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Dear Green Devil Parents and Students.

It is my sincere hope that this message finds each of our Green Devil students and their families safe and well as we begin to emerge from the challenges brought by Hurricane Milton. First and foremost, I want to express my heartfelt sympathy to all of families who have experienced loss or hardship during this difficult time. Whether it was damage to homes, loss of property, or the emotional toll of such an event, please know that our thoughts and support are with you.

Our priority is the well-being of our students, families and staff. We understand that recovery will take time, and we are here to help in any way that we can.

On another note, the students are displaying great dedication and talent both in the classroom and in extracurricular activities. I have been especially impressed with our freshmen class; they have already shown that they are going to be successful Green Devils. In addition, St. Petersburg High School senior; **Sage Summers** was named as a National Merit Scholars Semifinalist. This is one of the highest academic honors a student can earn, and we are very proud of her. Furthermore, two additional seniors were recognized as National Merit Commended Students.

Please thoroughly review all the information included in this edition as it contains important dates and upcoming events that will help you stay connected.

We are very proud of the great reputation that St. Petersburg High School has earned. Furthermore, we are committed to providing a first-class educational experience for all our students. Thank you for your support.

Go Green Devils!

Darlene Lebo Principal

GET TO KNOW YOUR...

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

 Ms. Diaz
 (9th-11th) A to L
 Ext.2015

 Mr. Goodrich
 (9th-11th) M to Z
 Ext.2016

 Mr. Bryant
 All Seniors
 Ext.2017

 Ms. Kaur-Barrett
 All IB Students
 Ext.2018

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

Ms. Roarty Last names A to G
Ms. Saez Last names H to O
Dr. Hallas Last names P to Z
Ms. Johnson All IB students

Ext. 2061
Ext. 2062
Ext. 2063
Ext. 2060



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The School Board generally meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. and the fourth Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the conference hall of the administration building, 301 Fourth St. SW, Largo. The public is invited and may speak by signing up at the meeting. The meetings are televised Wednesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. for two weeks following the meeting date on WPDS-Ch. 14, Bright House Cable Ch. 14. and Verizon Americast Ch. 14. For information, contact the board office, 588-6402, or information services, 588-6000. For more information about Pinellas County Schools, check out the website at www.pinellas.k12.fl.us.

Congratulations



NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALIST

Congratulations to our student, Sage Summer, our National Merit Semi-Finalist!

Per the National Merit website, "United States high school students enter the National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®), which serves as an initial screen of over 1.3 million entrants each year, and by meeting published program entry and participation requirements." Of the 1.3 million students who take the PSAT in their junior year, only 16000 are chosen as Semi-Finalists. Congratulations again to Sage Summer!

NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED STUDENTS

We are very pleased to announce SPHS National Merit Commended students in the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program. Our Commended students are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise demonstrated by their outstanding performance on the qualifying test used for program entry.

Please congratulate the following students:

- Isabella Angulo
- Jocelyne Lioe

SAC MEETINGS

All parents and guest are welcomed and encouraged to join us for our SAC meetings. Only voting members who attend 80% of meetings may vote. Meetings are the second Monday of the month, begin at 6:00pm, and are held in the cafeteria. Please join us.





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2024-25 STUDENT CALENDAR

Oct. 11, 2024: End of first quarter.

Oct. 14, 2024: No school for students (*possible hurricane make-up day) Nov. 25-29, 2024: Thanksgiving Holiday – No school for students.

(Nov. 25 & 26 *possible hurricane make-up day)

Dec. 20, 2024: End of second quarter.

Dec. 23 - Jan. 6, 2025: Winter Holidays - No school for students

Jan. 7, 2025: Second semester begins.

Jan. 20, 2025: MLK Jr. Day - No school for students.

Feb. 17, 2025: No school for students Mar. 14, 2025: End of third quarter

Mar. 17-21, 2025: Spring Holidays – No school for students

April 18, 2025: No school for students April 21, 2025 No school for students

May 26, 2025: Memorial Day – No school of students

May 29, 2024: End of fourth quarter. Last day of school. Students released

2 hours early.

FRONT OFFICE HOURS

*Our campus is open from 6:30AM-2:30PM each day. No student should be dropped off before 6:30AM and all students (unless they are in a school sponsored event and with an adult sponsor) should be OFF campus no later than 2:30PM. Our office hours are 7:00am to 3:00pm.

If you need to sign your child out early from school, please make sure to do so prior to 1:30 PM. NO PTL's will be permitted after 1:30, students cannot be released during the last 25 minutes of the day.

SPHS TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to St. Petersburg Teacher of the Year, Anita Green!

Photo to right→ L-R: Anita Green, Principal Lebo, Mr. Bryant, Ms. Kaur-Barrett and Ms. Diaz



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Please see the website for an order form or stop by the front office.

MEDICATION INFORMATION

All students that plan to carry and self-administer an inhaler, epi-pen, pancreatic enzymes, or diabetic medication must have an Authorization to Carry Form per PCSB medication policy. Physician and parent signatures are required. The forms are available in Student Services, room 1-135, or contact the school nurse.

HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

We are now accepting nominations for our 2025 Athletic Hall of Fame. All nominated athletes must meet certain criteria; please see the nomination form on the SPHS website or ask in the front office for details. A nominee must be a graduate of SPHS from the year 2018 or prior. The deadline to turn in a nomination form is November 29, 2024. Those awarded will be inducted into the Hall of Fame during an SPHS basketball game, date to be announced. If you know of an outstanding athlete, please make time to nominate them for this special award.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH NEWS

*All students are eligible for FREE breakfast and FREE lunch each and every day. We do still encourage all families to fill out the free/reduced lunch application if you think you are eligible as this will qualify you for free testing waivers and additional scholarship opportunities. Please fill out the free and reduced lunch form at: www.myschoolapps.com

Any additional meals or snacks can be purchased with cash or add money to your My Bucks account. We also have a cold food cart outside the café to help keep the lines down. The café has 3 lines inside that serve all the same hot and cold food items, please encourage your child to use any line and have their pin number ready.



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BUS INFORMATION

Pinellas County Schools Transportation Department has a system called Bus Bulletin. This system informs you when your child's bus is going to be delayed or schedule changes. If your student rides the bus this is important to read.

If you would like to receive instant notifications when delays or incidents affect your student's bus, please register with Bus Bulletin.

- There is no cost to you for this service.
- Registration is simple and fast.
- You can choose to receive either text messages, phone calls, and e-mails or all these options.
- All contact information is stored securely and will not be shared or sold. Your privacy is protected.
- Please note: this system is not related to Pinellas County Schools new emergency text message communications through School Messenger

For more information, or to sign-up and start receiving notifications, visit www.BusBulletin.com/parents. If you need help with registration, call Pinellas County Schools Transportation Department at 727-587-2020.

DISCOVERY NIGHTS

St. Petersburg High School will be holding its 3rd annual Discovery Night on October 29th. See all SPHS has to offer, from IB, Construction Technologies, Air Force JROTC, 3DE, and our new Sports Medicine Program.

Programming will start in the Auditorium at 6pm. Parents and future Green Devils will then have an opportunity to tour our historic campus.

NEW PROGRAM OFFERED

EXERCISE SCIENCE & PERFROMANCE EDUCATION or ESPE is a 4-year Health Science Program of Study intended for students interested in healthcare careers in Athletic Training, Exercise Science, Personal Training, Sports Medicine, Sports

If you are interest in learning more about this program for your student, come to Discovery Night on Oct. 29th at 6pm in the auditorium.

PALMETTO & PINE NEWSPAPER

The Palmetto and Pine Student Newspaper is published weekly! Go to SPHSPalmettoandPine.com today to read the freshest local and community news, arts and entertainment reviews, and other exciting student journalism. The Palmetto and Pine is written by students for students, so visit SPHSPalmettoandPine.com to stay in the know. KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR OUR QUARTERLY PRINT EDITION COMING OUT IN OCTOBER! If you would like to support student journalism and advertise your business in the Palmetto & Pine, please contact Mrs. Flanigan at flanigana@pcsb.org





Pinellas County Schools App

VIRTUAL ID BADGE TO CHECK OUT TEXTBOOKS

Students, please go to the App store on your cell phones and download the Pinellas County School App. It is a free app and looks like this:

Open the app and log in with your R2D2 number. Once in the app you can pull up your student ID; this is called the Virtual ID Badge. If you had a photo taken, you will see a photo and barcode; if not, you will just see a barcode.

Screen shot your Virtual ID Badge and save it to your photos on your cell phone. You will need an ID Badge to check out textbooks, laptops and if you come in late for tardies.



UPDATING INFORMATION IN FOCUS/ONLINE FORMS

It's very important that we have the most current information for your student. This includes correct address, phone number, email and contact numbers. Please update your address, phone number, and/or email address by logging into the Student Reservation System with your Parent Username/password off of the www.pcsb.org website. If your address has changed please email your 2 proofs of residency along with your student's name to fowlerti@pcsb.org or meltonp@pcsb.org. Also, when you login to FOCUS you will be prompted to complete the first day of school forms(Parent Acknowledgement of Student Code of Conduct, Media Release, Directory Information Optional Opt-Out, Network/Internet Acceptable Use Agreement, Technology Equipment Acceptance and Responsibility, Residency Questionnaire, School-Based Healthcare Services and the Student Clinic Card) online. Once you have completed the forms you will then have access to student's grades, attendance, and messaging.



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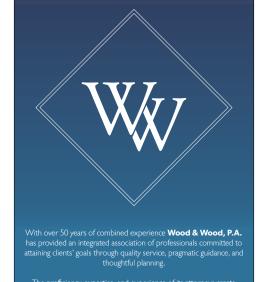
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SENIOR CLASS INFORMATION - CLASS OF 2025

Senior Fee information for the Class of 2025. Please note that we do not have the graduation date yet. District usually releases around December. As soon as we know, we will let you know.

Payment of your dues can begin now online or in person. If you are on campus, you can bring in exact cash or check made out to SPHS to 1-124. The easiest way to pay, will be to use the direct link that will be posted on the school website and is below. I will also post it on the Class of 2025 Team and around school. The online option will allow you to pay by credit card.

Link to pay: https://pcsb.revtrak.net/hs/st-petersburg-high/sphs-senior-classdues/#/list

Your dues cover all MANDATORY costs. These costs include, but aren't limited to the following:

(any items listed below are for the graduates to keep)

- Cap, Gown and one tassel
- Medallion to be worn at graduation
- Diploma Cover
- Yard Sign
- Graduation Ceremony
- Senior Week events
- If you pay from now until October 31st the cost is \$120.00
- From November 1st to December 31st the cost will be \$125.00
- If you pay any time after the start of semester 2, the cost will go up to \$130.00 Any questions please speak to Mrs. Anderson in room 1-124 or you can email andersonand@pcsb.org.

SENIORS - WE NEED YOUR MEASUREMENTS

Seniors please make sure you have filled out the measurement form for your online if you haven't already. This is how we will order your cap and gown so without completed, yours will not be arriving at the same time! You can access the form by scanning the QR code to the right.



SENIORS CLASS OF 2025 - REMIND TEXTS

- Please text/send the following group code to the number 81010
- Last names starting with A-D @kd79hc
- Last names starting with E-J @288ah99
- Last names starting with K-O @e28bad
- Last names starting with P-Z @988d64k

Parents and Seniors can both join! Lots of information will be shared all year long by these groups! Don't miss out!

SENIORS - CLASS OF 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

** More date will be added as events are planned and confirmed.

Prom at The Coliseum- 8pm-12am

April 11 Grad Bash-Universal Studios

CHILL CITY

PROM 2025

Save the date! Prom will be on April 4th from 8pm to midnight at the Coliseum this year. The theme this year is "Glitz, Glam, and Gatsby." Prom is for juniors and seniors only; underclassmen are not permitted to attend. Guests must be juniors or seniors and under 20 years old as of April 4, 2025. Tickets will be on sale Monday, March 3rd through Friday, April 4th at school; no tickets will be sold at the door. There will be no ticket sales from March 14th – 21st due

to Spring Break. More information to come as we get closer to the date.

YEARBOOK INFORMATION

The 2023-24 yearbooks are on sale at yearbookforever.com for \$80. Prices will increase to \$90 November 24. SENIOR ADS may also be purchased and designed online. If you need assistance, please contact Mrs. Flanigan at flanigana@pcsb.org . If you are a business and would like to support the yearbook, you can also purchase an ad online or contact Mrs. Flanigan at flanigana@pcsb.org

SENIOR PICTURES

SENIORS don't forget to schedule your portraits at Cady.com! The next SENIOR ROADSHOW here on campus is NOVEMBER 6th in the auditorium. Cap & Gown photos will also be taken at that time. Anyone who would like a different date or access to full studio offerings will need to go to the Tampa studio. The last day to be photographed for the yearbook is December 31, 2024.

UNDERCLASS PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Underclass picture retakes will take place on October 22 in the gym. If your student missed picture day or would like a retake, they can visit the gym during their English class to have their photo taken. If you prepaid, you will not need to purchase prints again.

COLLEGE VISITS FOR SENIORS

Do you plan on visiting a college? If so, you must stop by the Guidance Office in room 1-221 or 1-107 and pick up a College TDE form. You will need to have all your teachers and a parent/ guardian sign the form; return it to room 1-221 or 1-107 three days prior to your visit. Make sure to read the directions on the TDE. You will need to bring back a letter on letterhead from the college you visited, stating the date you attended. The letter will need to be turned in to room 1-221 or 1-107 within two days of your return. Your absence will then be corrected. College visits do not count as an absence for exam exemptions.

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Stop by Guidance and the CCC (College and Career Center) to say hi!

- Ms. Roarty, assisting traditional students with last names A-G in room 1-221.
- Ms. Saez, assisting traditional students with the last names H-O in room 1-221.
- Dr. Hallas, assisting traditional students with last names P-Z in room 1-221.
- Mrs. Johnson, assisting all IB students in room 1-157.
- Ms. Howard, assisting all students as our College and Career Coordinator in room 1-143.

DONATIONS:

We are looking for individuals to sponsor lunch for our mentor program! The mentor program pairs freshmen with seniors. Donations can be in the form of monetary donations or gift cards (Publix, Papa Johns, etc...) No amount is too small!

If you can donate or would like additional information, please reach out to Dr. Hallas hallask@pcsb.org Also, if you have a 9th grader who would like a senior mentor whom they can meet with once a month at lunch, please have them reach out to Dr. Hallas.

SENIORS:

SENIOR SEMINARS:

By this time, traditional counselors have visited seniors to review transcripts and graduation requirements. Please ask your student to share this information with you.

XELLO:

Seniors, it is vital that you are logging into XELLO (accessible through CLEVER) and complete your plan. You can request letters of recommendation, transcripts, and match your colleges with Common App., all through XELLO! For assistance see your counselor or Ms. Howard in the College and Career Center (CCC), room 1-143.

FAFSA:

Free Application for Federal Student Aid): FAFSA is scheduled to open December 1. However, parents and students can create their FSA ID now if they know their social security number. Those that do not know their social security number need to wait to create their FSA ID until the FAFSA application opens in December. https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid

BRIGHT FUTURES:

The Florida Bright Futures application opens, for **seniors only**, on **October 1st**. Please apply at: www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org The application process takes about 7-8 minutes to complete. Volunteer hours or work hours can be submitted to their counselor. Here are the Bright Future forms (also available printed in guidance). https://www.pcsb.org/Page/3554

FREE SPC APPLICATION:

October 9th from 9am – 11am. Stop by the CCC to apply to SPC and have your \$40 application fee waived. The fee waiver is good forever! Even if you attend SPC 20 years from now, you won't have to pay the application fee! Nothing to lose, so stop by and apply! EVERYONE:

FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIPS:

It's never too early to think about paying for college! Please join us October 8th at 6pm in the auditorium to learn more! Additional Pinellas County Schools Financial Aid Information is available by visiting www. pcsb.org – click on Students, go to Financial Aid & Scholarships, and then look for Scholarship Opportunities.

The Pinellas Education Foundation has over 100 opportunities for scholarships. Please apply at www.pinellaseducationfoundation. org. Many of the scholarships are just for SPHS students.

COLLEGE VISITS:

All are welcome! College visits have started! Be sure to listen to the announcements or stop by the CCC (College and Career Center) to see who's coming to your campus!

DUAL ENROLLMENT: (10th, 11th, and 12th graders):

Dual Enrollment Applications for second semester (off campus @ SPC) must be turned into your school counselor by: SPC 11/22

Dual Enrollment courses on the SPHS campus (Composition I & II; Ancient Greek & Myth; Elementary Spanish I &II, and Career and College Planning) must be set in a student's schedule by October 31st. **TESTING:**

- PSAT =**October 7th** All 9th and 10th graders
- PSAT = October 8th All 11th graders
- SAT = October 8th All 12th graders
- ACT-NCR (non-college reportable) = October 21st 11th and 12th graders who need FSA reading and/or Algebra EOC scores to meet graduation requirements
- ASVAB = **November TBD** All 11th or 12th graders interested in taking the ASVAB need to sign up with Ms. Howard in room 1-143.

BRIGHT FUTURES:

Bright Futures will now accept 100 work hours in lieu of volunteer. You can also combine volunteer hours and work hours. https://www.pcsb.org/Page/3554

XELLO:

Now is the time for everyone to start planning life after high school! Log into your XELLO account (accessible through Clever) and complete your **required tasks.** For an easy step by step guide for your grade level. https://www.pcsb.org/Page/43010.



2024-2025 TRADITIONAL BELL SCHEDULE

| Blocks | Periods | Start/End | |
|--------|---------|-------------|--|
| 1/2 | 1 | 7:25-8:12 | |
| | 2 | 8:17-9:09* | |
| 3/4 | 3 | 9:14-10:01 | |
| | 4 | 10:06-10:53 | |
| 5 | 5 | 10:58-11:45 | |
| LUNCH | | 11:45-12:15 | |
| 6/7 | 6 | 12:15-1:02 | |
| | 7 | 1:07-1:55 | |

There is ONE school wide lunch.



2024-25 REPORT CARD SCHEDULE

Please note that Pinellas County has four 9-week grading periods for high schools.

| | End of the Grading Period | Report Cards |
|---|------------------------------|---------------|
| l | Oct. 18, 2024 | Oct. 29, 2024 |
| I | Dec. 20, 2024 | Jan. 16, 2025 |
| ١ | March 14, 2025 | April 3, 2025 |
| ļ | May 29, 2025 | June 3, 2025 |



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COFFEE HOUSE

Calling all musicians, poets, garage bands, actors, and artists! The choir program will be hosting a Coffee House that will occur sometime during February. A Coffee House is a place where you can sing solos while playing guitar or piano or with a track, perform with your band or jazz combo, share a monologue or some poems, or perform in small groups. It is like a fancy talent show that has food and drinks. So, if you are interested, stop by the choir room (1-142) and talk to Mr. Prina about participating in February.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

Saint Petersburg High School will be sponsoring the Florida State Spanish Conference in Kissimmee on April 17th to the 19th, 2025. We will be taking a team to compete and a team of workers. Students will be able to obtain 50 service hours for the volunteering opportunity. We will be leaving SPHS at 2:30 PM on Wednesday, April 16th and returning Saturday, April 19th. The cost is \$100 to cover the travel and food expenses.

Students interested need to send an e mail to santiagol@ pcsb.org expressing interest and what qualifications make them a good candidate to help at this event.

Information about the event is available at www. thefssc.org.



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AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING SCHEDULE

Tutoring Times are from 2:05-3:05 Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Tutoring location is in the Media Center, except Ms. Keim is in room 5-203.

| Subject | Monday | Wednesday | Thursday |
|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Math | Ms. Fish | Ms. Hester | |
| Science | Mr. Baughman | Mr. Baughman | Mr. Baughman |
| English/Reading | Ms. Green Ms. Miller | Ms. Green | |
| Social Studies | Mr. Linderer Ms. Durham | Mr. Linderer Mr. Hyypio | Mr. Linderer Ms. Durham |
| Credit Recovery | Ms. Keim – Room 5-203 | Ms. Keim – Room 5-203 | Ms. Gryder |
| ACT Reading Test Prep. | TBA | TBA | TBA |

*Students, please speak with your teachers to see if they offer lunchtime tutoring in their classrooms beyond the names listed above. If not, any student can attend the sessions listed above to receive tutoring help. Check with the teacher early in the day to make sure they are tutoring.



PTSA NEWS

Check out our new SPHS items now available from PTSA. They arrived just in time for fall.

Soft Fleece Hoodie - Black with green devil logo for \$25.00. Green Devil Koozies, great for holding your hot chocolate or other beverages for \$3.50.

Save the Date for the St. Pete Sunday Market, begins October 6th! Look for the PTSA Booth to buy merchandise!

Please donate to PTSA to support our teachers, students and programs!





PTSA 2024-2025

Join the SPHS PTSA Meetings: 11/7, 2/6, 4/3

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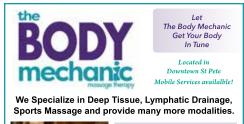




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- · Student and teacher of the month awards
- Various teacher meals and snacks
- · Holiday gift cards for teachers
- · Annual student end-of-year celebration
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- · Post high school academic scholarship







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INFORMATION/POLICIES

EARLY CHECK OUT PROCEDURES

Parents requesting early check-out of their student can call the school at 727-893-1842, ext. 2306 for the student to get a Permit to Leave slip or email StPetersburgHS.Absence@pcsb.org (In the subject line put Permit to Leave, in email add student's name, date and time that need to leave along with the reason of absence). This alleviates any wait time for you when you come to pick up your student. If you come in, please understand that we do need time to get your student for you. Please allow at least 30 minutes. This will give the school the opportunity to look up the student's schedule and send for them to meet you in the main office. Parents, it is important that we check the driver's license of anyone picking up your student early from school; this is done to ensure the safety of your child. After 1:30 pm there will be no permission to leave slips written, due to the time constraints of using the proper method of getting your child from class before school is dismissed.

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP PROCEDURES

Thank you to all the parents who are using the car line to drop your students off in the morning and to pick them up in the afternoon. Student safety is our number one priority and using this designated area ensures that all students are out of harm's way.



Please DO NOT enter the Student Parking Lot or the Faculty Parking Lot to drop off your child. Please do not stop on 5th Avenue and let your child out of the car.

The safe drop-off and pick-up locations are the car circle by Devil's Drive on 27th St. off 5th Ave. and 28th St. and 7th Ave.

Thank you so much for your cooperation! Working together we can keep St. Pete High safe!

ABSENCES

If you are absent from school, a doctor's note, phone call, or written excuse from the parent must be emailed to StPetersburgHS.Absence@pcsb.org within 48 hours of the absence. The email should include the student's name, reason for absence, and parent's telephone number. A parent may excuse five days in a semester; further absences cannot be excused without a doctor's note. Absences should be for the following reasons: student illness, family emergency, death in family, medical appointments, and religious holidays.

Note: The Florida Legislature has enacted requirements that schools report to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) the names of students who fail to satisfy the attendance requirements. This refers to students who accumulate 15 unexcused absences (excludes out-of-school suspension) within 90 calendar days. Students who fail to satisfy attendance requirements will be INELIGIBLE for driving privileges.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

Did you know that if the school sends you a letter it will NOT be forwarded to your new address? If you've recently moved, please do the following to change your address:

- 1. Go to www.pcsb.org
- 2. At the top of the page on the right side click on Login
- 3. Click on FOCUS (Student Information).
- 4. Type in the Parent User Name and Password.
- 5. On Left hand side click on Student Reservation and complete the change of address.
- Email your two proofs of address to fowlerti@pcsb.org or meltonp@pcsb.org; acceptable
 proofs of address include a copy of a lease and a utility bill (electric, water, cable) or two
 utility bills

If you should have any issues/questions please give us a call at 727-893-1842, ext. 2008.

NEED TO USE THE ELEVATOR?

If you ever need to use the elevator at school, you will need to bring in a doctor's note stating how long the elevator will be required. Before the elevator key is issued the student will have to make a \$20.00 deposit that will be returned by check in the mail once the key is returned. Elevator keys can be obtained in the bookkeeping office.

DELIVERY OF FLOWERS, BALLOONS, ETC.

With safety in mind, the school cannot accept any type of flower or balloon arrangements for delivery to students. Many times, these gifts are in glass containers which can be broken. In addition, they cause class disruption. Please do not send any type of delivery to students here at school. They will be refused and sent back to the sender. Your understanding and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

DRESS CODE FOR 2024-25

All clothing must be appropriately sized, securely fastened and cover midriff, back, sides, and all undergarments at all times. For example, suspenders should be over the shoulders, pants secured at the waist, belts buckled, no underwear as outerwear, no underwear exposed.

- Clothing must cover the body from one armpit across to the other armpit and down to mid-thigh. All tops must have sleeves and cover the entire shoulder.
- Rips, holes, or tears in clothing must be below mid-thigh.
- See-through, revealing, or mesh garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath that meets the minimum requirements of this dress code.
- Gang paraphernalia, garments and/or jewelry, tattoos, or other insignias, which display or suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, alcohol, or tobacco-related wording/graphics or may tend to provoke violence or disruption in school shall not be worn.
- Clothing must not state, imply, or depict hate speech or imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religious affiliation, or any other characteristics protected by federal or state law or Board policy.
- Any articles of clothing or jewelry that may cause injury including, but not limited to, items with spikes, or sharp objects, wallet chains, and heavy link chains are not allowed.
- Students must wear shoes that are safe and appropriate for the learning environment. Inappropriate footwear includes, but is not limited to, roller skates, skate shoes, and bedroom slippers.
- Form fitting leotard/spandex type clothing is not allowed unless proper outer garments cover to mid-thigh length or longer.
- Clothing and footwear traditionally designed as sleepwear shall not be worn.
- Head gear, including but not limited to, caps, hats, bandanas, sweatbands and/or sunglasses shall not be worn indoors on campus unless permitted by the principal for religious or medical reasons. Students may wear sunglasses, hats, or other sun-protective wear while outdoors during school hours, however these articles must not violate this dress code.

St. Petersburg High School t-shirts are always encouraged and welcomed to show your school spirit.

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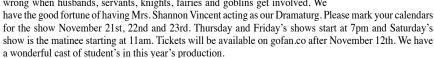


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THEATRE NEWS

Greeting from the SPHS Theatre Department and Troupe #2559!!!

Please mark your calendars for this year's Fall Show an original version of Shakespeare's Merry Wives of Windsor. The show is another comedy brought to us by the bard himself. This show, in particular, is shrouded in mystery about Shakespeare and if he actually wrote the play. The show mirrors the stock characters of old. Come enjoy a comedy about a perceived love triangle gone wrong when husbands, servants, knights, fairies and goblins get involved. We



SPHS The spians would like to Congratulate this year's fall production cast of $\it The\ Merry\ Wives$ of $\it Windsor$ by William Shakes peare.

<u>Cast List:</u>

Sir John Falstaff Cole Barnes Pistol/John Lacey Bendorf Nym/Robert Master Fenton Brennan Boismier Stella Bartlett Justice Roberta Shallow Alli Jalazo Robin Cameron Ashley Cayden Toronski Peter Simple Mya Berglund Master Frank Ford Master George Page Kal-El Gibson John Rugby Kayla Adams Mistress Alice Ford William Page Kal-El Gibson Ella Diamond Sir Helga Evans Evelyn Pettigrew Mistress Margaret Page Olivia Simmons **Doctor Caius** Marlaina Verhine Anne Page Ryann Simmons Host of the Garter Inn Emma Sebastian Mistress Quickly Cecelia Clodgo Bardolph Lainey Ware Master Abraham Slender Dylan Nguyen

THESPIAN AND GOLDFEVER NEWS

Congratulations to this year's District 4, SPHS Thespians Troupe #2559 representatives. These students will represent SPHS in the District 4 Thespian Festival in December. Students will also perform a FREE District Showcase performance December 4th at 6pm in the Auditorium.

Also please mark your calendars for this year's GoldFever, our sell out lip syncing dance competition open to the entire school and teachers. GoldFever is January 24, 2025 at 6pm in the Auditorium.

More Theatre news to come about Freshmen Follies, SPHS Student Original Play Showcase, the Spring Musical and Senior Showcase. We would also like to welcome the new Musical Director Mr. Kevin Prina. Mr. Prina worked with us last year with districts and Little Shop of Horrors, we are overjoyed to welcome him. He will be our Vocal Director for this year's musical as well. Hope to see you in the Theatre soon!!

GREEN DEVIL'S SPORTS



WRESTLING TEAM

Any girl or boy who wishes to try out for the wrestling team should stop by the Construction Tech Bld. to see Coach Pruitt after school.

JROTC PROGRAM



SPHS's Green Devil Air Force Junior ROTC program is ascending to new heights. The program started with around 40 cadets and has grown to 70 plus members for SY 24-25, with a goal of reaching 100 students. We encourage 9th-12th grade students interested in sharpening life skills to consider enrolling in this inspiring course. Whether your

child is college bound, headed into the workforce, or planning on joining the military, this program is designed to prepare students to be college or career ready. There is no obligation to join the military, however, if your child is interested in serving the nation, the SPHS AFJROTC program will offer students a head start on becoming LEADERS of tomorrow...not to mention a two-rank promotion as soon as they finish basic training.

Previous AFJROTC adventures consisted of Orientation Flights at Albert Whitted Airport, team building exercises, a tour at MacDill Air Force Base, community service projects, US Special Forces demonstration, Guest speakers from various careers, launching of model rockets, and participating in numerous academic and physical activities.

As the program continues to evolve, the 2024-2025 School year will see the addition of a Raiders Challenge Team, a Flight Simulator, a Color Guard Team and a Robotics Club.

If you think the program is for you, let your Guidance Counselor know. Need more information? Lt Col Tomaseski (TOMASESKID@pcsb.org) and CMSgt Fowler (FOWLERF@pcsb.org) are standing bye to answer any questions (can also be reached at 727.893.1842...just ask to be connected).

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