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/schoolservices/wp-content/uploads/sites/23/2023/07/23-24-Code-of-Conduct-final.pdf>

**Family/Visitor Access to the School:** If you would like access to the school beyond the front office waiting room to conference with the teacher in person, volunteer at school events, and/or attend a field trip, you must have completed the School Access Form. This is a district policy and there are no exceptions. We do not want to turn families away so please visit the following link <https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/>.

**HAC (Home Access Center):** Through HAC, families and students can access student schedules, classroom assignments, grades, report cards, transcripts, attendance information, test scores, discipline information, and much more. We ask that families review classrooms grades at least once a week. If you do not have access to HAC, <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/>, please contact [Rebecca.Pelettier@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Rebecca.Pelettier@stjohns.k12.fl.us) or [Kimber.Ponce-Triay@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Kimber.Ponce-Triay@stjohns.k12.fl.us). You may also log-in through the App. <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/family-app/>

**Clinic Information:** If your student will be carrying non-prescription medication, the following form must be filled out <https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/clinic/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2023/05/self-administer.pdf> and provided to our nurse. If your student needs or may need prescription medication, the following form must be filled out and signed by a physician. <https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/clinic/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2023/05/assist-in-medication-treatment.pdf> The prescription medication must be handed to our nurse by a parent. Nurse Lewis will be available during "Meet The Teacher" Aug 9th 8-11am at the ticket booth by the gym.

**Transportation:** A representative from transportation will be on campus during "Meet The Teacher" Aug 9th 8-11am to answer any questions.

**Schoology:** Through Schoology, students will be able to access assignments, textbooks, and communicate with teachers. All students will have log-in information. Families are urged to sign up as well. Parent Access Codes can be found in HAC under "registration". Through Schoology, students and families may communicate with teachers and keep informed. <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/schoology/schoology-for-families/>

**St. Johns County Calendar:** <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/2023-2024-Final-Text-Master-Calendar.pdf>

**Wildcat Roar:** Our electronic newsletter, The Wildcat Roar, will come out every other week or more as necessary. It will be sent to you electronically. You may also review past newsletters through our website.

**Forgotten Student Items:** Items accepted at the front office during the school day: lunch, lunch money, eyeglasses, emergency change of clothing, and large projects that do not fit on the bus. Forgotten homework, weekend bags, etc....will not be accepted.

**Student Absences:** If the student is absent, please fill out the following form online. It will be electronically submitted to our attendance office.

<https://surveys.stjohns.k12.fl.us/TakeSurveyError.aspx?SurveyID=l2L16mIK&Reason=30>