

WILDCAT EXPRESSIONS

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FALL SPORTS BEGIN

Fall sports, including cross country, football, golf, and volleyball are underway, and spring sports, including baseball, softball, and track are in the process of conditioning. Just like everything else, the season has faced many 'new challenges'. With the seasons overlapping, many coaches are finding that fewer athletes are able to attend conditioning. The seasons are also shortened, meaning only in-district contests are being played this school year. Cross Country Coach, Bradley Broskie stated, "It is like waiting for the shoe to fall. We are very apprehensive because we saw that basketball did not get to have a regular season, so we are just wondering what may happen with ours when a couple of our meets have already been cancelled." With COVID-19, the coaches do want to assure that sanitizing, cleaning of equipment between usage, and wearing masks are vital and have become part of normal routine.



PCS EMPLOYEE COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

On February 3, 2021, Pittsylvania County Public Schools had the first of four vaccination clinics for their employees. Two hundred fifty-five employees received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccination that day. A week later, five hundred fifty more employees received their first dose as well. The second dose for each group occurred about four weeks later, with the last clinic being held on March 12th. School employees were administered the Moderna brand of the vaccine. In all, more than half of all PCS employees were vaccinated. Now that many teachers, staff, and other school personnel are vaccinated, school leaders are continuing to move forward with the process of bringing more students back to the classrooms. Nationwide, educators have been challenged to find a good mix of safety protocols and effective instruction strategies. For many, this is one more step toward the goal of getting schools back to "normal."



IMPORTANT DATES

5TH SIX WEEKS REPORT CARDS	APRIL 27
6TH 6 WEEKS PROGRESS REPORTS	MAY 7
SOL TESTING WINDOW	MAY 10-MAY 28
HOLIDAY	MAY 31
EXAMS	TBD
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	JUNE 2 1:00 DISMISSAL

