

Pleasant Grove Junior High
January 24, 2023

Important Dates:

Jan 26 (Thurs)--Choir Concert, 6:00 & 7:30.

Jan 31 (Tues)--Viking Voice Finals, 7:00pm. See below for more info.

Feb 2 (Thurs)--PGJH Track Team Player/Parent Mtg (see below)

Feb10 (Fri)--Last Day to Buy Valograms at the Finance Office (see below)

Viking Voice sponsored by the PTA

Calling all PGJR High Students come compete in VIKING VOICE!

What: A Singing Competition with Prizes for the Winners

Our Final Judging will be on January 31st in the Auditorium at 7pm. Any and all family and friends that attend will get a vote on who will win along with the judges. [Click Here for the flyer.](#)

ESS Art Contest

We are excited to announce our 5th year of the ESS Art Contest 2023. It starts on Monday, January 23rd! The contest is open to public school students in grades K-12 throughout the continental United States. The contest information is located at ArtContest.ess.com. To enter, students must submit a drawing or painting with an image representing "If you could take a school field trip anywhere, where would you go?" The contest ends on March 12th, 8:00 pm Eastern Time. Winning students will receive a \$500 American Express gift card, plus \$500 for their school.

Finance Office--American Express

At this time and until further notice, we are not able to accept American Express as a form of payment. We are sorry for any inconvenience! We are hoping in the next few weeks, but will let you know as soon as possible.

Yearbooks--Price Going Up

Yearbooks are still \$28 until the end of January 2023. Starting February 1st, they will go up to \$35.

PGJH Track Team Meeting

It's time to rise Vikings! If you're interested in getting faster, stronger, or more powerful, then join the track team. There is an information meeting on February 2nd, after school. This sport is for all students at PGJH. If you do sports, or you are interested in starting, then our track coaches can help you improve. We will help you get faster!

Hope Week Service Opportunity

As part of Hope Week in February we will be conducting a service project schoolwide and for that service project we need all the plastic grocery bags we can gather. Please make a conscious effort to save your plastic grocery bags so you can send them to school with your student the week of February 21. Thank you!

Valograms!

Latinos in Action has begun selling valograms! \$1 for a heart sucker and \$2 for a real red rose. Each will have a tag on it saying "from" (optional) and "to." You can purchase on the school website or at the finance office. In order to purchase, you must completely fill out the form, otherwise the purchase will simply be taken as a donation. If purchasing online, the form link will be on the myschool fees page. If purchasing at the Finance Office you will fill out a paper form there. **Purchase by Friday, February 10th at 3:00 in the financial office or by midnight February 12th on the school website.** The suckers and roses will be handed out during A4 on Valentine's Day.

PG Cares--Table Talks

PG Cares Table Talks: Learning Over Lunch. Join us for a presentation and discussion over lunch! Most months on the 3rd Wednesday. Subjects include Suicide Prevention, Digital Safety, and Supporting kids in big life changes. See the flyer for dates, locations, subjects, and to sign up!! [Flyer](#), or [Click Here to Sign Up](#).

After School Homework Lab

We have an after school homework lab Tues-Fri from 3:00-4:00pm in Ms. Rea's Room (212, near the Counseling Office). Any student can come and get help with their homework.

Free Stronger Families Course

Build on your Family's Strengths & Values by taking part in a FREE 8-week Family Life Education Course with the UVU Stronger Families Project. Using an evidence-based, nationally-recognized curriculum, we teach both parents and children how to improve their interaction and emotional patterns within the family. Classes begin the week of January 30th and are held one evening per week through March 30th. Most classes are for the entire family! [English Flyer](#). [Spanish Flyer](#).

Reality Town Needs Volunteers!

Reality Town is coming up on Mar. 7! We need YOU!! We need many volunteers to help make this happen. Please click the link to the SignUp Genius and help us make this a memorable day for our 8th graders. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084AAAAC2AA6FB6-pleasant>

Community Outreach

PGJH values our relationship with our community and we would love to improve our connections and partnerships with our community businesses and organizations. If you are interested in a partnership with us, please contact Michelle Jones (michellejones@alpinedistrict.org).

Viking Book Battle

It's time to start putting your teams together for the Viking Book Battle. For information, talk to your English teacher or Mrs. Bullock in the library.

Yearbook Staff Applications

PGJR is now accepting applications for next year's Yearbook Staff. You must be in 8th or 9th grade next year. You need to have at least a 3.0 GPA. If you love taking pictures, we would love to have you! We need you! If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Twiggs. Fill in this online application: <https://forms.gle/k7DVbHoWinemyk6B8>

Accelerated Math Testing for current 6th Graders

This is for current 6th graders who will be in 7th grade in August of 2023. After working with the accelerated math testing team, **the decision was made to include math testing as part of the regular A.L.L. testing at the end of January.** With changes we've made to the A.L.L. test, we will now have time during testing to include the math test. This lets students do the test during the school day at their home school.

- At the end of February, your math team will receive scores from two different math tests, (one nationally normed and one district created) to make placement decisions.
- There is no fee for Alpine students, but students MUST pre-register for the test. [They can register at this link for all of the tests \(English\).](#) [Spanish Link for registration](#)

PTSA Announcement

Parents and Students, you can still join the PTSA. The cost is \$7.00 for a parent membership and \$7.00 for a student membership. When a parent has a membership, each of their students, who also has a membership, may receive one FREE SUCKER every month. You can pay at the Finance Office, or online at myschoolfees.com (select Optional Registration Fees). Sucker Sales will be during lunch on Tuesday, January 10th and January 24th. The next PTSA Board Meeting is Thursday, January 26th at 10:30 am in the library. The PTSA President is Jennifer Hagberg jenhagberg@gmail.com