



Pearl City School District

January 2023 Newsletter

"Inspire in everyone a passion to excel"

District Website—www.pcwolves.net

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

The school year has reached the mid-way point. There have been some advances to our curriculum, building and grounds, teaching strategies, schedules and the way our students are learning. However, the one thing that has not changed is the commitment and dedication of the entire Pearl City School District educational staff. They continue to strive for excellence and they continue to prepare all students to make positive contributions in an ever-changing world.

E-Learning Days for Severe weather

As we prepare to enter the winter season we will be notifying students and families of e-Learning days (instead of closures), delays, early releases via the District calling system (School Messenger), website, local TV stations and local radio station. We will try to have our message out to everyone the night before or between 5:30am and 6:00am. Please remember that the district will be utilizing e-Learning days instead of closing for snow days or cold days. Students should log into their Chromebook and sign in for attendance. Teachers will have work prepared for students in case of the need for the e-Learning day. The school day will be from 8:30-1:30. More information on e-Learning days can be found on the district website www.pcwolves.net

Levy

The Pearl City School Board approved the tax levy at the November board meeting. This year's levy is asking for an 8.65% increase. Please understand that the district does not receive what we ask for in the levy, the district receives CPI (8.7%) or a maximum of 5%, whichever is less. Levying a higher rate ensures that the district will also receive any increases in EAV and any new construction.

Curriculum

The Pearl City School District is continuing to update and improve the curriculum of the district. This year the district has implemented a new K-12 Science, 7-12 Agriculture Curriculum, 9-12 Foreign Language curriculum. The district is also researching and looking to implement a new curriculum in the areas of Fine Arts and elementary Social Science for the 2023-2024 school year. Select teachers will be piloting the sampled curriculum during the third and fourth quarter. The new curriculums would focus on a digital learning platform. The curriculum will also focus on a tier system of learning. A tiered system would allow students to work and succeed at their individual levels. The new curriculum will be purchased using the Federal grant that was received last year.

Building and Grounds

The Pearl City School District School Board approved a HVAC project for completion this summer. The district's steam boilers are over 75 years old. The steam boilers and the copper pipes have started to break down on a consistent basis. The District will reduce the stress of the boilers by putting in a new HVAC system in the High School wing and office area of the school. With the new ductwork and piping the District will also redo the High School Hallway ceiling and lighting. The project will be funded through a Federal Grant, State Grant and then by utilizing funds from the Health Life Safety funds. The project bid came in at \$641,900 and was awarded to Loeschers Heating and Cooling.

There continues to be a lot of positive changes to the Pearl City School District. We continue to look forward to sharing these changes as the year progresses. Please continue to follow us on our website and District Facebook Page to see a lot of the positive things that are happening in the district. We thank you for your continued support.



Important Dates to Remember

**Jan. 4th
School Resumes**

**Jan. 10th
7th-11th Grade MAP Testing**

**Jan. 11th at noon
Report Cards available on
Skyward**

**Jan. 9th – 12th
AIMS Web Benchmark Testing**

**Jan. 13th
No School-District Institute**

**Jan. 13th or 16th
No Early Learning Classes**

**Jan. 16th
No School-
Martin Luther King Day**

**Jan. 24th
5th-8th Grade
Spelling Bee in the IMC**

**Jan. 19th 3:30
PTO Mtg.**



Winter Clothing

Winter clothing is an important part of winter fun. The students will be going outside for recess as often as the weather permits. Coats, hats, snow pants, boots, and mittens and gloves are a must. If you need help providing these items for your child, please contact Mr. Chrisman.



Young Authors



Young Authors Stories

Everyone should be thinking about story ideas for their Young Author's book. Students will be working on completing their Young Author Stories in January. More information will be coming about due dates and requirements. These books will be judged and several representatives will be selected to represent Pearl City.



Be Safe On-Line General Tips for On-Line Safety

There are some very important things that you need to keep in mind when you're on your computer at home or at school.

First, remember never to give out personal information such as your name, home address, school name, or telephone number in a chat room or on bulletin boards. Also, never send a picture of yourself to someone you chat with on the computer without your parent's permission.

Never write to someone who has made you feel uncomfortable or scared.

Do not meet someone or have them visit you without the permission of your parents.

Tell your parents right away if you read anything on the Internet that makes you feel uncomfortable.

Remember that people online may not be who they say they are. Someone who says that "she" is a "12-year-old girl" could really be any age from anywhere in the world!

COVID Vaccination Cards

If your student has received the COVID-19 vaccination, please either:

1. send a paper copy or email a photo of the student's vaccination card to school for the student's medical file. A photo of the student vaccination card can be sent to kwilliams@pcwolves.net
2. OR let Nurse Kim know your student has received the COVID-19 vaccination so she can locate the information in the State Immunization Registry and update the student's medical file

Student Absence Procedures

As we enter the time of year when students seem to be missing more school due to illness, I feel it has become necessary to remind parents and guardians of our district procedures. If your son or daughter is absent, please follow these steps.

1. On the day of the absence call the district office.
2. Tell the office staff **why** your son/daughter is absent.
3. Provide the office with a written confirmation of the absence upon your son's/daughter's return to school.
4. If a phone contact is not made, office staff will call the students parent/guardians by 10:00 am.

Students OF THE MONTH

December

Student of the Month

7th: Sandra Martens

8th: Scarlett Snyder

9th: Brandon Hille

10th: Brinkley Knoup

11th: Lakota Scace

12th: Aiden Dampman

Top Dog: Alina Cervantes



High School Volunteer Hours

This is just a reminder that for students to graduate, they need to complete 5 volunteer hours per year.

Seniors— 15 hours by
March 31, 2022

Juniors— 20 hours by
March 31, 2023

Sophomores— 20 hours by
March 31, 2024

Freshmen— 20 hours by
March 31st, 2025

The forms are available in the main office.



CareerTEC Information Night

This meeting is open to all Jr. and Sr. High School Parents and Students, especially those with students currently in 10th and/or 11th grades.

Learn more about CareerTEC and its programs from director Brian Greene

6 p.m. to 7 p.m, January 19, 2023

Pearl City High School IMC

100 S. Summit St.
Pearl City, IL 61062



PEARL CITY SCHOOL CUSD #200

100 S. Summit, Pearl City, IL 61062

2023 January



Pearl City Schools

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 No School Winter Break	2	3 5:30 PM HSBB vs Pecatonica	4 8:00 AM School Resumes after Winter Break 5:30 PM HSGB vs Dakota	5 4:00 PM Academic Bowl vs Milledgeville 5:30 PM HSBB vs Dakota	6 6:00 PM HSGB @ Durand	7 High School Show @ Freeport Art Museum until 2/11/23 8:00 AM EPC Speech @ East Moline 1:30 PM HSBB vs Belmont @ Warren Shootout
8 5:30 PM HSBB @ Durand	9	10 Winter Sports Pictures(JHGB, Speech, Scholastic Bowl) 4:00 PM Academic Bowl @ West Carroll 5:30 PM HSGB @ Orangeville	11	12 4:00 PM Academic Bowl F/S only @ Conf Tourney / Durand 5:00 PM JHG Basketball @ Dakota 5:30 PM HSGB vs Le-Win	13 No School Teachers Institute 5:30 PM HSBB @ Orangeville	14 8:00 AM EPC Speech @ St Charles 1:00 PM HSGB @ Polo 4:30 PM HSBB @ Hinckley - Big Rock
15 No School 6:00 PM HSGB vs Warren Varsity only	16 4:00 PM Academic Bowl vs Eastland 4:00 PM JHG Basketball @ Eastland 5:30 PM HSBB vs Le-Win	17 4:30 PM JHG Basketball @ Pecatonica 6:30 PM Board of Education Meeting	18	19 5:30 PM JH Girls Basketball vs West Carroll 6:00 PM HSGB vs Aquin	20 Freshman Boys Basketball Jamboree @ Polo 8:00 AM EPC Speech @ Rockfalls	21
22 5:30 PM JHG Basketball vs Le-Win	23 4:00 PM Academic Bowl @ Polo 4:00 PM JHG Basketball @ Polo 5:30 PM HSGB @ Pecatonica	24 6:00 PM HSBB vs Aquin	25 5:30 PM HSGB @ Dakota 5:30 PM JHG Basketball vs Stockton	26 5:30 PM HSBB @ Pecatonica	27 HSBB Fresh/JV @ Forreston Jamboree TBD HSGB @ Aquin Shootout 8:00 AM EPC Speech @ Rkfd. Jefferson 9:00 AM Academic Bowl Varsity only/ Conf. Tourney @ Eastland	28
29 5:30 PM HSGB vs West Carroll 5:30 PM JHG Basketball vs West Carroll	30 4:00 PM Academic Bowl @ Dakota 4:00 PM JHG Basketball @ Chadwick 5:30 PM HSBB @ Dakota	31	Feb 1	2	3	4
5	6	<i>*Calendar is subject to change *</i>				

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Menu



Pearl City Schools

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
WINTER BREAK			Mini Cinnamon rolls, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Apple Bosco Stick, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Cereal, Cereal/Bar, Fruit, Juice and Milk	
WINTER BREAK			Chicken Dumpling Soup, Green Beans, Peaches and Milk	Goulash, Broccoli, Pears and Milk	French Bread Pizza, Carrots, Mandarin Oranges, Dessert and Milk	
New Appointment						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Cinnamon Pastry, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Pancakes, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Apple Fritter, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Donut, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	No School		
Chicken & Biscuits, Green Beans, Peaches and Milk	Taco Casserole, Corn, Applesauce and Milk	Chili, Broccoli, Orange Slices and Milk	Beef Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Apple Slices and Milk	New Appointment		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
No School	Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Mini Waffles, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Scrambled Eggs and Toast, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Cereal Bar, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk		
	Taco Bites, Corn, Applesauce and Milk	Chicken Patty, Green Beans, Peaches and Milk	Bosco Sticks, Orange Slices, Broccoli and Milk	Pulled Pork, Carrots, Pineapple, Dessert and Milk		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Pretzel w/cheese, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Biscuits and Gravy, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Coffee Cake, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	French Toast, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Dutch Waffle, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk		
Chicken Strips, Baked Beans, Mandarin Oranges and Milk	Quesadillas, Corn, Applesauce and Milk	Potato Bacon Soup, Broccoli, Pears and Milk	Macaroni and Cheese, Green Beans, Peaches and Milk	Shredded Chicken Sandwich, Carrots, Apple Slices, Dessert and Milk		
29	30	31	Feb 1	2	3	4
Muffins, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk	Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk					
Pancakes and Sausage	Taco in a Bag					
5	6	Notes				
<p>*Calendar is subject to change* Lunch is Offer vs. Serve Each meal is provided with Milk & Whole Grain Bread/Breading</p>						