



Pearl City School District

November 2023 Newsletter

"Inspire in everyone a passion to excel"

District Website www.pcwolves.net

Students, Staff, Parents, and Community Members,

The first quarter has already finished up and we are all set to bring on the busy 2nd quarter. The second quarter is filled with several holidays, parent-teacher conferences, and professional development days for the teachers. Therefore, the 2nd quarter has a way of getting away from us. So, I ask that you continue to monitor your child(s) progress throughout this quarter. Continue to work with the teachers and your child to start the 2nd quarter and end the 1st semester on a positive learning note.

The Pearl City School District is proud to announce that the Pearl City High School has earned a 2023 Annual Summative Designation of Exemplary from the Illinois State Board of Education. An Exemplary designation indicates that a school is in the highest performing 10 percent of schools in the State. Exemplary is the highest designation awarded to a school. This year's report card shows a graduation rate of 97% (2022 was 87%) as well as an improvement in 9th grade students on track with their coursework from 86% to 93%. The high school also did not have any subgroup fall below the "all students" group of the lowest-performing 5 percent of schools.

We are also proud to share that the Middle School and Elementary School received an annual summative designation of Commendable on the Illinois State Report Card. This summative designation is the second highest that is awarded in the State. The Middle School performed 11% higher in English Language Arts and 15% higher in Math on the state assessment scores from last year. The elementary out-performed the state on their state assessment by 9% in Math and did not have any underperforming groups at or below the "all students" group of the lowest-performing 5 percent of schools in the state.

A school's annual summative designation describes how well an individual school is meeting the needs of all its students. The designations recognize schools with strong overall performance across a range of academic and student success indicators. Academic indicators make up 75% of a school designation (ELA and Math Growth; ELA and Math Proficiency; Science proficiency; English Learner Progress to Proficiency; Graduation rate). School quality and student success makes up the other 25% of the designation (Chronic Absenteeism; Climate Survey; 9th graders on track to graduate).

This year's District 2023 report card is a direct reflection of the hard work and effort put forth

by our students, parents, teachers and administration over the past year. The top Exemplary designation for the high school and the Commendable designations for the Middle School and Elementary schools accurately reflects the high culture of academic excellence that we strive for in the Pearl City School District.

The State Board of Education will post the 2023 District Report Card, on Nov. 1st, at www.illinoisreportcard.com. You can also access the report card by going to our district website www.pcwolves.net by clicking on District Information and then click on School Report Card. This will take you directly to all of our school and District data.

E-Learning Plan

In Illinois you never know what the weather is going to do. So, I wanted to start sharing our e-Learning plan this month so you were all prepared. The Pearl City School Board approved the use of e-Learning days to replace severe weather or emergency days. Therefore, instead of having a snow day and going later into the school year the district will utilize the e-learning plan. The district will still utilize the School Messenger system to notify parents of the e-Learning Day. You can find the e-Learning plan at the following link or by going to www.pcwolves.net and clicking on the District Information tab.



Important Dates to Remember

November 9th: Winter sports pictures (HSGB, HSBB, JHBB)

November 9th: Picture Retakes for Daycare-12

November 10th: 9:00 am Veterans Day Celebration

November 10th: 11:15 am Early Release

November 22nd: Mid-Terms

November 22nd: Early Dismissal 1:00

November 23rd & 24th: No School



Congratulations

October Students of the Month!!

7th Aubrianna Mefford

8th Cassidy Dorthy

9th Parker Allen

10th Gracie Ditsworth

11th Marley Joseph

12th Alex Spahr

Top Dog

Alex Spahr



Veterans Day

Date: November 10th

Time: 9:00 am

Place: Pearl City High School Gymnasium

Please join us in honoring and celebrating our Veterans!

8:30 am a Veterans Continental Breakfast will be served in the IMC

Please RSVP by November 7th at 815-443-2715



Family Reading Night

****The third Thursday in November is annually known in Illinois as FAMILY READING NIGHT ****

Pearl City schools in joining the entire state of Illinois

in encouraging families to spend quality reading time together on.... November 16th!

A couple of ideas for ways to celebrate reading:

- Have a Pajama Party with pillows and blankets and read bedtime stories together.
- Read a recipe to your younger children and then cook it!
- Build a tent using blankets and folding chairs and read stories by flashlight under the tents.
- Look up information about your child's favorite author. Write them a letter!
- Encourage your older children to read to younger siblings
- Invite grandparents over for a pizza night and have them read out loud to your children.
- As a family, draw pictures about a book you read aloud.

Spark a love for reading all year long!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	Oct 31	1 5:30 PM JHBB vs Stockton	2 6:00 PM 5th Grade Operetta	3 JHBB @ PC 7th grade Tournament HSVB - IHSA Super Sec TBD	4
5 5:30 PM JHBB @ Orangeville	6	7 4:00 PM JHBB @ Chadwick	8 Picture retakes for Daycare - 12th grade Winter Sports Pictures(JHBB,HSBB & HSGB)	9 HSVB - IHSA State TBD JHBB @ PC 8th Grade Tournament 11:15 AM Early Release	10 Highland Servant Leadership	11
12 5:30 PM JHBB vs Eastland	13 5:30 PM HSGB vs RR/SM	14 4:00 PM JHBB @ West Carroll 6:30 PM Board of Education Meeting	15 HSGB JV @ Dakota Tournament -TBD	16	17	18
19 HSBB @ RR/SM Tournament HSGB Varsity @ Dakota Tournament - TBD 5:30 PM JHBB vs South Beloit	20 5:30 PM JHBB vs Le-Win	21 1:00 PM Early Dismissal	22 No School	23 No School	24	25
26 5:30 PM HSGB vs Amboy 5:30 PM JHBB @ Stockton	27 5:30 PM HSBB vs Forreston	28 5:30 PM HSGB @ Forreston 5:30 PM JHBB vs Chadwick	29 6:00 PM 5th - 12th Winter Concert	30	Dec 1	2
3	4	Notes <i>*Calendar is subject to change *</i>				

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Menu



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Oct 31	1	2	3	4
			Donuts, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Chicn Dumpling Soup, Green Beans, Pears & Milk	French Toast Sticks, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Pulled Pork, Carrots, Orange Slices & Milk	Mini Pancakes, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Crispy Chicken sandwich, Baked Beans, Strawberry Cups, Dessert & Milk	
	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Mini Waffles, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Chicken and Biscuits, Carrots, Pears & Milk	Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Tacos, Corn, Applesauce & Milk	Biscuits & Gravy, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Goulash, Green Beans, Peaches & Milk	Chocolate Croissant, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Cheeseburger, Baked Beans, Mandarin Oranges, Dessert & Milk	Variety Breakfast, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Early Release No Lunch	
	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Scrambled Egggs & Toasty, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Pork Tenderloin, Baked Beans, Pears & Milk	Pretzel/Cheese, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Nachos, Corn, Applesauce & Milk	Mini Bagels, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Potato Bacon Soup, Carrots, Peaches & Milk	Cereal/Cereal Bar, Fruit Juice & Milk Thanksgiving Dinner, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit , Roll, Dessert & Milk	Mini Donuts, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Meatball Sub, Broccoli, Pineapple & Milk	
	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Dutch Waffle, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Pizza, Carrots, Oranges & Milk	Variety Breakfast, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Taco Bites, corn, Applesauce & Milk	Cherry Frudel, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Chili, Green Beans, Peaches, Dessert & Milk	No School	No School	
	26	27	28	29	30	Dec 1
	Applekn Turnover, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Chicken Patty, Baked Beand, Pears & Milk	Coffee Cake, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Fiestada Pizza, Corn, Applesauce & Milk	Cereal/Cereal Bar, Fruit, Juice & Milk Chickcn Alfredo, Carrots, Peaches & Milk	Donuts, Cereal, Fruit, Juice & Milk Tator Tot Casserole, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges, & Milk		
	3	4	<p>*Calendar is subject to change* Lunch is Offer vs. Serve Each meal is provided with Milk & Whole Grain Bread/Breading</p>			