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Principal's Message

Dear Pirate Community,

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your family healthy and safe since the last hurricane. The experiences that we have all shared for the past two months have been difficult to overcome and many are still dealing with hardships that still need to be faced. As the school year unfolds, I am hopeful that each day continues to get better for you and your family and that a sense of normalcy returns to your daily living.



Obviously, the disruption to our school year has been significant. Displaced classrooms, cancelled activities, student/family needs, and gaps in learning are just a few issues that we continue to work through each day. It has been amazing to me to watch this school community pull together to overcome these obstacles. Although far from perfect, we are slowly getting back to the high school experience for our staff and students that make our school so incredible. Teaching and learning in the classroom, being able to play a home football game, attending a pep rally, senior trick or treating, going to the Homecoming dance, and having opportunities to once again support one another are just a few things that have returned to our school community since the storm(s). Each day is getting better at our school!

A reminder to all of our students that it is imperative to keep working hard in the classroom. Students that have fallen behind or need some extra support can get assistance after school through our Power Hour tutoring program. Power Hour occurs every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 pm until 4:30 pm in room C215. There are dedicated certified teachers available to assist all students in need. I am also asking that students, if they have not already, make the important choice to "get involved and stay involved" at school. There are many athletic and extra-curricular activities for our students to choose from and I encourage everyone to participate.

It is awesome being back at school and I am looking forward to sharing all of the experiences with our staff and students for the remainder of the school year.

Sincerely, Louis M Long Principal

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For the Parents, Staff, Students and Community of Port Charlotte High School



CLASS REMIND CODES

Text the following code to 81010:

Freshmen: @3ghd4c

Sophomore: @pchsoph25

Juniors: @pchjun24

Freshmen: @pcsenior23

TESTING CALENDAR 22/23 SCHOOL YEAR

DECEMBER 2022

3 SAT

10 ACT

13-15 Algebra 1 Retakes

JANUARY 2023

1/17-1/20 Semester Exams

FEBRUARY 2023

2/22 ELA Writing Retake

2/23 ELA Reading Session 1 Retake 2/24 ELA Reading Session 2 Retake

2/28-3/1 Algebra 1 Retake (Grades 11 & 12) MARCH 2023

3/2-3/3 Algebra 1 Retake (Grades 9 & 10)

3/6-3/8 ELA & Algebra Retake MakeUps



SHARK MUN CONFERENCE

The Model UN team competed at Gulf Coast High School's SharkMUN conference this September. Overall the team took home the FIRST PLACE Best Delegation award, with individual placements as follows:

- Grant Warden 1st Place
- Avery Gauthier 1st Place
- Kaylee Decker 2nd Place
- Cole Beiner 2nd Place
- · Dita Carlsen 2nd place
- Gabe DeGuzman 4th place
- Emelia Valentz 4th Place

The team discussed various worldly and fictitious issues, from the Disarmament and Security of Nuclear Weapons to the Conflict between the Koopa and Mushroom Kingdoms in the world of Nintendo. Overall, the students spent the weekend honing their debate and persuasion skills while enjoying the competition with rival schools from all over the region.





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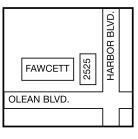
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HELPING YOUR TEEN ENJOY READING (DFCC)

When my daughters were little, they loved to read. We would take trips to the library every Saturday and they would each bring home a big pile of books. I remember the two of them in the back of the van on the way home showing each other the books they had picked with such excitement. However, as they have gotten older, I have noticed that love for books dwindle, and my 16-year-old has even told me she "hates reading". Gasp!

So, I began wondering if it was just my kids or if other parents had seen the same in their children, Sadly, I found that this is more common than you would think. I began researching ways to help my kids fall back in love with reading again, and here's what I found:

- It is important to help your teen find books on their reading level. At some point your child may have gotten the idea that they aren't a good reader, or they may have actual difficulties with reading. Teens can often be a closed book themselves and determining their level of reading skills can be difficult, so starting with something that is easy but interesting can be a great way to start out.
- 2. Speaking of interesting.... help your teen look for books that are a topic and format of interest for them. Not all reading needs to be thick novels. Your child might get into comic books or magazines or a downloadable book vs a physical book and that is ok. If your child is into becoming the next YouTube star, why not look for books on how to do that, or maybe on some YouTubers who have become successful. Remember that the goal is to peak interest in reading again.
- 3. As much as we may want to pick out books that we think our teens might be interested in, it is important to let your teen pick their own books out. Head to your local library and let them browse in sections of their interest.
- 4. Don't criticize. You may think what your child is reading is boring or too young for them etc. However, criticizing what your teen chooses to read can have a negative effect on their desire to read at all. Instead, consider encouraging them for the act of choosing to read.
- Model reading in front of your child. If your child sees you reading frequently, they are more likely to read themselves. Even just having books available in your home can increase the chance that your teen will be a reader.
- Spark a conversation about what your teen is reading. Take some time to talk to your teen about what they are reading. Sometimes this helps to create continued interest and it's a wonderful way to bond as well.

Reading has many benefits for teens. Reading can help them gain knowledge, improve writing and concentration skills, and can even boost self-esteem and happiness. Reading together or even reading the same book and discussing it together, can also strengthen family bonds.

READING LISTS

Please go to www.portcharlottehs.com for the following Reading Lists:

- *Non-Adopted Reading
- *Non-Adopted Reading (AP English)

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FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Attendance Office (Absences)	255-7492
FAX#	255-7493
Operator	255-7485
Athletic Office	*7501
Band	*7628
Career Information Center (CIC)	*7519
Chorus	*7633
Dean's Office	*7568
Guidance	*7529
Media Center	*7604
NJROTC	*7649
Nurse	*7530
Principal's Office	*7533
School Resource Officer	*7516
Student Office	*7528
(Early Exits/Tardies)	

GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

Guidance Counselor assignments school year 2022-2023:

Pam Johnson 9th Grade Rebel Balkman 10th Grade James Strauss 11th Grade 12th Grade Jodi Harvey





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REPORTING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES OR THREATS

Students, parents, CCPS employees, and members of the community have a responsibility to report suspicious activities and potential threats to schools. Any suspicious activity or threat shall be promptly reported to one of the following individuals, agencies or reporting tools:

- School Resource Officer or local law enforcement agencies.
- School Administrator or any available staff member.
- The FortifyFL Reporting APP or to the Crimestoppers Tipline (1-800-780-TIPS).
- Contacting the Supervisor of District Security and Emergency Management at (941) 255-0808
- Calling 9-1-1.















SENIOR DUES PACKAGES 2022-2023 SENIOR REMIND CODE: @PCSENIOR22

NO FRILLS PACKAGE \$50.00

Graduation Fees Senior Breakfast

*Does NOT include class t-shirts or access to any

other Senior Class activities

BASIC PIRATE PACKAGE \$90.00

Graduation Fees Red class t-shirt

Access to all Senior Class activities

BASIC PLUS PACKAGE \$170.00

Graduation Fees

Grad Nite at Universal Studios in Orlando

*Does NOT include class t-shirts or access to any

other Senior Class activities

PIRATE PLUS PACKAGE \$210.00

Graduation Fees Red class t-shirt

Access to all Senior Class activities

Grad Nite at Universal Studios in Orlando

SUPER PIRATE PACKAGE \$235.00

Graduation Fees

Red and black class t-shirts

Access to all Senior Class activities

Grad Nite at Universal Studios in Orlando

<u>NONE</u> of the packages include the following items:

☐ Cap and Gown

☐ Project Graduation Entry Fee

☐ Yearbook

There is no refund on dues that have been paid. Once the Grad Nite fee has been paid, a refund will NOT be given for Grad Nite as tickets will already be purchased.

SENIOR REMIND CODE: @PCSENIOR22

SENIOR CALENDAR 2022-2023

DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Senior Panoramic Picture Fri. Dec. 9th
Holiday Dessert Bar Fri. Dec. 9th
Senior Hall of Fame Nominations Wed. Jan. 18th

Springfest Week Mon, Mar, 6th-Fri. Mar. 10th Senior Hall of Fame Wed. Mar. 8th – 7pm

Spring Break Mon. Mar.13 th- Fri. Mar. 19th
Grad Bash Fri. Mar 31st (Universal Studios)

Easter Egg Extravaganza Thurs. Apr. 6th
Senior Speeches Wed. Apr. 19th
Senior Splash Party Fri. May 5th

Senior Final Exams Mon. May 8th - Thurs. May 11th

Senior Awards Thurs. May 11th

Prom May 13th Charlotte Event Center

Baccalaureate Mon. May 15th -6pm Murdock Baptist Church

Graduation Rehearsal (MANDATORY) Mon. May 15th; Tues. May, 16th

Wed. May 17th – 8am-1pm GYM

Senior Breakfast Tues. May 16th – 8am Cafeteria **Graduation Wed. May 17th – 7:30pm** (*TBD*)

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Deborah Capo deborah.capo@yourcharlotteschools.net Port Charlotte High School





SPORT SCHEDULES



PIRATE GIRLS BASKETBALL

Head Coach: Mike Progl

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Date	Time	Opponent	Location	
11/30	6:00/7:30	Sarsota Riverview	HOME	
12/1	5:30/7:00	Lemon Bay	Lemon Bay	
12/2	TBA	Lakewood Ranch	HOME	
12/8	5:30/7:00	Charlotte	HOME	
12/9	8:30 (V)	Brooks DeBartolo	Gulf Coast	
		Collegiate	(Shark Showdown)	
12/10	2:00 (V)	Cardinal Gibbons	Gulf Coast	
	, ,		(Shark Showdown)	
12/12	6:00 (V)	Desoto	Desoto	
12/14	5:30/7:00	Venice	Venice	
12/16	5:30/7:00	North Port	HOME	
12/27-	TBA	Christmas Tourn.	Naples	
12/29			-	
1/5	5:30/7:00	Charlotte	HOME	
1/9	5:30/7:00	Venice	HOME	
1/12	5:30/7:00	North Port	North Port	
1/18	6:00/7:30	Braden River	Braden River	
1/20	6:00/7:30	Barron Collier	Barron Collier	
1/23	6:00 (V)	Desoto	HOME	
1/26	5:30/7:00	Ft. Myers	HOME	

PIRATE BOYS BASKETBALL

Head Coach: Kip Rhoten

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Date	Time	Opponent	Location	
12/2	5:30/7:00	North Port	North Port	
12/6	5:30/7:00	Venice	Venice	
12/9	5:30/7:00	Charlotte	HOME	
12/13	5:30/7:00	Gateway	HOME	
12/15	5:30/7:00	Lehigh	Lehigh	
12/22	TBA (V)	Holiday Shootout	Lemon Bay	
12/23	TBA (V)	Holiday Shootout	Lemon Bay	
12/27	TBA (V)	Holiday Shootout	Golden Gate	
12/28	TBA (V)	Holiday Shootout	Golden Gate	
12/29	TBA (V)	Holiday Shootout	Golden Gate	
1/6	5:30/7:00	Evangelical Christian	HOME	
1/10	5:30/7:00	Lemon Bay	HOME	
1/12	5:30/7:00	Riverview	HOME	
1/14	5:30/7:00	Sebring	HOME	
1/17	5:30/7:00	North Port	HOME	
1/20	TBA (V)	Wally Keller Tourn.	Charlotte	
1/21	5:30/7:00	Wally Keller Tourn.	Charlotte	
1/24	5:30/7:00	Venice	HOME	
1/26	5:30/7:00	Ft. Myers	Ft. Myers	
1/31	5/30/7:00	Hardee	HOME	
2/3	5:30	Stinger Shootout	Bartow	
2/4	TBA (JV)	JV Tournament		
2/6-10	Districts			
2/16	Regional Quarter Final			
2/21	Regional Semi-Final			
2/24	Regional Final			
		State Championship		



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PIRATE GIRLS WEIGHTLIFTING

Head Coach: David Hoffer

Date	Time	Opponent	Location
12/5	6:30	Manatee	Manatee
12/15	TBA	HOME	
1/11	3:45	Ft. Myers	HOME
1/26	10:30	District Meet	HOME
2/2	11:00	Regional Meet	HOME
2/17-18	TBA	State Meet	TBA



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PORT SCHEDULE

PIRATE GIRLS SOCCER

Head Coach: Bob Theriault

Date	Time	Opponent	Location
12/1	7:00	Canterbury	Canterbury
12/9	6:30	Imagine	HOME
12/16	7:00	Charlotte	Charlotte
12/19	6:30	Oasis	Oasis
1/12	6:30	North Port	HOME
		Sarasota	HOME
1/19	6:30	Charlotte	HOME
1/26	6:30	Lemon Bay (Senior Night)	HOME

PIRATE BOYS SOCCER

Head Coach: Joe Roca

		Opponent	Location
12/1	6:00	Imagine	Port Charlotte HS
12/6	7:00	DeSoto	DeSoto HS
12/9	6:30	Sarasota	Sarasota HS
12/12	6:30	Lemon Bay	Port Charlotte HS
			Charlotte HS
1/9	6:30	Charlotte	Port Charlotte HS
1/17	6:30	Venice	Venice HS
1/20	7:00	Sebring (Senior Night)	HOME

WRESTLING

Head Coach: Tyler Crane

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Date	Opponent	Location
12/3	Lemon Bay Duals	Lemon Bay
12/10	Kings Classic	
12/14	Oasis Dual	HOME
12/22-26	Manatee	HOME
12/28-29	Lock In	HOME
12/30	Bulls Dual	Parrish
1/7	Eagle Duals	George Jenkins
1/12	Regional Dual Champions	
1/13-14	Jerry Mita IBT	Pinellas Park
1/17	Bayshore (Senior Night)	HOME
1/18	Venice Duals	Venice
1/20-21	State Dual/ Bruin Round Robin	Bayshore
1/27-28	Gene Gorman Duals	Charlotte
2/3-4	Braves Invitational IBT	Lake Gibson
2/11	Bidwell IBT	Lemon Bay
2/18	Districts	TBD
2/24-25	Regionals	
3/2-4	State Meet	Silver Spurs Arena











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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

November 2022 - March 2023

November 14th ASVAB Testing

November 23rd - 25th THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL

November 29th SAC Meeting December 2nd Science Fair

December 12th Q2/S1 Progress Reports Published in FOCUS

December 20th SAC Meeting

Dec. 22nd – Jan. 3rd WINTER BREAK

January 3rd
January 4th
January 16th

Teacher Workday – NO STUDENTS
Students Return from Winter Break
MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY –

NO SCHOOL

January 17th – 20th

January 20th

January 25th

Semester 1 Final Exams

Quarter 2/Semester 1 Ends

NJROTC Blood Drive

January 31st Q2/S1 Report Cards Published in FOCUS

January 31st SAC Meeting

February 20th PRESIDENTS' DAY – NO SCHOOL

February 27th Q3 Progress Reports Published in FOCUS

February 28th SAC Meeting
March 8th Sidewalk Chalk

March 13th – 17th SPRING BREAK

March 20th TEACHER WORKDAY – NO SCHOOL

