

Pioneer Valley High School PANTHER NEWS

August, 2024

Welcome to 2024-2025

Principal's Message from Mrs. Herrera

Hello Panther Family,

I hope you had an amazing summer break and are ready to come back to school! High school is an incredible time in a young person's life, and it takes work from all of us to have a memorable experience. This year, PVHS would like parents to partner with us as we demonstrate that we are **STRONGER TOGETHER**. This is true in everything we do- whether it be our study habits, our dedication to a sport or activity, or even our sleep schedule. PVHS encourages parents to be consistent in the following to help with the transition to high school:

- DO have daily discussions with your student about classes, homework, successes, and challenges they are experiencing.
- DO get to know your students' friends and their parents.
- DO monitor your students' cell phone use.

- DO learn about Canvas and Aeries on our website at www.pvhspanthers.org. These programs allow parents and students to view classes, see grades on completed assignments, and lists missing assignments.

- DO call or email staff when you have a question about anything.

Together, we can work to increase student performance across the campus. Our talented staff has high expectations for all students and our counselors will be offering various nighttime meetings to educate families about state requirements, career pathways, and the A-G college requirements. PVHS will provide each student a laptop and charger so they can complete schoolwork and students are required to bring their laptop to school every day. *Students who are not meeting academic and behavioral expectations will require a mandatory parent conference and an academic plan in place.*

Link Crew Orientation is Thursday, August 8th for ninth grade students with last names

A-L and Friday, August 9th for ninth grade students with last names M-Z. Students will attend from 8:00—12:00pm in the gym. Ninth grade students will receive their laptops after Link Crew. This amazing mentorship program connects freshmen with upperclassmen and students will do fun activities, access their schedules, and learn to navigate school information. This positive event is for students only, so no parent attendance please.

Students are expected to model Panther Pride at all times, and everyone should visit www.pvhspanthers.org often to see updated calendar information and tons of resources about activities, athletics, and parent educational opportunities. I look forward to working with you to make your student's high school experience rich and rewarding.

With Panther Pride,

Mrs. Herrera

PVHS Principal since 2011

School Pictures and Student Schedules

Date

School Pictures (GYM)

Schedule Distribution

8/20/24

9th Grade: PE Class
12th Grade: Econ/Govt Class

Freshmen will receive schedules during Link Crew presentation on Aug. 8 and 9.

8/21/24

10th Grade: English Class
11th Grade: US History Class

Grades 10-12 can view their schedules in Aeries beginning August 9th.

Make-up Pictures

9/24/24

**SCHOOL BEGINS
AUGUST 15**

Counselors will be available beginning August 5th. It is very important students attend school on the first day to ensure they keep their classes.

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For Freshmen Parents...

Meet the PVHS administrators and counselors and get your questions answered about high school.

Freshmen Parent Night
Tuesday, August 6, 2024

6:00 pm

Library for English Speakers
Cafeteria for Spanish Speakers

Link Crew
9th Grade Orientation
Thursday, August 8, 2024
Last Names:
A-L: 8-12pm
Friday, August 9, 2024
M-Z: 8-12pm
PVHS Gymnasium

Parent Education & Involvement



Panther Forum for Parents

This town hall style discussion will feature a topic of interest presentation the first hour with an open forum the second hour. All interested parents with questions or concerns are invited to attend from 6:00–8:00 pm in the Library.

October 16, 2024

March 12, 2025



Family Resource Center



The Family Resource Center (FRC) is a place where you can obtain resources, check-out learning materials, participate in programs, workshops and trainings. We provide families with information on educating and supporting student learning in school and in the home. The Family Resource Center empowers families and cares for students by offering resources and helping to connect families with community resources. We work toward successful community integration of parents and students. We encourage all parents to become partners in education by being better informed and participating in school and community activities.

See website for class participation opportunities: <https://www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us/parentresourcecenter> or Contact Maribel Vargas-Meza for additional information.

Boosters



The purpose of the Pioneer Valley High School Booster Club is to assist the school in promoting quality academic and athletic programs along with a broad range of campus activities and projects. The Booster Club is a non-profit organization and donations may be tax deductible. Members can volunteer to work at concessions to directly benefit your student’s team/club. Contact Athletic Director Anthony Morales at damorales@smjuhsd.org or Activities Director Lisa Walters at lwalters@smjuhsd.org for additional information. To join visit: <https://www.memberplanet.com/pvhsboostersclub>.

Meetings are at 6:00 in the Library

Second Monday of each month

ELAC / English Learner Advisory Council



The English Learner Advisory Council (ELAC) is comprised of parents of Limited-English Proficient (LEP) students. Important school information is presented at each meeting. The committee also invites school and community speakers to provide various topics of interest. Although ELAC meetings are conducted in Spanish, all parents are welcome to attend.

Meetings are in the Library at 6:00

9/18/24 10/9/24 1/29/25 3/12/25 5/14/25

Technology Training for Parents



These nights are designed to assist parents to use the Parent Portal which provides access to student attendance, grades, assignments and progress.

6:00 in the Library Labs Date: 8/29/24

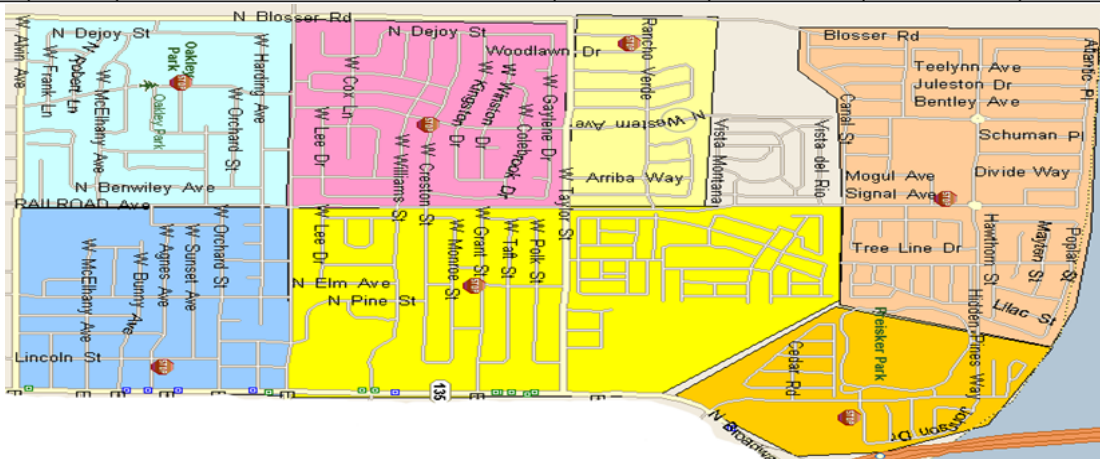
Guidance & Counseling Events



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| Junior/Sophomore Parent Night | 8/22/24 | 6:00 Cafeteria |
| Senior Parent College Information Night | 8/28/24 | 6:00 Cafeteria |
| College Application Assistance | Ongoing | College Center until 4:00pm |
| Cash for College | 10/2, 10/16, 11/6, 12/4, 12/11, 1/22, 2/12, 2/19 | 3-7pm Labs |

Getting to School Safely!

| PVHS 2024-2025 STOP SCHEDULE | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------|--|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| RT # | Stop # | Stop Description | 1st Period In | 2nd Period In | 6th Period Out | 7th Period Out |
| | | Depart School | | | 3:05, 3:35 | 4:05, 4:35 |
| 14 | P1 | Railroad Ave & Boxcar Ave - Pull Out West Side Of Road | 7:15, 7:50 | 8:40 | 3:20, 3:50 | 4:20, 4:53 |
| 14 | P2 | Portland Dr & Preisker Ln | 7:10, 7:45 | 8:35 | 3:20, 3:50 | 4:20, 4:50 |
| 13 | P3 | Dejoy St & Rancho Verde (SE) | 7:10, 7:45 | 8:40 | 3:15, 3:45 | 4:15, 4:56 |
| 13 | P4 | Grant St & Curryer St (SE) | 7:15, 7:50 | 8:43 | 3:15, 3:45 | 4:15, 4:59 |
| 12 | P5 | Western Ave & Creston St (SE) | 7:10, 7:45 | 8:35 | 3:15, 3:45 | 4:15, 4:59 |
| 11 | P6 | Western Ave & Bunny Ave (Parkside) | 7:10, 7:45 | 8:35 | 3:20, 3:50 | 4:20, 4:50 |
| 11 | P7 | Lincoln St & Agnes Ave (NE) | 7:15, 7:50 | 8:40 | 3:15, 3:45 | 4:15, 4:45 |



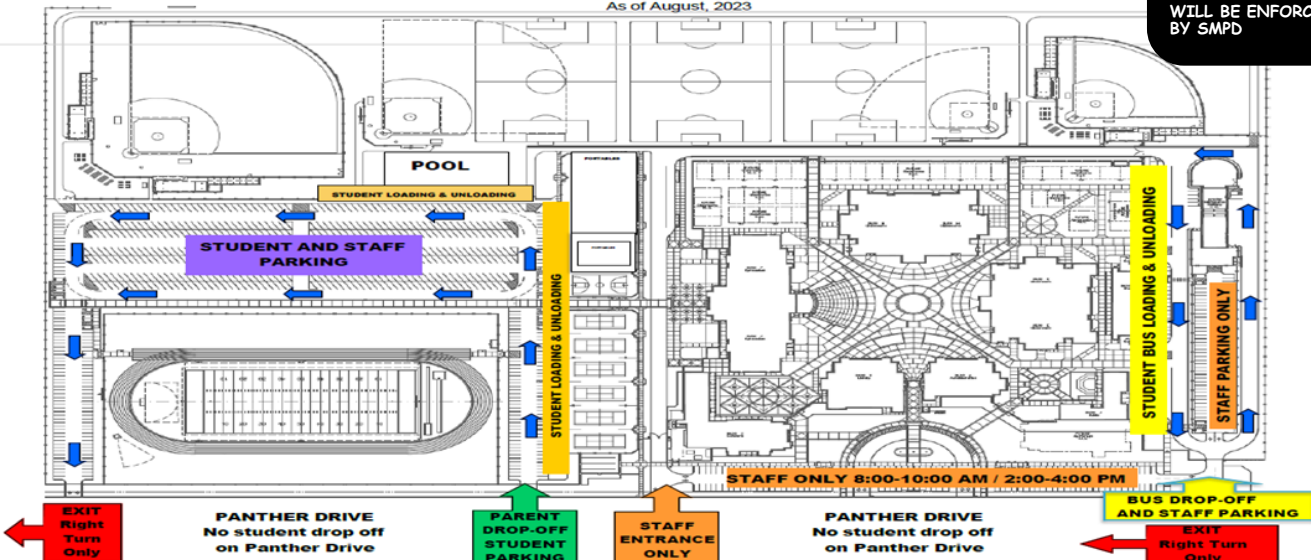
TRAFFIC FLOW FOR STUDENT / DROP OFF AND PICK UP

STUDENTS SHOULD BE DROPPED OFF & PICKED UP ON SCHOOL GROUNDS ONLY!

NO STOPPING ZONES
8 AM - 4 PM
WELLINGHAM & SIRATT STREETS
WILL BE ENFORCED BY SMPD

PIONEER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC FLOW FOR STUDENT DROP OFF AND PICK UP

As of August, 2023



HOURS OF OPERATION / POINTS OF CONTACT

**Hours of Operation: 8:00 – 4:30
(805) 922-1305 FAX (805) 922-8203**

Administration

| | | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------|
| Principal | Shanda Herrera | Ext. 5701 |
| Administrative Assistant | Araceli Mandujano | Ext. 5702 |
| Assistant Principal / Instruction | Kevin Ilac | Ext. 5703 |
| Administrative Assistant | Susan Hook | Ext. 5704 |
| Assistant Principal / Special Programs | Nathan Dunlap | Ext. 5707 |
| Administrative Assistant | Karine Perez | Ext. 5708 |
| Assistant Principal / Student Services | Jeff Hromadka | Ext. 5709 |
| Administrative Assistant | Fabi Etheridge | Ext. 5710 |
| Dean of Students | Jackie Loew | Ext. 5750 |
| Administrative Assistant | Jennifer Jimenez-Contreras | Ext. 5706 |

Counselors

| NINTH GRADE COUNSELORS | | TENTH GRADE COUNSELORS | | Int. & Support Counselor |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| CHRIS CARRILLO Ext. 5198 | SUE AVRIT Ext. 5775 | SANDRA GONZALEZ Ext. 5765 | REBECCA LEADBETTER Ext. 5766 | ISRAEL HERNANDEZ Ext. 5601 |
| A – L | M – Z | A – L | M - Z | A-L |
| ELEVENTH GRADE COUNSELORS | | TWELFTH GRADE COUNSELORS | | Int. & Support Counselor |
| HEYDI ELENES Ext. 5768 | ROCIO TRUJILLO Ext. 5763 | NADIA VENTURA Ext. 5767 | MIRIANA DEL TORO Ext. 5754 | CRYSTAL BUCHAN Ext. 5111 |
| A – L | M – Z | A – L | M- Z | M-Z |

Support Services

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|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Activities Director | Lisa Walters | Ext. 5508 |
| Athletic Director | Anthony Morales | Ext. 5511 |
| Athletic Trainer | Mike Vandenbroek | Ext. 5510 |
| Attendance | Maria Quintanilla | Ext. 5105 |
| Business Office (ASB) / Assistant | Tracy Coates / Catherine Sturdivant | Ext. 5120 / Ext. 5119 |
| Cafeteria | Amy Argentieri | Ext. 5675 |
| Career Center | Melani Mederos | Ext. 5121 |
| Community Liaison | Daniel Garcia | Ext. 5711 |
| Computer Lab Technician | Esther Ting | Ext. 5102 |
| Crisis Intervention Consultant | Angela Collins | Ext. 5693 |
| Fighting Back SMV | Ramiro Ruvalcaba | Ext. 5115 |
| Guidance School Support Secretary | Flor Avila-Suarez | Ext. 5771 |
| Guidance Technician A—L | Nadir Cano | Ext. 5118 |
| Guidance Technician M-Z | Marina Rodriguez-Vargas | Ext. 5117 |
| Learning Center | Irma Gonzalez Morales | Ext. 5101 |
| MMEP Secondary School Advisor | Edgar Ruvalcaba | Ext. 5108 |
| Nurse / Health Technician / LVN | Socorro Orozco/ Leti Gamino / Stephanie Alvarado | Ext. 5760 / Ext. 5753 / Ext. 5751 |
| Psychologist | Serina Rodriguez/ Erica Tajon / Sergio Orosco | Ext. 5757 / Ext. 5712/ Ext. 5559 |
| Receptionist | Cecilia Baddley | Ext. 5770 |
| Registrar | Isabel Esparza | Ext. 5764 |
| Resource Officers | SMPD and Probation Staff | Ext. 5113 |
| Security Office | Security Staff | Ext. 5773 |
| Special Education Coordinator | Ben Alberry | Ext. 5758 |
| Special Education Staff Secretary | Jasmine Granados | Ext. 5759 |
| Student Data Specialist | Erik Torres | Ext. 5761 |
| Textbooks/Library Assistant | Lisa Bisquera | Ext. 5106 |
| Translator | Argelia Perez-Servin | Ext. 5315 |


IMPORTANT DATES

DATE

August 6, 2024
 August 8, 2024
 August 9, 2024
 August 8-9, 2024
 August 12, 2024
 August 13, 2024
 August 14, 2024
 August 15, 2024
 August 20-21, 2024
 August 22, 2024
 August 28, 2024
 August 29, 2024
 August 29, 2024
 August 30, 2024
 September 2, 2024
 September 20, 2024
 October 2, 16, 2024
 October 3, 2024
 TBD
 October 11, 2024
 October 16, 2024
 November 1, 2024
 November 6, 2024
 November 11, 2024
 November 12, 2024
 November 25-29, 2024
 December 4, 11, 2024
 December 18-20, 2024
 December 23 - January 10
 January 13-14, 2025
 January 15, 2025
 January 16, 2025
 January 20, 2025
 January 22, 2025
 February 10, 2025
 February 12, 19, 2025
 February 17, 2025
 February 22, 2025
 February 28, 2025
 March 12, 2025
 TBD
 April 17, 2025
 April 18, 2025
 Apr 21-25, 2025
 April 30, 2025
 April / May, 2025
 May 2, 2025
 May 23, 2025
 May 5-16, 2025
 TBD
 TBD
 May 20, 2025
 May 26, 2025
 June 9-11, 2025
 June 12, 2025
 June 12, 2025

EVENT

Freshman Parent Night 6:00 PM English-Library / Spanish-Cafeteria
 Link Crew Orientation for incoming 9th A-L 8:00—12:00PM Gym
 Link Crew Orientation for incoming 9th M-Z 8:00—12:00pm Gym
 Schedule Distribution—9th grade during Link Crew and 10th-12th grade via Aeries Portal
 No School— Certificated Staff Development Day
 No School - Staff Development Day
 No School - All Staff Work Day
 School Starts
 School Pictures (see page 1 for details)
 Junior/Sophomore Parent Night 6:00 Cafeteria
 Senior College Info Night 6:00 PM Cafeteria
 Back-to-School Night 5:00-7:00 PM
 Parent Technology Night 6:00 Library Labs
 Minimum Day
 No School - Labor Day Holiday
 Minimum Day – End of Progress #1 Fall
 Cash for College 3:00-7:00 PM Library
 Academic Awards 6:00 Gym
 PSAT Test—11th graders
 Homecoming
 Panther Forum for Parents 6-8 PM Library
 Minimum Day – End of Progress #2 Fall
 Cash for College 3:00-7:00 PM Library
 No School - Veteran’s Day Holiday
 Cap / Gown Assembly for Seniors
 No School – Thanksgiving Recess
 Cash for College 3:00-7:00 PM Library
 Final Exams
 No School - Winter Recess
 No School - Staff Development Day
 No School - All Staff Work Day
 Classes resume - Second Semester Begins
 No School - M.L. King Jr. Day
 Cash for College 3:00-7:00 PM Library
 No School - Lincoln’s Day
 Cash for College 3:00-7:00 PM Library
 No School - President’s Day
 Winter Formal
 Minimum Day – End of Progress #1 Spring
 Panther Forum for Parents 6-8pm Library
 College & Career Fair
 Minimum Day—Spring Fair
 Spring Vacation Day Holiday
 No School - Spring Break
 Future Panther Night – For incoming 9th graders
 CAASP Testing Window
 Minimum Day—End of Progress #2 Spring
 Pre-Senior Financial Aid Night w/SB Foundation
 Advanced Placement Testing
 Prom
 Grad Nite
 Senior Awards Night – 6:00 PM Gymnasium
 No School - Memorial Day Holiday
 Final Exams
 Graduation - Time 9:00am - Stadium
 No School / Staff Development Day




School will dismiss every Monday at 2:45 to allow for teacher collaboration.



Winter Recess
December 23 – January 10

| Grading Periods 2024-25 | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| FALL SEMESTER | August 15 – December 20 |
| Progress #1 | September 20, 2024 |
| Progress #2 | November 1, 2024 |
| SPRING SEMESTER | January 16 – June 11 |
| Progress #1 | February 28, 2025 |
| Progress #2 | May 2, 2025 |

Tutoring is available
 before school
 7:30 –8:20 am
 After school
 3:00 - 5:00 pm



Monday-Thursday
 See your counselor to sign-up

Tutor.com - Online Assistance
Available 24 hrs./day, 7 days/week

CLUBS

Asian Pacific - Mrs. Leornas
 ASL— Mrs. Price
 ASTRA - Mr. Dickinson
 AVID Class of 2025 - Ms. Baarstad, Ms. Minarik, Mrs. Pehle
 AVID Class of 2026 - Mrs. Martinez, Ms. Sewell
 AVID Class of 2027 - Mrs. Garcia, Ms. Carrillo, Ms. Magni
 AVID Class of 2028 - Ms. Gutierrez-Marron, Mr. Harpster, Mr. Rivera
 Ballet Folklórico - Mrs. Gabaldon, Ms. Matias
 Band - Ms. Barriga Chavez
 Black Student Union - Mr. Harmon
 CASA Club—Mr. Meza, Mrs. Ambriz
 Cheer & Songleaders - Ms. Vega
 Choir (Jazz & Concert) – Mr. Hernandez
 Crochet Club— Mrs. Meza
 FACT Club- Ms. Walters
 FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) - Mr. Bloodworth
 FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) - Mr. Dearborn
 FCCLA (Family Career & Community Leader of America) – Mrs. Montanez/ Mrs. Diaz
 FFA (Future Farmers of America) - Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Guerra, Mrs. Guerra, Ms. Phillips, Mr. Ponce & Mr. Wonnell
 French Club/Honor Society – Mrs. Ekberg
 GLO Jesus Club— Mr. Dearborn
 GSA—Mrs. Cuellar
 Health & Wellness - Mr. Rothford
 K Pop – Ms. Zambrano
 Key Club – Ms. Gonzales
 Latinos Unidos - Ms. Carrillo
 Light Writerz—Mr. Silva
 Link Crew - Mr. Edwards, Ms. Minarik, Mrs. Price
 Military Career Club - Mr. Regan
 Panther Tales/Yearbook – Mr. Dearborn
 Panther Woodworks— Mr. Wonnell
 PV Book Club—TBD
 PVHS Bowling Club—Mr. Harpster
 PV FFA Floral Shop—Mr. Dickinson
 RFSST— Mrs. Leornas
 Sending Sunshine—Mr. Dodson
 SHARe Club - Mrs. Avrit, Mrs. Collins
 SHPE Jr. (Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers) – Mr. Meza / Mr. Casillas
 Skills USA—Ms. Linne
 Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica – Ms. Carrillo
 Speech & Debate Club—Mr. Dickinson
 Student Council – Ms. Walters
 Student Store – Mr. Bloodworth
 Winter Guard – Ms. Barriga Chavez
 World Language—Ms. Zambrano
 Young Life—TBD

ATHLETICS

Fall Sports: Cross Country, Football, Girls Golf, Girls Tennis, Girls Volleyball, Boys/Girls Water Polo
 Winter Sports: Boys/Girls Basketball, Boys/Girls Soccer, Boys/Girls Wrestling
 Spring Sports: Baseball, Softball, Boys Golf, Swimming, Boys Tennis, Track & Field, Boys Volleyball

All sports require a physical examination be on file before tryouts and participation.

MEET THE ADVISORS



Class of 2025: Mr. T. Dickinson, x5311

Class of 2026: Mr. Harmon, x5631

Class of 2027: Ms. Peinado, x5626

Class of 2028: Ms. Brafman, x5302



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Lisa Walters
 Activities Director
 922-1305 x5508

Anthony Morales
 Athletic Director
 922-1305 x5511



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

CHANGE OF ADDRESS / DATA CONFIRMATION

If your address has changed, please update your information in the school Records Office. **Data Confirmation is required for all returning students.** Parents and guardians please visit the [Aeries Portal](#) site and login with your email and password. If your phone numbers, emergency or personal information changes throughout the school year, please update your information in the school Records Office or by visiting the Aeries Portal. It is very important that we have current contact information in order for us to successfully send out school messages and alert you in case of an emergency.

CLASSROOM INTERRUPTIONS

Messages from parents or guardians during class time will be limited to emergencies only with administrator approval. We are committed to preserving the integrity of instruction and do not interrupt classes to call students out for personal deliveries. Items left for pickup are done so at own risk. Parents are welcome to come during passing periods to have their student paged.

CLOSED CAMPUS / VISITOR POLICY

PVHS is a closed campus between 8 am and 4 pm. As per Board Policy (AR 6116 and BP1250), only pre-arranged visitors are allowed on campus during the school day. Lunchtime activities/assemblies are for current students. Parents and other visitors are not allowed at these closed events. Students are not permitted to bring visitors. Administration reserves the right to refuse admission to anyone.

DRESS CODE

Requirements apply to all students, as provided in the Education Code and/or District Policy. They are:

- No attire including clothing, jewelry, hats or personal items:
 - may promote or advertise drugs, alcohol or tobacco use.
 - depict obscenity or lewdness.
 - be inflammatory with regard to race, religion or heritage.
 - may promote gang affiliation (nor pro sports teams)
 - only hats with PV logos permitted
- Feet must be covered, minimally, providing protection to the bottom of the foot. (PE requires tennis shoes for safe participation in activities.)
- The upper torso must be covered. Clothes shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments at all times. See-through or fishnet fabrics, halter tops, spaghetti straps (must be two inches wide), off-the-shoulder or low-cut tops, bare midriffs and skirts/shorts shorter than mid-thigh are prohibited.
- Pajamas and slippers are not appropriate school apparel.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Cell phones may be carried by students, but will be confiscated if they disrupt the educational process. If a phone is confiscated from the student, a parent / guardian may be required to pick it up from the Assistant Principal. **The school is not financially responsible for any lost or stolen items.**

ELIGIBILITY FOR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students must maintain a 2.0 "C" grade point average to be eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities. Eligibility is determined at the end of each six-week grading period.

PE UNIFORM PRICES Shirt \$8 Shorts \$12 Sweats \$14
PE uniforms can be purchased online or at the Business Office.

EXCUSING ABSENCES

Parents will be allowed to report and clear absences within two (2) school days of the absences one of several ways:

- By phone
- By written note
- Walk-ins
- By email
- Via the website link

When notifying the school of your student's absence, please include the following information:

- Student's first and last name
- Grade
- ID number
- Date and reason for absence
- Parent/Guardian name
- Relationship to the student
- Phone number where you can be reached

PLEASE NOTE: Per District policy, upon 14 or more days of excused absences, we request that any future absences be verified by a physician in the form of a note.

ID CARDS

Students are to carry their ID cards at all times. ID cards are used to verify that a student belongs on campus, to check out textbooks, library materials, laptop or PE loaners. The first card is free; each card after is \$3 paid at the Business Office.

LEAVING CAMPUS DURING THE DAY

Parents / guardians who need to take their student out of school during the day **must be prepared to show identification at the Attendance Office.** Only those persons listed on the student's medical emergency information will be allowed to take the student from school. The school appreciates every effort made by parents to schedule appointments outside of the school day.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

To be considered in **good standing** and determine your privilege in participating in extra-curricular activities including sporting events, club performances, dances, Grad Night and graduation ceremonies, students should have:

- No major discipline issues
- No outstanding ASB, library, textbook or tablet charges - "IF YOU OWE, YOU DON'T GO."
- No more than 6 period cuts for every three weeks that school is in session - "NO SHOW...NO GO."
- Must be on track to graduate.

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOL

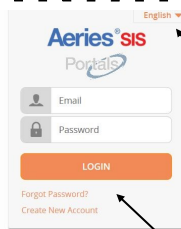
The use of all tobacco products including e-cigarettes and vaping devices is prohibited on campus and at school events.

WITHDRAWAL FROM CLASSES

Students who drop a course during the first 20 school days of the semester, may do so without any entry on his/her permanent record. A student who drops a course after 20 school days of enrollment in a class shall receive an "F" on their permanent record unless otherwise decided by the principal or designee because of extenuating circumstances.

MORE SCHOOL POLICY INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE.

www.pvhspanthers.org

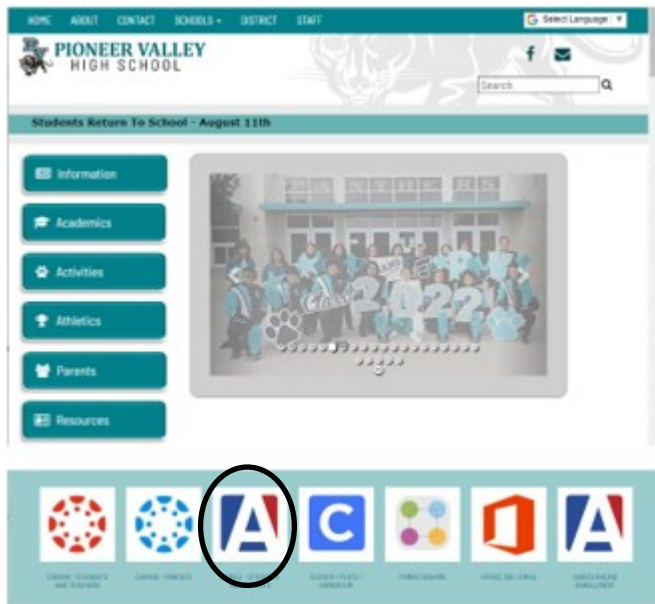


Do NOT use the "Create New Account" Link above
watch the "SMJHSD Portal" video.
No use el link "crear una cuenta."
Miren este video "el portal de SMJHSD."



LOGGING IN TO THE PARENT STUDENT PORTAL

- Select your preferred language—English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean or Arabic.
- When a student enrolls at PVHS, a system-generated email is sent to the email address provided at the time of enrollment. The email contains a verification code. Parents must sign in using this email
- By entering this verification code and corresponding student information - student ID number and home telephone—access to the portal will be given.
- If a home email changes, parents must notify the school of the change.
- Use the "Forgot Password" feature if needed.
- For additional assistance, watch the SMJHSD Portal video at the link provided.
- Incoming students will be able to sign in beginning August 10th.
- For assistance with the Portal, please contact Isabel Esparza, Registrar, 922-1305, x5764



Aeries Portal

A browser-based access for students and parents to stay up-to-date on school events, student assignments, attendance, grades, test scores and more! The Portal has multilingual support and can be accessed via a mobile device or computer.

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Canvas

An easy to use cloud-based learning management system empowering teachers and students with countless tools. Parents will be able to create an account that allows them access to their student's information and to communicate with teachers.



CANVAS MAKES TEACHING & LEARNING EASY FOR EVERYONE!

Canvas allows **TEACHERS** to provide online content to students in an organized and easy to use fashion with ways to create and deliver content, monitor student participation, and assess student performance.

STUDENTS can submit work, and utilize interactive features such as threaded discussions, video conferencing, and discussion forums using the device in a way they are most used to.

As a **PARENT**, you can create a Canvas login that will allow you to check on upcoming assignments, view class materials and follow your student's progress. To do so, you will need to know:

- ♦ Student's school email
- ♦ Student password



Welcome SMJUHS D families to another school year!

We are pleased to announce that the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District will continue participating in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program for the 2024-2025 school year.

Will I need to submit a meal application to receive free meals?

No, Under California Universal Meals, all enrolled students are eligible to receive one healthy breakfast and lunch *free of charge* every school day. However, although meals are free of charge, we kindly request that your household submit a Household Income Data Survey online by August 30th, 2024 at [Household Income Form](#).

Why do I need to submit a survey if meals are free?

The information collected ensures maximum student support services for our student s). Our schools receive additional State and Federal funding to support supplemental education programs and services. Your family may receive additional benefits such as college admissions test and application fee waivers and home internet discounts.

Will students have the option to purchase additional entrée items?

Yes, students will have the option to purchase additional entrée items and bottled water. However, students must have funds in their LINQ Connect (formerly Titan) online family portal. Cash will not be accepted.

What is LINQ Connect? How do I add funds electronically?

The LINQ Connect family portal is a secure online system. If you have not done so already, create a LINQ Connect online account at www.LINQConnect.com. If you're new to the online system, please go to info.linq.com/FAQs. If you had a Titan account and have questions regarding the new LINQ Connect family portal, please go to info.linq.com/FAQs_LINQ_Connect_Changes.

Where do I find information regarding food services?

Visit our Food Services page at <https://smjuhsdmeals.com>.

Where do I find P-EBT information?

Visit the P-EBT page at <https://ca.p-ebt.org> or the helpline at 877-328-9677 (Monday–Friday from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Thank you very much,

The Child Nutrition Department

If you have any questions please contact Dina Araizaga at email - daraizaga@smjuhsd.org or telephone at (805) 922-4573 x 4402, or contact the Community Liaison at 805-922-1305, x5711.

Parent Square - New Ways to Receive School Information



ParentSquare is designed to keep parents informed and facilitate participation at school. It provides a safe way for the school principal, teachers, staff, and parents to:

- Send and receive school and class information
- Share pictures and files
- See calendar items
- Sign up to volunteer
- and much more . . . all in one centralized place!

All school, grade level, and classroom information will now be sent to your computer or phone via email and/or text or you can download the free Parent Square App.

Parents will receive an activation email for their ParentSquare account.

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BELL SCHEDULES

| PERIOD | DAILY SCHEDULE <i>Tuesdays-Fridays</i> | MINIMUM DAYS | COLLABORATION <i>Every Monday</i> |
|-----------|---|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | 8:30 - 9:20 | 8:30 - 9:00 | 8:30 - 9:10 |
| 2 | 9:30 - 10:20 | 9:10 - 9:40 | 9:20 - 10:00 |
| Nutrition | 10:20 - 10:35 | 9:40 - 9:55 | 10:00 - 10:15 |
| 3 | 10:35 - 11:25 | 9:55 - 10:25 | 10:15 - 10:55 |
| 4 | 11:35 - 12:25 | 10:35 - 11:05 | 11:05 - 11:45 |
| Lunch | 12:25 - 1:05 | 11:05 - 11:45 | 11:45 - 12:25 |
| 5 | 1:05 - 1:55 | 11:45 - 12:15 | 12:25 - 1:05 |
| 6 | 2:05 - 2:55 | 12:25 - 12:55 | 1:15 - 1:55 |
| 7 | 3:05 - 3:55 | 1:05 - 1:35 | 2:05 - 2:45 |

**Drama Productions
2024-25**

Fall Production:
Duffs
10/3-10/5

Spring Production:
Newsies
3/6-3/15

Dinner Theater:
5/2-5/3

Showcase:
5/23-5/24

Welcome New Staff!

- Lisbet Barriga Chavez, VPA
- Alexis Black-Gotham, Science
- Brian Chavez, Math
- Jasmine Crisp, Special Education
- Nathan Dunlap, AP
- Stefanie Fikri, VPA
- Kirsten Garberg, Special Education
- Jeff Hromadka, AP
- Monica Leyva-Marquez, Math
- Jackie Loew, Dean
- Brenda Lopez, Math
- Michelle Lyon, Special Education
- Rachel McLean, EGS
- Steve Molina, Math
- Maritza Olguin, English