

The seal of the National Education Association (NEA) is a circular emblem. It features a central shield with a book and a torch, flanked by two eagles. The shield is set against a background of stars. The text "NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION" is written in a circle around the top, and "1912" is on the left and "1976" is on the right. The words "EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION" are written across the top of the shield, and "FOR ALL SCHOOLS" is written across the bottom.

The official newsletter of Pearl Public School District



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

September 7 & 8
Progress Reports Issued

September 14
Homecoming Parade

September 15
Homecoming Game

[Click here to view the PPSD Calendar.](#)

September Employees of the Month



Larry Nichols
Maintenance
Administrator of the Month



Josh Bagwell
Pearl High School
Certified Staff of the Month



Julie Thornton
Pearl High School
Classified Staff of the Month

Congratulations to the September Pearl Public School District Employees of the Month! The PPSD Employees of the Month Program is sponsored by Merit Health.





Pirate Athletics

BAG POLICY



In the interest of enhancing existing security measures at athletic events hosted by Pearl Public School District, the PPSD Athletic Department will implement a new security policy regulating the type of bag that may be carried into sports venues beginning Friday, September 8, 2023.

- Fans will not be allowed to bring any type of bags inside PPSD athletic facilities during games. However, small purses are permitted. Diaper bags will also be permitted for adults with small children
- Prohibited bags include, but are not limited to, the following: large purses; backpacks, and cinch/drawstring bags; luggage of any kind; briefcases; and computer bags/cases.

APPROVED BAGS

Small purses are permitted. Diaper bags will also be permitted for adults with small children.



PROHIBITED BAGS

Include, but are not limited to: large purses; backpacks, and cinch/drawstring bags; luggage of any kind; briefcases; and computer bags/cases.

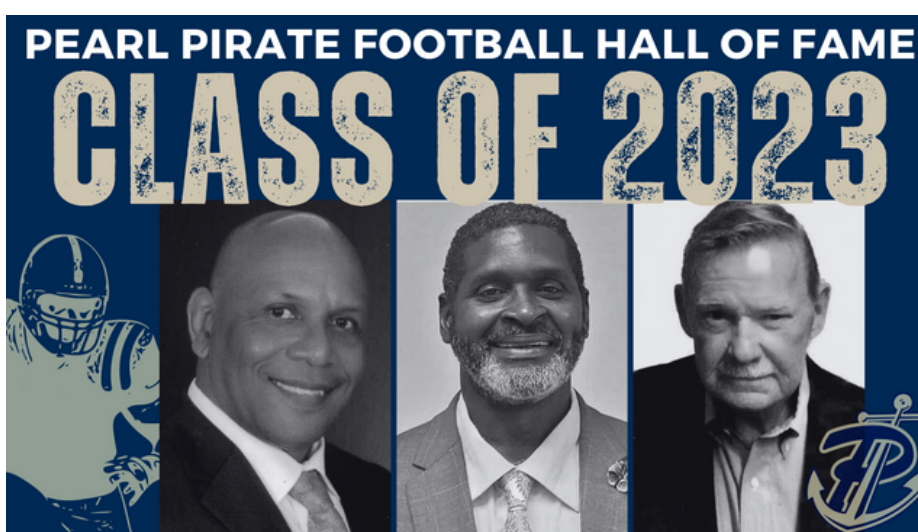


SCHOOL NEWS

- **ECEC:**
 - 9/8: Letter Aa Show & Tell
- **Pearl Lower:**
 - 9/8: PTSO Spirit Store
- **Northside Elementary**
 - 9/8: PTSO Spirit Store
- **Pearl Upper:**
 - World's Finest Chocolate fundraiser ends tomorrow, September 8!
- **Pearl Junior High:**
 - 9/11: Auditions for Finding Nemo Junior



The Fighting Pirates will host the Brookhaven Panthers tomorrow, Friday, September 8. The Pirates will take the field at 7:00 p.m. It's Pearl Junior High School Night, and the 2023 Pearl High School Football Hall of Fame induction will take place.



Congratulations to the Class of 2023 Pearl High School Football Hall of Fame! The inductees are Ive Burnett, Class of 1982; James Ellis Proctor, Class of 1987; and Tommy Giordano, Class of 1957. The hall of fame inductees will be honored on the football field before the game this Friday night, September 8.



Did you know that you can save time by purchasing tickets to Pearl High School and Pearl Junior High School events on GoFan.co?

Purchase PJHS event tickets.

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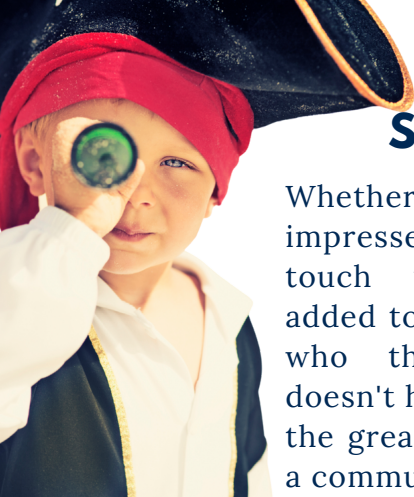
PIRATE SOCCER FUNDRAISER

Purchase a bbq plate from Pearl Soccer! Purchase your bbq dinner to pick up during the homecoming parade festivities on September 14, from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. in the softball parking lot at Pearl High School. Plates are \$8.00. To purchase a plate, email Coach Scoggins at rscoggins@pearlk12.com or Coach Creel at rcreel@pearlk12.com.

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

Start times available on the [district calendar](#) or [GoFan](#).

- 9/7:
 - Volleyball @ Brandon
- 9/9:
 - Girls JV Volleyball - Ridgeland
 - Cross Country - HS Fleet Feet Invitational @ NWR
- 9/11:
 - Boys Golf @ the Refuge
 - JH Volleyball vs. Byram
- 9/12:
 - Volleyball @ Petal
 - 8th FB vs. Byram @ Terry
 - 9th FB vs. Terry
- 9/13: Boys Golf @ Warren Central



Caught Doing Something Good

Whether you're a parent impressed with that special touch your child's teacher added to a moment, a coworker who thinks their colleague doesn't hear often enough about the great job they are doing, or a community member

who witnesses a staff member's commitment to kids - you can submit a pirate! [Click here to nominate a PPSD employee!](#)

Inspiring the next generation—all in a day's work.



Kelly Education

Substitute teachers have the chance to inspire students every day. Great substitute teaching opportunities at Pearl Public Schools are available through our partner, Kelly Education. You don't need prior teaching experience—just a desire to help students become the best versions of themselves.

Scan or click the QR Code to fill out a quick interest form!



[Learn more at www.kellyeducationjobs.com.](http://www.kellyeducationjobs.com)



[Catch a Pirate!](#)
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[Stay informed - click here to check ActiveParent.](#)



[Click here to nominate someone for the PPSD Alumni Spotlight.](#)

Mark your calendar for the upcoming school picture days:

Northside Elementary
September 14

Pearl Upper Elementary
September 19

Pearl Junior High School
September 8

Pearl High School
October 26



Get Your Pirate Gear!

The school year started and your entire family should be decked out in this year's newest Pirate Pride gear!

[You can click here to find new Pirate gear!](#)



Talk Like a Pirate Day

Tuesday, September 19, is Talk Like a Pirate Day! Pearl Lower Elementary and Northside Elementary students can dress up like pirates to celebrate!



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.

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Poms & Pearls Clinic

September 23rd, 2023

1pm-5pm

Grades
PreK-5

All participants will learn
cheers and a dance that
will be performed at the

**October 5th game
against NWR**

Located in the PHS
Multipurpose
Building Gymnasium

Registration will take
place the day of the clinic
(cash or check accepted)

A clinic t-shirt will be
provided for the game

Please send all questions to:
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Kristin Saxon (ksaxon@pearlk12.com)

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Sponsored by the PHS Cheerleaders & Dancers