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JPII Named to College Board's "Platinum" Honor Roll for A.P.

JPII has earned a place on the College Board's AP School Platinum Honor Roll for the 2022-23 school year! This is the highest possible ranking a school can achieve for college readiness.

Congratulations! John Paul II Catholic School has earned Platinum recognition on the 2023 AP School Honor Roll.

Class of 2023

AP School Honor Roll Metrics	Criteria				Your School ?	
	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum		PLATINUM Your school achieved all Platinum criteria!
College Culture ?	40%	50%	65%	80%	86% (32/37)	Platinum
College Credit ?	25%	30%	35%	50%	57% (21/37)	Platinum
College Optimization ?	2%	5%	10%	15%	43% (16/37)	Platinum

To qualify for the 2023 AP School Honor Roll, schools must meet or exceed the criteria for a given recognition level for all three metrics. This report always reflects the most recent data for your organization. Additional information about the AP School Honor Roll can be found on [AP Central](#).

If 'N/A' is shown this means that the percentage could not be calculated as your school did not provide 12th grade enrollment data for the 2022-23 school year or it was reported as zero.

Mr. Trevor Packer, Senior Vice President for AP and Instruction at the College Board said “on behalf of everyone in the AP community, congratulations to you and your colleagues. The AP School Honor Roll recognizes schools that have done outstanding work to welcome more students into AP courses and support them on the path to college success. Research shows students who take AP courses and exams are more likely to attend college and graduate on time. The students who enter four-year colleges with credit from AP accelerate their path to graduation and build confidence for college success. And even for those who don’t earn college credit, AP coursework provides early exposure to college-level work and contributes to a college-going school culture. We know it takes a significant schoolwide effort—dedication from teachers, counselors, administrators, students, and parents—to make AP access a priority. We join you in celebrating this inspiring achievement for your community. Again, congratulations! I'm inspired by your commitment and grateful for the chance to honor your success.”

It's Admissions Season

Word of mouth is the best way for families to hear about JP II. We rely on our families to help recruit the best and brightest students throughout Beaufort and Jasper County. If you know of a student who would benefit from our Christian environment and rigorous academic program, please contact Anne McClure in Admissions. Click on the following link to refer a student.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfmGZ4A6oup0BNpD9qtcTVgoaozNrL2DWixUhxv6L-pKI31VA/viewform>

Need more reasons to tell families why JP II was voted Best Middle School and High School in the Lowcountry.

- College Board Platinum Honor Roll for A.P.
- 100% college acceptance rate
- PLTW School of Distinction for Middle School and High School
- Over \$700,000 awarded annually in scholarships and tuition assistance
- More sports offered than any other private school in Beaufort and Jasper County
- Safe and secure school campus
- State-of-the-art STEAM Innovation Center planned to open in 2025

JP II has the following Admissions events planned for the coming months. Please be sure to invite future families to visit our Admissions table at these events.

- **Saturday, October 7 @ 10:00am – 3:00pm – St. Peter's Fall Bazaar**
- **Monday, October 9 @ 4:00 – 6:00pm – Fall Festival at the Sarge, 50 Country Club Drive, Ridgeland**
- **Saturday and Sunday, October 14-15 @ 10:00am – 6:00pm – Habersham Harvest Festival**
- **Wednesday, October 25 @ 5:00 – 7:00pm – SGG Trunk or Treat**
- **Friday, November 3 @ 5:00 – 9:00pm – SGG Fall Festival**
- **Tuesday, November 7 @ 9:00 – 11:00am – Student Visit Day**
- **Sunday, November 12 @ 1:00 – 3:00pm – Open House**
- **Wednesday, November 15 – Catholic Feeder School Visit**
- **Friday, December 1 – Riverview Charter School 8th Grade Visit**

We have set an admissions goal for next year of 405 students. This would require us to increase by 43 students, or 9.3%. This is attainable as we have grown on average greater than 10% for the past three years. For those wondering, an enrollment of 405 would put us at capacity. Thus, the need to build the Innovation Center is paramount.

Masterplan Update

With the gate and guardhouse all but complete, only a few punch list items still to go, our attention turned to the new soccer field located to the east of the baseball field. The field was sodded this week. We are currently measuring the field for a fence. Ordering bleachers and a scoreboard will follow shortly. The new field will likely become the best field yet on the campus and finally give JP II a real soccer field to play on. Next spring, we will look at adding a second field in the area where the stadium will eventually be located.

We are still waiting for approvals to break ground on the parking lot, scheduled for November. Located behind the athletic center, this 140+ vehicle lot will provide for much-needed student and event parking. The lot will connect around the athletic center via a new link road, easing traffic congestion at the main entrance during dismissal time.

Completing Phase I will be a new metal maintenance and storage building located on the north side of the parking lot. This building will provide much needed storage, receiving and a shop. Adjacent to the building will be a new outdoor full basketball court. The outdoor volleyball court will need to move slightly to make room for the new link road.

The cost of Phase I, which also includes most of the design and site engineering for the Innovation Center (Phase II), is estimated at \$4.2 million, with \$1 million donated for this purpose and \$3.2 million borrowed from the Diocese. The Innovation Center has been estimated at slightly under \$26 million bringing the total cost of Phase I and Phase II of the Masterplan in at approximately \$30 million. Phase III, the completion of the athletic complex, and Phase IV, construction of the chapel have yet to be fully estimated.

Coming this November

Announcing the

Where Faith and Innovation Meet Campaign

to benefit John Paul II Catholic School.

Please consider supporting our school's Mission and Vision
for the Warriors of today and tomorrow.

The Warrior Fund	The Capital Campaign	The Endowment for JP II
Provides annual support for tuition assistance keeping the school affordable for all, salaries and benefits to attract and retain the very best teachers, and program enhancements for a well-rounded student experience. Without the Warrior Fund we could not be the BEST Middle and High School in the Lowcountry.	Provides immediate support to build the JP II of the FUTURE. This campaign will allow us to build a 45,000 sq. ft. Innovation Center, increasing enrollment capacity to 500. This building will include a Black Box Theatre for the performing arts. Funds will also support a kitchen addition to the current school and new athletic facilities.	Long-term sustainability requires an endowment into the millions. This will provide ongoing funding to offset future tuition increases, helping keep the school affordable for all income levels, as well as ensure your capital investment in facilities is protected and maintained. Consider leaving a legacy in your estate planning.

Plan your gift now for the next 2 – 4 years. More information will be mailed during the week of November 12.

We thank you for your past support in creating JP II and for the transformation of our campus about to happen!

PSAT's Next Wednesday

Next Wednesday, October 11th, our students in grades 7-11 will be taking the DIGITAL PSAT for the first time. This format is mandated by the College Board and is being used to administer the test moving forward. Your student **MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING** on test day:

1. School Issued laptop (students **CANNOT USE THEIR OWN DEVICE**). Each school issued laptop has the required app installed, called Blue Book. Students can only take the test using this app issued by the College Board.
2. Laptop **MUST BE FULLY CHARGED**. Students need to bring **POWER CORD** as well in case their battery drains. We will have limited ability to charge devices. If your child's laptop is not charged, they may not be able to take the test.
3. Pen or Pencil to do scratch work.

This platform has a built-in calculator so bringing a calculator is not necessary.

6th Grade does not take the test and instead will be going on a field trip to the Coastal Discovery Museum, returning in time for early dismissal.

There will be an early dismissal following the completion of the PSAT. Students will be dismissed at 11:30. Buses will depart JP11 at this time, as well. There is no DOCS.

Thank You PTO

Our awesome PTO surprised the faculty and staff with tasty treats yesterday to say thank you and to commemorate World Teacher's Day. It's been a long week for many that will continue into the weekend. The surprise was very much appreciated. If any parent is interested in joining the PTO, please contact Tracee Spencer at hairdoby@gmail.com

From the Sports Desk

Varsity Volleyball hosted Thomas Heyward Monday night for their annual "Dig Pink" Game. This was the second meeting of the two teams and the Warriors were victorious for the second time this season over the Rebels. The Warriors won 3-0 led once again with a very strong hitting attack, Bela Crespo notched 8 kills and Lily Termini added 7 of the teams 30 on the night. Both Cayce Graves and JoJo Hill had 11 assists apiece and Caylin Gecy and Lili Lutheran shared the defensive duties with 22 and 26 digs each.

Middle School Volleyball lost a hard-fought match against the HHCA Eagles, 23-25, 22-25. Annalise Litchfield was the standout server with five points and three aces. Cia Douglass and Ansley Reilley led the Warrior defense.

Girls Tennis defeated Hilton Head Christian Academy 5-4 to finish the regular season at 8-2. The team now awaits their playoff seeding. Singles: Line 1: JP11's Anson Daniel defeated HHCA's Sophia Blackwell. Line 2: JP11's Cypress Daniel defeated HHCA's Kate Dubose. Line 3: HHCA's Zoe Soloman defeated JP11's Chloe Maillet. Line 4: JP11's Alivia Ogden defeated HHCA's Savana Myers. Line 5: JP11's Ann Elise Harrell defeated HHCA's Juliete Blackwell. Line 6: JP11's Lauren Weniger defeated HHCA's Emma Thompson. Doubles: Line 1: HHCA's Kate

Dubose and Zoe Soloman defeated JPIL's Lauren Weniger and Joya Iskandar 5-4. Line 2: HHCA's Sophia Blackwell and Juliete Blackwell defeated JPIL's Alex Hahn and Becca Anderson 8-2. Line 3: HHCA's Savana Myers and Emma Thompson defeated JPIL's Roxy Remigio and Leighton Wenzel 8-3.

The Lady Warriors defeated the Beaufort Academy Eagles 7-0. Singles: Line 1: JPIL's Alivia Ogden defeated BA's Addy Norris (6-3, 6-3). Line 2: JPIL's Lauren Weniger defeated BA's Kate Brosnan (6-0, 6-1). Line 3: JPIL's Joya Iskandar defeated BA's Elsa Billig (6-4, 6-1). Line 4: JPIL's Becca Anderson defeated BA's Sarah Green (6-1, 6-2). Line 5: JPIL's Alex Hahn defeated BA's Lauren Black (6-1, 6-1). Line 6: JPIL's Roxy Remigio defeated BA's Skyler Holmes (6-3, 6-1). Doubles: Line 1: JPIL's Kelsey Anfinson and Pearse Butler defeated BA's Luna St. Onge and Beatrice Dupont (8-1).

JPIL was defeated by Hilton Head Prep 5-2 Tuesday afternoon, October 3rd. Singles: Line 1: HHP's Millie Pulliam defeated JPIL's Anson Daniel. 6-2, 6-3. Line 2: HHP's Maria Herman defeated JPIL's Cypress Daniel. 1-6, 6-4, 1-0 (10-5). Line 3: HHP's Carly Dowe defeated JPIL's Chloe Maillet. 6-1, 6-1. Line 4: HHP's Ashlyn Kay defeated JPIL's Alivia Ogden. 6-0, 5-7, 1-0 (10-4). Line 5: JPIL's Ann Elise Harrell defeated HHP's Lucy Yellon. 6-4, 6-1. Line 6: JPIL's Lainey Low defeated HHP's Berkley Hawkins. 8-4. Doubles: Line 1: HHP's Millie Pulliam and Maria Herman defeated JPIL's Anson Daniel and Chloe Maillet. 8-1. Line 2: JPIL's Cypress Daniel and Lauren Weniger and HHP's Carly Dowe and Thayer MacLaughlin were tied when the match was called for time. (3-3)

JPIL defeated Heritage Academy 6-1 Monday afternoon, October 2nd. Results: Singles: Line 1: HA's Mia Roets defeated JPIL's Anson Daniel 6-1, 6-2. Line 2: JPIL's Cypress Daniel defeated HA's Carly Anthony 6-0, 0-6, 1-0 (10-8). Line 3: JPIL's Chloe Maillet defeated HA's Ann Fuge 6-1, 6-2. Line 4: JPIL's Alivia Ogden defeated HA's Brooke Childs 6-0, 6-2. Line 5: JPIL's Ann Elise Harrell defeated HA's Lauren Douthit 6-0, 6-0. Line 6: JPIL's Lainey Low defeated HA's Cailan Douthit 6-0, 6-0. Doubles: Line 3: JPIL's Ann Elise Harrell and Lainey Low defeated HA's Lauren Douthit and Cailan Douthit 8-0. Extra Line Doubles: JPIL's Joya Iskandar and Leighton Wenzel defeated Heritage Academy 6-0, 6-0.

Cross Country traveled to HHP where both the boys and girls team took home 1st place finishes. For the girls, Ayla Reynolds lead the team with a 1st place finish in 20:03.7. Abby Brock finished 2nd (20:21.4), followed by Brady Mahoney finishing 4th (21:06.2). For the boys, Sebastian Frickel led all runners with a time of 16:55.5. The remaining JPIL runners were Zac Henderson 2nd at 17:18.6, Blake Hubik 3rd with a 17:45.2, Matthew Yanachik 4th at 18:01.3, and Brayden Frickel finishing in the top ten at 19:34. Fantastic race by both teams.

Girls Golf sent Sofie Hanagan and Sydney Folscroft to the State Championship this week. Sofie, grade 8, placed 12th and Sydney, grade 9, placed 32nd. Great things to come for our golfers next season.

Let's Pack the Gray for Homecoming


As we continue with JPIL's Homecoming Celebration, today at 4:00pm the Middle School Football Team will take on the Dolphins of Hilton Head Prep. The Varsity will then take the field at 7:00pm. Come for both games and enjoy a tailgate party sponsored by the 9th Grade families between games. We are all Warriors.

The Warrior Way Today

As we conclude our "S" month of SERVICE, we enter into the HIGH EXPECTATIONS month. We gathered together as a school community in the athletic center to introduce what it means to have high expectations for ourselves and others, then ended the day with a mini pep rally singing the school's fight song. Hats off to the Senior Class who once again set the bar high!

Have a great weekend and GO WARRIORS.

In His Purpose,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John McCarthy". The signature is written in a cursive style and is placed on a light-colored rectangular background.