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Walk with us on the Warrior Way

The Warrior Way was created by the JP II Leadership Team during the Summer of 2023. It was the term that would define our school culture, incorporating our faith journey and core values that make JP II the school community that it is. Every member of our community, students, parents, staff, and supporters, are challenged to live by these values.

This **Saturday, September 7, at 9:30am** we invite all parents to join us for our annual session on how to **Parent Like a Champion**. Last year we partnered with Play Like a Champion Today, an organization with its origins on the campus of Notre Dame University, to create the culture we expect through athletic participation. Not only do we want our students to Play Like a Champion, but we also want our parents, teachers, and coaches to Parent, Teach, and Coach Like a Champion. All parents with children playing, or expecting to play, sports at JP II this year are required to attend. Since 80% of our students participate in athletics, we expect a packed house.

The Warrior Way

In gratitude for the immeasurable gift God has bestowed on us through our John Paul II Catholic School Community, The Warrior Way is the guiding light that illuminates our vision, directs our mission, and leads us into an encounter with Jesus Christ every day; the Warrior Way is our culture.

Using our S.H.I.E.L.D. core values as the foundation, we focus on defining and instilling these values not only in our students, but our faculty and staff and parents as well. The Warrior Way is about putting our Faith in action today and preparing souls for eternity.

Celebrating Student Success with the AP Capstone Diploma

Three years ago, JPIL launched the AP Capstone Diploma as another academic tool to prepare our students for rigorous college level work. To earn the AP Capstone Diploma, students must have scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on four additional AP Exams of their choosing. This is an outstanding achievement, and the award is acknowledged on any AP score report that is sent to colleges after the award has been conferred. Students were notified via email about their award during the summer. They can view their award online at the student AP Scores website.

AP Capstone is a College Board diploma program that's based on two yearlong AP courses: AP Seminar and AP Research. The program provides student-centered learning while incorporating performance-based assessments. Both courses prepare students for college and career success through the development of critical thinking, academic research, collaboration, presentation, and time management skills. For more information about the AP Capstone Diploma at JPIL please contact your counselor or Mrs. Rembold.

We celebrate the 12 students who earned the AP Capstone Diploma this past year.

Maura Clarke '24	Trice McClure '25	Karoline Rustad '25
Cayce Graves '24	Camryn Michael '25	Sebastian Slusne '25
Sophia Hayward '24	Aadi Patel '25	Daniel Snyder '25
Lili Lutheran '25	Isabella Perez '25	Alec Yanachik '25

Teacher Coaching Initiative at JPIL

As we continue to strive for excellence in our school community, we are thrilled to announce a new initiative that will support both teachers' professional growth and our students' academic success. JPIL has invested in personalized, growth-focused instructional coaching with Northshore Learning!

Starting this school year, we are introducing a series of professional coaching sessions designed specifically for our dedicated teachers. These sessions are an incredible opportunity for our teachers to further develop skills, explore innovative teaching strategies, and collaborate with peers in a supportive and constructive environment.

Researchers have found that instructional coaching has a greater impact on instruction than almost all school-based interventions. When the quality of a teachers' instruction improves, student performance improves! It was a priority for us to invest in our teachers and help them to become the very best teacher that they can be—which will help our students reach their greatest potential!

We are committed to providing our faculty with the resources and support needed to excel in their teaching practice. These coaching sessions are focused on empowering teachers with the tools and confidence to inspire and engage our students effectively. Just one more reason why JPIL stands out among the private schools in Beaufort and Jasper County.

Student Activities

Good afternoon, Golden Warriors! I hope that you all had a restful long weekend. Hooray for another Friday! This week, I'd like to start by giving us one last reminder before our picture retake day (Friday, September 13th). Make sure that haircuts and clothing are ready for a retake if you received an email either from Mr. Collar or me stating that you must be present for a retake to be featured in our 24-25 yearbook. Thank you for understanding and directing any questions on the subject to me. We will begin the day with Senior picture make-ups and go through the grades as the day goes on.

Of course, I'm so excited to continue to pump up the excitement for our upcoming Homecoming Week of celebration! We will be celebrating with special foods and games during lunches, dress down days, our Homecoming Bonfire (Thursday, Sept. 26th from 6:45-9:00 pm), another pep rally during House on (Friday, Sept. 27th) to get us ready to BEAT THE AUGUSTA EAGLES (!!) under the Friday Night Lights in Hardeeville! (Our games are at the Richard Grey Sports Complex at the Hardeeville Recreation Center; 205 Main St. in Hardeeville, SC.) We are so excited to show our Warrior spirit and show up for our Varsity guys and gals who participate in football and cheerleading, and let's not forget to praise all of our JPII Warriors who make us proud on the field, court, in the classroom and beyond in our community. Our social media will be exploding with our spirit week theme days (starting for all grades Monday, Sept. 23rd), dance theme (HS ONLY Saturday, Sept. 28th from 7:00-10:00) and more for HOCO '24 starting next week! Seniors chose our theme TODAY. Let's get excited!

House clothing, additional shirts and sweatshirts, will be available soon. Now that the dust has settled on the first few weeks, we will be ready to take orders for House clothing during House. Mentors will have an order sheet for their students starting September 13th.

Last but not least, I'd love for all of us to start reflecting on the importance of Service. Our first SHIELD value, service, rightly leads the charge because it is crucial to our community, and it enriches the lives of everyone who participates. As St. Francis reminds us, for it is in giving that we receive. We will celebrate our Patron Saint Pope John Paul II by participating in community-wide service efforts on Monday, October 21st this year. Start talking to your student about how they can serve their community as an individual as well. Service hours can be recorded on our website, and we distribute service awards at the end of the year for our top servers (although, we all know what the real prize is for service to others)! Learn more about this awesome opportunity here: <https://www.johnpaul2school.org/faith-formation/community-service>

Upcoming Schedule

- September 13th: picture retakes (6th-12th)
- September 15th:October 15th- Hispanic Heritage month
- September 18th-19th: Overnight Senior retreat
- September 23rd: Lisieux House Blood Drive (16+)
- September 23rd – 27th: Homecoming Spirit Week
- September 26th: Homecoming JPI Community Pep Rally and Bonfire
- September 28th: Homecoming Dance

From the Sports Desk

Varsity Volleyball welcomed May River Thursday night for their first ever regular season game. The Sharks came to play with a strong defense and precise hitting, taking the match 3-0 with sets of 21-25, 20-25 and a tight 3rd set of 22-25. The Warriors couldn't find their normal consistency defensively or in their hitting game and struggled to convert several opportunities. Through some challenging moments several players shone through – Lily Termini had 9 kills on the night as well as Emma McKamey with 5 of her own. Defensively it was the duo of Caylin Gecy and Lili Lutheran with 14 and 13 digs respectively.

Varsity Volleyball hosted Cross School for their second match-up of the season. The girls came out strong and didn't look back, taking the match 3-0. Strong hitting led the evening with Lily Termini tallying 8 kills, Camryn Michael adding 6 of her own along with Emma McKamey with 5 and Alaina Hill and Blakely Gecy with 4. Powerful serving by the Warriors with 16 team aces were led by Caylin Gecy with 5 and Lily Termini with 4. Solid defense rounded out the team led by Caylin Gecy and Madison Burke.

Middle School Volleyball hosted the Cross Stingrays on Tuesday afternoon winning in straight sets (25-6, 25-10). Ansley Reilley let off with the match with 16 service points including 7 aces. Excellent passing and setting lead to a very quick victory.

MS Volleyball started the 3-day St. Francis tournament with a hard fought 3 set win against the rival Hilton Head Christian Eagles (25-15, 24-26, 15-5). Ansley again set the tone with another lead off run of 8 straight service points in the first set and 7 in the second. Destiny Godsun finished what Ansley started scoring on the final 5 points of the crucial third set.

Girls Tennis had a great 5th match on Tuesday, September 3 with Bluffton HS. JPII took the 6-0 victory over Bluffton HS. Big thank you to the coaching staff, players and fans of Bluffton, they graciously allowed us to play on their hardcourts. Also placing ice coolers near each court. Singles Results: Anson Daniel defeating Alex Federinko; 6-0, 6-0. Cypress Daniel defeating Kensley Kaney; 6-0, 6-0. Chloe Maillet defeating Victoria Borjas; 6-1, 6-2. Lainey Low defeating Annie Reichert; 6-0, 6-0. Ann Elise Harrell defeating Alex Borjas; 6-1, 6-2. Alivia Ogden defeating Carolina Molinari; 6-2, 6-3. Doubles: Anson & Chloe defeated Alexandra Federinko & Kensley Kaney; 8-0. Cypress & Lainey defeated Annie Reichert & Victoria Borjas; 8-1. Ann Elise & Alivia defeated Anna Constantineau & Alex Borjas; 8-3. Joya Iskander & Roxy Remigio defeated Eliza & Hailey; 8-1. Alexandra Hahn & Kelsey Anfinson defeated Emily & Addie; 8-5. Roxy Remigio & Riley Covington defeated Nora & Zoe; 8-0. Next match Thursday vs. Laurence Manning. Match start time 4:30 pm.


Varsity Football traveled over to 3A public school Battery Creek for a Friday Night Showdown that was covered by WHHI-TV. Battery Creek struck first and struck fast going up 6-0 early in the game. The Warriors wasted no time getting on the board with a 74 yard TD catch from Alan Wolf to Tommy Gehm. A couple of big plays later, Battery Creek was up 28-7. The Warriors responded once more in the first half with another big connection from Alan Wolf to Tommy Gehm on a 55 yard TD reception. Battery creek scored once more from the results of a turnover leaving the score 35-13 at halftime. The Warriors demonstrated their grit in the second half shutting Battery Creek out on the opening drive of the half and returning fire with a Bryant Jolley TD scamper making the score 35-20. The Dolphins scored once more during the game, but the Warriors wanted to continue putting up a fight. The Warriors finished up the game with another Bryant Jolley Rushing TD which was set up by a 76 yard reception from Wolf to Dante Aiken. The Warriors had great performances

from Sophomore Alan Wolf who was 9-18 passing for 257 yards 2 TD's and 1 interception. Junior Thomas Gehm was on the receiving end of the majority of those yards with 4 catches for 137 yards and 2 TD's. Senior Bryant Jolley dominated the running game with 17 carries for 145 yards and 2 TD's. Defensive standouts were Senior Ephrain Jimenez with 8 Tackles, Senior Sebastian Slusne with 8 Tackles, and Senior Carson Hurst with 7 Tackles. The Warriors had 400 yards of total offense, outgaining the Battery Creek Dolphins by 100 yards. Next up the Warriors travel to Daffin Park in Savannah to play Bethesda Academy who is coming off a 34-14 loss to HHCA.

Middle School Football's next game next will now be a Friday "Double Header ". The MS will host Bethesda at 4pm and Varsity will be hosting cross-town rival Hilton Head Christian at 7pm – it will be a great night of football, friends, and Warrior Spirit! Come out and cheer our boys to Victory!!

Cross Country's next meet is Tuesday (9/10) in Habersham with MS @ 5:00 and Varsity @ 6:00. Come out and cheer the Warriors on to victory and then enjoy dinner in one of Habersham's fine restaurants.

Looking for a Great Service Opportunity?



WONDER WHY SOME PEOPLE JUST CAN'T SEEM TO GET AHEAD?

Join us for a Lowcountry Poverty Simulation to better understand the real-life challenges that some of our neighbors face every day.

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

You're invited to attend a **FREE** Poverty Simulation

When: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 14


Where: St. Peter's Catholic Church
(70 Lady's Island Drive, Beaufort, SC 29907)




RSVP: Please RSVP by Monday, September 9 by clicking [HERE](#). SEATS ARE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 80 REGISTRANTS.

What is a Poverty Simulation?

The Community Action Poverty Simulation is a profoundly moving experience that allows participants to step into the real-life situations of others. This simulated experience helps participants rethink the challenges that millions of low-income individuals face each and every day. Most importantly, it helps people identify areas of change that can directly impact the effects of poverty on individuals, families and communities.

Poverty is often portrayed as a stand-alone issue. This simulation allows individuals to walk a month in the shoes of someone who is facing poverty and realize how complex and interconnected the issues of poverty really are.

 **Saint Peter's**
CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Lowcountry Poverty Simulation is provided at no cost by
United Way of the Lowcountry & Beaufort-Jasper Economic Opportunity Commission

Cafeteria Substitutes Needed

As you all know, JPIL has successfully launched its first ever food service program in the history of the school. The program is staffed by one full-time manager who works 7:00am to 3:00pm, and one part-time assistant scheduled from 11:00am to 3:00pm. In order to keep our program running, we are in need of a few cafeteria substitutes to keep things running in the event of an absence. No prior food service experience is required. We will provide paid training.

Daily substitute rate for the full-time position is \$100 / \$50 for part-time

Contact Anissa Sauls if interested. Anissa.sauls@johnpaul2school.org

Part-Time Night Custodian Needed

We have an anticipated opening for a part-time night custodian to service the Athletic Center and modular classrooms. The hours are approximately 4:00pm to 10:00pm, Monday through Friday. Hours are somewhat flexible depending on school events. Total of 29 hours per week.

The position involves cleaning of classrooms, offices, the lobby, restrooms, and locker rooms. This position would likely be the last to leave and would require securing the campus.

Contact Richard Jennings if Interested. Richard.jennings@johnpaul2school.org

Did you ever wonder why I stand out front of the school just about every day greeting students and their parents? The answer is because it reminds me daily of my purpose. Whether I get a big smile or perhaps just a grunt, it does not matter. What matters is the reminder of **PURPOSE** and why I chose to lead JPIL.

Have a great weekend everyone.

In His Purpose,



John E McCarthy
President