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Don Christie,
Principal

Scott Buker,
Assistant Principal

Chad Warnimont,
Assistant Principal

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This communication will begin to provide you some important information and dates to mark on your calendar before the summer break begins. There will also be additional information shared during the summer. Congratulations to Mr. Scott Buker for becoming the new PJHS Principal for the 2022-23 school year. Mr. Buker has been the PJHS Assistant Principal the last five years and will continue to do an excellent job for our students and families.

Summer Read

Students are to choose any novel that they have not previously read. It should be a good fit book for the student's reading ability and be interesting to them. After reading the book, they need to complete the questions in the organizer. The Summer Read information will be posted to Schoology and reviewed with our incoming 7th graders at *Meet You in the Middle*.

Orientation Nights

These nights provide the opportunity for students and parents/guardians to pick up and walk their schedule, complete or turn in forms, purchase an optional school lock and put school supplies in lockers. If you have a child in both grades, you may bring both to one session. There will also be additional times provided if this date does not work for you and these will be shared once they are set.

Tuesday, August 9 –
Orientation Night, Incoming 7th Grade
Last Name beginning:

A-E	=	3:00 pm – 4:15 pm
F-L	=	4:15 pm - 5:30 pm
M-S	=	5:30 pm - 6:45 pm
T-Z	=	6:45 pm - 8:00 pm

Wednesday, August 10 –
Orientation Night, Incoming 8th Grade
Last Name beginning:

A-E	=	3:00 pm – 4:15 pm
F-L	=	4:15 pm - 5:30 pm
M-S	=	5:30 pm - 6:45 pm
T-Z	=	6:45 pm - 8:00 pm

**Students are able to attend at a different time if this time does not work.*

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Student Schedules

Student schedules will be available to be viewed on PowerSchool at 8:00 am on Monday, August 8. There will also be a hard copy of the schedules available at the Orientation Nights. If you notice a mistake on your child's schedule, please email the grade level school counselor. If your child needs to make a change to their schedule, please email the grade level counselor. For example, if your child wants to join a music class, you need to let your counselor know. Emails for the school counselors are listed under the important contact information in this communication.

School Start Date

The PJHS school year begins with a staggered start to provide the students to be in the school with just one grade level for one day. The 8th grade students will begin school on Tuesday, August 16 and then not attend on Wednesday, August 17. There will be a group of about 80 8th grade WEB leaders who have been chosen to help lead activities for the 7th grade students on their first day of school on Wednesday, August 17. These activities will help to welcome the students to PJHS and also get to know older students who will continue to help and support them throughout the school year.

- Tuesday, August 16 = 8th grade only
- Wednesday, August 17 = 7th grade only
- Thursday, August 18 = Both grade levels

School Supply List

The 2022-23 School Supply Lists will be available to be viewed on the Perrysburg Schools website. These are general supply lists for each content area and teachers will inform students during the first week of school if any additional supplies will be needed.

Important Contacts

- 7th grade School Counselor - Mrs. Andrea Monheim
amonheim@perrysburgschools.net
- 7th grade Assistant Principal - *to be determined*
- 8th grade School Counselor - Mr. Tom Przybylski
tprzybylski@perrysburgschools.net
- 8th grade Assistant Principal - Dr. Chad Warnimont
cwarnimont@perrysburgschools.net
- PJHS Athletic Director - Mr. Scott Sorg
ssorg@perrysburgschools.net
- Principal - Mr. Scott Buker
sbuker@perrysburgschools.net

Summer Office Hours

The junior high offices (419-874-9193) are closed beginning June 7 and then will reopen on August 1. Please contact the Central Office (419-874-9131) with any questions during that time. The school administrators will also be periodically checking emails throughout the summer.

Athletics

All fall athletes (cheerleading, cross country, volleyball, football) and their parents/guardians must attend the Code of Conduct Meeting on Wednesday, July 13, in the JH Auditorium at 6:30 p.m. If you cannot make the meeting, please contact Mr. Sorg at ssorg@perrysburgschools.net. All of the fall sports begin practices the first week of August and coaches will share more detailed information throughout the summer. All athletes must be registered in Final Forms and have a current physical on file in order to participate on the first day of practice. Following is a link to Final Forms (<https://perrysburg-oh.finalforms.com/>).

We understand that there is a great deal of information in this communication, but felt it was important to get this to you as soon as possible when making summer plans. Look for additional information to be sent later in July. We look forward to seeing the students in August and have a great summer. Go Jackets!

Sincerely,

Mr. Don Christie
Current Principal

Mr. Scott Buker
2022-23 Principal

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As the temperatures warm up and the school year winds down, we wanted to share a few helpful resources in and around the community. As always, thank you for working together with us. We appreciate each and every parent/guardian as part of our team in ensuring student success. Have a wonderful summer!

Your School Counseling Team,
Andrea Monheim and Tom Przybylski

Helpful Resources

Good Grief of Northwest Ohio: Free program for families, children, teens and young adults who have experienced the death of someone significant in their lives. Call for more information, or to register: 419-360-4939

Ohio Means Jobs: This is a great website for your child to explore careers and future jobs: <https://jobseeker.k-12.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com/seeker.aspx>

Penta STEM Camp: There are still a few spots open for Penta's Career Center STEM camp. This year's 7th and 8th grade students can attend. It takes place June 6-10, 13-15, or 16-17 at Penta Career Center. It is always a fun week for students. Space is limited! Please apply online at www.pentacareercenter.org.

Schedules: Student schedules may be picked up at orientation on August 9 and 10. Please feel free to have your child walk their schedule after it has been received.

THE JACKET WAY

As the year comes to an end, our Spring Spirit Assembly saw the last Jacket Way Raffle occur for the school year. For the spring raffle, students could once again turn in their earned Jacket Way tickets for raffle tickets with a chance to win specific prizes. Congratulations to the following student winners:

- Sutherlin Bly, Toledo Mud Hens Tickets
- Alexa David, Cedar Point Season Pass
- Gabriel Folck, \$100 Visa Gift Card
- Caleb Livingston, Apple AirPods Pro
- Scarlett McClain, Toledo Mud Hens Tickets
- Logan Moore, Toledo Mud Hens Tickets
- Ben Nowicki, Fishing Pole and Supplies



We would also like to congratulate our two Student of the Month winners, Siena Eggenberger and Emma McNerney.



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STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council has continued their mission to help the PJHS community and beyond throughout the last few months. Most notably, in April, Student Council members partnered with Youth to Youth to collect bath and hand towels to be donated to the people of Ukraine. We collected, organized and sent 30 boxes of towels to help families in need. Students from both clubs were humbled to support a worthy cause together.



Additionally, we celebrated Spring Spirit week! We recognized all of the spring athletic teams and yearlong school clubs with some fun spirit days, followed by a Spirit Assembly.

And finally, to finish up the year, we will be collecting Soccer Gear for Gambia once again. Donations of gently used soccer equipment, clothes or soccer balls, will be collected through the end of the school year and may be dropped off in the main office or Mrs. Roach's room, 122.

Student Council members will be celebrating our achievements this year with a pizza party at our last meeting of the year. We are looking forward to planning for next year!

MOCK TRIAL

"Hats off" to all of the PJHS Mock Trial team members who have continued to work diligently, up to the very end of the school year, to prepare for the Showcase. These students have been putting in extra practice time, both in-person and on Zoom, to polish their trial practice skills. They recently scrimmaged the Independence Middle School team over Zoom and held a dress rehearsal at the Perrysburg Municipal Court.

Wesley Imel, Robert Courtney, Hasan Khatri and Jake Trautman portrayed prosecuting attorneys. Lucy Buelow, Ella Hahn, Ben Nowicki and Jonathan Severt played defense attorneys. Marah Ariss, Katie Avery, Alex Ban, Lillith Dunn, Luella Eynon, Gabe Folck, Elizabeth Leach, Demetrios Reid-Ortiz, Annie Sawaya, Kendalyn Serres and Cooper Street took on witness roles. Lillith Dunn and Polet Prado acted as bailiff/timekeepers.

Mrs. Shultz would like to thank all of the parents/guardians for their support and encouragement. The students would like to thank Judge S. Dwight Osterud (who started the PJHS mock trial program approximately twenty years ago) and attorney Ted Kurt for their legal expertise throughout the year. They are also grateful to Judge Aram Ohanian and his staff at the Perrysburg Municipal Court for allowing the teams to practice in the courtrooms.

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ROX

Students in Ruling Our Experiences (ROX) finished up their year with a celebration after school. They had a great year learning how to be assertive, honing their leadership skills and appreciating all of the qualities that make them unique and wonderful. Ms. Latella and Mrs. Townsend truly enjoyed working with all of the students this year. We are so proud of all of their time and commitment to ruling their own experiences.

MATHCOUNTS

After earning 1st and 5th place at the Chapter MathCounts competition, both Simon Deng and Ocean Shi competed in the State MathCounts competition. Both students put forth amazing effort and Simon earned an 8th place finish out of the top 143 students across the state. We are very proud of all that the team accomplished this year and look forward to another amazing season next year!

POWER OF THE PEN

Sophia Halm, Ria Khatri and Maanya Parikh all competed in the state competition for Power of the Pen at Otterbein University. We're so proud of them and all they've accomplished!





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FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT



Band

The PJHS Bands began buzzing into summer with a Pep Band performance at our spring spirit assembly! The bands led the student body through the halls performing the school fight song, *Go, Yellow Jackets*, and gave the assembly a rousing atmosphere.

The 9th annual HPI/PJHS Band on the Run 5K featured 350 runners, two pep bands and countless volunteers. This Perrysburg event has become one of the largest 5k events in our region. The bandings played the forecasted rain away, keeping the skies clear and the runners dry. The sun always shines on the PJHS Bands!

This year's Ohio Music Education Association Large Group Event is hosted here at PJHS. 8 NW Ohio bands, totalling 481 band students, will give their best performances for the OMEA panel in hopes of bringing the highest rating back to their school. Best of luck to our Gold Concert Band and Commodore Concert Band as they perform in the highest divisions in the state!



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Meet You in the Middle is a great HPI and PJHS tradition, and the PJHS Pep Bands are excited to be back in action at this year's experience. PJHS Pep Band members will welcome our rising 7th graders and enjoy some donuts together while enjoying their first day of summer.

The PJHS Marching Yellow Jackets will close the PJHS Bands 2021 - 2022 season with a performance at the Perrysburg Memorial Day Parade. Our band students will march down Louisiana Avenue while playing *America, the Beautiful* in honor of our country and those who we remember on this day. This experience is closely tied to the history of bands and we are fortunate to be a part of the event.

Thank you for all of your support of the PJHS Bands this year!
You'll hear us again in August!



Students gather for a photo at the Band on the Run event

Orchestra

The 7th and 8th Grade Orchestra students performed their final concert of the school year at the end of April. Students performed very well! Students in the PJHS String Ensemble also performed the national anthem at the Toledo Mud Hens game at the beginning of May. Go Jackets!



The PJHS String Ensemble plays the National Anthem at the a recent Toledo Mud Hens game

Choir

Showcase Concert: The PJHS choirs closed out the year strong at their showcase concert May 18th. The choirs performed current pop songs and entertain the audience with their choreography. Highlights from the concert include the 7th and 8th grade girls singing "Girls Just Wanna Dance" and 7th and 8th grade boys singing "Ticket to Ride." Closing the concert were a dynamic number performed by all choir students singing "Shine Like Stars." Mrs. Kuhlman and Mr. Hamilton would like to extend a special congratulations to all 8th grade students and wish them the best of luck at the High School.

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ATHLETIC AVENUE

The PJHS Track and Field season came to a conclusion on Saturday, May 14 and the Jackets had tremendous success. Both the boys and girls teams went undefeated in meets this season and both claimed NLL Championships.

In addition, the following students set new school records:

- Brody Bauman in the 800 meter run
- Kennedy Boze in the discus
- Brandon Waddell in the 200 meter hurdles
- Camryn Wright in the high jump
- The boys 4x800 relay team of Brody Bauman, Joel Manges, Connor Mead and Beckett Walters
- The girls 4x800 relay team of Brayleigh Becken, Kaelyn Becken, Adyson Brown and Holly Dalton
- The girls 4x200 relay team of McKenna Conley, Kinsley Jones, Emma Ogdahl and Yesenia You

In addition to those school records, the following athletes qualified for and competed at the OHSAA Junior High State Track and Field Championships on Saturday, May 14 at Hilliard Darby High School in Hilliard, Ohio.

- Kennedy Boze in the discus placing 2nd
- Elyza Byrd in the 100 meter dash, placing 18th
- Elyza Byrd in the long jump placing 17th
- Camille Francis in the 100 meter hurdles placing 19th
- Emma Ogdahl in the 100 meter dash, placing 13th
- Brandon Waddell in the 200 meter hurdles, placing 15th

- Camryn Wright in the high jump placing 14th
- The boys 4x800 relay team of Brody Bauman, Joel Manges, Connor Mead and Beckett Walters placing 2nd overall
- The girls 4x100 relay team of Morgan Hoverman, Kinsley Jones, Tatum McCoy and Emma Ogdahl placing 11th
- The girls 4x200 relay team of McKenna Conley, Kinsley Jones, Emma Ogdahl and Yesenia You placing 4th
- The girls 4x800 relay team of Brayleigh Becken, Kaelyn Becken, Adyson Brown and Holly Dalton placing 6th overall



The boys 4x800 relay team of Brody Bauman, Connor Mead, Joel Manges and Beckett Walters set a new school record this year while also placing 2nd in the state



The girls 4x200 relay team of Yesenia You, Kinsley Jones, McKenna Conley and Emma Ogdahl placed 4th in the state and set a new school record



Kennedy Boze broke her own school record at the state meet en route to a 2nd overall finish



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PJHS TALENT SHOW

PJHS students will take the stage May 24 to showcase a variety of talents to celebrate a successful year. The audience will be energized by Lily Shields' and Isabella Shields' tap routine and Gabrillea Kelleys' dance routine. Isabella Mati will captivate the audience when she performs on the piano. A stunning performance entitled "Sincerely Me" will be performed by Haley Getzinger and Elliana Tabernero. The Golden Jackets (PJHS show choir) will perform their show-stopping competition set "You Will Be Found." These are only a few highlights of the outstanding performances by all students involved.

FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

Don't forget to keep reading all summer long with access to the digital materials below!

- PJHS Library Catalog (gofollett.com) - Over 350 ebooks and digital audiobooks
- INFOhio (www.infohio.org) - Articles from magazines and encyclopedias
- Way Public's Digital Library (<https://digital.waylibrary.info/>) - Use your eCard information to access ebooks, digital audio, movies and more.

***Need help with passwords or have questions?** Mrs. Franck will be checking her school email (lfranck@perrysburgschools.net) and her Schoology messages periodically.

Have a great summer!



DAY OF AWESOMENESS

As a reward for the Step it Up Fundraiser conducted earlier this year, students were treated to the Day of Awesomeness in which each grade level went outside on May 12 and enjoyed an hour and half of various activities that included bouncy houses, games, contests and prizes.

Thank you to all who helped and supported this fundraiser and event!