Subject: PJHS Back-to-School Information

Dear Incoming 7th & 8th Grade Families,

We are hoping that everyone is having a great summer and is able to enjoy the weather that it brings. This email is providing some updates as the calendar is quickly approaching August with the return to school at Perrysburg Junior High School for the 2023 - 2024 school year.

Fall Athletics

Our fall athletic programs will begin on July 31. PJHS is a proud member of the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) and the Northern Lakes League (NLL) and follows all policies and guidelines from the OHSAA, NLL and the Perrysburg Board of Education.

Our fall sports include: boys cross country, girls cross country, 7th grade football, 8th grade football, 7th grade football cheerleading, 8th grade football cheerleading, 7th grade volleyball and 8th grade volleyball.

On July 12 we held our annual OHSAA Code of Conduct and individual team meetings. If your student athlete is interested in participating or trying out for one of our fall sports and you did not attend this meeting, please contact our athletic director, Mrs. Andrea Monheim, via email at amonheim@perrysburgschools.net. Any questions regarding athletics can also be directed to Mrs. Monheim.

Prior to practices beginning, all student athletes must be registered in FinalForms and have all required forms on file. Student athletes will not be permitted to begin practicing or begin tryouts until that documentation is submitted in accordance with OHSAA bylaws.

Summer Read

At PJHS we hope to build a love of reading for all students by engaging them in opportunities to read books of their choice. Hopefully students have found a book to enjoy this summer through our Summer Read program. As a reminder, students are asked to complete the reading organizer that is linked with the information about the Summer Read here: Summer Read 2023 - 2024.

Back to School Registration

Just a reminder to please register all returning students using FinalForms at your earliest convenience to avoid potentially missing important updates from the school district. Those who did not have a FinalForms account were sent an email on June 16 from mailman@finalforms.com that asks you to click a link to confirm your account and complete your registration. Please follow this process and check your spam folder if you did not see this message.

All back to school forms are to be completed through FinalForms. Please review and/or update your information as soon as possible to ensure accuracy and sign annual back to school consent forms for the 2023 - 2024 school year. Changes in custody or residency will require supporting documentation to be

uploaded in FinalForms or emailed to a school secretary. FinalForms may be accessed through the Parents tab on the school district website or via this direct link: https://perrysburg-oh.finalforms.com/.

PJHS Orientation Days

We will offer Orientation Days to provide an opportunity for students and their families to receive and walk their schedule, purchase an optional school lock, put supplies in their locker, and ask any questions about the upcoming year.

Tuesday, August 8 - Incoming 7th Grade Last Name beginning in:

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A-E = 3:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
F-L = 4:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
M-S = 5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
T-Z = 6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
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Wednesday, August 9 - Incoming 8th Grade Last Name beginning in:

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A-E = 3:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
F-L = 4:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
M-S = 5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
T-Z = 6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
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If you have a student 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. Please contact one of the school administrators regarding those times.

Student Course and Class Schedules

Student schedules will be available to view online via PowerSchool beginning Monday, August 7. We will have paper copies available to students at the Orientation Dates. Schedules that may be viewed prior August 7 may not reflect the actual student schedule. If you have questions on your student's schedule and/or classes, please contact the grade level school counselor. That contact information is provided below.

7th Grade Counselor: Mr. Tom Przybylski, <u>tprzybylski@perrysburgschools.net</u> 8th Grade Counselor: Mrs. Andrea Monheim, <u>amonheim@perrysburgschools.net</u>

2023 - 2024 PJHS Back-to-School Dates

PJHS will once again utilize a staggered schedule to begin the 2023 - 2024 school year. This provides students an opportunity to experience the school with just their individual grade level before combining both the 7th and 8th grades.

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Tuesday, August 15 - First day of school for 8th grade only Wednesday, August 16 - First day of school for 7th grade only Thursday, August 17 - Both grades attend
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On Wednesday, August 16, our 7th grade students will participate in our WEB First Day of School. PJHS utilizes the WEB Program (Where Everyone Belongs) to help with the transition of students from 6th grade to 7th grade. Students will be placed into small groups and participate in sessions led by 8th Grade WEB Leaders who have been trained during the summer to provide peer guidance and support to 7th grade students.

^{*}Students are able to attend at a different date/time if this time does not work for you

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After the WEB Program, which will run during the morning, 7th grade students will then go through their assigned class schedule and meet their teachers.

School Arrival

Once school begins on August 15, the school building will open for students to enter at 7:15 a.m. Students who are dropped off, walking or riding their bike will report to either the auxiliary gym or the auditorium until 7:30 a.m. and will be under PJHS Staff supervision. Students who ride the bus to school will remain on their buses until 7:30 a.m. At that time, students will be released to report to their lockers, eat breakfast in the cafeteria and arrive at their Period 1 class. Our Period 1 begins at 7:50 a.m. with announcements occurring shortly before then. Students are dismissed at 2:45 p.m.

Student schedules are broken down into a seven period day. All students will be enrolled in a Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and English Language Arts class. 7th Grade Students are also required to be enrolled in a semester of Health and a semester of Physical Education. All students will conclude their day with a 25 minute Jacket Period that is designed for Meaningful Silent Reading or for teachers to provide additional academic support to students in a one-on-one and pre-arranged manner. Students should have a book of their choice or a school assigned book with them for this period on a daily basis.

Elective classes that PJHS offers includes:

- Academic Study
- Academic Lab / Intervention (Math and ELA)
- Art
- Foreign Culture 7th Grade Only
- Foreign Language (Chinese, Spanish, French) -8th Grade Only
- Industrial Technology
- Music Band, Choir, Orchestra
- Physical Education
- STEM
- Wilson Reading

Students will have a 30 minute lunch period, which is determined by their course schedule. Requests for specific student lunch periods will only be made for a documented medical condition.

School Supply List

The 2023 - 2024 PJHS School Supply list may be found at the following link: <u>School Supply List 2023 - 2024</u>. These are general supplies for each content area and if there are specifics for individual teachers, then those will be communicated by the teacher during the first week of school.

Summer Office Hours

The PJHS Offices will reopen on Tuesday, August 1. If you have any questions prior to that date, please contact one of the PJHS administrators via email or contact our Central Office at 419-874-9131.

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 as you are making summer plans. We look forward to seeing the students in August! Have a great summer!

Go Jackets!

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