

Academy News

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Pedro Menendez High School

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Business Mentor Meetings:

Thank you to the many business mentors who had their first of three-mentorship meeting with our entrepreneurship classes. Students pitched their business ideas and received valuable feedback, helping them in the entrepreneurial process. Students will work throughout the school year on perfecting their businesses. In March we will award teams for the best overall Enterprise.



Mr. Davidson's Courses:

Business Analysis Class:

Congratulations to these students for the Grand Opening of the first ever school store "The Menendez Merch". Students started this business from the ground up and we are excited to see what the future holds for this student-based enterprise. Revenue from this business will help our very own Menendez students!



The store will be open during lunches for purchases. Great place to get Holiday gifts for the entire family. Inventory is updated on a regular basis so don't miss out on some amazing Menendez Merch.

Legal Aspects of Business:



Students will be participating in their mock criminal and civil trials the first week of November. Students have studied their cases, and the prosecutors and the defense are ready to have their day in court!

Mr. Hendricks' Courses:

Management & Human Resources Class:

Students completed SWOT analyses, looking at strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats of different companies. Students are learning about the management function of planning.

Entrepreneurship Class:

Students are learning about customer discovery and conducted problem/solution interviews with customers. This feedback is vital to help students to learn more about their potential customers.



FBLA joined the other PMHS clubs at Track or Treat, handing out candy to children in the community.



Fridays after school, FBLA will be selling candy and/or snacks for \$1 as a fundraiser for State Conference. Look for FBLA at parent pickup on Fridays after school and bring dollar bills.

A promotional poster for "Fundraising Fridays" by the Vystar Academy of Business at Pedro Menendez High School. The poster features a blue and white background with a grid pattern. At the top, it says "\$1.00 CASH ONLY" on both sides. In the center, it reads "Future Business Leaders of America" and "Fundraising Fridays". Below this, there are three cars (yellow, red, and blue) and the text "While you wait in the parent pick-up line grab a sweet treat". At the bottom, there are two blue starburst shapes: one says "CELEBRATE YOUR AWESOME WEEK" and the other says "Show your amazing child you are proud of them with a Sweet Treat". There are also some colorful candies in the center.

Congratulations to our member of the month: Casey Chhour. The next FBLA meeting day will be Tuesday, Nov. 19. We'll have 2 meetings: 8:30 – 9:00 and 4:00 – 4:30, both in room 960. Come to one of the 2 meetings.

Ms. Willis' Classes:

Students working hands-on to learn about the skeletal system.



Ms. Jones' Classes:

Students took a field trip to Keiser University to learn about the post-secondary options they have very close to home. Students participated in simulation activities while learning about the University's exercise science, nursing and medical administration programs





HOSA members volunteered at our community Track of Treat event. Below are some of our future “doctors” as children stopped by our photobooth.



Thank you to our many guest speakers who volunteered their time to education our student during **Red Ribbon Week**

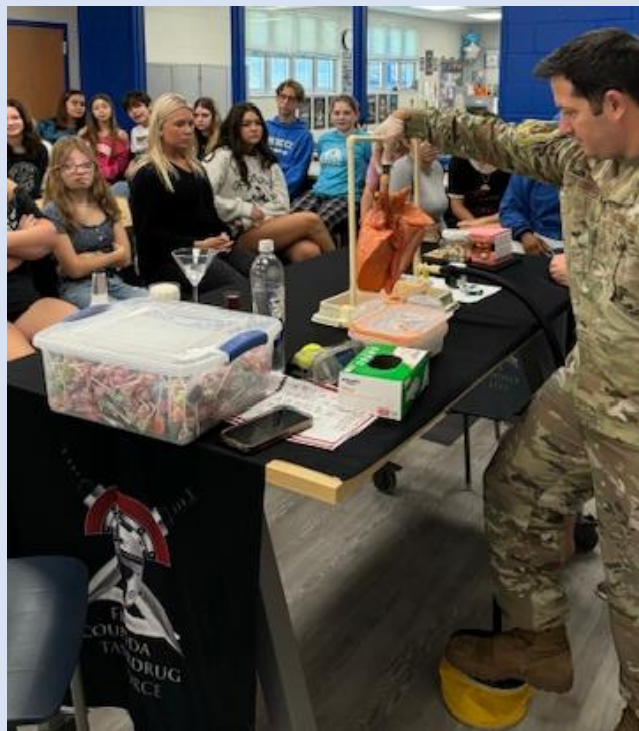
October 21, 2024- EPIC Behavioral Health

October 22, 2024- UF Health St. Johns Care

October 24, 2024- National Guard DDRO & Tobacco Free St. Johns

October 25, 2024- Hanley Foundation and LSF

National Guard



EPIC Behavioral Health





Architectural Design and Technology

Architecture students are working with other students on campus helping everyone understand the importance of architectural design skills.



Students learned about post-secondary education opportunities through J Tech.

In November students will have a STEM event field trip at the Jacksonville Iceman



Skills USA students are preparing for the regional competition in February with Casey working on defending his state title.



Kicking off ACE on 11/7 with the best variety of mentors 9 total with 3 of the 9 being PMHS alumni giving back to the program

Students Soaring High

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS WHO HAVE EARNED INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

10/31/24	Daniel McClure	AutoDesk Auto CAD	10/31/24	Liam Bohannon	AutoDesk Inventor
10/31/24	Elias Wetly	AutoDesk Inventor	10/31/24	Ben McGuire	AutoDesk Revit

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](#)

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