

PTEC NEWS

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23-24

● FEBRUARY 8, 2024 ●



UPCOMING

February 12-16 - Spirit Week

Feb. 14 - Valentine's Grams see Guild Council

Feb. 19 - No School, President's Day

Feb. 22 - 11:30 AM release, no lunch served, Parent Teacher Conferences 12:15 - 6 PM

Feb. 28 - Blood Drive see Guild Council

March 1 - 24/25 Yearly Registration Opens

March 1 - Art Show 5-7 PM

March 4 - Blue Collar Tour

March 7 - 11:30AM release, no lunch served

March 8 - End of 3rd Quarter

March 18 - 22 NWEA/MAPs - Spring Testing

March 22 - 24/25 Yearly Registration Due

March 25-29 - Spring Break, no school

April 8-11 - in session, regular school hours

April 12 - CMAS 11th & 6-8th, no school for grades 9, 10, & 12.

April 15 - CMAS 6-8th, SAT 11th, no school for grades 9, 10, & 12.

April 16 - PSAT 9 & 10, CMAS 8th, no school for grades 6, 7, & 12.

April 17 - CMAS 6-8th, no school for grades 9-12th.

April 19 - Staff day, no students

April 22 - No School

PTEC

(719) 301-6200
2460 Waynoka Place
Office Hours:
M-TH 7:00-3:30
Friday 7:00-1:45

JUST IN

Spirit Week February 12th - 16th

SPIRIT

Monday 12th: Comfy Day

Tuesday 13th: Sports Day

Wednesday 14th: Valentines Day Colors

Thursday 15th: Class Colors (6th Red, 7th Pink, 8th Purple, 9th Green, 10th Yellow, 11th Blue, and 12th Orange)

Friday 16th: Super Hero Day

Must be in school uniform for Shop Classes.



WEEK

- \$1 a day to participate.
- All dress up clothes should be school appropriate, no blankets, no tights/leggings, no tank tops.
- Shorts are to be no shorter than 3 fingers above the knee.
- Uniform shoes, pants and top must be worn for shop classes.
- Consequences will be given if you are out of dress code for shop class during Spirit Week.

Valentines Grams have been sold by the Guild Council during

lunches this past week. Friday 9th is the last day to purchase.

They can be purchased for your favorite teacher, friend, or crush.

There's an option to add a note or send them anonymously.

Prices vary \$1-3 each, exact cash preferred or small bills.



Do you know someone who may be interested in PTEC?

We are thrilled to invite **potential students** to our upcoming **Make & Take event!** Please see the flyer on page 4.



Wednesday, February 21st, 5:30 PM. SAC (School Accountability Committee): The school-level accountability committee (SAC) serves in an advisory role to the school principal. This committee seeks to represent the school community's point of view at large and to make recommendations to the principal for improving the school. It's parents, teachers, community, it's YOU! Mark your calendars, we look forward to seeing you there. If interested or have questions, email kelly.dias@jamesirwin.org

As stated on the 2023-24 Parent Commitment form: As a supportive PTEC parent, **I understand my student may not be absent during October count window, OR finals in December and May. If my student is absent during finals, I understand that my student will receive a zero for any missed final and no make-ups are given. Please note dates of finals.**

Seniors May 13th & 14th. 6th-11th grades May 17th, 20-23rd.

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JUST IN – CONTINUED



Parent-Teacher Conference Day is approaching on February 22nd! Help us fuel our amazing staff by donating a meal for lunch. Your generosity ensures our 50 staff members stay energized to support our students throughout the day.



We are looking for donations, for example: pizzas, tacos, chicken & sides, BBQ, etc...
Please consider contributing and making a difference. Thank you for your support!

If you are interested in donating, please email Mrs. Grenier at jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org.



As we continue to expand and evolve, we're on the lookout for passionate individuals to join our dedicated team. If you or someone you know shares our vision and values, keep an eye out for upcoming job openings. It's that time of year to start prepping for next year, and we're eager to welcome new talent who believe in what we do here at PTEC.

[Click here for Job Opportunities.](#)



PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED



Parent Teacher Conferences are February 22, 12:15 - 6 PM: If your student currently has a grade of D or F in any subject or if there are concerns about their academic progress, our dedicated teachers will be reaching out to you when it's closer to the date. You will receive a signup link via email from your student's teacher to schedule a Parent-Teacher Conference. However, if you have not received any communication from your student's teacher and would like to schedule a conference to discuss your child's progress or any concerns you may have, please do not hesitate to contact the teacher directly. They will be more than happy to arrange a suitable time for the conference.

Calling All Creative Parents! **Volunteer Opportunity!**

We need YOUR artistic flair to make it a reality. We're looking for detail-oriented parents to paint informative signs to add a touch of organization and creativity to our hallways. Are you an artist at heart? Join us in exploring the possibility of a vibrant mural that will bring our school walls to life! Do you have an eye for detail? Let us know if you're interested in the hallway signs or the mural project and feel free to share a bit about your artistic background. Please email Mrs. Grenier if you are interested. Jamie.Grenier@jamesirwin.org

Save the Date: PTEC's 4th Annual Golf Tournament - June 17, 2024!

Get ready for an exhilarating day on the greens! PTEC is thrilled to announce our 4th Annual Golf Tournament, happening on June 17, 2024. For all the details, including registration and more, visit www.ptecgolf.com. We're on the lookout for sponsors and welcome donations to make this event unforgettable. If you're interested or want more info, contact Mrs. Grenier at jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org. Let's make this tournament a swingin' success!



We are in need of Kleenex.
If you would like to donate,
please drop them off at the front office.

PTEC's 3rd annual art show

is March 1st, 5-7 PM. Does your student have paintings, sculptures, or craft projects they would like to submit? Have them attach their name and a description of their art piece upon submission. Please submit items to Mr. Robertson by February 23rd. Don't have your items ready quite yet? Sign up on the sheet outside Mr. Robertson's room.

Student Did you know that Infinite Campus has an app for that? **Parent**

CAMPUS If you are not set up for a parent portal, please email Mrs. Grenier to schedule an appointment. **CAMPUS**

Infinite Campus is where you can access your student's assignments, attendance, grades, teacher email addresses, add or remove emergency contacts and more. Don't know if you have an account? Can't remember your password? Are you receiving calls/texts regarding weather and or school announcements? Please email Mrs. Grenier for more information. jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org



DID YOU KNOW?

You can email teachers directly from your IC account.
Or found on our website: [Click here for Our Staff](#)

You can find the **lunch menu** on our website:

[Click here for lunch menu](#)

We have a **School Counselor Department**. Referral forms can be found on the website. Students can request an appointment, parents can refer students, and also available for staff/admin.

[Click here for the counselor department.](#)

Yearbooks can now be purchased online. You can even add photos or purchase an advertisement. For more information, please contact Mrs. Chamillard at megan.chamillard@jamesirwin.org

[Click here to order yearbook](#)

Uniforms: We are always in need of used uniforms for our uniform closet in the front office. These are used for students in need during the school year. Need to order more?

[Uniform Link: Click Here](#)



Cell Phone Policy Reminder

- Cell phones can be in students' backpacks or lockers, powered down during the day.
- During the school day, cell phones should not be on a student's person.
- No student cell phones out or in use from 7:30 am to 3:15 pm

**MINDSET
IS
EVERYTHING**

WISHLIST & FAVORITE THINGS

Our staff has a list of their own "My Favorite Things". Do you want to surprise your student's teacher with their favorite candy, drink, snack or classroom wishlist item? Please email Mrs. Grenier - jamie.grenier@jamesirwin.org for more information.

Our Teachers and Staff have an Amazon Wishlist!

Click the link below or copy and paste.

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/16KOM7N9>

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Some items in need are acoustic panels for the gym/cafeteria and a portable stage.

ACTIVITIES, CLUBS, & SPORTS

Art club - When: Wednesdays 3:15-4:00 PM

Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: emily.baker@jamesirwin.org

Where: Ms. Baskett's classroom # 1083

Card/Pokémon club - When: Thursdays 3:15-4:15 PM

Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: angelo.jaramillo@jamesirwin.org

Where: Mr. Jaramillo's classroom #1102

Chess club - When: Thursdays 3:15-4:15 PM

Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: drew.robertson@jamesirwin.org

Where: Mr. Robertson's classroom #1082

Crafty Corner club - When: Tuesdays 3:15-3:45 PM

Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: lauren.hunsaker@jamesirwin.org OR

karina.marroquin@jamesirwin.org

Where: Mrs. Hunsaker's classroom #1088

Magic the Gathering club -

When: Mondays 3:20-4:30 PM

Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: ryland.negrete@jamesirwin.org

Where: Mr. Negrete's classroom #1063

E-Sports - When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15-4 PM

Who: Grades 6-12

Contact: brandon.espinoza@jamesirwin.org

Where: Mr. Espinoza's classroom # 1097

Morning Weightlifting Club

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays mornings

6:15 AM-7:15 AM

Who: Grades 6-12.

Contact: codey.martin@jamesirwin.org

Where: Mr. Martin's room #1028

High School Off Season Track & Field

Begins Thursday Feb 8th. Cost \$125.

Practices will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:15PM. Official start date is February 26th. Athletes must have a sports physical on file with Mr. Baker no later than Feb. 26th. Contact Mr. Baker for more information. chad.baker@jamesirwin.org.

**LEVEL
UP**



WWW.JAMESIRWIN.ORG/SCHOOLS/PTEC
PTEC (POWER TECHNICAL)

MAKE & TAKE

MARCH 9, 2024

9 AM - 12:00 PM

SPOTS LIMITED

RSVP TODAY!

WHO:

5TH-10TH

GRADE

STUDENTS

INTERESTED

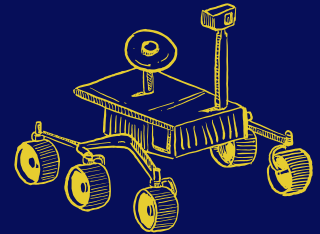
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STUDENTS

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GIVEN A HANDS ON LEARNING
EXPERIENCE AND WILL GET
TO TAKE HOME WHAT THEY
MAKE IN OUR SHOP CLASSES.

PRE-ENGINEERING/PROFESSIONAL TRADE SCHOOL

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Senior Spotlight

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PTEC
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Kaden Dungan



He has attended PTEC since 9th grade. He believes in the 5 Pillars helping shape him into the person he is today. Due to extenuating medical circumstances, he isn't currently working or volunteering, but he truly misses that. Some of his most memorable moments are meeting all his friends here at PTEC. Mr. Jaramillo has influenced him in many ways and has been great at teaching him construction and respect. He enjoys working hard in construction class. His favorite core class was World History with Mr. Kollasch because he was the best at teaching it. His plans after graduation are to recover from surgery, work for a year to save money, then attend college.

He has attended PTEC since 8th grade. He believes that PTEC has helped shape him into the person he is today by giving him a great work ethic. He is active in Karate at Universal Kempo Karate for the past 3 years. He is active in his church and enjoys assisting with Sunday School. His most memorable moment at PTEC is enjoying the end-of-year BBQ. When asked which of the 5 Pillars play an important role in his life, he said, "Respect." He says Mr. Kollasch has influenced him by supporting him in class and providing important facts. He enjoyed taking Engineering and English classes at PTEC. He plans on continuing his education in college after graduation.

2024

Austin
Bazzo



He has attended PTEC since 6th grade. His favorite classes and teacher are Engineering and Mr. Espinoza. He has been on PTEC's Varsity Esports team for 3 years and competed in the State Championships twice and ranked third overall. He lettered in Esports 2022-23 and 2023-24. He said, "PTEC taught me the 5 Pillars and helps me follow them." He also enjoys Math classes because he has a passion for numbers and Engineering. His most memorable moment here at PTEC was "The Great Flood" at our new building. After graduation he plans on attending a 4-year university and getting a degree in Engineering.

Senior Spotlight

Jadyn Stevens



PTEC
PROUD



Dayne
Lindquist



He has attended PTEC since 8th grade. He believes PTEC has helped build his character, work ethic, and has given him opportunities to grow. When asked which of the 5 Pillars play an important role in his life, he said, "Responsibility has played an important role as it teaches me to be responsible, not only at school and work but in life in general."

He says, "Mr. Kollasch, when he was a history teacher and Mr. Samora have both influenced me to have a better character in life." He enjoyed having Mr. Rice as a teacher too. His favorite classes included Machining and Manufacturing and English. His plans after graduating are to complete his Associate's degree at PPSC and then pursue a Bachelor's or Master's in Engineering.

He has attended PTEC since 6th grade. When asked which of the 5 Pillars play an important role in his life, he said, "Respect has played the most important role in his life because you get what you give." He said, "PTEC has set me up with success by allowing me to do my internship my Senior year through the Innovative Learning Program (ILOP)." When he isn't working or in school, he enjoys racing dirt bikes. His favorite teacher is Mr. Kollasch because not only has he influenced him in life, but he influenced him to get into the gym as well. His favorite classes are welding and science. After graduation, he plans to keep working and then start his own business.

Nathan Helart



He has attended PTEC since 8th grade. He says that PTEC has shown him that life can be hard and expect anything. He has been on PTEC's Varsity Esports team for 3 years and competed in the State Championships twice, placing 3rd. He lettered in Esports 2022-23 and 2023-24. One of his favorite moments was when he traveled with the Esports team to Denver. He said he's thankful for Mrs. Longoria because she showed him the importance of college. He really enjoyed taking classes with Mr. Kollasch. His favorite classes are Engineering and English. When asked which of the 5 Pillars play an important role in his life, he said, "Responsibility -- because it's a must have in life."

2024

VALENTINES DAY SPIRIT WEEK FOR \$1/DAY

*Join us on the week of
February 12th for the
snazziest spirit week in months*

Monday the 12th is Comfy day

Tuesday the 13th is Sports Day

Wednesday the 14th is Valentines day

Thursday the 15th is Class color

**FRIDAY THE 16TH IS SUPER
HERO DAY**

BE IN DRESS CODE FOR SHOP

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**POWER
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SCHOOL - PTEC**

PROSPECTIVE PARENT/STUDENT MEETING



Thursday, February 15th



5:30 PM - 6:30 PM



2460 Waynoka Place,
Colorado Springs, 80915



teri.jennings@jamesirwin.



**Parent informational meetings
are for new and interested
families.**

Do you know someone who would benefit from attending PTEC? We are not just a trade school but a trade school of character!

Meetings are held on
Thursdays - February 15th,
March 7th, April 18th,
May 16th and June 6th.

Grades 6-12

**Academics - Character
90 min. Shop Classes**

**Automotive, CAD, Construction, Electrical,
Engineering, Machining, Welding,
Professional Trades and more!**

2460 Waynoka Place, CO Springs, 80915

(719) 301-6200

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James Irwin Charter Schools is thrilled to announce the opening of a brand-new elementary school! Set to open its doors in August 2024, this innovative educational institution will be housed in our cherished old building, breathing new life into a beloved community space.



James Irwin Elementary School

Canada Drive Campus



Opening this August! Enroll Now!

**PLEASE NOTE
THAT THIS
MEETING IS AT
2460 WAYNOKA
PLACE!**

- Academically Rigorous
- High Expectations
- Cursive First
- Math Facts
- Minimal Devices
- Patriotic
- Western Heritage



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**JIES—CD Informational - 5 PM February 15 at PTEC
2460 Waynoka Place JamesIrwin.org (719) 302-9105**