



Pana Junior High
Juletta Ellis, Principal
Report to Board of Education
November 2018

Enrollment:

6th Grade: 96

7th Grade: 91

8th Grade: 108

Total: 295

Attendance:

6th Grade: 95.58%

7th Grade: 94.85%

8th Grade: 95.21%

Average: 95.21%



The Band and Choir Fall concert was held on October 24th. Both the band and the choir performed Halloween-themed tunes.

Red Ribbon Week was celebrated October 22nd-26th. The theme was Life's a Journey. Travel Drug-Free. Students participated in several travel-themed dress up days throughout the week. Thank you to Mrs. Sowarsh and the RRW student committee for a fun week!



A Pop-Up Party was held for all students in grades 6-8 who achieved honor roll and/or perfect attendance for first quarter on October 26th. Mrs. Ellis recognized students and treated them to cookies and drinks in the cafeteria.

The 8th grade boys' basketball team finished 3rd at the Nokomis tournament on November 2nd.

PJHS teachers have been busy focus on student engagement and classroom management strategies. During the November 7th building meeting, teachers participated in Speed Dating, an activity in which a question or scenario was posed and discussed in 90 seconds before switching and repeating until all teachers spoke with one another. It was a fun way to connect and learn a new classroom strategy at the same time!

The Panther Den, under the direction of Mr. Miller and Ms. Terry, created a special ceremony in honor of veterans for Veteran's Day. The history of the holiday was shared and the choir performed "Letters from War" by candlelight. Each branch of the military was asked to stand as their song was played, and the ceremony ended with a skit to help student understand that Veteran's Day is more than just a day off school. Great job students!



The Trauma-Informed Team comprised of Mrs. Sowarsh, Mrs. Henschen, Mrs. Kallal, and Mrs. Perry presented to junior high and high school staff on the ½ SIP day on November 14th. Their goal is to help teacher better understand how students from trauma are affected, how they learn, and how we as educators can better meet their needs.

We will celebrate American Education Week November 13-16.

Progress reports will be sent home on Wednesday, November 21st.