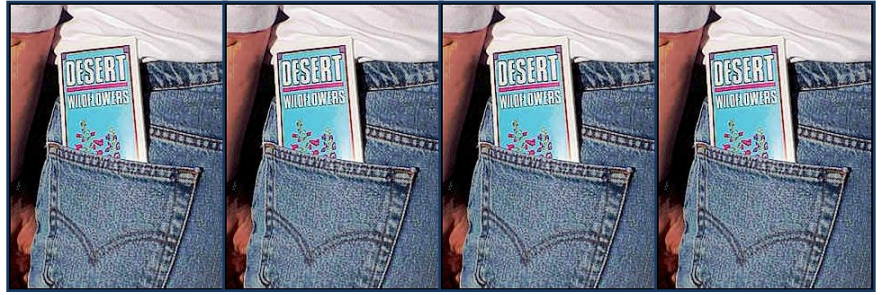


John Poole's **BACK POCKET**



February 17, 2012

A Thought for Today:

**“As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master.
This expresses my idea of democracy.”**

- Abraham Lincoln

A Valentine to Our Students

This week we held a tornado drill. It's an annual exercise involving marching the students out to areas designated as structurally safe during severe weather, having them sit with their knees drawn up and their faces and heads covered, and maintaining silence until further directions are given.

You have an adolescent in your home; you know how easy it is for them to slip into silliness when asked to do something odd. Fire drills have happened every month they've been in school since pre-K, but this kind of exercise only happens once each year and can seem as weird as the old duck-and-cover drills of 50 years ago.

Reminder: There is no Saturday School on a 3-day weekend. Please check Edline and make sure your child is up-to-date on all his or her work. Thanks!

That's why we prepare our kids about a week before these drills with conversations about the destructive power of tornados, the increased likelihood of severe weather in the spring, the need to practice all safety procedures, and the logic behind the behavior we expect. One of our basic principles of working with our kids – whether it's this kind of event, Saturday School, PBIS or any other program - is that we only require them to do what's reasonable, and we explain the reasons behind the requirement. When they understand why we want them to do something, our students typically give us great cooperation.

Great cooperation is certainly what we got! I walked through our halls observing silent students safely away from glass and furniture, sitting calmly in positions that protected their heads and faces, ready for anything. Our area security director joined us for this drill, and he was so impressed that he asked to address the students on the PA once the activity concluded. He commended them on their excellent performance and told me afterwards that he had recently seen similar drills in other schools, but none that ran so smoothly and successfully.

Once again, I am grateful that you send us such wonderful kids, and it is a tremendous comfort to know that in the event of an emergency, we are ready to be safe and secure.

Before we move on, I'm sure you'll enjoy the special Valentine's Day hair-do Alivia Tetlow wore to school this week. We ♥ our kids!



Hallway Heroes

Hallway Heroes are students we honor for demonstrating exemplary **PRIDE** behaviors as they move from class to class, helping to keep our hallways safe and comfortable for everyone.

The students recognized below consistently demonstrate **Purpose, Respect, Integrity, Dedication** and **Effort** everywhere they go at JPMS. They are **Hallway Heroes** and we are proud to celebrate their high expectations and their Timberwolf PRIDE!

Kelly Van Meter

Anne Mustafa

Colin Thomas

Connor Miller

Jean-Luc Schinosi

Donald Vogel

Michelle Moraa

Luke Terrell

Carmela Wasilik



Celebrating Volunteer Service

Eighth grader **Courtney Williams** has been honored for her exemplary volunteer service with a President's Volunteer Service Award.

The award, which recognizes Americans of all ages who have volunteered significant amounts of their time to serve their communities and their country, was presented by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program on behalf of President Barack Obama. Courtney represented John Poole Middle School in the Spirit of Community program this year.

Courtney earned her award by volunteering as a veterinary assistant caring for injured animals rescued through the ASPCA. She commented, "I help the doctors with preparation for surgery and recovery. Without the small things I do, the doctors and technicians would not be able to care for as many animals. I feel my activity was important because I was helping animals recover...be happy, healthy, and find homes."

Sponsored by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program recognizes young people across America for outstanding community service activities. More than 345,000 young people have been considered for these awards since the program began in 1995.



Mrs. Vega Goes to Capitol Hill

On February 8, Mrs. Vega participated as a panelist in the release of a study that evaluates parent and teacher support for timely, actionable assessments that monitor individual student performance. While in D.C. she had the opportunity to share the study findings with the education policy members in the Senate and House of Representatives. What an important honor!

You can download a copy of the study and a video featuring Mrs. Vega at <http://www.nwea.org/every-child-multiple-measures>. We are very proud of her!

A Window on Science at JPMS

Here are some highlights from this week's Grade 7 chicken wing dissection and Grade 8's in-school fieldtrip. Both activities were exciting for students and helped them learn important concepts in science.



Thanks to Mrs. Callaghan for taking these pictures of the Grade 7 dissection lab.

Grade 8 welcomed the Cosmic Adventures traveling planetarium to our auxiliary gym on Thursday. This program took place in a huge, inflated tent shaped like an igloo. Each class heard some basic overview information from the presenter and then entered the tent to see the stars projected on its dome. The small group size made the program more interactive.

This "in-school field trip" allowed students to have a real planetarium experience without missing other classes or having to pay for transportation.



VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME and JOIN THE PTA

- Sharon Armstrong - President
- Marilyn Soltis - Vice President
- Dawn Albert - Vice President
- Dreama Hemingway - Secretary
- Sue Van Meter – Treasurer
- Lori Kocur – Membership & Volunteers
- Anne Donovan – Staff Appreciation

It is always worthwhile and never too late to join the John Poole Middle School PTSA.

Your membership entitles you to receive the 2011-2012 JPMS Student Directory at no charge!

Please contact Lori Kocur at kocurs@verizon.net for membership information or to register as a JPMS Parent Volunteer. Once you are a registered volunteer, you will receive emails when opportunities to help out at school arise. It's as easy as that!

Show your kids how much you care and how important their school experience is to you – register to volunteer today!

Membership and volunteer forms are available at the JPMS website:

[http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/uploadedFiles/schools/poolems/parents/13\[1\]%20ptsa%20volunteer%20form.pdf](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/uploadedFiles/schools/poolems/parents/13[1]%20ptsa%20volunteer%20form.pdf)

To All 8th Grade Parents:

Please join us for the next “8th Grade Dinner Dance” planning meeting to be held on February 27, 2012 at the home of Karen Carrillo, 18317 McKernon Way, Poolesville.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen at 301-349-4565 or karencarrillo@hotmail.com

Dear Members of the Selby and Brooks Families:

The John Poole Middle School (JPMS) Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA) would like to recognize your contributions to our school community and extend our appreciation and gratitude for all Selby's Market has done to support our students and schools over the years.

You have welcomed graciously JPMS PTSA's setup of fundraiser tables in front of your store and display of flyers to advertise our events. You have made it more affordable for the PTSA to purchase food and supplies by providing a credit line and discounts and have personally helped many families in our John Poole Middle School community when they were in financial and emotional need.

Selby's Market's close relationship with the school and community is hard to come by these days. Thank you for your support and contributions. Words alone cannot truly express the appreciation. You will be missed!

Sincerely,

The JPMS PTSA

Thanks to the wonderful parents who supported the honor roll celebrations with generous donations of time, effort and goodies!

Update on the Budget

The following information has been provided by Jean Schlesinger, MCCPTA Operating Budget Committee Chair.

The Board of Education has approved the \$2.13 billion MCPS Operating Budget Request, as proposed by the Superintendent (including the Superintendent's recommended changes thereto). The Board will submit its budget request to the County Executive and County Council on March 1. The County Executive is expected to release his budget recommendation on March 15.

The details are set forth in this press release:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/press/index.aspx?page=showrelease&id=3100>

The only change made by the Board was to fully fund in FY 2013 hours-based staffing for the seven middle schools that do not currently have it; an MCCPTA priority for which many advocated. As set forth in the press release:

"Dr. Starr had put \$170,000 in his budget recommendation to expand hours-based staffing in three middle schools. Currently, 31 of the 38 MCPS middle schools use this effective method of planning for and delivering special education services.

The Board of Education voted on Tuesday to instead expand hours-based staffing to all remaining middle schools, which will cost an additional \$603,000. The money will be allocated from increased state aid."

If you have any questions or comments about Montgomery County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations, please email your PHS MCCPTA Delegates:

Joyce Breiner - jkbreiner@comcast.net

Jane Harris - clamityjgh@aol.com

Donations Welcome for 8th Grade Dance



Now that we are in the second semester of the school year, the 8th graders at John Poole Middle School are looking ahead to moving to high school. In fact, planning is already underway for their annual 8th grade celebration dance, which will be held June 8, featuring a fun beach theme.

The dance committee is looking for donations for raffle and game prizes for the dance, such as gift baskets, gift cards, movie tickets, beach-themed merchandise, electronics, sports equipment, restaurant gift certificates, and popular store gift certificates. (Only new or unused items, please.) Financial donations are also appreciated so we can purchase prizes. Please take your donations to Mrs. Ogden in the middle school office before June 1 and clearly label them for the 8th Grade Dance. If you have any questions, contact Karen Micheals at kmicheals@cornetser.com or at 240-425-4446. Thank you for helping to make the dance a fun and memorable occasion for our children!

HELP WANTED!

PTSA PRESIDENT & TREASURER

Exciting positions for parents who care about our school community, want the best for our kids, and like to take an active role in school life!

Ideally, this is a two-year term. The current President and Treasurer have served for two years and are now transitioning with their kids to the high school.

The vice president and secretary are staying on in their jobs, so new officers will have experienced, hard-working support.

Doesn't this sound like a job you'd enjoy? Contact Sharon Armstrong or another of the current officers for more information.

Thanks!

Technology...

A Welcome Friend?

An Unwelcome

Intruder?

Thursday

February 23, 2012

8:45–10:00 am

JPMS Media Center

Advantages?

Dangers?

Ways to monitor?





New Clubs are beginning next week! See below for classes and times! These classes are great opportunities for the students at JPMS. Please join us! It is the purpose of RecXtra to serve all students, please do not hesitate to submit club suggestions for your child. Please contact Mrs. Crutchfield at Winessa_R_Crutchfield@mcpsmd.org

Upcoming RecXtra Clubs:

Jewelry Club: Thursdays—2/23

Boxing Fitness: Thursdays -- 2/23, 3/1, 3/8, and 3/15

Registration forms are available in the main office.

RecXtra needs your donations for upcoming classes. Don't throw it away!!! Recycle with us! You may drop items in the RecXtra Box in the Main Office. Thanks!

- Magnets
- Scrapbook supplies
- Old and unwanted jewelry
- Yarn
- Spray paint--any color
- Fabric cuts or scraps
- Beads and Jewelry making supplies

Montgomery County Department of Recreation is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Please call a Therapeutic Recreation Specialist @240-777-4925V /240-777-6974 TTY to request accommodations no later than two weeks prior to the activity.



Announcing –

Yearbooks

Yearbooks can be pre-ordered through Jostens only. If you do not pre-order a yearbook, you are not guaranteed a yearbook. You can go to www.jostens.com today to pre-order your yearbook. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Aulls at Kelly_M_Aulls@mcpsmd.org.

Donations Needed for Drama

The drama program is in need of donations for *Annie Jr.* as well as for the drama program. We need plastic boxes with covers and handles (bigger than shoe box size). Any old flannel nightgowns, pajamas, dress socks and clothing that could pass for the 1930's would be great. If you do make any donations, please make sure Mrs. Turner has your name. Thank you!

MSI Soccer

The Poolesville 6th/7th grade boys MSI recreational soccer team has openings for a few new players. Practices will be held in Poolesville. Please contact Lori Kocur at kocurs@verizon.net or at 301-349-9670 for more information.

Girls on Track

Girls on Track will be starting the spring session on March 6th. We will meet every Tuesday and Thursday after school for 10 weeks. Interested girls can register on line at www.girlsontherunofmoco.org

If you have questions or need assistance with the registration process, go to the health room and speak with Mrs. Salyers or Mrs. Sypes. Financial assistance is available.

PAA Girls Youth Lacrosse

PAA Girl's Youth Lacrosse will begin in late February. There will be practices 2 days a week during the season with games on the weekend starting the middle of March. The girls' games are mostly on Sundays this year. We will be playing in the Metro Girl's Lacrosse League in Montgomery County.

Poolesville Girl's Lacrosse Spring 2012 Registration is now open. Please fill out the form on the website, www.paafalcons.com/girlslax, print it and send it along with a check to the address on the form. Registration will close on **February 24th, 2012**, so that rosters can be entered and uniforms ordered. **We will be closing rosters soon, as teams are filling up.** For more information regarding girl's lacrosse, please contact Vin Harkins at vinharkins@aol.com

Soccer Tryouts

Attention all students in 7th or 8th grade who are interested in playing soccer for John Poole Middle School! Tryouts will begin Wednesday, March 14. Before you try out, you must have all the necessary paperwork completed and an updated physical on file in the nurse's office. You can pick up a packet of information from your PE teacher, the main office, or Mr. Young. Packets need to be returned to the coaches the first day of tryouts.

Doodle 4 Google

Google is famous for the doodles that occasionally replace the Google logo. The Doodle 4 Google competition challenges children in grades K-12 to create their own play on Google's logo. Doodles are judged in four grade groups: K-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12. There is one national finalist in each grade group. One national winner receives a \$15,000 college scholarship, a trip to the Google New York office, a laptop computer, a digital tablet and a t-shirt with his or her doodle. (The winner's school or after-school program also receives a \$25,000 technology grant.) The other three national finalists receive a \$5,000 scholarship, a trip to the Google New York office, a digital tablet and a t-shirt with his or her doodle. The registration deadline is in early March and the doodle entry deadline is in mid-March. Thanks to Mr. Terrell for bringing this opportunity to our attention. Look for more information online at

http://www.google.com/doodle4google/#utm_source=sem&utm_medium=google&utm_campaign=SKWS

Some Interesting Comments on Bullying

Julie Rasicot writes the "Education Matters" blog for Bethesda Magazine. This link will take you to an article she authored after hearing Dr. Starr address the forum on bullying that took place in Silver Spring earlier this month. I think it lines up with the efforts we make at JPMS through PBIS and our Poolesville PRIDE committee. Take a look: [Want to Eliminate Bullying? Look in the Mirror](#)

Homework Hotline Live

Ask teachers for help Tuesdays-Thursdays, 4-9 PM, on MCPS TV's Homework Hotline Live (HHL). Watch teachers on TV as they work with you to solve homework problems. **Here's how to ask your question:**

- From 4 to 6 PM, call **301-279-3234** (STILL THE BEST--talk directly with a teacher).
- From 4 to 9 PM, send a text message from the Homework Hotline website (AskHHL.org); send a text message from your cell phone to **724-427-5445**; post a message on the [HHL Facebook wall](#), or send an e-mail to question@AskHHL.org.

Summer Institute for the Gifted

The **Summer Institute for the Gifted** offers summer programs that combine academics with social, cultural and recreational opportunities for students ages 4 – 17. Catalogs for the 2012 **Summer Institute** are now available. If you are interested in residential, commuter, and day programs for gifted and academically talented students, go to <http://www.giftedstudy.org/> for information.

Montgomery College Summer 2012 Youth Programs

Registration is now open for courses for students in grades K - 12 held on all three campuses, Germantown, Rockville and Takoma Park/Silver Spring. There are over 200 exciting full- and half-day courses that cover a wide range of topics, such as art, music, science, math, writing, sports, robotics, study skills, engineering, wood working, technology, and more.

The summer program runs for an eight-week period from June 18 – August 10, 2012. So, if you are interested in doing something really different and fun this summer, **REGISTER NOW online, by fax, by mail, or come to the Rockville Campus, Campus Center, Room 220. Classes fill quickly, so register right away!!**

For registration information, access our website at <http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/wdce/youthsummerbrochure.html> or contact the Youth Programs Office at 240-567-7264 or 240-567-7917.

Boys Soccer Coach Needed

JPMS is looking for a qualified boy's soccer coach who has experience coaching and working with middle school students. The season runs March 14, 2012 to May 17, 2012. Practice is only 3 days a week, Tuesday – Thursday, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. There are 5 games during the season. If you're interested in applying for the vacancy, please email Mr. Young to set up an interview at Terry_W_Young@mcpsmd.org. Thanks!

Superintendent to Hold Four Forums This Spring

Superintendent of Schools Joshua Starr will be holding four forums this spring, each focusing on a specific topic—English Language Learners (March 12 at Kennedy HS), Gifted Education (March 22 at Magruder HS), Special Education (April 16 at Seneca Valley HS), and Social and Emotional Learning (May 10 at Whitman HS). Each forum will be held from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. and will provide an opportunity for parents, staff, and the community to hear about the latest trends and research, find out what's happening in our schools, and share their thoughts and ideas with Dr. Starr, guest panelists, and other participants. Interpretation and childcare will be available. Additional information is available at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org or by calling 301-309-MCPS (6277).

El Superintendente de Escuelas Joshua Starr estará realizando cuatro foros durante esta primavera, cada uno de ellos enfocado en un tema específico—Estudiantes de Inglés Como Segundo Idioma (English Language Learners) (12 de marzo, en Kennedy HS); Educación Para Estudiantes de Alto Potencial (22 de marzo, en Magruder HS); Educación Especial (16 de abril, en Seneca Valley HS); y, Aprendizaje Social y Emocional (10 de mayo, en Walt Whitman HS). Cada foro se realizará de 7:00 a 8:30 p.m., y ofrecerá una oportunidad para que los padres, el personal y la comunidad conozcan las últimas tendencias e investigaciones, para que sepan lo que está sucediendo en nuestras escuelas y para que compartan sus opiniones e ideas con el Dr. Starr, con los panelistas invitados y con los demás participantes. Habrá a disposición servicio de interpretación y cuidado infantil. Se puede obtener información adicional en www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org, o llamando al 301-309-MCPS (6277).

Kohl's Cares® Scholarships

The Kohl's Cares® Scholarship Program recognizes and rewards young volunteers who help make their communities a better place. To be nominated, students must be between the ages of six and 18 and not yet a high school graduate as of March 15, 2012. Each student must be nominated by someone age 21 years or older. Nominations close for 2012 on March 15. Visit <https://www.act.org/kohls> for more information. Click the **Register Now!** button to nominate a student.

Come play Baseball and Softball in your hometown!

All Practices and Home Games will be in Poolesville

Games are played at either Halmos or Stevens Park

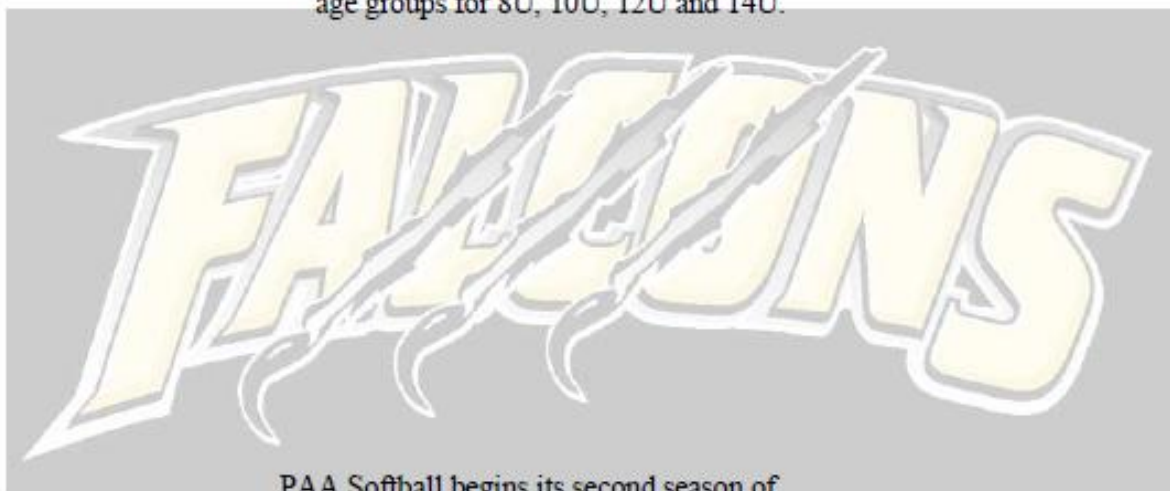
PAA Spring Baseball and Softball are almost here!



Registration is open for both Baseball and Softball through PAA.

We are looking forward to another exciting baseball season, from T-Ball to 14U.

PAA Baseball is open to boys and girls. T-Ball is open for ages 3-6. We have age groups for 8U, 10U, 12U and 14U.



PAA Softball begins its second season of introducing the girls to the game of fast-pitch softball. As the girls learn the game and grow, they will become ready to move on to the more established leagues.

Most games are expected to be played in Poolesville with a handful of games played in the surrounding communities. The softball program is for girls 7 to 11.



First year players in PAA will need to provide birth certificates or other proof of age.

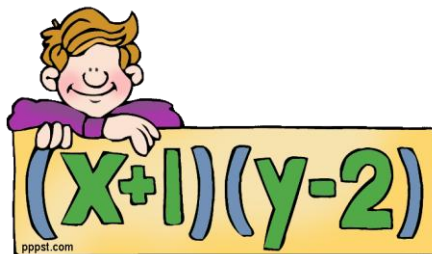
Registration deadline is February 15th. Sibling and multi-sport discounts are available.

The registration forms can be found on the PAA website (www.paafalcons.com).

Questions can be directed to Terry Pierce at 301-349-5115 or poolesvillebaseball@gmail.com.

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Algebra 2 Jumpstart



Our Honors Geometry students are among our Best and Brightest students at JPMS; we want them to have every opportunity to be the Best and Brightest at Poolesville High School! All Honors Geometry students are invited to attend a very special *Summer Program* that will give you a *Jumpstart* into Algebra 2!

Over the past two years, Mrs. Aulls has developed this curriculum to help strong students refresh their Algebra skills so they are ready for excellence in high school. It has been a year since Honors Geometry students took Algebra – of course those skills are a little rusty. This class is a great way to review Algebra 1 concepts so JPMS students are ready on Day 1 to excel in Algebra 2. Mark your calendars now for this great opportunity which is available only to John Poole students.

The class will run Monday through Friday for three weeks at John Poole Middle School. The first day of class is Monday, July 9th and the last day is Friday, July 27th. The class will be from 9:30am – 11:30am. Students will need to have their own transportation to attend this program. There *may* be afternoon transportation if there are other summer programs at John Poole MS.

There is a small fee of \$10 for this great opportunity to jumpstart your Algebra skills (checks made payable to JPMS). Fill out and detach the reservation slip below and return it with your registration fee to Mrs. Ogden in the main office or Mrs. Aulls in room 309 as soon as possible and no later than Friday, March 30th.

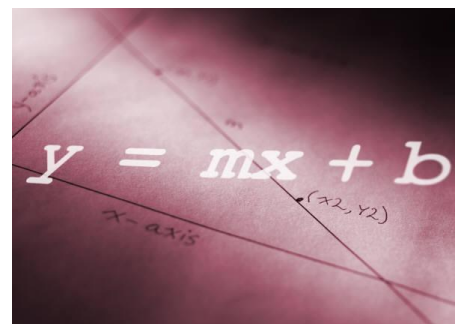
I would like to reserve a spot for the three week Algebra 2 Jumpstart class.

Student Name: _____

2012-2013 Math Course: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____



Please provide a name and number below of someone who can be reached in case of an emergency.

Summer 2012

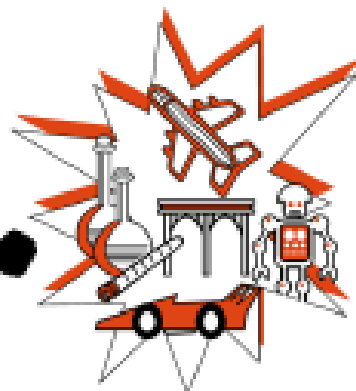
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Contact Information

Elizabeth Remmers
eremmers@umd.edu
301-405-0315



Program Dates

Session I: July 16-20

Session II: July 23-27

Save the Date!

Important events you won't want to miss!



February 20	Holiday, President's Day (No School)
February 22	Registration Meeting for Incoming 9 th Grade Students (7:00 p.m.) in the Poolesville High School Media Center
March 2	Early Release Day (Students are dismissed at 11:50 a.m.)
March 6	Interims Mailed
March 12-22	MSA Testing
March 22	JPMS Spring Recital (7:00 p.m.)
March 29	Third Marking Period Ends
March 30	Professional Day for Teachers (No School for Students)

Girls Basketball Season Ends

Yesterday, the girls' basketball team finished up their season against Roberto Clemente Middle School. Unfortunately, Clemente was too much for the Lady Timberwolves to handle on this day. After a slow start, they battled back to within 3 points, but the shot just wouldn't fall.

Kristin Darragh and **Breanne Hall** each had 5 points to lead the team in scoring. The defense was once again anchored by **Mollie Bodmer** who had 7 rebounds and several blocked shots. **Casey Harkins**, **Allie Nevius** and **Delaney Cecco** were also big on defense.

Congratulations to all of the team members for all of their hard work and success on an outstanding 5-1 season:

Mollie Bodmer
Delaney Cecco
Kenydi Cross
Karyn Comfort
Kristen Darragh
Julia Fisher
Breanne Hall
Casey Harkins
Hailey Khalil
Allie Nevius
Madi Peyton
Danielle Torres
Becca Trainor
Erin Sparrow (Team Manager and Statistician)



PHS NEWS

Go Falcons!



Registration Meeting for Incoming 9th Grade Students will be held on February 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Polesville High School Media Center.

Control + Click on this link to watch a video from Mike Hydeck at WUSA Channel 9 News featuring Eric Harrison, Kevin Harrison, Brendan Rowan, and Jack Zhu - four PHS seniors who won the high school division of the 2011 Department of Defense Cyber Forensics Challenge 2011:

[Cool Schools: Polesville High Schools](#)

Girls Varsity Basketball

February 17 7:00 p.m.

PHS vs. Linganore HS at PHS

February 21 5:15 p.m.

PHS vs. Quince Orchard HS at PHS

Boys Varsity Basketball

February 21 7:00 p.m.

PHS vs. Quince Orchard HS at PHS



In case you need to call the PHS Counseling Office with registration questions, here is the office staff list:

Serving students whose last names begin with

[James Cappuccilli](#), Counselor

A - Fo

[Melissa Nagy](#), Counselor

Fr - Ho

[Barbara Martin](#), Counselor

Hs - M

[David Gysberts](#), Counselor

N - To

[Sarah Pavlik](#), Resource Counselor

Tr - Z

[Susan Hornburg](#), Secretary

[Libby Hillard](#), Registrar - 301.972.7913

Call John Poole!

Main Office 301-972-7979
Counseling 301-972-7980
Cafeteria 301-407-1037
Health Room 301-407-1029



And Ask for...

Principal - Mrs. Boucher	Assistant Principal - Ms. Lemon
Technology & Arts IRT & Grade Level Coordinator	- Mr. Grotenhuis
English IRT	- Mrs. Lindsay
Social Studies IRT	- Ms. Nachlas
Math IRT	- Mr. McKay
Science IRT	- Mrs. Callaghan

JPMS
Timberwolves
live with
Purpose
Respect
Integrity
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Effort

Our Vision

The Timberwolf community experiences joy in learning, celebrates excellence, and values positive relationships.

Our Mission

At John Poole Middle School, our mission is to:

- **promote joy in learning through motivation and engagement**
- **celebrate excellence by acknowledging achievement foster a shared responsibility for academic and social success**
- **value positive relationships, thereby promoting a respectful and supportive learning environment**

