

**Palmer Catholic Academy  
School Calendar 2023-2024**

July	31	New Teacher Orientation @ 8:30 am (St. Matthews)
August	1	Teachers and Staff Report
	2	Opening Mass for teachers @ 10:00 am (St. Joseph) <b>New Family Orientation at 5:30 PM in the PCA Gym</b>
	7	Meet & Greet for students in Grades 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> (Bring supplies) 9:00 am 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade 11:00 am 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade 1:00 pm 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
	8	Meet & Greet for students in Grades K-5 <sup>th</sup> by last name (Bring supplies) 9:00 am A-H 11:30 am I-P 2:00 pm R-Z
	9	Meet & Greet for students (Bring Supplies) 9:00 am Pre-K
	10	<b>Classes begin</b>
	11	Varsity Basketball Tryouts (3:30-5:00 boys; 5:15-6:45 girls)
	14	Varsity Basketball Tryouts (3:30-5:00 boys; 5:15-6:45 girls)
	15	Holy Day of Obligation – Children’s Mass @ 9:40 am – Thursday schedule at PCA Cheer Tryout Clinic 3:30-5:30 followed by parent meeting
	16	JV and Varsity Cheer Tryouts 3:30-5:30
	17	Tuesday schedule at PCA JV Basketball Tryouts (3:30-5:00 boys; 5:15-6:45 girls)
	18	<b>Family Bingo Night @ 5:30 – PCA Gym</b>
	31	<b>School Improvement – Early Staggered Release</b> <b>(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (Angels After Hours 12:00 – 3:30 pm)</b>
September	1	<b>Diocesan Professional Day – No school for students</b>
	4	<b>Labor Day –No school for teachers and students</b>
	6	<b>HSA Meeting via Zoom at 8:30 AM</b>
	7	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Discovery Day at Bishop Kenny
	11	Town Hall Meeting @ 5:30 PCA Gym
	24	<b>OLSS Family Fun Day (12-3) after 11 AM Mass with Bishop Pohlmeier</b>
	25	Open House for 4 <sup>th</sup> grade at 5:00 pm and 5 <sup>th</sup> grade at 6:00 pm
	26	Open House for 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade at 5:00 pm and 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade at 6:00 pm
	27	Open House for 1 <sup>st</sup> grade at 6:00 pm
	28	Open House for 6 <sup>th</sup> grade at 5:00 pm and 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grades at 6:00 pm <b>Individual School Pictures – Mandatory Uniform Day</b>
October	4	Open House for Pre-K & Kindergarten at 5:00
	6	<b>School Improvement – Early Staggered Release</b> <b>(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (Angels After Hours 12:00 – 3:30 pm)</b>
	9	<b>No school for teachers and students</b>
	10	<b>Professional Day – No school for students</b>
	11	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade PSAT Testing
	12	<b>HSA Parent Social in Concessions Area after Children’s Mass</b>
	13	<b>End of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>
	15	<b>OPTION 1 - Mandatory Confirmation Parent Meeting 12:15-1:15 in Cultural Center</b> <b>(choose this date or October 18)</b>

	18	<b>OPTION 2 – Mandatory Confirmation Parent Meeting 7:15-8:15 in the Browning Center Room 1 (choose this date or October 15)</b>
	22	<b>Walking Rosary after the 11:00 Mass at OLSS</b>
	23	8th Grade visit to St. Joseph Academy
	23-27	Red Ribbon Week
November	1	Holy Day of Obligation – Children’s Mass at 9:40 AM – Thursday schedule at PCA
	2	Wednesday schedule at PCA <b>HSA Meeting via Zoom at 8:30 AM</b>
	3	Student Council Elections @ PCA
	4	<b>Mandatory Reconciliation Retreat 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM @ OLSS</b>
	6-10	Scholastic Book Fair
	15	Science Fair
	17	<b>PCA Color Run Fundraiser</b> <b>School Improvement - Early staggered holiday release</b> <b>(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (No Angels After Hours)</b>
	20-24	<b>Thanksgiving Break – No school for teachers and students</b>
December	5	PreK-5 <sup>th</sup> grade Christmas Program @ OLSS @ 5 PM
	6	Advent Penitential at PCA
	7	Friday schedule at PCA
	8	Holy Day of Obligation Immaculate Conception - Children’s Mass at 9:40 Thursday schedule @ PCA <b>Individual School Picture Retakes/Club Picture Day</b> <b>HSA Parent Social in Concessions Area after Children’s Mass</b>
	14, 15, 18, 19	Middle School Mid Terms
	19	<b>Early staggered holiday release</b> <b>(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (No Angels After Hours)</b> <b>End of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter</b>
	20	<b>Christmas Holiday Begins (school closed for students Dec. 20, 2023-Jan. 2, 2024)</b>
January	2	<b>Professional Day – No School for Students</b>
	3	<b>Classes resume</b>
	11	<b>HSA Parent Social in Concessions Area after Children’s Mass</b>
	12	<b>School Improvement – Early staggered release</b> <b>(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (Angels After Hours 12:00 – 3:30 pm)</b>
	15	<b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday – No school for teachers and students</b>
	28-Feb. 3	Catholic Schools Week
February	7	<b>HSA Meeting via Zoom at 8:30 AM</b>
	9	<b>Class Pictures – Mandatory Uniform Day</b>
	10	<b>PCA Angel Ball Fundraiser @ Sawgrass Marriott</b>
	14	Ash Wednesday – Children’s Mass at 9:40 AM – Thursday schedule at PCA
	15	Wednesday schedule at PCA <b>School Improvement – Early staggered release</b> <b>(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (Angels After Hours 12:00 – 3:30 pm)</b>
	16	<b>Professional Day – No school for students – Staff Retreat</b>
	19	<b>President’s Day Holiday – No school for teachers and students</b>
	20, 21, 23, 26	<b>TerraNova Testing for grades 2-8</b>
	29	NJHS Induction after Mass

- March
- 2 **Mandatory Eucharist Retreat – 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM @ OLSS**
  - 5, 6 FCC Accreditation Visit
  - 7 **HSA Parent Social in Concessions Area after Children’s Mass**
  - 8 **ACRE Test – Grades 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter**
  - 8, 9 10 School Musical Production
  - 11 **Diocesan Professional Day – No school for students**
  - 13 Lenten Penitential at PCA
  - 14 **School Improvement – Early staggered release**  
**(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (No Angels After Hours)**
  - 15 **No school for teachers and students**
  - 21 NEHS Induction after Mass
  - 27 **Early staggered holiday release**  
**(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (No Angels After Hours)**
  - 28-April 5 **Easter Holiday (no school for students and staff)**
- April
- 8 **Classes Resume**
  - 17 **HSA Meeting via Zoom at 8:30 AM**
  - 19 Schoolwide Retreat Day  
**School Improvement – Early staggered release**  
**(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (Angels After Hours 12:00 – 3:30 pm)**
  - 20 **Mandatory Confirmation Retreat 10 AM – 4 PM**
  - 26 Middle School Field Trips
- May
- 2 PCA May Crowning after Mass
  - 3 **OLSS Father/Daughter Dance**
  - 6-10 Teacher Appreciation Week
  - 7 **Confirmation Practice @ 5:15 in the Cultural Center (Confirmandi and sponsors)**
  - 9 **HSA Parent Social in Concessions Area after Children’s Mass**  
**Confirmation at OLSS @ 6 PM**
  - 22, 24, 28 **8<sup>th</sup> grade Final Exams**
  - 23 **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards Assembly after Mass**
  - 24 Kindergarten End-of-Year Celebration at 9AM – PCA Gym
  - 27 **Memorial Day – No School for teachers and students**
  - 28-30 **6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade Final Exams**
  - 29 **8<sup>th</sup> grade Breakfast/Check-out/Service Day/Carpool Parade**
  - 30 PreK Graduation at 1 PM - PCA Gym  
**8<sup>th</sup> grade Graduation Rehearsal 9:30 AM @ OLSS**  
**8<sup>th</sup> grade Graduation Mass @ 5 PM @ OLSS**
  - 31 Field Day PreK-5  
Moving Up Day for students (grades 5-7)  
**Last Day of School - Early Staggered Release**  
**(PreK-2 @ 12:00 PM, 3-5 @ 12:10 PM, 6-8 @ 12:20 PM) (No Angels After Hours)**
- \*\*First Communions will be at the Sunday Masses on May 5, 12, 19, 26 @ 9 AM, 11 AM, 5 PM**
- June
- 5 Last Day for Teachers