

# Jaguar Journal

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**Pembroke Pines  
Charter Schools at  
Academic Village  
Campus**

## Administrative Team

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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.

A SACS/CASI Accredited District

## **College      Citizenship      Community**

### **Welcome to the 2018-2019 School Year!**

#### **What's new at Academic Village?**

We are delighted to welcome our new ninth graders and their families to the Jaguar team!



#### **New Jaguars Staff**

The Jaguar Family is excited to welcome our newest high school staff members:

Kathleen Annis (Math), Michael Biggerman (Math), Jessica Brandt (Science), Monica Carrasco (Science), Jaclyn Cavanzo (English), Shanon Chorzelewski (Media Specialist), Michael Diaz (Physical Education), Matthew Espinosa (Band), Ricki Gonzalez (Social Studies), Johanna Goodman (Foreign Language), John Jablonka (Social Studies), Christina Parker (English), Judy Porter (ESE), Theresa Seiler (English) and Christian Varona (Science).

**Congratulations!**

#### **2017-2018 School Grade**

PPCS—AV is, once again, an A school! This is due, of course, to the hard work and dedication of our entire Academic Village community!

#### **15-Year Achievement**

The Jaguar Family is proud to congratulate the following staff members and educators on 15 years of excellence:

Karen Kelley and Cristina Wheeler.

#### **Charter School Liason**

Our Charter School Liaison for Academic Village is Aner Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager.

Below is his contact information:

**E-mail:** [agonzalez@ppines.com](mailto:agonzalez@ppines.com)

**Telephone Number:** (954) 431-4884



**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 8 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 24, 2019** for underclassmen parents (grades 9-11) and **May 10, 2019** 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 2019-2020 school year.





**Athletics Dept.**

*Steve Bruns*

Athletic Director

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**High School Athletics Department**

**Fall sports are in full swing!**

**Below are just a few of the upcoming events for this season.**

- 09/24 Girls Volleyball @ Stoneman Douglas
- 09/25 Cross Country
- 09/25 Volleyball vs. Miramar
- 09/26 JV Football vs. Pompano Beach
- 09/28 Girls Volleyball vs. St. Thomas
- 10/1 Girls Volleyball @ Cypress Bay
- 10/3 Cross Country @ South Plantation
- 10/3 Girls Volleyball @ Fort Lauderdale
- 10/4 Golf vs. Cooper City
- 10/4 Girls Volleyball @ Monarch
- 10/5 Girls Volleyball vs. St. Thomas
- 10/5 Varsity Football @ Holy Trinity
- 10/8 Girls Volleyball vs. S. Plantation
- 10/10 JV Football vs. Coral Glades
- 10/10 Golf @ Coral Springs
- 10/12 Girls Volleyball vs. Northeast
- 10/12 Varsity Football vs. Coral Glades
- 10/19 Varsity Football vs. Palm Glades

**High School Counseling Department**

- **PSAT/NMSQT** testing will take place on October 10th for all 10th graders and 11th graders that have registered. The 9th grade PSAT will take place in January, 2019.
- **SAT** registration and information available at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).
- **ACT** registration and information available at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).
- **FSA/EOC RETAKES** for English/Language Arts took place on September 12, 13 and 14. Algebra 1 EOC retakes took place on September 17 and 18. Geometry EOC retakes took place on September 20 and 21.
- Start with Hello Week will be held on September 24-28.
- Student volunteer hours are required for graduation. For volunteer forms and locations, please visit our website at [hs.pinescharter.net](http://hs.pinescharter.net). You may also contact Shanon Chorzelewski, volunteer coordinator, at [schorzelewski@pinescharter.net](mailto:schorzelewski@pinescharter.net).

**Guidance Dept.**

- Idania Perez*
- Krystle Maycock*
- Grades 09 & 10*
- Julia Saye*
- Grade 11*
- Gianna Scott*
- Grade 12*
- Dana Ostendorf*
- ESE*
- Pearl Moses*
- Guidance Director*

**2019 Class Sponsor**

*Margarita Santiago*  
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**Senior Corner - Class of 2019**

- **Senior Panoramic** - November 27, 2018
- **Grad Bash** - April 26, 2019
- **Senior Awards** - May 2, 2019
- **Senior Prom** - May 17, 2019
- **Senior Dinner** - May 30, 2019
- **Graduation** - May 31, 2019



**SPAR**

The School Public Accountability Report (SPAR) for 2017-2018 school year will be available soon. Please check back for updates in the December newsletter.

## Homeroom Club Days

Our PPCHS Homeroom Clubs kicked off on September 5th. These clubs meet during Homeroom time on Wednesdays each week. There are a variety of clubs offered for all grade levels and student interest. Some offerings include Girl Power, Graphic Art Club, Relay for Life, Voices Versus Violence and more! A list was also sent to all students and parents via JupiterEd. Please contact Shannon Torres for more information at storres@pinescharter.net.



## College Visits and Information

### Upcoming Campus Visits



- 9/25/18: Stetson University @ 9 AM in U113
- 9/26/18: Nova Southeastern University @ 9 AM in U113
- 9/27/18: Florida International University @ 9 AM in River of Grass
- 9/28/18: Florida Atlantic University @ 9 AM in U113
- 10/1/18: Dartmouth @ 9 AM in U113
- 10/3/18: Boston University @ 9 AM in U113
- 10/8/18: UMass Amherst @ 9 AM in U113
- 10/10/18: George Mason @ 9 AM in U113
- 10/11/18: University of Central Florida @ 9 AM in River of Grass
- 10/17/18: Lynn University @ 9 AM in U113

### Scholarship Search Engines

#### -Scholarship Search App

<https://myscholly.com/>

**-General Scholarship Search Niche:** <https://colleges.niche.com/scholarships/>

**Fast Web:** <http://www.fastweb.com/>

**Big Future:** <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>

#### -Scholarship Guide for Black Students:

[www.moneygeek.com/education/college/resources/scholarship-guide-for-black-students/](http://www.moneygeek.com/education/college/resources/scholarship-guide-for-black-students/)

#### -Scholarship Guide for Hispanic Students:

[www.moneygeek.com/education/college/resources/scholarship-guide-for-hispanic-students/](http://www.moneygeek.com/education/college/resources/scholarship-guide-for-hispanic-students/)

#### -Scholarship Guide for Asian-American Students:

[www.moneygeek.com/education/college/resources/scholarship-guide-for-asian-students/](http://www.moneygeek.com/education/college/resources/scholarship-guide-for-asian-students/)

## Meal Prices

Please note that meal prices for high school students have changed for the 2018-2019 school year as follows:

Breakfast - \$1.75  
Lunch - \$3.10

## Address Changes

**Please note:** If your address changes, you must complete an address change form and attach a copy of a current utility bill (light, water, etc.) The utility bill MUST have the name of the parent/guardian and complete address. Updating this information in JupiterEd and/or the emergency contact card does not complete the process. This form and utility bill can be turned in to the Guidance office.

## Employee Performance Assessment

Parents have the opportunity to provide input into the faculty and administration performance evaluations. If you are interested, please provide the Principal with your input by April 30, 2019.

## Dispute Resolution Procedure

There is a procedure by which the charter school board resolves disputes. The school board is aware of this dispute resolution procedure.

1. **Parents speak with teacher. If not resolved...**
2. **Parents speak with administrator. If not resolved...**
3. **Parents speak with principal. If not resolved...**
4. **Parents speak with Charles Dodge, City Manager**

## High School Club & Activity News

**Fashion Club** had a great turnout for the first general meeting over 100 interested students were present. Our next meeting will be September 26 to prepare for our annual Homecoming pep rally and Photo shoot. Committee meetings consist of models, photographer, hair, make up, stylist and a sewing team.

**Black Student Union (BSU)** had their first General meeting September 17th in Mrs. Chancellor's room to discuss the theme for the Black History Showcase and future field trips.

**Animation Nation** will host their yearly Halloween Party in October in the Library Teen Room.



**NHS** On Friday, September 14th, the National Honor Society participated in the county-wide Leadership Conference at Pompano Beach High School. With over 30 high schools in attendance, the conference promoted strategies and approaches to leadership for NHS and beyond. Students devised service projects and fundraisers, as well as new ways to encourage more community involvement. Leaders also discussed how to properly set goals for themselves and their organizations. NHS continues to focus on developing positive habits and fostering pride in our global community.

The PPCHS Newspaper is completely mobile! Available for download is "The CHAT News," a FREE app you can find in the app store. It is now easier than ever to read about the fascinating news, students, and school events going on at PPCHS. The latest paper out is the CHAT's August issue, featuring stories about the wireless wave, a profile on alumni baseball player Aramis Garcia, and the new Arabic class that started this year! You can follow us on Instagram @\_theCHATter, Twitter @\_theCHATter, and Snapchat @theCHATnews to stay updated.



### Prowler Yearbook

Ready for some memories? The PPCHS Prowler Yearbook is being sold for the price of **\$80**. The deadline to buy your yearbook is **December 6th**. Yearbooks are also being sold online at [www.yearbookordercenter.com/](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com/). You can also find more information regarding promotions/sales on our social media accounts, Twitter @ppchsprowler, and Instagram @ppchsprowler. If you are interested in buying a senior dedication please contact Megan Bush through [@mbush0228@pinescharter.net](mailto:mbush0228@pinescharter.net).

### Spring 2018 Dual Enrollment

Students interested in **Dual Enrollment** at Broward College for Spring 2019 (January – May) must meet eligibility requirements and submit ALL paperwork **BEFORE September 27, 2018** by NOON. Students in grades 9-12 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 Calendar

## Important Dates

### October

- 04 - Pines Charter Study Day (Dismissal at 10:30)
- 06 - SAT Administration
- 08 - Underclassmen Picture Day (Make-Up Day)
- 08 - Parent Advisory Meeting (6:00 PM, SW Library)
- 09 - SOS Dress Down Day
- 10 - PSAT Administration
- 13 - Parent Workshop (8:00 AM, ROG)
- 15-18 - Homecoming Spirit Week
- 18- Early Release Day (Dismissal at 11:45 AM)
- 18 - Homecoming Pep Rally
- 19 - No School - Teacher Planning Day
- 20 - Saturday School (8AM, Cafeteria)
- 23 - Club Picture Day
- 25 - Multicultural Showcase (6:30 PM, ROG)
- 27 - ACT Administration
- 27 - Homecoming Dance

### November

- 03 - SAT Administration
- 06 - No School - Teacher Planning Day
- 07 - Herff Jones Parent Night (5:00 PM, Cafeteria)
- 12 - No School
- 13 - SOS Dress Down Day
- 14 - 1st Quarter Report Cards
- 19 - Parent Advisory Meeting (6:00 PM, SW Library)
- 20 - Interim Reports Issued
- 21-23- No School (Thanksgiving Break)
- 27 - Senior Panoramic Picture (Gym)



## 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 2018-2019 school year: Annette Dallera, Out-of-field for Chemistry, certified in General Science 5-9; Carina Blanco, Nahomi Hernandez, Christina Parker, Theresa Seiler and Ariel Taylor, Out-of-field for ESOL, certified in English 6-12.

## Pembroke Pines Charter Schools at Academic Village Campus

### Home of the Jaguars!

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### Governing Board Members

Frank Ortis, Mayor  
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Jay Schwartz, Commissioner  
Iris Siple, Commissioner  
Aner Gonzalez, Pines Charter School Liaison  
Charles Dodge, City Manager & Superintendent of Schools

