

Academy News

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Pedro Menendez High School

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ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTING



Drafting Student Shout Out!

Trent Stasky one of our 4th year advanced drafting students gets to be teacher for the day. He has earned his AutoCad, Revit and Inventor industry certifications. Trent is the president of our Skills USA chapter, and member of ACE of NE Florida. He will earn an International Baccalaureate diploma and study engineering at either UCF or Embry Riddle.

Drafting 3 students are busy designing dream homes for our teachers. These students are consulting several times with a teacher to develop the architectural drafting plans of their dream home. This allows students to learn real-world concepts and planning as they work with their “client” from start to finish.



BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

Construction level one students practice their drill pressing skills with TIC TAC TOE boards. These will be painted and donated to our school classrooms.



Construction level three and four are learning framing skills for their “tiny house” project. (Left picture) Students are also working on creating corn hole boards for our FBLA club. It is great to see students working across our construction and business academies to help each other.

If you or someone you know would like to donate tools or Home Depot/Lowes gift cards, please reach out to Mr. Armstrong at Steven.Armstrong@stjohns.k12.fl.us



ACADEMY OF
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PEDRO MENENDEZ HIGH SCHOOL

Flagler Health+ (UF Health St Johns) Future Healthcare Professionals



Our 4th year students had an orientation from St. Johns County Fire Rescue. Our students will now be able to participate in riding along to see EMTs in action. Jen Butler did an amazing job explaining this great career option. Thank you to SJCFR for this amazing partnership and providing these opportunities for our students.



University of St. Augustine for Health Science welcomes our Health Science 2 students



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ST. AUGUSTINE for
HEALTH SCIENCES

Graduate students of USAHS worked with our students in their state-of-the-art campus. Students immersed themselves in activities guided by the graduate student in their center for innovative clinical practice, ADL simulation lab, and driving simulator.



PMHS students were able to experience firsthand what graduate school has to offer in our own backyard! To the right we see a student experiencing the proper technique to move patients. Thank you for allowing us to visit your amazing campus.



Our health academy students participated in Red Ribbon Week by having different community leaders come in and share information during classes October 23-27, 2023. + What is Red Ribbon Week? Formerly the National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth, was established as grassroots, nonprofit organization in 1980 by a handful of concerned and determined parents who were convinced they should begin to play a leadership role in drug prevention. Since its founding thirty years ago, NFP has devoted its efforts to the well-being of youth. Today,

NFP is a national leader in drug prevention education & advocacy. Their mission is to lead and support our nation's families and communities in nurturing the full potential of healthy, drug free youth.



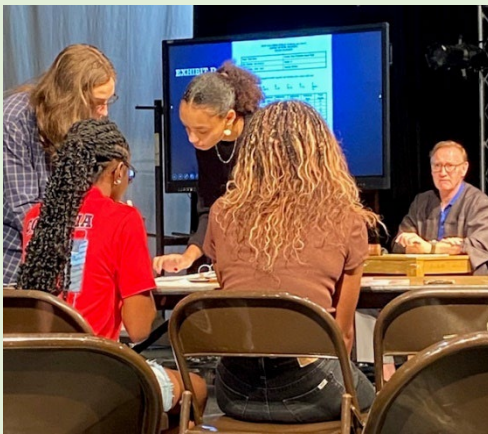
Our HOSA club was just named a Guardian Chapter for the second year! Congratulations to all our hard-working members. Our monthly focus for October was Breast Cancer Awareness. We had students participate in this year's Pink up the Pace event.



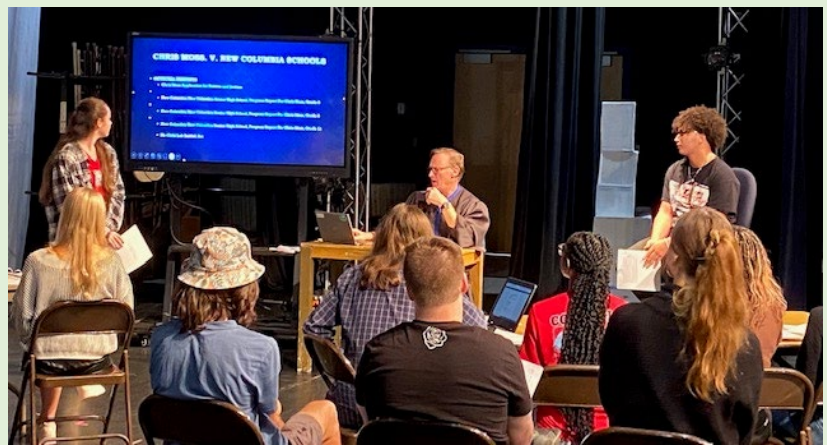
Business Academy



Your Honor: Students of Legal Aspects of Business Have a Mock Trial



Landon Coe, Ja'Bri Steward, Gabby Mitchel
and Angelina Lagan-The Defense Team



Innocenzo Bubbico being questioned by Tyniti Elmore

Our Business Academy Legal students conducted a Civil Trial this week at Pedro. Our objective was to learn how the court system works in civil disputes. All the kids participated as lawyers, witnesses, bailiffs, or jury members. It was an amazing experience for all.



All Rise

Congratulations to Entrepreneurial and Small Business students Landon Coe, DJ Moody, Rylan Poland, and Lucas Douglas, will represent the VyStar Business Academy at the district pitch for Project Innovation! This competition promotes project-based exploration of innovative concepts and the application to solve problems within our community or the world. Students are invited to think creatively, research a project and develop a solution that incorporates innovative ideas, practices, or designs. Their startup company is working to create a solution to hearing sensitivity. We wish them luck!

FBLA GIVES BACK AND YOU CAN HELP

We are participating in a Shoe Drive from October 20 – December 19. We'll collect gently worn shoes in any size and style, for kids or adults. The shoes will be sent to developing nations. Our goal is to collect 1,250 pairs of shoes! Bring your gently used shoes to room 960 anytime between October 20 – December 19.

Easy way to donate is through Amazon. Our school address is 600 State Road 206 W, St Augustine FL 32084 Attention: FBLA

[Click Here to be directed to Amazon shoes](#)



Digital Design Academy



Digital Design I & II students are exploring the exciting new features of Adobe 2024 - Photoshop and Illustrator with its fabulous generative AI capabilities using the new contextual taskbar. Students are also learning about Target Marketing, Copy Right, and Project Management as is required for skilled and gainfully employed Graphic Designers. Digital Design III students are studying Logos and created the new FBLA logo for Mr. Hendricks. Yearbook staff/DD II - IV are working diligently to meet their first deadline. PMHS yearbook uses a chronological approach for content when submitting spreads. Photography is emphasized and students are

trained to use cameras at sporting and extracurricular school events for photos used in the yearbook. All Digital Design students will certify in Adobe beginning first of the new year.

The Business Ownership Team/SpiritBox Vending Machine continues to effect positive cashflow after only three months in existence placing 2nd in the nation after the first month and currently at 5th place prompting students to research trending markets for what to sell in the SpiritBox. At present, the team is working with other school clubs to sell shirts for a shared profit. The focus is to build the SpiritBox concept into more vending and/or a physical location on campus.

Students Soaring High

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS WHO HAVE EARNED INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

9/6/23	Adam Lawson	AutoCAD-drafting	9/29/23	Charley Benton	Revit-drafting
9/29/23	Casey Chhour	Revit-drafting	9/29/23	Justin Harvey	Revit-drafting
9/29/23	Corbin Bareswilt	Revit-drafting	9/29/23	Kaleb DeGuzman	Revit-drafting
9/29/23	Kosta Andriotis	Revit-drafting	9/29/23	Ty Morin	Revit-drafting
9/29/23	Ezekiel Hale	Revit-drafting	10/10/23	Aden Brubaker	Revit-drafting
10/10/23	Joseph Holliman	Revit-drafting	10/10/23	Duane Holbrook	Revit-drafting
10/10/23	Vincent Giammanco	Revit-drafting	10/10/23	Steven Girad	Revit-drafting
10/10/23	Zachary Grasso	Revit-drafting	10/10/23	Torin Bjorkman	Revit-drafting
10/20/23	Brendan Szabados	Revit-drafting	10/20/23	Ryan Smit	AutoCAD-drafting
10/20/23	Alyana Dial	Revit-drafting	10/20/23	Logan Scott	Revit-drafting
10/20/23	Evan Eisenmann	Revit-drafting	10/20/23	Ramaya Patel	Revit-drafting

Industry certification exams not only help our students be career ready they may count as college credits! Make sure your future college or university knows about the certifications you have earned. Click here to learn more: [Earning College Credits](#)

Pedro Partners

Thank you for your partnerships with our students. These businesses provide industry mentors, guest speakers, job shadowing, internships, and supply donations to our students.

If you or a business you know would like the rewarding experience of helping our students, who will be the future industry leaders, please reach out to our career specialist: Kristina Bransford at Kristina.Bransford@stjohns.k12.fl.us or call at 904-547-8681.

