

#### PACETTI BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### 2024-2025 Volume 5

#### Happy Monday Wildcats!

We hope everyone made it through Hurricane Milton with minimal to no damage. We begin the 2nd quarter this week, can you believe we have already finished quarter 1!

There are many great things happening over the next few weeks so please read the flyers below.

Ms. Tannehill's art classes are collecting empty cereal boxes and other thin cardboard food packaging in bright colors for an upcoming art project. If you have any that you would like to donate, your student can drop them off to Ms. Tannehill's classroom in room 510 (next to the boys' locker room).

#### Congratulations to Pacetti Bay's 2024-2025 Employee of the Year Ms. Gutierrez!



#### **UPCOMING DATES:**

October 7th-18th: Teacher and Staff Boo grams available for purchase (flyer below)

October 16th: Wear Orange for Unity Day

October 17th: SAC Meeting 2:15pm Media Center

October 21st-23th: Boo Gram Sales at lunch (flyer below)

October 21st-25th: Red Ribbon Week (flyer below)

October 24th: Home volleyball games vs Landrum Middle (Pink Out)

Girls 5:30 Boys immediately following the girls game, ticket information below

October 25th: Crazy Costume Party 6-8pm (flyer below)

October 29th: Home volleyball games vs Sebastian Middle

Girls 5:30 Boys immediately following the girls game

#### **TEACHER & STAFF BOOK GRAMS:**

This is the last week to "BOO" your favorite staff member! Do you have a favorite teacher whose class you can't wait to go to everyday? A favorite Dean or Guidance Counselor that just makes your day a little better? Maybe even the nurse or a staff member that has gone above and beyond to help you in one way or another. Send a personalized sweet treat their way!!



Treats will be delivered on 10/28! Only sold through Friday!!

# STUDENT TO STUDENT BOO GRAMS:

Student boo grams go on sale for \$2 on 10/21 for three days only! Cash only during lunch! Boo your friends with a message or anonymously! Let's have some scary fun!



#### **COSTUME PARTY:**

Join us for Pacetti Bay's first ever COSTUME PARTY! Tickets go on sale today 10/14/24 and will only be available until sold out! Carnival games, carnival food, and prizes for best group, best duo and best overall costumes! Don't wait!



#### **Volleyball Tickets- Pink Out**

10/24 - LMS

https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/PBMS-Volleyball-vs-Landrum-Middle-School/SoBxSH





## RED RIBBON WEEK FISAM LM DRUG-FREE





"ILLUMINATE" YOUR LIFE BY STAYING DRUG FREE



Wear Neon!



Dress like a Minon



WALK THE "RED" CARPET



Wear Red for RRW



ON "THURSDAYS" WE WEAR PINK



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LOOK FORWARD TO A DRUG FREE FUTURE







Dress as a Senior Citizen



# TOWN HALL Meetings

Join the discussion on two important referendum items for the November 5 election!

- Half-Cent Sales Tax: Continuation of sales tax for safety, growth, maintenance, and technology.
- Increase of One Millage: to support teacher/staff salaries, school safety, student welfare, and educational programs (science, technology, art, music, and athletics).

Monday, September 30 @ 6 p.m. Bartram Trail High School 7399 Longleaf Pine Parkway, St. Johns, FL 32259

Thursday, October 3 @ 6 p.m. Gamble Rogers Middle School 6250 U.S. 1 South, St. Augustine, FL 32086

Tuesday, October 15 @ 6 p.m.
St. Johns County School District Administrative
Building & via Webex
40 Orange Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084
(Virtual instructions at <a href="https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us">www.stjohns.k12.fl.us</a>)

Thursday, October 17 @ 6 p.m. Allen D. Nease High School 10550 Ray Road, Ponte Vedra, FL 32081





Learn more and get involved!





# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Islands of Adventure and Universal Studios

- When? Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 1:00 pm (leave school) to 2:00 am (return to PBMS)-times are approximate
- Who can attend? Any PBMS 8th grader who has NOT received a full day OSS beginning August 13-2024 (Expectations Assembly) and NOT received a full day ISS beginning September 17, 2024 continued through the date of the trip. Additionally, students may not have more than 8 tardies or 10 unexcused absences during 4th quarter.
- Cost? \$289.00 per student- Payment through KellyTours.com using trip #19453
  - Trip is booked through KellyTours.com (more information in packet)
  - Price includes transportation, snack & drink during travel, admission to both parks, meal in the park, and t-shirt.
  - Universal Studios Rules: Season Passes are not accepted for this special event...sorry!
  - If cancellation is required (discipline issue, conflict, emergency with family), there is a refund policy. Please read KellyTours refund policy under "Cancellation" on their flyer.
- <u>Safety:</u> The Park will close to the public and remain open to only the middle school groups for this event. Access to
  City Walk will not be available. Students will be able to go between parks using the Hogwarts Express or by walking
  through the sound stage area. Lots of signage to help direct.

# Deadline for registration and deposit November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024

Please pay deposit or in full via KellyTours.com using trip #19453 by the date above to reserve spot.

By registering for Gradventure, guardians and students are acknowledging that they understand the behavior requirements and attendance to school to attend this event. Failure to do so will result in removal from the trip.

There is a payment plan and autopay setup on KellyTours.com.

\*\*Students are not required to have a chaperone for this event.\*\*

Parent chaperones: \*\*\*Parent chaperones will only be allowed if we do not fill the busses with students. We have a limited number of seats available on the bus. Parents must be approved volunteers via the school district. Please apply to be a volunteer here: <a href="https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/">https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/</a> Once you are an approved chaperone, email Laura Jutte at <a href="Laura.Jutte@stjohns.k12.fl.us">Laura.Jutte@stjohns.k12.fl.us</a> to add your name to our list of chaperones. You will be contacted in January with approval as a chaperone based on space and at that time you will be given instructions on how to pay. Parents-Do NOT pay on KellyTours.com until we see our need for chaperones (only student tickets available). Contact Laura Jutte with questions.

#### Trip Guidelines

- Students must remain in groups of three or more PBMS students while in the park.
- We leave the park at 12:00 am.
- Field Trip Dress Code: All students must wear Gradventure shirt for park safety. Athletic shorts may be worn. Closed-toe shoes are required in the park.
- Students are responsible for all items brought on the bus (electronics, money, etc). You will not be permitted to bring much into the
  park, but you may leave things on the bus.
- More info will come out later with park guidelines, information about the trip, etc in a Gradventure Assembly.

#### **MEDIA CENTER:**



#### **Literary Pumpkin Decorating Contest:**

The Media Center is sponsoring its annual Literary Pumpkin Decorating Contest! Students are invited to decorate a real or craft pumpkin to represent a middle school appropriate book in some way. Please note that <u>real</u> pumpkins may NOT be carved as they will rot and be thrown out. The entry form with all of the details has been posted to our Media Center Schoology groups and is available in the Media Center. Students will turn in their entry form with their pumpkin anytime between now and October 23<sup>rd</sup>. All participants will get a treat, but special prizes will be given for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners! Winners will be announced on Halloween!

#### **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.



#### **Due Dates:**

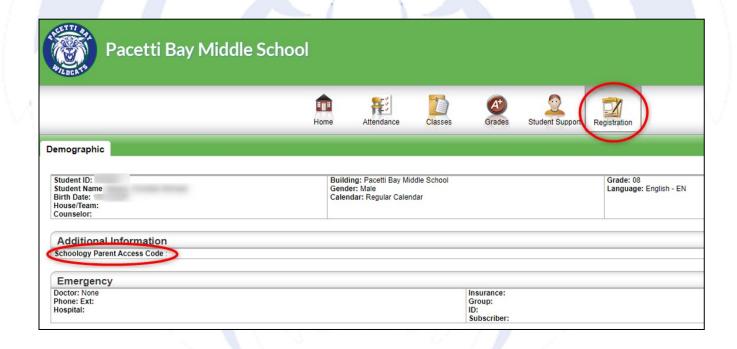
Books are due 3 weeks after they are checked out. The due date is stamped in the back of the book. Overdue notices are emailed home every Monday afternoon. If applicable, these records will also show books or fines owed to, and to be taken care of at, other SJCSD schools and will be indicated by that 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. 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

#### **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 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 materials in Schoology.
- Students should check their account regularly, at least once a week. It is strongly recommended that students check Schoology daily when absent.
- Students will 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. This guide is available on the PBMS website > Media Center > Schoology Information.
- 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 SJCSD Schoology for Families webpage (link below) to set up your account.
- Visit the following links 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.



#### Clubs and Club Sponsors

Nancy Hicks/Emily Jones Running Club Thursdays 2-3

Roslyn McCaleb NJHS Random Times

Mystic Starner Dungeons and Dragons Mondays 2-330

Dylan Therre Student Council Mondays 2-230

Karin Gowens Battle of the Books

Jule Turnbull Art Club Mondays 1;55-2:40

Mark Haynes Drama/International Thespians

Walter Kennedy Chess Club Tuesdays 2-3

Jessica Elliot Web

J. Washington STEM Thursday 2-3

Lauren Brown Robotics Monday 2-3

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

# OPEN GYM





Thurs. 9/26 - 2-4pm Thurs. 10/10 - 2-4pm Thurs. 10/17 - 2-4pm

Tues. 11/19 - 2-4pm

Permission slips in P17 or the front office

You must have a signed permission slip to stay and participate in open gym









# ST. JOHNS COUNTY CHARACTER COUNTS! NIGHT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024 | 7PM

Join the Jacksonville Icemen and St. Johns County School District for a night with the Icemen on Saturday, November 9! A portion of each ticket sold through this link will be donated back to CHARACTER COUNTS!







info@jacksonvilleicemen.com | (904)-602-7825

# PACETTI BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL 2025 YEARBOOK



Order your yearbook online at

## www.YearbookOrderCenter.com

SCHOOL CODE: **25018** 

\$50

8TH GRADE TRIBUTE ADS are also on sale now! \$25

SCAN HERE TO ORDER YOUR BOOK TODAY!



# Join Our Dynamic & Growing Team of Professional Drivers

\$5,000 sign on Bonus

- Up to \$25.98 hourly pay depending on experience
- Paid training time while acquiring your CDL endorsements
- Health, Dental, Vision Benefits and more for full time employees
- · Florida Retirement System
- Life Insurance
- Full time employees work 30 to 40 hours per week, Monday through Friday
- Drive modern air-conditioned fleet buses



#### SAC:

We are looking for new members to join this year's SAC Team.

The school advisory council (SAC) meets once a month, Thursdays, in the media center at 2:15pm. The SAC team consists of teachers, students, parents, educational support personnel, and representatives of the community served by Pacetti Bay. The group brainstorms solutions to make improvements school wide. At the beginning and end of the school year, this team evaluates the School Improvement Plan to ensure that all requirements are successfully completed. Additionally, the SAC team assists with the expenditures of school improvement funds and various methods of school improvement. SAC reviews and identified problem areas, develops improvement strategies, monitors their implementation and then starts the whole process over when the next round of data is available.

The meetings usually last around 45 minutes to 1 hour.

Anyone interested in being a part of this year's SAC team, please reach out to Mr. Manias at John.Manias@stjohns.k12.fl.us

#### FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM:



#### CAFETERIA NEWS:

Parents can complete the online Free and Reduced lunch application by using this link <a href="https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/free/">https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/free/</a> 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

#### **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**.



#### SCHOOL INFORMATION:

<u>Ordering Gym Uniforms:</u> Gym uniforms are available through SchoolPay. Once ordered through School Pay, print out your receipt showing the date and item(s) purchased and show to your PE teacher to receive your PE uniform. Students are required to wear a PE uniform.

T-Shirt: https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/PE-Fee--PBMS-PE-TShirt-2425/SekYks9



Shorts: https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/PE-Fee--PBMS-PE-Shorts-2425/SdghyWh



<u>Lockers</u>: Lockers are optional. Students may choose to rent a locker for \$5/year through School Pay. Once payment is made, print out your receipt showing the date purchased and bring it up to the front office to see Mr. Leonard.

https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Lock-Rental-Fee-2425/SbddtXb



**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.

**Rising 6th Graders:** Updated proof of residency must be provided, and the Returning Student Verification (RSV) completed for your student to have a schedule on the first day of school. When you complete the RSV online you can upload proof of residency at the same time. RSV emails were sent to families at the end of 5th grade from St. Johns County School District. New students to St. Johns County will upload proof of residency when registering.

<u>Lunch Accounts:</u> 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. <a href="https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/cafe/">https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/cafe/</a>

**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

<u>Family/Visitor Access to the School:</u> If you would like access to the school beyond the front office waiting room to conference with the teacher in person, attend IEP or 504 meetings, 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 <a href="https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/">https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/</a>.

<u>HAC (Home Access Center):</u> 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, <a href="https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/">https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/</a>, please contact Rebecca. Pelettier@stjohns.k12.fl.us or Kimber. Ponce-Triay@stjohns.k12.fl.us . You may also log-in through the App. <a href="https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/family-app/">https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/hac/family-app/</a>

<u>Clinic Information:</u> If your student will be carrying non-prescription medication, the following form must be filled out <a href="https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/clinic/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2023/05/self-administer.pdf">https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/clinic/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2023/05/self-administer.pdf</a> 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. <a href="https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/clinic/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2023/05/assist-in-medication-treatment.pdf">https://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/clinic/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2023/05/assist-in-medication-treatment.pdf</a>

**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/calendar/

<u>Wildcat Roar:</u> 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.

<u>Forgotten Student Items:</u> 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.

<u>Student Absences:</u> 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