## We Are Pearl!

## Pirate Points 1-17-2020

All schools and offices in the district will be closed on Monday, January 20, in observance of the MLK holiday. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 21, with PJHS and PHS on an A-day schedule.

Congratulations to Zane Coghlan, Anthony Hernandez, and Trey Patton for being selected to play in the MAC All-Star Soccer Game on February 15 at Brandon High School.

Congratulations to Olivia Knight for being selected to play in the MS-AL All-Star Basketball Game on March 13 at Mississippi College.

Today is the deadline to order your "Pirate Country" long-sleeved t-shirt or hoodie. See the attached order form for pictures, colors, and prices. Proceeds will benefit the PHS Class of 2022.

 $\mathbf{\dot{\psi}}$  Good luck to the PHS NJROTC Drill Teams as they compete tomorrow morning at a PHS.

The Pearl Junior High School PTSO will host its annual Beauty and Beau Pageant tomorrow night, January 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the William Dodson Performing Arts Center on the campus of Pearl High School. Reserved seating is available for \$10 and will be sold today (at PJHS) and tomorrow night (at the ticket booth) while seats are available. General admission is \$5.

Chartwells Dining Services and the PPSD Child Nutrition Department are excited to announce the upcoming six-week "Mood Boost" program at PLE, PNE, PUE, and PJHS. Each week, these cafeterias will serve foods related to six categories of moods: alert, calm, confident, happy, smart, and strong. The program will kick off January 21. See the attached flyer for more details.

Any current 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade student who is interested in trying out for cheerleading is invited to an interest meeting on January 21 at 6:15 p.m. in the PJHS library. It is strongly recommended that a parent/guardian come with each student. Tryouts for both the PJHS and PHS squads will be held February 24-28 at PHS. More information about tryouts will be given at the meeting.

Anyone who missed the cheerleading interest meeting held last night at PHS can get a copy of the information packet on the PHS Cheerleading webpage by clicking <u>here</u>.

Pirates' Crew Dance Teams will offer technique classes every Wednesday from 3:00-4:00 at PHS until February 5 for those interested in trying out for the 2020-2021 teams. These sessions cost \$10 per session and are open to all. Contact Nicole Gatlin at <a href="mailto:ngatlin@pearlk12.com">ngatlin@pearlk12.com</a> for more information. Registration packets to try out for the 2020-2021 teams are due January 31. No packets will be accepted after this date. Dance material will be released on February 7 after school. Mock tryouts will be held on February 12 in the PJHS gym at 3:30 p.m. Official tryouts will be held on Thursday, February 13, at 4:00 p.m. in the PJHS gym.

Representatives will be at PHS on January 23 to discuss varsity letterman jackets with athletes. Contact the PPSD Athletic Office at 601.939.7063 for more information.

PLE will honor its STAR Students on January 24.

Pearl Indoor Percussion is selling Nothing Bundt Cakes "bundlets" January 15-January 29. The cakes are \$5 each and are available to order in the following flavors: red velvet, chocolate chip, white chocolate raspberry, lemon, and classic vanilla. The cakes will be delivered on February 13, just in time for Valentine's Day! Place your order with any member of the indoor percussion group. See the attachment for more details.

Tryouts for the Pearl Pirate or Lady Pirate Golf Teams will be held on January 27, 28, and 30 at 4:00 p.m. at the Pearl Municipal Golf Course. Students must be in the 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades to tryout. For those who make the teams, practices are held on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. The golfers must provide their own set of clubs and golf balls. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Coach David Houston at <u>dhouston@pearlk12.com</u> or PJHS at 601.932.7952.

Senior Ads continue to be on sale through the end of January. This is a wonderful tradition at Pearl High School. Ad space can be purchased and then published in the back of the yearbook in a section solely dedicated to graduating seniors. This is a great way to congratulate and commemorate this accomplishment. See the attached order form for pricing. Contact Susan Cauthen at <u>scauthen@pearlk12.com</u> for more information.

Registration for Pearl Youth Baseball and Softball is open now through February 8. You may register online at <u>www.pearlparksandrec.com</u> or onsite at the Pearl Parks & Rec building. See the attached flyer for more information.

PPSD will hold a job fair on February 7 from 3:00-5:30 p.m. at Pearl Upper Elementary. While we do not yet know what positions will be available for next school year, administrators from each school, as well as from the transportation and child nutrition departments, will be onsite to speak to interested individuals. Please see the attached flyer or visit the <u>www.pearlk12.com</u> for more details.

Current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents/guardians are invited to PHS on February 10 at 6:00 p.m. for High School Preview Night. This event will offer parents and students an opportunity to meet with PHS counselors and staff to learn about PHS and the requirements current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will have to meet to be eligible for graduation in 2024. Very important information will be given to students and parents. All are strongly encouraged to attend.

The Richland Police Department has partnered with the Center for Violence Prevention to host Tower Talk: Human Trafficking Awareness. This free event is open to anyone (recommended age 12+) who would like to hear the truth about human trafficking. The event will be held on January 28 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church Richland, 1102 Hwy 49. See the attached flyer or click <u>here</u> for more information.



## Athletic Events January 19 to January 25

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		5:00 pm JV/Varsity HS Basketball vs Natchez High School HOME		4:00 pm Varsity HS Bowling vs Germantown High School AWAY	5:00 pm JV/Varsity HS Basketball vs Brandon High School HOME	
		5:30 pm Varsity HS Soccer vs Terry High School HOME				

Upcoming Dates

- 1/28: Balfour Rep at PHS for Class Ring Meeting
- $\circ$  1/28: TSA Competition in Vicksburg
- o 1/31: PNE Party with the Principal
- o 1/31: PUE Students of the Month Celebration
- 1/31: PJHS Pirate PRIDE Party
- o 2/1: PHS Winterguard Show at Brandon
- o 2/6: PHS Mid-Year Recognition

As always, it's a great day to be a Pirate!

The mission of Pearl Public School District is to prepare each student to become a lifelong learner, achieve individual goals, and positively impact a global society.

