



Pontiac Academy for Excellence

Secondary Division-November 20, 2020

We have completed our first marking period. Report Cards were mailed last week. If you did not receive your student's report card, please update your address and call us at 248 745-9420. It is very important for PAE to maintain updated information (addresses, phone numbers, parent emails, etc.) Thank you for your efforts as we work together in these unprecedented times. We will continue to offer parent workshops to enhance technology skills, updates on Covid 19 preventions, shelter information, and a plethora of other topics. Please look for up and coming Parent Workshops organized by our PAE Parent Liaison, Ms. Maria Bermudez.

Our NWEA Test results have been received and teachers and interventionalist are working hard to close any learning gaps with our students. Remember, these tests have given us baseline information on your student/s educational levels. A second NWEA testing period will begin in February. You will receive dates and times in January.

PSAT practice tests have been scheduled for January 26, 2021 for our 10th and 11th grade students. More information will follow closer to the test date.

Our Secondary Virtual Honor Roll Awards Celebration have been scheduled for December 8, 2020 @ 10:00 a.m. This will include the Principal's Honor Roll with all students receiving Straight A's and our Merit Honor Roll will all students receiving all A's and B's. You should receive your invitation and Zoom Link to join us by December 1, 2020. Look for this information from Ms. Berry-Counselor and Ms. Thomas-College and Career Readiness Coordinator. Parents, thank you in advance for your hard work as well.

We are also looking forward to our Secondary PBIS (positive behavior intervention system) Virtual Recognition Awards on December 10, 2020 @ 10:00 a.m. We will be awarding students with perfect attendance, always keeping their cameras on for learning, outstanding students of the month and a myriad of other areas. There will be prizes and certificates. Ms. Womack-Dean of Students, will be notifying all students receiving these awards.

Parents, please continue to work with your student/s to ensure their daily attendance and participation in their classes with cameras on. Attendance is so important!! Teachers can better teach students when they are fully engaged in the lesson. Our teachers will be working hard to ensure that your student/s learn at their maximum level. We need your continued support to make this happen.

Our next Secondary Virtual Parent Coffee Morning with the Principal is scheduled for December 18, 2020 @ 9:30 a.m. Please join us. If you have topics to discuss, please send me an email: dehart-jonest@pontiacacademy.org

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/7234988741?pwd=VEF4NXRRReGYvNWVnUkZwTldJMmxPQT09>

Meeting ID: 723 498 8741

Passcode: 3VTz7V

Just a reminder, teachers are here for students with whole group teaching Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays as well as small groups/individual on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00-3:00.

I hope by now all of our students have chrome books. If you still need one, please reach out to us at 248 745-9420. You must make an appointment because the building will have just a skeletal staff until at least mid-December. Please do not just drop in!

Thanksgiving is just around the corner. Students will have their regular scheduled classes on Monday, Tuesday small group classes, and Wednesday, classes will end at 11:30 a.m. Please have a safe Thanksgiving and wear a mask! [We must take care of each other as we are our brother's keeper!](#)

Dr. Jones, Secondary Principal