

# PTEC NEWS

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● JANUARY 11, 2024 ●



## UPCOMING

- January 15** - No school, MLK Jr. Day
- Jan. 17, 18, 22, 23** - MAPS testing
- Jan. 30** - College Endorsement meeting, 5PM
- February 12-16** - Spirit Week
- Feb. 14** - Valentine's Grams see Guild Council
- Feb. 19** - No School, President's Day
- Feb. 22** - 11:30 AM release, no lunch served, Parent Teacher Conferences 12:15 - 6 PM
- Feb. 28** - Blood Drive see Guild Council
- March 1** - 24/25 Yearly Registration Opens
- March 2** - Art Show
- March 4** - Blue Collar Tour
- March 7** - 11:30AM release, no lunch served
- March 8** - End of 3rd Quarter
- March 22** - 24/25 Yearly Registration Due
- March 25-29** - Spring Break, no school
- April 8-11** - in session, regular school hours
- 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, & 12.
- April 17** - CMAS 6-8th, no school for grades 9-12th.
- April 19** - Staff day, no students
- April 22** - No School

### PTEC

(719) 301-6200  
2460 Waynoka Place  
Office Hours:  
M-TH 7:00-3:30  
Friday 7:00-1:45

\*new hours listed above beginning January 9th

## JUST IN

**ATTENTION**

**New Front Office hours: Beginning Jan. 9th**

M-Th 7am to 3:30pm, Fri. - 7am to 1:45pm

**Attention! There is a change to the master calendar for second semester** due to a change in the test dates from College Board. (see letter on pg 4)  
Classes will be held as usual April 8-11th.

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

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

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

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

Planning for our **4th annual golf tournament** has begun...please mark your calendars for June 17th at the Colorado Springs Country Club. If you would like to sponsor/play/volunteer or contribute a prize for the raffle, please contact [ptecgolf@gmail.com](mailto:ptecgolf@gmail.com).

PTEC's point of contact is Jamie Grenier please email her with any questions you may have. [jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org](mailto:jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org)  
More information to follow in the coming weeks!

Dear PTEC Families,

As we prepare for the upcoming graduation ceremony at PTEC, we are reaching out to our valued community for support in enhancing our gym/cafeteria facility. Given that we are situated in a new building with innovative spaces, we currently lack specific necessities to appropriately accommodate our graduation ceremony. To ensure an optimal environment for this significant event, we are currently in need of baffling for acoustical improvement and a portable stage.

These enhancements will contribute to creating a more conducive and memorable experience for our graduating students and their families. If you are interested in contributing to this cause, we have provided convenient links for the donation of specific items. Kindly access the following links:

[Click here for baffle](#) [Click here for acoustic panels](#)

[Click here for portable stage needs 2](#) OR

[Click here for portable stage needs 4](#)

For those who prefer to make a cash donation, we encourage you to reach out to Jamie Grenier, our Communications Secretary, at [jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org](mailto:jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org).

Your generosity will directly impact the success and atmosphere of our graduation ceremony, assemblies, and events, ensuring that we can support having graduation here at PTEC. We appreciate your support tremendously!

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# 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 can refer students, and also available for staff/admin.  
[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](mailto: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](#)



*Ian Cuccaro -  
Mr. Jaramillo's  
Construction Shop class.*

## 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](mailto: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](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

**E-Sports** - When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15-4 PM  
Who: Grades 6-12  
Contact: [brandon.espinoza@jamesirwin.org](mailto:brandon.espinoza@jamesirwin.org)  
Where: Mr. Espinoza's classroom # 1097

**Weightlifting Club**  
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays mornings  
6:15 AM-7:15 AM  
Who: Grades 6-12.  
Contact: [codey.martin@jamesirwin.org](mailto:codey.martin@jamesirwin.org)  
Where: Mr. Martin's room #1028

High School Off Season Track & Field  
Begins Thursday Feb 8th. Cost \$125.

Practices will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:15PM. Official start date is February 26th. Athletes must have a sports physical on file with Mr. Baker no later than Feb. 26th. Contact Mr. Baker for more information. [chad.baker@jamesirwin.org](mailto:chad.baker@jamesirwin.org).

### 5 Pillars to Success

Honesty  
Integrity  
Respect  
Responsibility  
Excellence

**PTEC**

I will put honesty first.  
I will put integrity above all.  
I will respect others and myself.  
I will act responsibly and accept responsibility.  
I will give my best effort  
and strive for excellence in all I do.



### 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



This semester was a hit for our staff! Thank you to all who donated and purchased items on our Amazon Wishlist and to those who have provided snacks and drinks to our staff. They are greatly appreciated. We love our PTEC Families!

## PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED

**Congratulations** are in store: 33 students for making the Principal's Honor Roll (all A's) and 90 students for making the Dean's List (all A's & B's) out of 354 students.

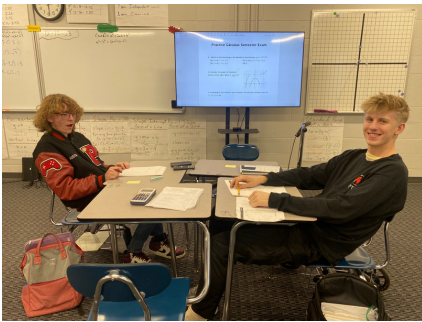
**Congratulations** go out to straight A students in our PTECH PPSC (Pathway in Technology Early College High School at Pikes Peak State College) Nate Tindall, Xander Schinsky, Ethyn Ruiz, Ethan Hubbert, and Tristan Hartzell.

[Click here for more information about our PTECH PPSC](#)

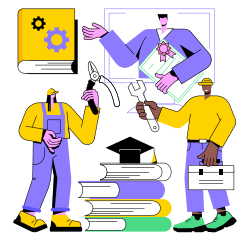
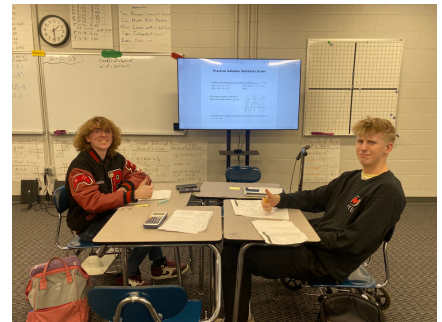
**Congratulations** to Mr. Williamson our welding teacher, as PTEC has been selected for a Blue Collar Tour Stop.

[Click here for more information.](#)

[Click here: What is BCT? \(Blue Collar Tour\)](#)



*Austin Bazzo and Gavin Young having a good time in Pre-Calculus preparing for their final exam.*



Help us get voted Best Technical School!

We're excited to announce that we're in the running for the title of Best Technical School, but we need YOUR help to make it happen!

To cast your vote, follow these simple steps:

- 1) Visit the voting page: [Click Here](#)
- 2) Click on "Vote Now."
- 3) Navigate to the "Family & Health" category.
- 4) Find the "Technical School" section.
- 5) Look for "Power Technical (PTEC)."
- 6) Enter your personal information and submit your vote.

Every vote counts, and we appreciate your support in making us the best in the business! Let's show everyone why Power Technical (PTEC) deserves the top spot!

Thank you for being part of our journey!

Dear PTEC Parent or Guardian,

State and federal laws require students to take standardized assessments in the instructional areas of English language arts, mathematics, and science. Parents or guardians wishing to exempt their student from an assessment may request to do so. Please note that the SAT is one of the postsecondary readiness assessments that can be used to meet graduation requirements. PTEC uses these assessments and others to determine the achievement and growth of our students, ensure appropriate instruction and resources for students, evaluate the effectiveness of curriculum and instruction, and determine the performance level of our school in comparison to the district and state.

The anticipated assessment schedule is listed below. Changes may be necessary due to weather related delays and closures. Please note that the Extended Time groups are specific to students with a 504 Plan or IEP. If you have questions about state required testing, please contact [kelly.dias@jamesirwin.org](mailto:kelly.dias@jamesirwin.org).

	Friday 4/12	Monday 4/15	Tuesday 4/16	Wednesday 4/17
	CMAS Math (6-8) CMAS Science (11)	CMAS ELA (6-8) SAT (11)	PSAT 10 PSAT 9 CMAS Science (8)	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



**POWER TECHNICAL  
SCHOOL - PTEC**

# PARENT MEETING



Thursday, January 25th



5:30 PM - 6:30 PM



2460 Waynoka Place,  
Colorado Springs, 80915



[teri.jennings@jamesirwin.org](mailto:teri.jennings@jamesirwin.org)



**Parent informational meetings are  
for new and interested families.**

Do you know someone who would benefit from attending PTEC? We are not just a trade school but a trade school of character!

Meetings are held on Thursday's -  
January 25th, February 15th,  
March 7th, April 18th,  
May 16th and June 6th.

**Academics  
Character  
90 min. Shop Classes**

**Automotive, CAD, Construction, Electrical,  
Engineering, Machining, Welding,  
Professional Trades and more!**

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