

PANTHER CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

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Catamount Messenger 11.13.20

Catamount Families,

We hope you are all doing well - here is some information for you and your child.

2nd Semester Virtual Academy Confirmation Letters

Confirmation letters were sent through the School Messenger system today for all students signed up for our PC Virtual Academy during the 2nd semester. If a student is not signed up for Virtual Academy, they will be automatically enrolled for in-person instruction 2nd semester based on the plan/rotation structure that WCPSS approves. If you have questions about your VA or in-person enrollment for 2nd semester, please contact Eric Rosen, Assistant Principal, at erosen@wcpss.net.

PSAT Information

This year's PSAT administration will be for Juniors ONLY. As in past years, WCPSS will pay for the administration for 11th grade students who have a GPA in the top 10% of the district (at or above **4.3438**). 11th grade students who have a GPA below **4.3438** can still participate - they will just pay the \$17 fee. Please use this link to sign up and get information to pay the fee through OSP (students must use their WCPSS WakeID account to sign up): https://forms.gle/WxLvOS2vYOaKisVt6

FAQ about PSAT:

Will 9th and 10th graders have an opportunity to participate in the January 26 administration? Not for the 20-21 school year. However, current 9th graders will all be able to participate in the PreACT and the NMSQT during their 10th grade year. Current 10th grade students will all participate in the PreACT this spring once high school students return to campus (dates TBD) and will also be able to take the NMSQT during the 21-22 school year.

Will middle school students, homeschool students, or private school students be able to participate this year? No. Due to safety and security protocols, we will only administer to WCPSS students on January 26. WCPSS middle schoolers are not being included this year either to allow for easier social distancing.

<u>Drive-thru Fall Picture Pickup for Underclassmen – Wednesday, November 18, 2020</u> 10:00am – 2:00pm (Asynchronous Day)

Underclassmen Fall pictures will be available for pick-up from Panther Creek on November 18th from 10:00am – 2:00pm. This picture pick-up includes students that ordered picture packets from Lifetouch and any student that took a picture on picture day that might be interested in ordering pictures; you can pick up the proof picture on this day also. Email clocus@wcpss.net or klloyd@wcpss.net with any questions. *This does not include Senior Pictures*



Important Details for Picture Pick Up

- 1. Students can come anytime during the window
- 2. Students need to have a name sign in the dashboard of the car
- 3. Use the Main Entrance loop and follow other cars as directed
- 4. Stay in the car and follow all CDC COVID-19 Guidelines including wear a mask

Athletics Events

As of now, attendance at events will be limited to participants, coaches and essential game day personnel only. We will not have spectators at this time. Please see the information at this link to find out how to stream volleyball games (along with other upcoming sports).

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dvOPXE0ZmZWByHZUFCiQ2lmRC92YWXCq/view?usp=sharing

Panther Creek's Got Talent

Panther Creek's Got Talent! is a virtual talent show to showcase the diverse talents of the Panther Creek student body and staff! Audition information is available at www.panthercreekchorus.com Audition materials are due no later than Tuesday Nov. 24. The show is sponsored by the PCHS Choral Boosters and will air on an online event hosting site on Tuesday December 8th at 7pm.

Early Release/Late Arrival for 2nd Semester

Eligible Juniors and Seniors who would like to apply for early release or late arrival should complete the form and send the accompanying documentation to the Student Services email address: panthercreekhsstudsv@wcpss.net

The form can be found on the main page of our website at this link:

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Final Exams

Exam week for 1st semester will be January 11 – 15. This will include teacher-made exams and state tests. More details will be out soon. Please make sure that you keep this in mind if you are scheduling appointments, etc.

For 2020 – 2021, the following policy is in place regarding exam exemptions (for SENIORS only): Students will be exempt from their exam for any course that does not require state testing and for which the student has a final average of C or better. For the 2020-2021 school year, absences will not be considered in the determination of senior exam exemptions.

Student Services Information

Who: Sophomores

What: Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Seminar

The Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) is the nation's foremost youth leadership development organization. HOBY programs provide youth with unique leadership training to make a better world. Panther Creek will select two representatives. Applications are available on our Student Services website under Sophomores and are due November 30 by 3:00 PM. Please email the completed applications to igross@wcpss.net. Please visit www.hoby.org or email Mr. Gross in Student Services for more information. Information and application are available under Sophomores on our Student Services Weebly site. http://pchsstudentservices.weebly.com/sophomores.html



Who: Sophomores and Juniors Summer Ventures is for You

This program is open to North Carolina students in their second or third year of high school. Applications open October 15 and close January 15. Spend four weeks of your summer with fellow students from across the state as you take part in a unique, hands-on summer experience. Please click the link below for more information. Additional information is also available under the Sophomore tab on the Student Services Weebly site. http://pchsstudentservices.weebly.com/sophomores.html https://www.ncssm.edu/summerventures

Dates to Note

November 18 – Asynchronous Learning Day

November 23-24 – Remote Learning Days (same structure as Asynchronous Learning Days)

November 25 - 27 - Holiday - No school for students

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Thank you for your continued support of Panther Creek High School!