



Daily Announcements for Friday, February 15, 2019

<http://pcsb.org/countryside-hs>

(Dates are subject to change)

*Stay alive, don't text and drive
Attend Today. Achieve Tomorrow*



Senior Information can be found below!

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

Celebrating Black History Month

Courtesy of Ms. King-VanRiper and the Black Student Union

Friday, February 15th: On this day in 1968, Henry Lewis becomes the first black to lead a symphony orchestra in the United States.

If any seniors need an order form to purchase the senior class photo or have an order form to turn in, please see Mrs. Gray in room K-5. The order will be place on Monday, February 25th
Contact: Ms. Gray grayjenn@pcsb.org Room K-5

Senior Quotes must be turned in by this **Friday (2/15)**, the papers for the quotes are available in the front office or outside of room M-4. Forms must be put in the box outside of M-4
Contact: Mr. Yongue yonguej@pcsb.org

Any students interested in going to the Florida State Fair on February 18, please stop by the front until February 11, for free tickets during lunches and after school.

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

Pinellas County Schools is offering two sessions of **Drivers Ed this summer** at nine high Schools. On-line registration starts on **February 11th thru February 17th**. For specific information on the sites and dates of the classes click on the Driver's Education link on our school website.

Seniors, the **Career Center Scholarship** is now open and is due **Feb. 28th**. Three seniors will be awarded \$1,000. You need a min. 3.0 unweighted GPA to apply. See your School Counselor for an application.

Graduation fees will be collected during both lunch on Tuesdays and Fridays. The cost is \$45.00 and we accept cash or check. If you are paying by check, please make the check out to Countryside High School.

Senior students please note that the PTSA is offering a \$500 scholarship. Details on the requirements can be found in the school website or your academic counselor. The deadline is March 1, 2019.

The 2019-2020 FAFSA form is available

Seniors please fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) soon. Visit www.fafsa.ed.gov 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 <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/15060>

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 amiot-prisoj@pcsb.org Media Center

New Year! New Yearbook! New vision! NEW LOWER PRICES on ads and yearbook!!

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Ads are a great way to recognize your special 2019 graduate. This year we have lowered the ad prices so everyone can afford them. You can also purchase dedication pages for your student. Deadline for ads is February 14, 2019.

When ordering ads, dedication pages and yearbooks please go to www.yearbookordercenter.com Countryside's school order number is 17261.

Contact: Jack Yongue 727-724-1485 or email at yonguej@pcsb.org

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

Wednesday, February 20 - Drama Club will be showing the movie "Clue" in the theatre after school on Wednesday, February 20th. Come see the movie version of this year's Dinner Theatre Show! There will be concessions for sale at the movie. Bring a friend!

Contact: Mr. Saienni sainnif@pcsb.org

Wednesday, March 6, 2019 -SAT School Day

ALL Juniors take the SAT at school, during the school day for **FREE!**

March 11- March 15 - Spring Break

Saturday, April 6 - GRAD Bash - Please go to our website at <https://www.pcsb.org/Domain/10347> for more information. If you are interested in going, the deadline for payment is March 5, 2019.

Grad Bash Online Payment Link: <https://pcsb.revtrak.net/High-Schools/countryside-high/#/f/countryside-hs-grad-bash-2019> or go to our CHS homepage click on Online Payments.

Contact: Ms. Alexander alexanderlo@pcsb.org

Monday, April 8 - Senior graduation announcements to be delivered during both lunch periods.

Contact: Mr. Straub sraubs@pcsb.org Room D-5 727-724-1487

Friday, April 26 - PROM

Contact: Jennifer Gray grayjenn@pcsb.org and Kim Coners conersk@pcsb.org

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

Thursday, May 23 - Graduation will be held at Tropicana Field at 11:00 a.m. More information in the spring.

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

Resources

ECounselor - 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

<https://www.pcsb.org/ecounselor>

Kahn Academy

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 world-class, 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 satpractice.org

EXTENDED LEARNING 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. <https://www.pcsb.org/countryside-hs>

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. See your teacher or 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

COUGAR U

Class of 2022 send text to: 81010 message: @cougaru22



Dates to Remember for CHS Seniors 2018-2019

Senior Adviser – Steve Straub straubs@pcsb.org
727-724-1487

(as of (2/4/19) another update coming soon!

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 INFORMATION

Graduation will held on May 23, 2018 at Tropicana Field from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

There was a senior assembly held on Tuesday, December 4, 2018 where information about cap/gowns, graduation announcements, and the gold application for graduation was distributed. If you did not receive this information or have lost it, please stop by the front office of Countryside High School and pick up this packet of information.

There are two separate fees for graduation.

1. **Cap/Gown, and Diploma Cover** - 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: www.herffjonestampabay.com
 - E-mail: herffjones2@verizon.net
 - If paying by check, the check would be made payable to Herff Jones. You can also order online at www.herffjonestampabay.com
 - Graduation announcements are an extra fee.
2. **Graduation Fees** - \$45- Check or Cash (Checks made payable to Countryside High School.)
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.
3. Every senior must fill out the *Gold Application for Graduation* form whether you are walking or not. If you did not receive the gold form in the senior assembly on Tuesday, December 4, 2018, please stop by the front office for the form.
4. **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. Faculty and staff will check each student for appropriate attire, appearance and demeanor. No paraphernalia, such as corsages, etc., may be worn on the gown.

5. 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.
6. 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 \$30.00 and up; otherwise, you must pay by cash or money order. After May 1, all obligations and fees must be paid by cash or money order. 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 alexanderlo@pcsb.org

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Potential senior fees for 2019 graduates - info subject to change	
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GRAD Bash	\$120.00
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
Outstanding obligations (textbooks, library books or other fees); Checks will only be accepted for fees \$30.00 and up; otherwise, you must pay by cash or money order. After Friday, April 26, 2019, all obligations and fees must be paid by cash or money order. If you want to attend PROM, Senior Breakfast or GRAD Bash, all obligations must be paid to attend the event.	Fee varies if owed
PROM	See PROM article in this newsletter for ticket prices.
Senior Breakfast	TBD
Yearbook - Checks accepted until Friday, April 26, 2019- Make check made payable to Countryside High School.	\$65.00 and \$70.00 on 2/1/19

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Scholar Diploma Designation - Please go to <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/1690> for more information.