# Excellence—Every Day, In Every Way

#### **Pirate Points 1-18-2019**

- ♣ All schools and offices will be closed Monday, January 21, 2019, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- We would like to congratulate the following PHS art students for earning Scholastic Art Awards.

#### **Gold Key Winners**

Azlynn Strate, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Yasmen* Azlynn Strate, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Mess* Azlynn Strate, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Blue Boy* Shelby Tisdale, 10<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Julius* 

### Silver Key Winners

Oscar Clemente, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Breakthrough* Cheyanne Jimenez, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Self-Portrait* Abby Parrish, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Ceramics & Glass, *A Mug on a Mug* Azlynn Strate, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Chaotic Thoughts* 

# **Honorable Mention Awards**

Abby Parrish, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Anxiety Breaks the Mind* Abby Parrish, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *Focus on the Light* Abby Parrish, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Drawing & Illustration, *The Queen and Her King* Abby Parrish, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Ceramics & Glass, *Fairy House* Niki Pierce, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Ceramics & Glass, *Bastet* 

Gold and Silver Key Award winners will advance to compete nationally, and their works will be displayed at the Mississippi Museum of Art. Honorable Mention Award winners will have their works included as part of an online exhibit locally and on the national Scholastic website. Congratulations to these art students and their PHS art teachers!

Congratulations to the January 2019 Pearl Public School District Employees of the Month:

Classified Staff of the Month: Melissa VanBuren, Finance

Certified Staff of the Month: Brittany Massey, PJHS

Administrator of the Month: Nikki Graham, PNE

The PPSD Employees of the Month Program is sponsored by the Pearl Educational Foundation for Excellence.

- The PJHS PTSO will hold its 6<sup>th</sup> annual Beauty and Beau Review on Saturday, January 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the William Dodson Performing Arts Center on the campus of Pearl High School. Reserved seating will be sold for \$10 in the PJHS main office. General admission tickets cost \$5 per person.
- Information packets for tryouts for the 2019-2020 PHS and PJHS Pirates' Crew Dance Teams was released on January 11 and will be available until January 30. The signed form and tryout fee are due by close of school on January 31 to Coach Kelly or Coach Gatlin. No late entries will be accepted.
- There will be an interest meeting for students wishing to try out for the 2019-2020 PJHS Cheer Team on Tuesday, January 22, at 6:00 p.m. in the PJHS library. Any student wishing to try out must attend this meeting with a parent.
- The Raymond Campus at Hinds CC is hosting its annual Senior Preview Day on Friday, February 1. It's a great time for seniors to meet faculty and staff, learn about academic and career/technical programs of study, as well as information about transfer options, financial aid, scholarships, housing, and student clubs. There will be over 50 booths for students to visit at this expo-style event, plus students can enjoy campus tours, free food, and prizes. Parents are welcome. Click <a href="here">here</a> to register online.
- Boardwalk Pipeline Scholarship applications are available to PHS seniors with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and a strong record of leadership and service. Recipients in the past have had high ACT scores. One PHS student will be awarded this \$1,000 scholarship. Visit <a href="https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/boardwalkpipelinepartners">https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/boardwalkpipelinepartners</a> for more information and to apply. The deadline to apply is February 12.
- The Hinds Foundation Scholarship packet deadline is Feb 15. To apply, students should visit <a href="https://www.hindscc.edu/offices/advancement-student-success/foundation/Foundation-Scholarships">https://www.hindscc.edu/offices/advancement-student-success/foundation/Foundation-Scholarships</a>. Seniors going to HCC next year are strongly encouraged to apply.
- We need your help! According to the CDC, Autism now affects 1 in 59 children. In order to help raise awareness of Autism Spectrum Disorders, the self-contained special education classes at Pearl Junior High School will be selling Autism Awareness T-shirts. The money earned from the sale of these t-shirts will help pay for field trips within the community and extra resources often used within the classroom to help stimulate and increase language and social awareness skills. The t-shirts will be on sale from now until February 8, and you will have them in time to wear during Autism Awareness Month in April. Please see the attached flyer for more information on ordering your t-shirt(s). For further information, contact Ginny Hobby at ghobby@pearl.com. Thank you, in advance, for your help.

- Interested in becoming a substitute teacher in Pearl Schools? Contact Kelly Educational Staffing at 601.939.4113, extension 1 to learn about the process and the benefits or click this link for more information and to apply: Kelly Services Substitute Teacher Application.
- The 2018-19 PJHS Pirate Pride Yearbook is on sale now! Get yours now for a cost of \$40. Extra yearbooks will not be available if you do not preorder. See Mr. Quick or a member of the PJHS Yearbook Staff to order yours today!
- The United States Navy Band will present a free concert on Sunday, February 24, at 3:00 p.m. in the William Dodson Performing Arts Center on the campus of Pearl High School. Admission is free, but tickets are required and must be reserved through the Pearl High School Band website at <a href="https://www.pearlpirateband.org">www.pearlpirateband.org</a>. Tickets may be picked up from the band department at PHS beginning Monday, January 14. Contact Matt Rowan for more information, <a href="mrowan@pearlk12.com">mrowan@pearlk12.com</a> or 601-932-7939.
- Pearl Lower Elementary will host its Parents as Partners meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 24. "To-Go" meals will be served for families with tickets. See your student's newsletter or contact the main office for information about getting signing up to attend this event and to get your meal tickets.



For a complete listing of all athletic events, visit the <u>Director's Corner</u> on the district website.

#### Atheletic Events January 20 to January 26

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	(Time TBA) MLK Tournament Varsity Boys HS Basketball AWAY	5:00 pm Varsity Boys & Girls HS Basketball vs Natchez High School AWAY		2:00 pm Pearl Girls Invitational Varsity HS Powerlifting HOME	(Time TBA) Last Chance Invitational Varsity HS Indoor Track & Field AWAY	(Time TBA) Last Chance Invitational Varsity HS Indoor Track & Field AWAY
	(Time TBA) MLK Track Classic Varsity HS Indoor Track & Field AWAY	5:30 pm Varsity HS Soccer vs Jim Hill High School HOME		4:00 pm Varsity HS Bowling vs Germantown High School AWAY	2:00 pm Pearl Boys Invitational Varsity HS Powerlifting HOME	
				5:00 pm JVG & JVB JV Soccer vs Brandon High School AWAY	5:00 pm Varsity & JV HS Basketball vs Brandon High School HOME	

# **Upcoming Dates**

- o 1/21: MLK Holiday (No School)
- o 1/25: PLE Party with the Principal
- o 1/25: PNE Party with the Principal
- o 1/25: PUE Students of the Month
- 1/25: PJHS Courtyard for Attendance
- o 1/31: PJHS Pirate P-R-I-D-E Party

o 1/31: PHS Powder Puff Football Game

○ 2/1: ECEC Fairy Tale Day

o 2/1: PNE PBIS P-R-I-D-E Store

o 2/9: PHS Military Ball

o 2/11: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Preview Night

As always, it's a great day to be a Pirate!

The mission of Pearl Public School District is to prepare each student to become a lifelong learner, achieve individual goals, and positively impact a global society.

