



# We Are Pontiac

## Daily Announcements

for

# Thursday, April 7, 2016

## Enter to Learn, Depart to Serve

### Our Mission

We are committed to the development of our students as adaptive learners, global thinkers, and responsible citizens through collaboration across our school community.

### Announcements:

- Boys Basketball Players – please pick up your pictures in the Athletic Office.
- Wear Blue Day:** Friday, April 8, for Child Abuse Prevention Month. Learn more at <http://www.preventchildabuseillinois.org/>
- H.O.S.A. is having it's annual spring "food" drive starting today and going through next Friday. On Friday students who donate 3 non-perishable items or \$2.00 will get a sticker and a treat. 1st hour class with the most items collected will get donuts from me. Any non-perishable items can be donated. Items can be brought to room 10.
- The 4th annual Run for Respect will be held on Saturday, April 16, at Pontiac Township High School. Help us Spread the Word to End the Word by replacing the r-word with RESPECT! All proceeds benefit from the Run for Respect benefit Special Olympics Illinois and Pontiac Township High School's Peers In Action programs. Please check out our web page. If you have questions, please contact Laura Baumgardner at 815-844-6113 or [lbaumgardner@pontiac90.org](mailto:lbaumgardner@pontiac90.org).
- Attention SENIORS: Troy Hall with Jostens will be here to deliver your 2016 Graduation Order on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> During Lunch Hours. Please see your invoice for all payment options on or before the delivery date. Any senior that still needs to turn in their cap and gown order, you may do so at this time. Any student may place an order for a class ring that day as well. Contact Jostens if you have any questions.
- PTHS will be conducting Young Hearts for Life on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, students need to register for this screening by Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. [Please click on this link for more information..](#)

### Calendar:

[Click here to link directly to the school calendar.](#)

Thursday, April 7

- Boys Varsity Tennis vs St. Bede @ 4:00pm
- Boys Freshman Baseball @ Ottawa @ 4:30pm
- Boys Sophomore Baseball vs Mahomet-Seymour @ 4:30pm
- Boys Varsity Baseball vs Mahomet-Seymour @ 4:30pm
- Girls JV Softball @ Mahomet-Seymour @ 5:00pm
- Girls Varsity Softball @ Mahomet-Seymour @ 5:00pm
- Drumline Auditions @ 7:00pm

### Food Service Menu:

**Breakfast:** Pancakes, Syrup, Grapes, Applesauce, 1% Milk

**Ala-Carte:** Hot Sub, Hot Dog, Goulash, Sausage Pizza

**Lunch:** Goulash/Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Cucumbers, Garlic Bread, Applesauce, Grapes, 1% Milk

### Freshmen Learning Community Weekly:

[Click here to link directly to information about our FLC.](#)

Welcome back from your Spring Break... Only a few short months until your Freshman year is over. Make sure that you are taking your last weeks of the school year seriously. Make sure you are communicating with teachers about missing assignments/projects, coordinating make-up assessments and re-takes. It is important that all of you finish the semester strong and pre-prepare well for finals. With one semester of finals under your belt have discussions with peers and FLC teachers to learn how to better prepare to make your end of the year an Excellent One! Good Luck and Go Indians!

### Counselor News:

At this time students should have met with their counselors to finalize their registration for next school year. If your child has not please have them see their guidance counselor as soon as possible.

- [April High School Years Newsletter](#)
- [ACT Online Prep](#)
- [Scholarships and Financial Aid](#)



## Providing Free, Focused Practice

### Making excellence easier

In partnership with Khan Academy®, the College Board is offering free, personalized online practice resources for all students. Official SAT™ Practice on [khanacademy.org](http://khanacademy.org) is the only one of its kind developed in collaboration with the writers and developers of the SAT.

Our partnership offers students and educators:

- ▶ Personalized online practice that complements classroom instruction.
- ▶ An unprecedented view into the design of the SAT.
- ▶ Free access — anytime, anywhere.

### Personalized Study Plans

Official SAT Practice provides students with a personalized SAT study plan based on their performance on the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT™ 10, or PSAT™ 8/9. Students taking the PSAT/NMSQT in October 2015 and the redesigned SAT in March 2016 will be able to receive their personalized practice plans after scores are released.

This adaptive practice experience is tailored to each student's strengths and weaknesses, using official test materials and supported by Khan Academy resources.

Available resources include:

- ▶ Interactive questions, video lessons, and reference articles made in partnership with the College Board.
- ▶ Thousands of practice questions across the tests, reviewed and approved by the College Board.
- ▶ Four official full-length SAT Practice Tests written by the College Board.
- ▶ Short diagnostic quizzes in both Math and Evidence-Based Reading and Writing.

[sat.org/officialpractice](http://sat.org/officialpractice)



## Tied to Classroom Learning

The best preparation for the SAT Suite of Assessments is classroom learning. Working hard and engaging in challenging course work helps students build the knowledge they need to be successful on the tests and, in turn, ready for college and career training programs.

Official SAT Practice on [khanacademy.org](http://khanacademy.org) links to classroom learning and will guide students to:

- ▶ Focus on the knowledge and skills necessary for college readiness and success.
- ▶ Review any knowledge gaps demonstrated in their SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or PSAT 8/9 performance.
- ▶ Practice within the most appropriate content areas.
- ▶ Build familiarity with the SAT format, question styles, and testing experience.

## About Khan Academy

Khan Academy is a nonprofit whose mission is to provide a free, world-class education for anyone, anywhere. Khan Academy provides free online educational experiences that support personalized education for users of all ages in a scalable way.

## Additional Resources

The following resources are also available to help students prepare:

- ▶ *The Official SAT Study Guide™*
- ▶ Mobile app for daily question practice
- ▶ *Getting Ready* guides shipped to schools
- ▶ Full SAT and PSAT/NMSQT practice tests downloadable at [sat.org/officialpractice](http://sat.org/officialpractice)

To explore Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy, visit [satpractice.org](http://satpractice.org).

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