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**PCHS**

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The mission of Patrick County High School is to build a foundation for lifelong learning that prepares students for responsible citizenship.

# Cat Tales Newsletter

**Believe \* Achieve \* Succeed**

**March 2, 2018**

## Back to School Assembly—Second Semester



Back to School Assembly on January 12 gave Mr. Cox a chance to brag about the past semester's student accomplishments in academics and sports. Students participating in winter sports teams were recognized also.



## PCHS Cougars Attend Beta Convention

The Patrick County Public Schools were well represented at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Virginia State Junior Beta Convention held recently (February 13-14, 2018) at the Hampton Convention Center in Hampton, VA. Eighth graders from Patrick County High, along with Blue Ridge, Hardin Reynolds, Stuart, and Woolwine Elementary students traveled together and competed with other Beta clubs from across the state in academic and artistic competitions.

Patrick County High School won:

2<sup>nd</sup> place Division II Pastel: Connor Campbell

3<sup>rd</sup> place Division II Science: Connor Campbell

2<sup>nd</sup> place Division II Woodworking: Christian Edwards

### History of the National Beta Club

The National Beta Club was founded by Dr. John Harris, a professor at Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC. Since the first Beta Club was formed in Landrum, SC in 1934, The National Beta Club has become the nation's largest independent, non-profit, educational youth organization. It is committed to recognizing and promoting high academic achievement, rewarding and nurturing worthy character, fostering leadership skills, and encouraging service to others. The National Beta Club has worked with over six million young people. There are now more than 42,000 active members and more than 8,000 nationally and internationally.

The National Beta Club Mission Statement is: To promote the ideals of academic achievement, character, service, and leadership among elementary and secondary school students.

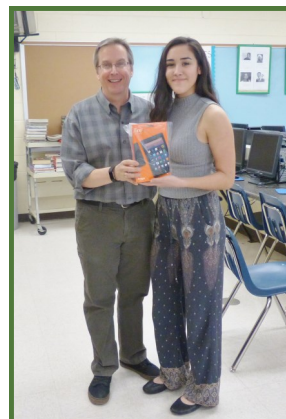
*Front (L to R): Angela Rose, PCHS Junior Beta Co-sponsor, Josie Vernon, Elaina (Lanie) Hopkins, Laurel Puckett, Joshua Wright, and three Woolwine students.*

*Back (L to R): Sadie Vernon, Suzanne Gonzalez, Abby Epperson, Connor Campbell, Christian Edwards, Keiko Klisiewicz, Payton Errichetti, Woolwine student, and Jason Roop, Woolwine Sponsor.*



## Stuart Branch Library Visits PCHS

On January 25, Garry Clifton, Branch Manager at the Patrick County Library, helped students at Patrick County High School celebrate Love the Library Day. Over 600 students attended the event either with classes or independently. They were instructed on what the public library has to offer in both its physical facility and website. In addition, they were given a chance to apply for new library cards, replace lost cards, and have fines forgiven. Students were encouraged to take advantage of all resources at both libraries. Those who applied for or already had public library cards were entered into a drawing for a new Amazon Kindle Fire 7. Izzy Beasley, a junior at the high school was the winner. Students and teachers were surprised at the wealth of materials available at the public library in Stuart. "We very much appreciate Garry taking time to work with our students," said Linda Maxie, Librarian at the high school.



*Garry Clifton,  
Branch Manager  
at the Patrick  
County Library  
presents Izzy  
Beasley with her  
new Amazon  
Kindle Fire 7.*



## College Advisor — Important Information

### For seniors:

Many local and national scholarship applications are posted on the PCHS guidance website ([www.tinyurl.com/pcscholarships](http://www.tinyurl.com/pcscholarships)). Please read the instructions carefully and let me know if you have any questions. Students planning to attend Patrick Henry Community College should see Ms. Rosenthal before applying for any of these scholarships.

If your senior still has not completed the FAFSA and they are planning to attend college next year, please be in touch with me as soon as possible. This application for financial aid is due to most schools by March 1, and I am happy to set up an appointment to help you and your student get it finished.

### For juniors:

Please plan to join us for junior College Night on March 8 (with a snow date of March 12) for information you'll need now to start looking ahead at what's in store for next year. We'll cover the basics of how to search for schools that are a good fit, what you can be doing now and throughout senior year to prepare and apply, and how to fund a college education. Hope to see you there!

Also, please read the letter that was sent home about signing your student up for the SAT or ACT this semester, and reach out to me if you have any questions!

Lindsey Rosenthal  
PCHS College Adviser



## Teacher Feature



### Philip Steagall, Career and Technical, Trade and Industry

Education: Associate Degree in Construction from Surry Community College; Teaching License from Virginia Tech; and Certified OSHA Instructor from West Virginia

Past Work Experience: Self-employed VA/NC Contractor with Buffalo Ridge Construction and Clark Brothers

Extra-curricular at PCHS: Golf Coach; SkillsUSA Advisor; Director of Patrick County Youth Builders; SkillsUSA Teamworks Coach; and School Safety Team

Hobbies: Hunting and fishing; playing golf; woodworking; and playing piano

Friday, March 30 — Monday, April 2

**SPRING BREAK!**



## From the Handbook

### Tardy Regulations:

It is the responsibility of all students to arrive at school, class, and lunch on time. Tardies are disruptive and are detrimental to the educational process.

Students who are not in the room and in their seats when the tardy bell rings will be marked tardy. Failure to be in class within three minutes constitutes skipping.

Students reporting to school after the first five minutes of Block 1 must report to the main office for admission to school and will be recorded as tardy.





Parent notes in excess of four for tardies in a semester will be marked as unexcused unless accompanied by a medical note, court appointment, and/or administrator's referral.

*Tardies will begin each semester!*

NOTE: Students issued Patrick County High School parking permits may be penalized additionally by revocation of parking privileges if the tardy policy is abused.

*--Patrick County High School Handbook, 2017-18, p.32.*

# March 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Rising Sophomore Registration	2 Rising Freshman Registration	3 12:00p BB-JV Salem 2:00p BB-V Salem
4	5 5:00p Soccer-B/MS Martinsville 5:00p BB-MS Martinsville 5:00p SB-MS Martinsville 6:00p Parent Night Rising 8th Graders – Aud 6:15p Soccer-G/MS Martinsville	6 7th Graders Visit 4:00p BB-JV Carroll 4:30p SB-G/V Galax 4:30p Tennis-G/V Franklin 4:30pm Tennis-B/V Franklin 5:30p BB-V Carroll	7 7th Graders Visit 5:00p Soccer-B/MS Halifax 5:00p SB-MS Halifax 5:00p BB-MS Halifax 5:30p Soccer-G/JV Bassett 5:30p College Night—Juniors- (café) 6:15p Soccer-G/MS Halifax 7:00p Soccer-G/V Bassett	8 5:30p Soccer-B/JV Bassett 7:00p Soccer-B/V Bassett	9	10 8:00a SAT (café) 10:00a SB-V Carroll
11 	12 5:30p Soccer-G/V Floyd 7:00p Soccer-B/V Floyd	13 Writing SOL 8th/10th 4:30p Tennis-G/V Floyd 4:30p Tennis-B/V Floyd 5:00p Soccer-G/JV Carroll 5:00p SB-JV Floyd 5:00p SB -V Floyd 5:00p BB-V Floyd 5:00p BB-JV Floyd 6:30p Soccer-B/JV Carroll	14 5:00p Soccer-B/MS Laurel Park MS 5:00p SB-MS Laurel Park MS 5:00p BB-MS Laurel Park MS 6:15p Soccer-G/MS Laurel Park MS	15 Writing SOL 8th/10th TBD Track-B/MS Benjamin Franklin MS vs. Multi Schools TBD Track-G/MS Benjamin Franklin MS vs. Multi Schools 5:00p SB—JV Grayson 5:00p SB—V Grayson 5:00p BB-JV Grayson 5:00p BB-V Grayson 7:00p Soccer-B/V Chatham	16 8:30a FFA Meet –Aud	17 Band Booster Raffle (café) TBD BB-V 
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