Congratulations to PHS Senior Lauren Pope for being named to the 2019 *Clarion Ledger* All-State Softball Team Second Team.

Congratulations to Jason Collier, Willie Hedrick, and Patrick Spurgeon for being named to the 2019 *Clarion Ledger* All-State Track & Field Team.

Congratulations to the PHS Boys Track & Field Team for winning the 6A State Championship and to the Girls Track & Field Team for taking second. What an outstanding season for both teams! The following athletes won individual titles:
- David Adams: 3200m Champion
- Clare Pinter: 3200m Champion
- Patrick Spurgeon: 1600m Champion
- Niquez Wade: Discus Champion
- Jason Collier: Pole Vault Champion

To celebrate the 2019 6A State Championship—and the 16th state track & field championship and 54th overall for the PHS Track & Field and Cross Country Programs at Pearl High School—we are in the process of ordering state championship rings and need your help. There are two ways you can help. The first option is to buy a state championship shirt for $20.00 (short sleeve) or $25.00 (long sleeve). (See the attached order form for a picture.) For every shirt sold, the athlete of your choosing will receive funds towards his ring. The second option is to donate money to help an athlete pay for his ring. If you make a donation, you can donate any dollar amount or purchase a ring at the cost of $350.00. All checks should be made payable to the Pearl Track Club. Orders and payments/donations are due Wednesday, May 22, and can be turned in to Mrs. Rast at PHS and to Coach Barnett at PJHS.

The Summer Math Challenge is a free math program designed to help kids retain math skills learned during the previous year. The six-week program offers daily emails with fun activities and resources at your child’s ability level. Who is it designed for? The Summer Math Challenge is designed for students who have just completed grade 1 through 8. See the attached flyer for more information.

Today is the last day to place your order for a Class of 2020 Senior Jerseys. Both football jerseys ($50) and baseball jerseys ($60) are available. See the attached order form for pictures of the jersey designs. Make checks payable to the PHS Class of 2020. Contact Denise Coghlan at 601.932.7937 for more information.

The PHS Football Team will participate in a spring jamboree at Clinton High School today, May 17, at 3:00 p.m. Admission is $5, and only MHSAA State Passes will be accepted. All fans will use the home entrance. Only authorized school officials will be allowed on the track and turf areas.

All are invited to come out for a benefit pancake fundraiser on May 18 from 7:00-10:00 a.m. at Applebee’s in Brandon on behalf of former PHS Pirate Football Player Willie Brown. Tickets are $5 and can be purchased at Pearl High School or at Applebee’s on Saturday. All proceeds will go to Willie’s medical expenses.
All are invited to a free concert of the Mississippi Community Symphonic Band on May 19 at 3:00 p.m. in the William Dodson Performing Arts Center on the campus of Pearl High School. See the attached flyer for more details.

The following tryout dates have been set. Contact the Athletic Department for more information.

- PHS Boys Basketball Tryouts: May 20-22
- PHS Baseball: May 20-21
- PJHS Baseball: May 22-23

Semester exams will be given May 20-23, and May 24 will be a 60% day. Only breakfast will be served on this day.

Any student in 6th – 11th grades interested in running Summer Track & Field should contact Coach Barnett or Coach Kersh.

Parents are invited to celebrate their students’ hard work and accomplishments during the school year at our end-of-the-year awards ceremonies. Please check teacher newsletters and school websites for additional information regarding times.

- May 20: 6th Grade Awards in Pirate Auditorium at 6:00 p.m. and 7th Grade Awards at 7:00 p.m.
- May 21: ECEC End-of-the-Year Program in Pirate Auditorium at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
- May 21: 8th Grade Awards in Pirate Auditorium at 6:00 p.m.
- May 22: 4th Grade Awards Day at PUE
- May 23: 5th Grade Awards Day at PUE

Student meal accounts will not be allowed to go into a negative balance. No charging is allowed at this point in the school year. All meal account charges must be paid in full before the last day of school. The last day to accept meal payments in the cafeterias and online will be May 24, 2019.

PARENTS OF GRADUATING STUDENTS OR STUDENTS LEAVING THE DISTRICT: Be sure to turn off all automatic payments. Refunds are only issued during the same school year when a student leaves the district upon graduation or withdrawal. The request for a refund should be made as early as possible but no later than the last school day of the school year, May 24, 2019. Refund requests for previous school years cannot be granted.

PPSD will once again offer a summer meal program May 28-June 28. Breakfast and lunch will be served free of charge for individuals 18 years old and younger. Individuals older than 18 may purchase meals. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

The PHS Theatre and Choral Departments will hold a Super Hero Summer Showtime Camp for students in 4K-6th grade. Camp will be held May 28-31 in the William Dodson Performing Arts Center on the campus of Pearl High School with a free performance at noon on May 31. Early registration through May 24 is $100. Same-day registration will be $115. See the attached flyer for more details.
The Pearl High School football coaching staff will conduct a summer football camp for students in grades K-6 from June 5-7 at Pearl Junior High School. The PHS coaching staff will instruct campers in the fundamentals of football. The camp will begin daily at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 12:00 noon. A concession stand will be open each day for campers. The cost is $60.00 per child, which includes a camp T-shirt, certificate, and the opportunity to lead the Pirates onto the field through our huge Pearl Pirate Inflatable (Bucky) for our first home game against Warren Central on August 30. See the attached flyer for more information.

The city of Pearl is currently working toward creating a comprehensive plan to help guide its future efforts in community development that will demonstrate the aspirations our citizens have for our city. The timeframe for this project will take approximately two years due to the extensive work involved. All asked to provide input by completing a survey: CLICK HERE FOR SURVEY. The feedback gathered from this survey will assist city officials in gathering precise data that will shape the outcome of the Comprehensive Plan.

Upcoming Dates
- 5/28: Summer School at PHS Begins

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.