



**Pana Junior High**  
**Juletta Ellis, Principal**  
**Report to Board of Education**  
**September 2017**

Enrollment:

6th Grade: 91  
7th Grade: 113  
8th Grade: 90  
Total: 294

Open House was held on August 24 and approximately 350 students and family members attended!

Our PBIS initiative Panther Quest held a kickoff assembly on Friday, September 1st. The PBIS team introduced the Moral Compass (Behavior Matrix) and earning currency (positive rewards) through a travel theme, which included staff singing "Here at PJHS" to the tune of the "Gilligan's Island" song. Students were also introduced to our school wide character education program which meets once a week.

Our PBIS program earned BRONZE status recognition through the Midwest PBIS Network.

MAP testing was held on September 8th and was completed with very few issues. Teachers will now use the data to assess where students are and plan for future instruction.

The Panther Den, which is comprised of 7th and 8th grade students who exhibit strong academics and high moral character, have been busy completing service projects both in and out of school. This month they spent time at the Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry. They also helped to paint rocks for an upcoming Pana Pride retail scavenger hunt event on September 30th.

Girls' basketball season is underway. The first home game was on September 15th.



PJHS conducted a fire drill on September 19th. This was the first of our drills this year and it went smoothly, with everyone evacuating in about 2 minutes. We are currently reviewing procedures for the common areas such as the cafeteria.

The SAP (Student Assistance Program) held a "Sweatpants Day" to raise money to stock the SAP closet with essential items students might need. The day raised \$100 for the cause.

Progress reports for 1st quarter were sent home on Friday, September 22nd,

Upcoming Events:

10/4--Junior MidState Conference Fall Meeting  
10/5--PT Conferences  
10/6--GooglePalooza at Vandalia