

# Pana Junior High Juletta Ellis, Principal Report to Board of Education February 2019

**Enrollment:** 

6th Grade: 94 7th Grade: 90 8th Grade: 107 Total: 291 Attendance:

6th Grade: 95.86% 7th Grade: 94.00% 8th Grade: 94.03% Average: 94.63%

#### Student Corner

- January Students of the Month were announced. These students were nominated by their teachers for exemplary work as a student and person and received certificates as well as gift certificates to Subway. Pictured are Hayleigh Manuel, Matthew Welburn, Andrew Kealen, Claire Osborn, Alexis Hubner and Dillan Hocq.
- Progress Reports were sent home with students on February 6th.
- On February 8th, the students of the Panther Den, sponsored by Mr. Miller and Mrs. Mayhall, hosted the Heroes' Breakfast. First responders from Pana and surrounding communities were invited to special breakfast to recognize and honor their service.







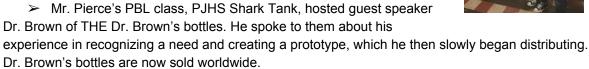
- The Student Council held a Red Carpet Dance for 7th and 8th grade students on Friday, February 8th. Special thanks to StuCo members and their sponsors Mrs. Ade and Mrs. Mayhall for coordinating the event.
- Congratulations to the 6th grade girls' volleyball team for taking 1st place at the Pana Invite on Saturday, February 9th. The 6th grade team is coached by Roger and Mary Cothern.
- ➤ Congratulations to the 8th grade girls' volleyball team for taking 2nd place at the Holy Family tournament on Saturday, February 16th. The 8th grade team is coached by Greg Cothern.
- ➤ The 8th graders prepared for high school by making their freshman class course selections on Tuesday, February 19th with Mrs. Sowarsh. Parents and guardians also attended a meeting regarding course selection on Thursday, February 21st.
- ➤ Mrs. Schutt organized a Kiss the Pig contest to fundraise for the upcoming Washington D.C. student trip. Students voted with money for a lucky staff member to pucker up while the entire student body watched!

#### In the Classroom

Mr. Miller, Mrs. Ade, and Mrs. Mathon collaborated on a project to learn more about Central American culture and math at the same time. Student researched recipes and

customs and then used their math skills to multiply and divide their food creations with the class.





### Staff Development

> Friday, February 15th was Teacher Institute. PJHS staff took the opportunity for staff to learn from staff! Presenters included Mrs. Cothern (who presented on student engagement); Ms. Beyers and Mrs. Crosby (who presented on co-teaching models); and Mrs. Sowarsh, Mrs. Kallal, Mrs. Perry, and Mrs. Henschen (who presented on trauma-informed communication practices). Teachers were then given time to discuss what they had learned and reflect on how they would put the strategies to use.









## **Upcoming Events**

- March 7th the Drama PBL class taught by Mrs. Dameris and Mrs. Ade will present their play to students. There will be a community showing at 7 P.M. that evening as well.
- March 8th will be the student viewing of the high school play *Peter and the Starcatcher*. This year's play incorporates PJHS students too.
- March 8th is the end of 3rd Quarter.
- ➤ March 11th-15th is the Spring PJHS Book Fair.
- March 13th is Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences.
- ➤ March 15th and 16th PJHS will be hosting the Class 1-A State Volleyball Tournament.
- ➤ March 15th 3rd Quarter Report Cards will be sent home.