

# Jaguar Journal

Pembroke Pines  
Charter Schools at  
Academic Village  
Campus

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## Our MISSION

The Pembroke Pines Charter Community will provide a challenging educational foundation to prepare students for college success and responsible citizenship.

## Our VISION

Pembroke Pines Charter Schools in collaboration with students, parents, and the community, endeavor to create a challenging and supportive organization of lifelong learners. It is our vision to actively engage in a continuous process of intellectual, emotional and social growth that is unified in direction, yet diverse in approach and instruction.

## Spring Testing Calendar

**April 2: Super Test Day** - FSA Writing

**April 28:** AICE Marine Science (AS)

**April 29:** AICE General Paper

**April 30:** AICE English Language and AICE Marine Science (AS)

**May 1:** AP Art/Drawing Portfolio Assembly, AICE Marine Science (A) & AICE Thinking Skills

**May 4: Super Test Day** for all students (FSA Reading - 9th Grade). Additionally, AP Government, AICE English Language and AICE History.

**May 5: Super Test Day** for all students (FSA Reading - 9th Grade). Additionally, AP Calculus AB/BC and AICE Mathematics.

**May 6: Super Test Day** for all students (Biology EOC & U.S. History EOC). Additionally, AP English Literature, AICE Geography, AICE Psychology, AICE History and AP Physics 2.

**May 7: Super Test Day** for all students (FSA Reading - 10th Grade). Additionally, AP Chemistry, AP Physics 1, AICE Global Perspectives and AICE Mathematics.

**May 8: Super Test Day** for all students (FSA Reading - 10th Grade). Additionally, AP U.S. History, AICE General Paper, AICE Spanish Language and AICE Marine Science (A).

**May 11:** AP Biology

**May 12: Super Test Day** for all students (Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC). Additionally, AP Spanish, AP Psychology and AICE Thinking Skills.

**May 13: Super Test Day** for all students (Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC). **Senior Finals for periods 1 and 2.** Additionally, AP English Language.

**May 14: Senior Finals for periods 3 and 4.** AP World History and AICE Geography.

**May 15: Senior Finals for periods 5 and 6.** AP Computer Science, AICE Literature (AS), AICE Psychology and AP Statistics.

**May 21:** AICE Literature (AS)

**May 22:** AICE Media Studies

**May 29:** Underclassmen Final Exams - periods 1 and 2.

**June 1:** Underclassmen Final Exams - periods 3 and 4. Additionally, AICE Literature (A Level).

**June 2:** Underclassmen Final Exams - periods 5 and 6.

**June 4:** AICE Literature (A Level).

**June 10:** AICE Physical Education

**Empowering Students for the Possibilities of Tomorrow!**

## Important High School Announcements

### Parent Advisory Meetings

Our parent advisory meetings are held at 6:00 PM on the second Monday of each month at the SW Regional Library Auditorium. Parent volunteer hours are given for attending the parent advisory meetings. See page 7 for dates. Mark your calendars!

### Uniforms

In order to maintain a safe and orderly campus, all students must be in proper uniform.

### On-Campus Supervision

On-campus adult supervision is provided from 6:45 AM-2:30 PM. Students who are at the library after school are subject to Broward County Libraries' rules & regulations.

### Drop-Off Policy

Parents are responsible for contacting their children and ensuring students know to pick up all items during their lunch time or between classes. Office personnel will **NOT** contact students as this disrupts the learning environment.

### School Hours

School hours are from 7:15 AM-2:00 PM. Students must be in their classrooms before 7:15 AM. Any tardy students must report to the front office. Students will not be able to sign out after 1:30PM.

### Late Policy

Maximizing instructional time is critical for student success. As such students must arrive to school on time as well as arrive to each class on time. If you have any questions regarding the tardy policies including consequences, please refer to the Code of Student Conduct posted at <http://bcps.browardschools.com/codeofconduct.asp>.

### Parent Volunteer Hours

It is the parent's responsibility to keep track of their hours. Please note the following dates for your records. The commitment of 30 parent hours must be completed by **May 22, 2020** for underclassmen parents (grades 9-11) and **May 8, 2020** for senior parents (grade 12). Senior students whose parents have not completed the volunteer commitment will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony. In the event the parent volunteer commitment is not completed, your son/daughter will not be registered for the 2020-2021 school year.

For additional information about PPCHS policies and procedures, please review our Parent and Student Handbook:

<http://academicvillage.pinescharter.net/DocumentCenter/View/933/PPCHS-Parent-Student-Handbook-2019-2020-Updated-112219>

The Broward County Code Book for Student Conduct & Discipline Matrix is available on:

<https://www.browardschools.com/codeofconduct>



## High School Athletics Department

- 02/20 Lacrosse vs. Cooper City
- 02/20 Varsity Softball @ Douglas
- 02/20 Boys & Girls Tennis vs. Hallandale
- 02/21 Lacrosse @ Belen Jesuit
- 02/21 Varsity Baseball vs. Oakland Park
- 02/24 Boys Volleyball @ Coral Springs
- 02/24 Varsity Softball vs. Cypress Bay
- 02/25 Varsity Baseball @ Douglas
- 02/25 Tennis @ Blanche Ely
- 02/25 Water Polo @ Ft. Lauderdale
- 02/25 Varsity Softball @ Coral Springs Charter
- 02/26 Track & Field @ Everglades
- 02/27 Lacrosse @ Miami Country Day
- 02/27 Tennis @ Taravella
- 02/27 Boys Volleyball vs. Oakland Park
- 02/27 Water Polo @ South Broward
- 02/28 Varsity Baseball @ Douglas
- 02/28 Varsity Softball vs. Nova
- 03/02 Boys Volleyball vs. Western
- 03/03 Lacrosse vs. Archbishop McCarthy
- 03/03 Flag Football vs. Cypress Bay
- 03/03 Baseball vs. Cardinal Gibbons
- 03/03 Softball vs. Western
- 03/04 Track & Field @ Miramar
- 03/04 Tennis vs. Cypress Bay
- 03/04 Volleyball vs. Cypress Bay

### Athletics Dept.

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## School Counseling Corner

- We recognized our wonderful school counselors during School Counselor Week, February 3-7. Thank you for all you do: Ms. Scott, Ms. Maycock, Ms. Perez, Ms. Plaskett, and Ms. Moses.
- Course Selections for the 2020-2021 school year are under way. Counselors began presentations to assist students in the process on February 10th.
- The re-enrollment period for The City of Pembroke Pines Charter School system is now underway! Please visit [www.pinescharterapply.net](http://www.pinescharterapply.net), or our [www.pinescharter.net](http://www.pinescharter.net) homepage for more details. Re-enrollment is **required for all currently enrolled** Pembroke Pines Charter School students. Parents are encouraged to verify and update their contact information. As a reminder, the re-enrollment period will **end on March 10th**.

#### Upcoming State Test Dates:

- FSA/ELA Retake Window: February 24- March 13
- Algebra 1 EOC Retake Window: February 21- March 14
- First Super Test Day will be April 2 with all 9th and 10th graders participating in the FSA/ELA Writing exam.

### School Counseling Department

Gianna Scott - *Grade 12*

Idania Perez - *Grade 11*

Krystle Maycock - *Grade 10*

Lisette Plaskett - *Grade 9*

Dana Ostendorf - *ESE*

Pearl Moses - *School*

*Counseling Director*



### Class of 2020 Sponsor

Melissa Chevres

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## Senior Corner - Class of 2020

- **Grad Bash** - April 25, 2020
- **Senior Awards** - April 30, 2020
- **Senior Prom** - May 16, 2020
- **Senior Dinner** - May 28, 2020
- **Graduation** - May 29, 2020

### SPAR

The 2018-2019 School Accountability Report can be found by visiting <http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/accountability-reporting/school-grades/>

## Teacher of the Year and Non-Instructional Employee of the Year



**Nancy Altimore, English Teacher**

Nancy is a mentor, adviser, giver, caretaker, and so much more. She offers support and guidance to her department and encourages teachers to be the best version of themselves in the classroom. Nancy works, works, works after hours to do anything she can to ensure that her students can learn in an optimal environment and that her fellow teachers can teach in an optimal environment. She is a veteran teacher extraordinaire, English department head, class sponsor and club sponsor. Nancy has over the course of a 40 year career, enriched the brains and hearts of around 50,000 individuals with her love, dedication, connection,

**Lisa Benitez, Guidance Secretary**

Lisa is the best. She is an amazing member of the office staff. She is helpful and kind. She always has a smile on her face. She is always ready and willing to lend a hand. She listens attentively to teachers, parents, and students. She does her work effortlessly and with love.



## Fall Dual Enrollment

Students interested in **Dual Enrollment** at Broward College for Fall 2020 (August-December) must meet eligibility requirements and submit ALL paperwork **BEFORE April 15, 2020** by NOON. Students in grades 9-11 are eligible. The criteria is as follows:

- 1) Unweighted 3.0
- 2) TEST scores (SAT, ACT, or PERT)
- 3) Applied to Broward College and have a BC ID #
- 4) Requested a Recommendation Form (class selection sheet) after #1,2,3 are met from Mrs. Fernandez in the A Building.



Students who have not met the testing criteria must apply to BC and receive a BC ID # then pick up the PERT testing form from Mrs. Fernandez in the A Building. Students **MUST** have a BC ID prior to receiving a PERT test form. Students must meet program requirements and complete a new "Recommendation Form" for EACH term.

If you have any additional questions, feel free to visit <http://www.broward.edu/academics/cpl/dual/Pages/Dual-Enrollment---Student.aspx>, or email Mrs. Fernandez at [Melfernandez@pinescharter.net](mailto:Melfernandez@pinescharter.net).

## High School Club & Campus News

### Absence/Tardies

When a student is absent, a parent must send a note within the 2 (two) days of the absences OR electronically submit on our website: <http://academicvillage.pinescharter.net> under the link "PARENTS and "ATTENDANCE SUBMISSION." Notes must specify the **full name and grade** of the student date of absences, reason for absences and parents' signature. Failure to do so within 2 (two) days will result in an unexcused absence.

- In cases of extended absences (three days or more), please stop by the high school front office to request a Permitted Absence Form that has to be filled out prior to the extended absence.
- **SIGN OUT TIME:** Parents may pick up their children no later than 30 minutes before dismissal time. The person(s) picking up student **MUST** be on the Emergency Contact Card. They must have a picture ID.
- Information on tardy policy can be found in the Proactive Discipline Plan.
- Makeup work for credit is allowed for all excused absences. Students have 2 class days to make-up work for each class day absent. Previously assigned work is due the day of return.
- **It is the student's responsibility to reschedule missed quizzes/tests within the allotted period for make up work.**

### Spanish National Honor Society

PPCHS Spanish National Honor Society donated its time to volunteer and hosted several events over the past months. Not only has SNHS continued to help the community but it has also spread its love for the language and culture.

Forza Stefano Charitable Foundation is a non-profit organization who honors Stefano Dioguardi PPCHS class of 2016 student who passed away after his battle with cancer. Stefano's family established the organization to raise funds to support teens like Stefano's, in our own community, battling cancer. We thank everyone who purchased a Forza Stefano bracelet and those who came out to our fundraiser at Habit Burger. All proceeds from both drives are donated to the foundation.

Jag Hunt is around the corner. Jag Hunt will be hosted on February 21st, 2020 after school. During this event, students will be playing Spanish-language and culture based games at stations set up throughout school. They will enjoy themselves, have fun and compete for prizes. Participating members will be provided with drinks and refreshments, and extra credit!!"

Spanish Reading at the Central campus has only flourished since the beginning of this year. Spanish National Honor Society is dedicated to spreading the Spanish language throughout our community, and what better way than teaching the youngest ones? With Valentine's day approaching, we're very excited to be teaching the students about "el amor y la amistad". Every week we're exposing them to new words and fueling their curiosity, hoping to incite change little by little.

### Forensics Class

On January 14th, 2020 various members of the Pembroke Pines Police Department (PPPD) came to speak to Mrs. Larmony's forensic science classes. The PPPD has been gracious enough to come to speak to this class since 2015. Students heard from CSI (crime scene investigators), homicide detectives, fraud detectives, and the computer forensics team. The presenters spoke about their job responsibilities, various cases they were involved with and solved and answered numerous questions from the kids. It was a great experience, especially for those students interested in these career fields.



PPCHS  
**THE**  **CHAT**  
Charter High Academic Times

Hey Jags! just a reminder the January CHAT Issue is OUT and ready to read.

This issue really came with a bang with stories from our sports section featuring the boys basketball team reaching the top, the top music of the decade, an aftermath on the Australia brush fires, girls and boys soccer team kicking it, and a profile on Ashton Cooper who scores big as soccer player.

You can check it all now on the link [issuu.com/chatnews](https://issuu.com/chatnews).

Plus check us out at the 'Chat News' app to be loaded on your smartphone for easy access!

Enjoy the best stories at the touch of your phone; check them out now and don't wait!

## Silver Knight Awards

The Miami Herald Silver Knight Awards is one of the nation's most highly regarded student awards programs. The purpose of this award program is to recognize outstanding students who have not only maintained good grades but have also unselfishly applied their special knowledge and talents to contribute significant service to their schools and communities. Pembroke Pines Charter High School will have five nominees presenting their outstanding service projects. We wish them luck on their upcoming interviews! Go Jags!



**Naveen Farook**  
General Scholarship



**Sabrina Briceño**  
Speech



**Salonee Singh**  
English & Literature



**Alyssa Miragliotta**  
World Languages



**Swati Kumar**  
Vocational



# High School Calendar

## Important Dates

### February

- 22 - Saturday School (8:00 AM, Cafeteria)
- 27 - Black History Showcase

### March

- 06 - Magic Kingdom Field Trip
- 09 - Parent Advisory Mtg (6:00 PM, SW Library)
- 13 - Spring Pep Rally
- 14 - Saturday School (8:00 AM, Cafeteria)
- 14 - SAT
- 16 - NHS Induction Ceremony (6:30 PM ROG Aud.)
- 17 - Teacher Planning Day— No School
- 18 - Mr. Jag Show
- 19 - Early Release Day (11:45AM Dismissal)
- 20 - Teacher Planning Day—No school
- 23-27 - Spring Break

### April

- 02 - Outstanding Senior Leader Awards
- 07 - Fashion Showcase
- 09 - Early Release Day (11:45AM Dismissal)
- 10 - No School
- 13 - Parent Advisory (6:00 PM, SW Library)
- 16-17 - Drama Show
- 17 - Health Fair
- 18 - Saturday School (8:00 AM, Cafeteria)
- 20-22 - Art Show
- 23 - Take Your Child to Work Day
- 23 - Dance Benefit
- 24 - Blood Drive
- 24 - Jag Cup
- 25 - Grad Bash 2019 (Universal Studios)
- 30 - Senior Awards



## Faculty Members Broaden Their Areas of Expertise

All of our professional teachers are continuously upgrading their skills and developing increased levels on content expertise. We would like to recognize those teachers at Pembroke Pines Charter Schools at Academic Village Campus who are expanding their expertise beyond their current certification by pursuing college work and/or training sessions to become certified in another subject. While completing this work, they will be teaching those subjects to students. They have been approved by the School Board of Broward County to teach out of field. The following teachers are out of field for the 2019-2020 school year: Jessica Brandt (certified in Biology 6-12) Out-of-field for Earth & Space Science, Annette Dalleria (certified in General Science 5-9) Out-of-field for Chemistry, Jennifer Timmerman (certified in Social Science 6-12) Out-of-field for American Sign Language, Rebecca Lewis (certified in English 6-12) Out-of-field for Computer Science & Gifted, Paula Berti (certified in Math 6-12), Jennifer Carson (certified in English 6-12), Lisa Coolidge (certified in Math 6-12), Out-of-field for Gifted; Nahomi Hernandez, Jennifer Lannon and Ariel Taylor, Out-of-field for ESOL, certified in English 6-12.

### Home of the Jaguars!

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### Governing Board Members

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Thomas Good Jr., Commissioner  
Jay Schwartz, Commissioner  
Aner Gonzalez, Pines Charter School Liaison  
Charles Dodge, City Manager & Superintendent of Schools

