



Shamrock News

1/29/21

Congratulations: To Reid Corbeil for being the Heartlands Institute of Technology student of the month from St. Pat's.

School Payments: Cash will no longer be accepted in the school or parish offices for school tuition or school fees. You may pay online through Smart Tuition, write a personal check, obtain a money order from the post office, or a cashiers check from a bank/credit union. If you pay by credit card there is an additional convenience fee.

Infinite Campus: Parents and students can use Infinite Campus to monitor their grades, check for missing assignments, view report cards and progress reports, see their schedules, view emails that were sent out from the school, and check attendance. If you have any concerns, please contact your child's teacher. If you have logged into Infinite Campus and do not remember your password or username, please follow the prompts on the sign-in page. If you have never logged in and misplaced your username and password, please call the office. The link for Infinite Campus is [here](#).

Elementary Valentine Parties: Elementary Valentine parties will be held on Friday, February 12, this is a half day of school. Please see classroom newsletters for more information.

Friday, February 12: Is a half day of school; there is no busing.

Parent Teacher Conferences: Conference forms were emailed or sent home. A teacher or parent may request a conference as needed. All conferences PS-5 will be held virtually, grades 6-12 will be virtual or in-person as scheduled by the teacher and parent. Conferences will take place on Friday, February 12 from 12:30-4:00pm.

PRE-ACT, ACT and ASVAB Testing Dates: Students will be testing in the Parish Hall on the dates listed below:
PRE-ACT for sophomores: Thursday, February 11, 7:30-11am
ASVAB for juniors: Thursday, February 18, 11:37am-2:20pm
ASVAB for sophomores: Friday, February 19, 11:37am-2:20pm
ACT for juniors: Tuesday, March 2, 7:30-11:30am (Juniors will enter the Parish Hall and are required to leave the building when finished.)
ACT with accommodations for juniors: Wed-Th, March 3-4, 7:30a-2:20pm

SmartAid: The Round 3 deadline for SmartAid is February 22.

February 3, 10, 17, & 24

No Buses - PPS virtual instruction days

February 12

1/2 day of school

Dismissal: 11:25a for grades 6-12, 11:40a for grades KG-5
No busing · No preschool · No afterschool childcare

February 15-16

No School - President's Day/Mid-Winter Break

Awaiting a COVID test: If a person in your household is awaiting a COVID test result, we ask that students in the family stay home until the result is received. Please notify the school office. Students can attend classes virtually.

St. Patrick School and Parish email addresses: We changed from the @portlandstpats.com to .org over a year ago. Some of the emails are no longer being forwarded. Please check the email address when you send them to your child's teacher, the office or principals.

Portland District Library: As of January 4th, 2021, the Portland District Library is back open for business! After taking some time—and creating some distance—over the holidays, we looked at all the available data and decided to welcome patrons into the building again. While all of our toys and most of our furniture is still in storage for the time being, we still have a lot to offer in the way of programming and materials. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again, and helping you browse our extensive collection for all the latest movies, books, and more. In addition to our usual mask and social distancing requirements, we are also now taking information for contact tracing, so be sure to stop by the front desk when you come in. Our current hours are: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am-7:30 pm, Friday 9:00 am-4:30 pm, and Saturday 9:00 am-2:00 pm.

Please feel free to contact Youth Librarian, Eileen Pock, at epock@portlandmilibrary.com or 517-647-6981 ext. 3 with any further questions about the resources, services, or programs the library has to offer.

Shamrock Pride



Calendar of Events



1/31-2/6 Catholic Schools Week - see newsletter

2/3 No busing - PPS Virtual Day

Mass for grades 9-12, livestreamed 9:30a

2/4

Mass for grades 1-4, livestreamed 9:30a

Bowling vs. CC-C @ Meadow Bowl Lanes 3p

2/5

Open campus lunch for Seniors

St. Patrick School

122 West Street

Portland, MI 48875

portlandstpats.com

FROM PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Good afternoon parents,

Two weeks ago we reduced three of our bus routes daily. This reduction in routes will be evaluated every two weeks. **Our driver shortage has not improved and therefore we are extending the route reduction plan for the next two weeks.** Please see the table below for routes that will be reduced.

Unfortunately, the district is not in a position to return to 15 routes, from our current 12, until we hire three new drivers. I have received a lot of feedback on our route cancellation. There are a few misconceptions to school transportation. Public schools are not required to provide transportation to general education students. We are also not funding for transporting general education students. There are districts who do not provide transportation and their funding does not change. **As a district we pride ourselves on providing a safe ride to school for our students. Our goal is to continue to provide that service as we know it decreases numerous barriers to students accessing their education.**

I am really sorry for the significant inconvenience this will have on families. We have great drivers and staff at the bus garage and they would love nothing more than to transport all of our students to school every day. Please know that as soon as we can resume normal operations we will do so.

Again, my apologies for this inconvenience.

Will Heath

Superintendent

Portland Public Schools

Day	Date	No Transportation		
Monday	2/1/21	Bus A (4)	Bus B (5)	Bus C (6)
Tuesday	2/2/21	Bus D (14)	Bus E (12)	Bus F (16)
Thursday	2/4/21	Bus G (1)	Bus H (18)	Bus I (2)
Friday	2/5/21	Bus J (3)	Bus K (15)	Bus L (22)
Monday	2/8/21	Bus A (4)	Bus B (5)	Bus C (6)
Tuesday	2/9/21	Bus D (14)	Bus E (12)	Bus F (16)
Thursday	2/11/21	Bus G (1)	Bus H (18)	Bus I (2)
Friday	2/12/21	No School		

St. Patrick High School and Middle School

Honor Roll for Second Quarter 2020-2021

12th Grade

Karley Beachnau
Aurora Beckhold
Marlie Bengel
Connor Cross
Austin Fleischer
Devon FoxElster
Cole Frazee
Matthew Frazee
Lindsey Hodge
Brian Kwiecinski
Hailee Lay
Marian Pearson
Colette Pohl
Emma Scheurer
Evan Schrauben
Amy Shaw
Grace Thelen
Sophia White
Avery Zimmerman

11th Grade

Peyton Brown
Shane Cook
Reid Corbeil
Sarah Davlin
Kyle Edlund
Kayla Florian
Jamelyn Forist
Cole Kinsman
Tessa Lawson
Lydia Meredith
Isabella Myers
Katelyn Russell
Theresa Schasser
Carly Scheurer
Mara Schrauben
Braxton Teachworth
Christy VanderMey
Abigail Weller
Carly Zimmerman

10th Grade

Zachary Boyd
Cozette Brown
Simon Brown
Alex Fedewa
Hayley Fleischer
Seth Frawley
Emma Honsowitz
Alivia Huhn
Payton Russman
Samantha Smith
Joshua Snitgen
Natalee Teachworth
Martin White

9th Grade

Devin Cook
Alaina Forist
Arianna FoxElster
Shawn Frawley
Tyler Groothuis
Kyra Kinsman
Isabelle Kissane
Ellayna Meredith
Nevaeh Miller
Riley Mosser
Olivia Pung
Victoria Sandborn
Addison Scheurer
Rylee Scheurer
Lucas Simon
Emily Snitgen
Marley Weems
Nicole Weems
Hannah Weller

8th Grade

Samantha Fears
Kenzie Fedewa
Anna Morris
Canaan Pohl
Olivia Rockey
Isabella Russman
Brayden Simon
Landon Simpson
Gabriel Wernet
Simon White

7th Grade

Brody Beckhold
Brett Boyd
Braden Bozung
TJ Chamberlain
Isaac FoxElster
Aaron Gillotte
Mattie Honsowitz
Brady Leonard
Aiden Mosser
Maizie Pelc
Nicholas Pung
Lily Sandborn
Charles Thelen
Kyla Wakley
Eden Zimmerman

6th Grade

Lillian Anthony
Francis Austen
Brandsen Brown
Kaeden Brown
Katrina Chen
Marian Davlin
Sean Fedewa
Naomi Hass
Grace Heins
Alexis Knoop
Emma Martin
Caleb Pline
Gracelyn Rockey
Isaiah Rockey
Siena Schafer
Jerryd Scheurer
Tyler Schneider
Mason Simon
Macie Smith
Tyler Thelen
Benjamin White



Catholic Schools Week (January 31-February 6, 2021)
Theme: “Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.”

Monday, February 1, 2021:

- ❖ Preschool-12th treated to donuts and juice as we kick-off CSW
- ❖ All students will pray a candlelight rosary for our country
- ❖ Student dress-up day: Students can dress in Red, White, and Blue (jeans allowed)

Tuesday, February 2, 2021:

- ❖ All-school virtual Mass from St. Andrew Cathedral in Grand Rapids at 10:00 a.m.
- ❖ Elementary students will celebrate the 100th day of school
- ❖ Students will not be assigned any homework assignments or review
- ❖ Student dress-up day: Comfy Day (no jeans)

Wednesday, February 3, 2021:

- ❖ All students celebrate the “Souper Bowl” by bringing a donation of canned/boxed food items
- ❖ Grades 9-12 will celebrate Mass at 9:30 a.m. at St. Patrick Church
- ❖ Students will make blankets to be donated to various organizations (12:30 p.m.)
- ❖ Student dress-up day: K-8 Jersey Day (students wear their favorite jersey with school uniform bottoms)/H.S. Sunday Best (school appropriate)

Thursday, February 4, 2021:

- ❖ Ice cream will be served to all students at lunch
- ❖ Grades 1-4 will celebrate Mass at 9:30am at St. Patrick Church
- ❖ Student dress-up day: K-8 Sunday Best (school appropriate) /9-12 Jersey Day (students wear their favorite jersey with school uniform bottoms)

Friday, February 5, 2021:

- ❖ Big Rock/Little Rock snowman building (if we have snow and weather permitting)
- ❖ High school students will celebrate with a pep assembly during 4th hour
- ❖ Student dress-up day: Shamrock Spirit Day – this will be a jean/spirit wear day for all students

SAVE THE DATE



Shamrock Auction 2021: A Night to Celebrate the Strength of the Shamrocks!

Saturday, April 24, Begins at 6:00 p.m
This will be a virtual event

No matter where you are this year - Don't miss this night of fun!
Join us from your home or a friend's, in a small group or by yourself,
all you need is Internet access to join our event and support St.
Patrick School.

Online events include a silent auction, raffles, 50/50, and more!

More details coming soon!



CASH FOR CLASSROOMS

Nominate a St. Pat's Teacher!

Visit PFCU's website to learn more & nominate a teacher every week:

<https://www.pfcu4me.com/cashforclassrooms>

WEEKLY \$150 WINNERS (JANUARY-MAY)

DETAILS: MUST BE A CURRENT PREK-12 FULL-TIME, PART-TIME OR SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AT A PUBLIC, CHARTER OR PRIVATE SCHOOL • ENTRIES CARRIED OVER WEEK TO WEEK (NOMINEES CONTINUE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO WIN UNLESS PREVIOUSLY SELECTED AS A WINNER) • LAST DAY TO ENTER: MAY 28, 2021