

Daily Announcements for Friday, April 12, 2019 <u>http://pcsb.org/countryside-hs</u> (Dates are subject to change)

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Senior Information can be found below!

Graduation for Countryside High School is May 23, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Tropicana Field!

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Contact: Ms. Mency mencym@pcsb.org

The Countryside Public Library will be accepting applications for summer teen volunteers starting Sunday April 28th @ 12 noon.

Opportunities include chess club, creative dramatics, crafts, record keeping and general tasks.

Enjoying working with children is definitely helpful!

Seniors – Please send any pictures you would like to see in the slideshow at Senior Breakfast to csideseniorvideo@gmail.com

Seniors - if you have committed to the **Military** or if you are considering committing to the Military upon graduation, please see Mrs. Black in Guidance as soon as possible. We would also like to recognize you at the end of the year. Seniors interested in the Military upon graduation, please see Mrs. Black in Guidance.

Contact: Ms. Black blackk@pcsb.org

Attention seniors, if you're planning to attend SPC or The University of Tampa in the fall, there's a \$500-\$2,000 scholarship opportunity for you. FAFSA must be completed and no minimum GPA required. It is due Mar. 31st, see your school counselor for the application.

Seniors-if you ordered a **senior class photo**, would like to purchase one or simply view the photo, please come by room K5 or stop by the prom ticket table. Contact: Ms. Gray <u>grayjenn@pcsb.org</u> Room K-5

The **Kona Ice** truck will be here every Thursday right after school through April. The prices range from \$3.00 to \$6.00 and come in a wide variety of flavors. The Kona Truck is sponsored by the Florida Future Educators. Contact: Ms. Hoch hochj@pcsb.org Room J-1

Attention students interested in Summer Dual Enrollment at SPC, the online permission application will open on March 4th and ends on **April 19**, **2019**. Log onto SPC website to learn more about this opportunity.

To all seniors, please bring a copy of your College Acceptance Letter to Ms. Santiago, in the Guidance Office so that we can acknowledge your achievements at the upcoming College Signing Day on May 3, 2019 during 3rd period in the auditorium.

Contact: Ms. Santiago santiagok@pcsb.org

Seniors you can pick up your senior ID card in the front office during both lunches and after school.

Learn about Florida prepaid tuition plans

The open enrollment period for the Florida Prepaid College Plan is underway. The Florida Prepaid College Plan allows families to lock in college plan prices and prepay the future cost of college tuition and fees. Through March 2, Florida Prepaid is celebrating its 30th anniversary by making enrollment **FREE**. Use the promo code **30 YEARS** to save \$50. The enrollment period will close **April 30, 2019**. College savings plan resources are available at <u>www.pcsb.org/prepaid</u>. Learn more and apply at the <u>Florida Prepaid website</u>.

Directions to apply for Early College can be found at the following link on our website https://www.pcsb.org/Domain/10410

Graduation fees will be collected during both lunch on Tuesdays and Fridays. The cost is \$45.00 and we accept cash or check (checks will be accepted until April 26, 2019). If you are paying by check, please make the check payable to Countryside High School.

The 2019-2020 FAFSA form is available

Seniors please fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) soon. Visit <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u> to apply.

Seniors, there are many **scholarship opportunities** available to help you pay for college. Deadlines are nearly approaching. Please see your School Counselor for specific scholarship applications.

DRESS CODE

Countryside High School will be following the Pinellas County Code of Contact Dress Code. Please go to the following link for more information <u>https://www.pcsb.org/Page/15060</u> **Peer 2 Peer** is looking for 30 students wishing to serve as peer mentors for the 2018-2019 school year. Please see Ms. Alexander for the information packet and application during lunch.

Open **Mic Mondays** is slowly getting participants and the audience loves it. Please go to the media center to sign up. You can sing a song, read a poem, or play an instrument during your lunch on Mondays in the media center. You can perform as many weeks as you would like. Contact: Ms. Amiot-Priso <u>amiot-prisoj@pcsb.org</u> Media Center

Youth in Government meets every Thursday in Room M-1.

<u>Friday</u>, <u>April 12</u> – Attention Juniors and Seniors today is the last opportunity to purchase prom tickets at the \$70 price.

Contact: Ms. Gray grayjenn@pcsb.org Room K-5 and Ms. DeRosa conersk@pcsb.org Room 1-4

<u>4/15-4/17</u> - Attention Juniors and Seniors, prom tickets will be sold this week before and after school on Wednesday and Thursday at the price of \$75. Wednesday, April 17th is prom court election day! Make sure you vote for your own grade level prom king and queen! Contact: Ms. Gray <u>grayjenn@pcsb.org</u> Room K-5 and Ms. DeRosa <u>conersk@pcsb.org</u> Room 1-4

<u>April 15 - April 24</u> - We may have exactly what you are looking for right here at C-Side's A-Wing Boutique. Located at the end of A-Wing, on the left/Follow Signs BOUTIQUE OPENED:

BOTH Lunch Periods-April 15th to April 24th

If not open, please come to Ms. Muscaro's office before 12 Noon/Volunteer/J1A or e-mail me at muscaroe@pcsb.org to schedule an appointment.

<u>Wednesday, April 17</u> - Prom court election day! Make sure you vote for your own grade level prom king and queen!

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<u>Thursday, April 18</u> - Attention Juniors and Seniors today is the last opportunity to purchase prom tickets at the \$75 price. Tickets are sold before and after school in front of the main office. Contact: Ms. Gray <u>grayjenn@pcsb.org</u> Room K-5 and Ms. DeRosa <u>conersk@pcsb.org</u> Room 1-4

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>April 18</u> - Military Signing day, during 3rd period. Please see your guidance counselor for more information.

Friday, April 19 - No School for students

<u>4/22-4/25</u> - Attention Juniors and Seniors it is finally here, the week of prom! This is your last opportunity to get your prom tickets. Tickets are sold before and after school at the price of \$80. Tickets will not be sold the day of prom, so make sure your prom ticket is purchased by Thursday. Contact: Ms. Gray <u>grayjenn@pcsb.org</u> Room K-5 and Ms. DeRosa <u>conersk@pcsb.org</u> Room 1-4 <u>Friday, April 26</u> – PROM (*The Great Gatsby*) will be held at the Safety Harbor Spa from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Ticket sales begin March 20, 2019. Pick up permission form from the main office. See website for more information, ticket prices and necessary forms at https://www.pcsb.org/Domain/10406

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Tuesday, April 30 - Cap and Gown delivery during both lunches

<u>Wednesday, May 1</u> – Senior Signing day in the auditorium during third period. Make sure to submit your college assistance letters to Ms. Santiago. Contact: Ms. Santiago <u>santiagok@pcsb.org</u> Guidance Office

Friday, May 3 - All Bright Future services are due to the guidance office.

Friday. May 3 - The deadline for seniors to complete online classes.

<u>Friday May 3</u> - Senior Breakfast at Safety Harbor Spa from 7:30 a.am to 10:30 a.m. Tickets prices are \$25.00 - cash only. Tickets will be on sale from April 18 - April 29, 2019 during both lunches. Contact: Mr. Straub <u>straubs@pcsb.org</u>

Monday, May 20 and Tuesday, May 21 - Senior Exams

May 23-May 29 - Exams

<u>Thursday, May 23</u> - Graduation will be held at Tropicana Field at 11:00 a.m. More information in the spring. Please go to our senior page for more information <u>https://www.pcsb.org/Domain/6081</u>

Wednesday, May 29 - Last day of school for students

Interested in a scholarship? Check out our website <u>http://pcsb.org/Domain/6368</u>

Resources

<u>ECounselor</u> – Is open 4-9pm, Monday through Friday. It is staffed by professional school counselors and is an opportunity for students and parents to ask questions after hours and get assistance. Types of issues that can be addressed are college & career planning, financial aid & scholarships, graduation requirements, advanced academic coursework, etc. The link to this site is <u>https://www.pcsb.org/ecounselor</u>

<u>Kahn Academy</u>

Pinellas County Schools is joining the national effort to expand SAT test practice opportunities to all students. The College Board and Khan Academy developed *free* SAT practice tools to create a worldclass, personalized experience to help all students prepare for the SAT and college-level courses. Students can use the Khan Academy site 24/7 to get personalized practice for the SAT. The site provides students with instant feedback on their progress through thousands of SAT practice questions that range in difficulty based on each student's demonstrated skill level. The site also provides predicted score outcomes, full-length practice tests, and interactive questions and videos. Make sure your student is taking advantage of this important resource. Sign up today at <u>satpractice.org</u>

EXTENDED LEARING PROGRAM

ELP (Extended Learning Program) runs Monday thru Thursday from 2:35 - 5:35 p.m. each day. During ELP, students can take a course in APEX if they earned a D or an F in the course and they are trying to recover the credit and/or improve the GPA. In addition, students have the ability to improve their practice in the ACT and SAT, have Math and English/Reading tutoring, or a structured and supervised environment to complete homework. Please contact Mr. Bernstein, bernsteinb@pcsb.org, if you have any questions. Please see flyer sent on Peachjar for more information. This can be found on the homepage of our website. <u>https://www.pcsb.org/countryside-hs</u>

REMIND - Valuable Information for Guidance and Cougar U

Sign up today to receive text updates from the guidance department on valuable information pertaining to colleges, scholarships, financial aid, etc. Stop by guidance to obtain the code. Contact: Ms. DeGarmo degarmoca@pcsb.org

GUIDANCE

Class of 2019 send text to: 81010 message: @bf9d42 Class of 2020 send text to: 81010 message: @9hafc7 Class of 2021 send text to: 81010 message: @f694bf Class of 2022 send text to: 81010 message: @48b2c6 <u>COUGAR U</u> Class of 2022 send text to: 81010 message: @cougaru22



Dates to Remember for CHS Seniors 2018-2019

Senior Adviser – Steve Straub <u>straubs@pcsb.org</u> 727-724-1487

(as of 4/10/19)

Please, keep checking this site for additional information though out the year.

Graduation will be held on May 23, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. at Tropicana Field. Graduation information listed below

GRADUATION INFORMATON

Graduation will be held on May 23, 2019 at Tropicana Field from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There are two separate fees for graduation:

- 1. <u>Cap/Gown, and Diploma Cover</u> Varies with package you choose. Please, see order form.
 - > Please, contact Herff Jones on how to order your cap and gown.
 - > Contact Information for Herff Jones:
 - Phone: 727-545-3288
 - Website: <u>www.herffjonestampabay.com</u>
 - E-mail: herffjones2@verizon.net
 - If paying by check, the check would be made payable to Herff Jones. You can also order online at <u>www.herffjonestampabay.com</u>
 - > Graduation announcements are an extra fee.
- <u>Graduation Fees</u> \$45 Check or Cash (Checks made payable to Countryside High School.) Checks will be accepted until April 26, 2019, then only cash will be accepted. Graduations fees paid on Tuesday and Fridays during both lunches by the front office.
 - Graduation fees can by paid by cash or check (checks would be payable to Countryside High School.
 - > This fee covers the venue site at the Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg and other costs related to the ceremony.
 - > Extra gold forms can be found in the front office.

Additional Important Information:

3. Every senior must fill out the Gold Application for Graduation form whether you are walking or not. If you need a copy of the gold form, you can find it in the front office.

Required Dress for Countryside High School graduation:

- Men must wear a collared dress shirt (preferably white) with a necktie (preferably dark), socks (preferably dark) and dress shoes, and dark trousers (no jeans or casual pants allowed).
- Women should wear a dress that is not visible at the gown's neckline, cuff or hemline. Pantsuits are acceptable. Purses should be kept with parents. Gowns look much nicer when they are pressed. No paraphernalia such as corsages, etc. may be worn on the gown.
- > Faculty and staff will check each student for appropriate attire, appearance and demeanor.

- 4. Information about parking, the appropriate entrance to use, and other misc. information will be distributed in early May 2019 at the graduation rehearsal held in the auditorium of Countryside High School. Tickets are not required to attend graduation at Tropicana Field, and there is no limit to the number of guests who can attend.
- **5**. If you have any obligations such as textbooks, library books or other fees owed to the school, you must pay by check (payable to Countryside High School), cash or money order. Checks will only be accepted for fees of \$30.00 or more; otherwise, you must pay by cash or money order. Checks will be accepted until April 26, 2019. After that, only cash will be accepted.
- 6. If you want to attend Prom and Senior Breakfast, all obligations must be paid to attend the event. If you want to find out if you have any textbook obligations, please, contact Lonnette Alexander at <u>alexanderlo@pcsb.org</u> Checks will be accepted until April 26, 2019. After that, only cash will be accepted.

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| Potential senior fees for 2019 graduates – info subject to change | |
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| Cap and Gown - Make check made payable to Herff Jones. | Varies by package |
| Graduation Announcements - Make check made payable to Herff Jones. | Varies by purchase |
| Graduation Application Fee Checks accepted until Friday, April 26, 2019.– Make check made payable to Countryside High School. | \$45.00 |
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| PROM | See PROM article in this newsletter for ticket prices. |
| Senior Breakfast - cash only Tickets on sale from 4/18-4/29 during both lunches. | \$25.00 |

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