

PTEC NEWS

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23-24

● APRIL 11, 2024 ●



UPCOMING

April 12 - CMAS 11th & 6-8th, no school for grades 9, 10, & 12.

April 15 - CMAS 6-8th, SAT 11th, no school for grades 9, 10, & 12.

April 16 - PSAT 9 & 10, CMAS 8th, no school for grades 6, 7, 11 & 12.

April 17 - CMAS 6-8th, no school for grades 9-12th.

April 19 - Staff day, no students

April 22 - No School

April 24/April 29-May 3 - Admin Prof. Day & Teacher Appreciation Week

May 10, 13, 14 - Senior Finals

May 16 - 12PM release, End of year BBQ and Car Show

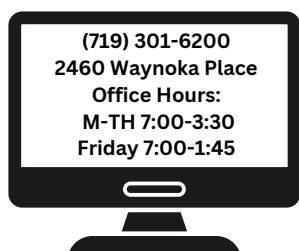
May 17-23 - 11AM release, 6th-11th grade finals

MAY 23rd LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

July 31 - Head Start Day/End of Summer Social/Picture Day



Attendance - please email PTECattendance@jamesirwin.org or call (719) 301-6200 and select 1 for attendance.



JUST IN

Attention! There is a change to the master calendar for second semester due to a change in the test dates from College Board.

Please note: Release times may vary due to student testing times.

Friday, April 12th: CMAS Science Grade 11 and CMAS MATH Grades 6-8. Grades 9, 10, & 12: No School.

Testing ends at/about 12:00. Bus departure 12:15, no lunches.

Monday, April 15th: SAT Grade 11 and CMAS ELA Grades 6-8. Grades 9, 10, & 12: No School.

Testing ends at/about 12:00. Bus departure 12:15, no lunches.

Tuesday, April 16th: PSAT 9, PSAT 10, and CMAS Science Grade 8. Grades 6, 7, 11, & 12: No School.

Testing ends at/about 10:45. Bus departure 11:00, no lunches.

Wednesday, April 17th: CMAS ELA/Science Grades 6-8. Grades 9-12: No School.

Testing ends at/about 11:45. Grades 6/7 held in gym while 8th finishes Science unit 3. Bus departure 12:00, no lunches.

Thursday, April 18th: Regular school day, all students in attendance.

Friday, April 19th: Staff Day, no students

Monday, April 22nd: No School

Congratulations to Lisa Rice on her well-deserved retirement! Since 2018, Mrs. Rice has been the warm and welcoming face of PTEC as the Office Receptionist. Along with her husband Skip, they are one of the founding families of James Irwin Charter Schools, 25 years ago. Her dedication and kindness have left an indelible mark on everyone she has interacted with. Beyond her professional contributions, Lisa's commitment to her family, including her husband of 45 years and her children, Alexandria and Jared, who have all been valued members of the JI team, is truly admirable. Her joy in spending time with her grandbaby and family, along with her passions for gardening and quilting, reflect the depth of her character and the richness of her life beyond the office. As she embarks on this new chapter, we extend our heartfelt wishes for a retirement filled with joy, relaxation, and the fulfillment of all her dreams. She will be concluding her tenure at the end of the school year.



Please feel free to drop by and leave a note of appreciation and encouragement for her as she embarks on this new chapter.

Congratulations, Mrs. Rice!

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Join us in extending a warm welcome to Mrs. Egbert! This school year, she'll be training alongside Mrs. Rice in the front office, gearing up to become our new front office receptionist next year. With her dedication and enthusiasm, Mrs. Egbert is set to be an invaluable addition to our team. Let's give her our full support as she embarks on this exciting journey with us!

High School students-The UCCS GenCyber Camp, funded by the NSA, is hosting a cybersecurity training camp this summer. This is one you won't want to miss. For 1 week, UCCS will host 20 high school students to learn about cybersecurity. They will teach students the basic skills of defending a computer network by using the Network Defender Essentials curriculum. The week-long camp will be filled with tips, tricks, and hands-on activities. Please see Mrs. Longoria, olga.longoria@jamesirwin.org

Attention Juniors: If your diploma type consists of the Work-based and Innovative Learning Opportunity Program (ILOP), we have an upcoming meeting. The student and a legal guardian will need to be in attendance of this meeting on Thursday, April 25, at 5:30PM. This will help you understand the requirements to be part of this program next school year. Not sure if you have that diploma type? Want to have that diploma type? Please see Mrs. Longoria, olga.longoria@jamesirwin.org



PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED

Yearbooks can ONLY be purchased online. You can even add photos or purchase an advertisement. For more information, please contact Mrs. Chamillard at megan.chamillard@jamesirwin.org



[Click here to order yearbook](#)

4/4-4/10 price \$60

4/12 after production price \$76.50

Attention Juniors and Seniors! Prom is Friday, April 19th 7-11pm at the Doubletree World Arena in partnership with JICHHS. Tickets sales will be extended until Monday, April 15th : \$60 for a single and \$90 for a couple. All PTEC students must have Outside Guest Forms completed to attend which are due Monday, April 15th. All things prom related goes through Mrs. Douglas (alex.rice@jamesirwin.org) in office 2006. Be sure to follow the Formal Dance Dress Code. You can find the formal policy on page 32 of JICHHS handbook: [Click here](#)



Bussing Application is now available. Found under step 2 of yearly registration: [Click Here](#) Email the completed form to our transportation manager, Mr. Brining at ray.brining@jamesirwin.org or submit the completed form to our front office. **** TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED ON A FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED BASIS ****

As stated on the 2023-24 Parent Commitment form: As a supportive PTEC parent, **I understand my student may not be absent during October count window, OR finals in December and May. If my student is absent during finals, I understand that my student will receive a zero for any missed final and no make-ups are given. **Please note dates of finals. Seniors May 13th & 14th. 6th-11th grades May 17th, 20th-23rd.****

Save the Date: PTEC's 4th Annual Golf Tournament - June 17, 2024!

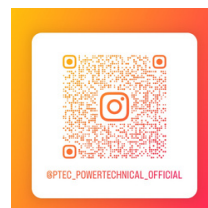
Get ready for an exhilarating day on the greens! PTEC is thrilled to announce that our 4th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on June 17, 2024. For all the details, including registration and more, [Click Here](#). We're on the lookout for sponsors and welcome donations to make this event unforgettable. If you're interested or want more info, contact Mrs. Grenier at jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org. Let's make this tournament a swingin' success!



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[Click here for PTEC's private Families only Facebook page.](#)

Follow our official Instagram page here:



DID YOU KNOW?

You can email teachers directly from your IC account.
Or found on our website: [Click here for Our Staff](#)

You can find the **lunch menu** on our website:
[Click here for lunch menu](#)

We have a **School Counselor Department**.
Referral forms can be found on the website.
Students can request an appointment.
Parents and staff can also refer students.
[Click here for the counselor department.](#)

Yearbooks can now be purchased online. You can even add photos or purchase an advertisement. For more information, please contact Mrs. Chamillard at megan.chamillard@jamesirwin.org
[Click here to order yearbook](#)

Uniforms: We are always in need of used uniforms for our uniform closet in the front office. These are used for students in need during the school year. Need to order more?

[Uniform Link: Click Here](#)



Cell Phone Policy Reminder

- Cell phones can be in students' backpacks or lockers, powered down during the day.
- During the school day, cell phones should not be on a student's person.
- No student cell phones out or in use from 7:30 am to 3:15 pm



WISHLIST & FAVORITE THINGS

Our staff has a list of their own "My Favorite Things". Do you want to surprise your student's teacher with their favorite candy, drink, snack or classroom wishlist item? Please email Mrs. Grenier - jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org for more information.

Our Teachers and Staff have an Amazon Wishlist!
Click the link below or copy and paste.
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/16KOM7N9UYNEJ?ref=wl_share

Some items in need are acoustic panels for the gym/cafeteria and a portable stage.

ACTIVITIES, CLUBS, & SPORTS

Art club - When: Wednesdays 3:15-4:00 PM
Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: emily.baker@jamesirwin.org
Where: Ms. Baskett's classroom # 1083

Card/Pokémon club - When: Thursdays 3:15-4:15 PM
Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: angelo.jaramillo@jamesirwin.org
Where: Mr. Jaramillo's classroom #1102

Career Technical Student Organization (CTSO) -

When: Second Tuesday of every month
Who: Grades 9-12.

Contact: andrew.jaussi@jamesirwin.org
Where: Mr. Jaussi's classroom #1107

Chess club - When: Wednesdays 3:15-4:15 PM
Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: drew.robertson@jamesirwin.org
Where: Mr. Robertson's classroom #1082

Crafty Corner club -

When: Tuesdays and Wednesdays 3:15-4:15 PM
Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: lauren.hunsaker@jamesirwin.org
Where: Mrs. Hunsaker's classroom #1088

Crazy Card club -

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15-4PM
Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: megan.chamillard@jamesirwin.org
Where: Mrs. Chamillard's classroom #1092

E-Sports - When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15-4 PM
Who: Grades 6-12

Contact: brandon.espinoza@jamesirwin.org
Where: Mr. Espinoza's classroom # 1097

Magic the Gathering club -

When: Mondays 3:20-4:30 PM
Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: ryland.negrete@jamesirwin.org
Where: Mr. Negrete's classroom #1063

Track & Field off season High School

Practice - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:15PM.

Contact Mr. Baker for more information.
chad.baker@jamesirwin.org.

Morning Weightlifting Club

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays mornings
6:15 AM-7:15 AM

Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: codey.martin@jamesirwin.org
Where: Mr. Martin's room #1028

Dear PTEC parent or guardian,

PTEC's required state assessments begin this Friday. I would like to thank you in advance for helping your student make testing a positive experience.

CMAS (Colorado Measures of Academic Success), PSAT9, PSAT10, and SAT tests are assessments that the Colorado Department of Education uses to measure the success of students, as well as the efficacy of schools. PTEC is evaluated on the percentage of students who are assessed, student performance, and student growth data from year to year. We are very proud to say that we received a rating of "Performance" last year.

To make your student's testing experience as smooth as possible, please help us make sure your student is ready for each testing day. Here are a few simple tips to help the day run smoothly:

1. Encourage your student to get 8-10 hours of sleep the night before the test.
2. In the morning, ensure your student has a good breakfast, no lunches served.
3. Students should be in appropriate PTEC dress code on all testing days. (No fun shirt Friday this week.)
4. Encourage your student to use this as an opportunity to show their best work and everything they have learned so far.
5. Pack a water bottle and a snack for your student's break time during testing.
6. Plan to have your student at school by 7:20 am each day that they are testing. If your student is ill, please contact us by 7:30 so that we know not to expect your student and can begin arrangements for make-up testing.
7. Leave all electronic devices at home (cell phones, smart watches, game systems, etc.). These devices have to be confiscated by staff if they are brought to school during testing and held until the end of the test day. (There are exemptions for medical monitoring devices.) If you need to communicate a message to your student, please contact the front office and the message will be relayed during a break or once testing is completed.
8. Everything they need for the test will be provided (pencils, scratch paper, etc.).
 - a. Middle school students may bring a novel to read if they finish early.
 - b. High school students may bring a SAT approved calculator of their own if they choose. Calculator software is included in the testing program.
 - c. Backpacks and other school materials can stay at home.
9. Students must complete a test session once they have begun it. This means that students should not be picked up early except in a medical emergency.
10. The bus to main campus will depart PTEC Friday at 12:15, Monday at 12:15, Tuesday at 11:15, and Wednesday at 12:15.

The testing schedule is as follows, weather permitting.
No lunches served.

	Friday 4/12 CMAS Math (6-8) CMAS Science (11)	Monday 4/15 CMAS ELA (6-8) SAT (11)	Tuesday 4/16 PSAT 10 PSAT 9 CMAS Science (8)	Wednesday 4/17 CMAS ELA (6-8) CMAS Science (8)
6th and 7th Grade	7:30 - 12:00 Extended Time: 7:30 - 2:00 (includes lunch break)	7:30 - 12:00 Extended Time: 7:30 - 2:00 (includes lunch break)	No School	7:30 - 10:15 Extended Time: 7:30 - 10:45
8th Grade	7:30 - 12:00 Extended Time: 7:30 - 2:00 (includes lunch break)	7:30 - 12:00 Extended Time: 7:30 - 2:00 (includes lunch break)	7:30 - 11:00 Extended Time: 7:30 - 12:30 (includes lunch break)	7:30 - 12:00 Extended Time: 7:30 - 2:00 (includes lunch break)
9th and 10th Grade	No School	No School	7:30 - 10:45 Extended Time: 7:30 - 12:00	No School
11th Grade	7:30 - 10:40 Extended Time: 7:30 - 11:40	7:30 - 10:45 Extended Time: 7:30 - 12:00	No School	No School

Thank you for your support! Please feel free to reach out via email to kelly.dias@jamesirwin.org with any questions you have regarding testing. I will get back to you as soon as possible. Please note that I respond to emails during school hours.

Sincerely,

Kelly Dias

Curriculum, Assessment, and Intervention

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Teacher & Faculty Appreciation **WEEK**

APRIL 29 - MAY 3

• *Monday*

Motivational Monday

Provide snacks and drinks to Teacher's Lounge, Amazon wishlist items.

• *Tuesday*

Rising up to excellence

Provide waffles and Breakfast.

• *Wednesday*

Raise the bar.
Our teachers raise the bar.

Provide a Potato Bar.

• *Friday*

Fun Friday

Stock the "woot-woot wagon" with classroom supplies, snacks, and drinks.

• *Thursday*

Thankful Thursday

Provide thank you notes to teachers.

Amazon wish list



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For more information email:
jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org

NOW HIRING!

F.L.Y. INTERNS FOR SUMMER 2024



F.L.Y. (Food-systems Leadership for Youth) is an 8 week PAID summer internship for local high school aged youth. Come learn, work and connect to the Colorado Springs Community.



Who qualifies?

- Youth ages 15-18
- Living in Colorado Springs
- With interest in learning about food justice

Schedule:

- Tuesdays + Thursdays 9am-3pm
- June 4th - July 25th, 2024



APPLY HERE BY APRIL 30TH



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