Good evening John Poole Middle School families,

This is Mr. Green with your weekly updates for January 29 - February 2, 2024.

It’s hard to believe we are officially at the halfway point of the 2023-2024 school year.  Tuesday also starts quarter 3 which means many students will be switching from PE to Health as well as from Health back to PE.  Signs will be posted in the PE hallway with classroom locations for Health classes.  This information is also in StudentVUE.

There is NO SCHOOL on Monday, January 29th.  This is a professional day for teachers and staff.

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PTSA Winter Social

The PTSA is excited to share that the Winter Social is on **Friday, Feb 2, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM**. This event is open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. There's a variety of activities for your kids to enjoy:

🏀 **Open Gym Fun:** Students will unleash their energy with friendly sports activities.

📚 **Media Center Oasis:** For those who prefer a quieter setting, the media center is open for reading and playing board games with friends.

🎧 **Dance Extravaganza:** Ready to groove? Join the dance floor and sway to the beats of our fantastic DJ.

Whether your child loves sports, enjoys quiet activities, or is a dance enthusiast, we've got it all covered. \*Pizza, Snacks and water will be served.

The Winter Social committee is looking for chaperones and food donations. If you are interested in helping, please click on the links below.

Chaperoning: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FAEAE2EA0F8CF8-winter#/](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.signupgenius.com%2Fgo%2F10C0C4FAEAE2EA0F8CF8-winter%23%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cjon_green%40mcpsmd.org%7Cf581c0445ce54bc48e3b08dc19318445%7Cddf755e9bcd64a5ea4727c378a78c6c7%7C0%7C0%7C638412947680126056%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=uhbLtMDjcBW%2BAU5mRUwwhTX%2FyFDiaeHM5D1dxR%2FCLcc%3D&reserved=0)

Food Donations: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FAEAE2EA0F8CF8-47238427-food](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.signupgenius.com%2Fgo%2F10C0C4FAEAE2EA0F8CF8-47238427-food&data=05%7C02%7Cjon_green%40mcpsmd.org%7Cf581c0445ce54bc48e3b08dc19318445%7Cddf755e9bcd64a5ea4727c378a78c6c7%7C0%7C0%7C638412947680143358%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=X6MD5b7qvvDNLTTVmLDr%2FL3qcRp1bDfgVqUcI9fvzis%3D&reserved=0)

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**Drama Production Update**

Per parent requests, numerous snow days, and the loss of practice time, our show days have changed again.  The first Friday cast will be performing on Friday, February 9, 2024 at 6:30 pm.  The second Friday cast will be performing on Friday, February 16, 2024 at 6:30 pm.  Next week, the first Friday cast will be practicing on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 - Thursday, January 25, 2024.  The second cast will be practicing the following week - Tuesday, January 30 - Thursday, February 01, 2024.  We hope to see you then!

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**Poolesville HS 8th grade Informational Meeting**

Attention 8th grade families.  There will be a high school informational meeting for all incoming 9th grade families on February 1 at 6:30 pm.

**JPMS 8th Grade Parent Night**

**Poolesville High School Informational Meeting for the Class of 2028**

**February 1st at 6:30 P.M.**

**Virtual - Webinar**

[**https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/85188156854?pwd=blFhdlFpT3cycS9Xa2J4UXBwb2E1dz09**](https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/85188156854?pwd=blFhdlFpT3cycS9Xa2J4UXBwb2E1dz09)

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Please mark your calendars for these important upcoming events:

Thursday, February 1 - Virtual 8th Grade PHS parent night

Friday, February 2 - PTSA Winter Social, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Tuesday, February 6 - Basketball vs. Lakelands Park MS.  Boys are home, Girls are at LPMS

Thursday, February 8 - Basketball vs. Ridgeview MS.  Boys are home, Girls are at Ridgeview MS

Friday, February 9 - Drama Production, Parents Just Don’t Understand

Wednesday, February 14 - Basketball vs. Clemente MS.  Boys are home, Girls are at RCMS MS

Friday, February 16 - Drama Production, Parents Just Don’t Understand

Monday, February 19 - NO SCHOOL.  Schools and Offices are closed

Thursday, February 22 - Basketball vs. Neelsville MS.  Girls are home, Boys are at Neelsville MS

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Have a great night and a wonderful week!

Mr. Green