



Shamrock News

10/4/19

Gym floor update: The vetting process for the gym floor has been completed. Bids have been made and a specific floor and vendor has been selected. The vendor is hoping to begin installation soon. Once installation begins, we will provide a tentative timeline for completion of the project. Please be advised that once work begins on the floor, no one will be allowed in the gym. Thank you again for your patience with this project.

Parent-Teacher Conferences: Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for Thursday, October 24 from 12:30– 3:30pm and 4:30-7:30pm. Elementary and middle school students will have a scheduled conference time. Parents of high school students may walk in and meet with teachers any time during the scheduled conference times.

Progress Reports: An email was sent to parents this week to inform you that progress reports for the first quarter (students in grades 3-12) are available on the Infinite Campus Parent/ Student Portal. In order to view your student(s) progress report, please log into the portal, select the appropriate student, select Reports, select the appropriate report, view/print.

Get the Remind App: Don't miss out on important reminders and emergency information. For grades PS-8 text 81010 with the message @4464h2. For high school text 757.847.9886 with the message @793fhh. You can also receive them via email by going to remind.com. This app allows you to receive the messages in real time for emergencies and general information.

Thinking Maps: This week's Thinking Map that was introduced to all students is the Flow Map.

Box Tops: We will not have label competitions this year, but please continue to send in your Box Tops and sign up for the app to scan in your receipts.

Online Apparel Store: Looking for some St. Patrick apparel? Click on the link at the bottom of the school website homepage to place an order.

Coat Drive: The Portland Community Fund Association will be having a coat drive from Oct. 1-18. Adult and children's clean, useable coats will be collected along with hats, mittens, gloves, boots and outerwear. We especially need children's snow pants. A donation container is located in the hallway outside the school office. Distribution will take place on Sat., Oct. 19 from 10am-1pm at St. Andrew Lutheran Church on Kent Street for anyone needing winter apparel.

Applications for the Portland Community Fund Association's Christmas Giving Program will be available at the beginning of October. Applications will be available in the school office, Portland City Hall, churches, library, and Tom's Pharmacy. Any family residing in the Portland School District that may need assistance or anyone who knows of someone who could use the extra assistance should fill out an application. For more information call Lisa Balderson 517-930-1651 or Sandy Klein 517-526-0529.

PFCU School Branch Program: We are excited that PFCU is once again running the School Branch Program at St. Patrick Elementary! Students in 2nd-5th grade that have an account with PFCU can bring their money to school to save. There will be contests and prizes all year! The branch will be opening on October 15 in the music room during lunch and running every Tuesday. We are in need of 1-2 parent volunteers to help with the student branch during elementary lunch from 11:35am-12:35pm. Please contact Janet Pung in the school office if you are able to help.

PTO Kidsfest: The PTO is looking for volunteers to help out at Kidsfest during Fall Fest on Sunday, October 13. Please visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4FAAA92DA57-kidsfest> to sign up to work.

Halloween Parties: Elementary Halloween parties will take place in the afternoon on Oct 31, see classroom newsletters for details. The Halloween parade for parents is at 3:15pm. Route will be announced soon.



Calendar of Events



10/5	5/6 Grade Volleyball vs. St. Mary & IHM @ PMS 10a PTO Homecoming Tailgate @ PHS 5:30 Homecoming Parade (grades 6-12) St. Pat's to PHS 6p Var. Football vs. Manistee Catholic Central @ PHS 7p Bonfire after game @ FFF ends at 11p	10/9	Mass for grades 1-8 9:30a PTO Meeting in room 115 6p
10/6	Athletic Association Meeting in Parish Hall 6p	10/10	Mass for grades 9-12 7:35a Var. Volleyball @ Central Montcalm 5p MS & Var. Cross Country @ Huckleberry Creek 4:30p 7/8 Grade Volleyball vs. Potterville @ PMS double net 6:30p
10/7-11	Fire Prevention Week	10/11	Open Campus Lunch for Seniors
10/7	Students may no longer wear shorts to school	10/12	Var. Cross Country @ Greater Lansing Invitational Var. Volleyball @ Dansville Invitational 9a Var. Football vs. Onokama @ PHS 7p
10/8	MS & Var. Cross Country @ Saranac Color Run 4p Fr., JV & Var. Volleyball @ Fowler 5:30p 7/8 Grade Volleyball vs. Dansville @ PMS double net 6:30p	10/13	Fall Fest in the school



PTO Homecoming Tailgate

Saturday, October 5

5:30 pm in the PHS parking lot • Kickoff is 7pm

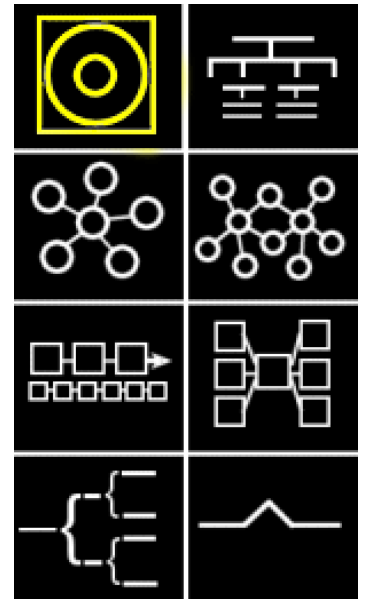
All are welcome to attend

- Bring a potluck dish to pass.
- PTO will provide hot dogs, buns, water, etc.
- Advancement & Development Committee will host a pork roast.



THINKING MAPS **HOME & School**

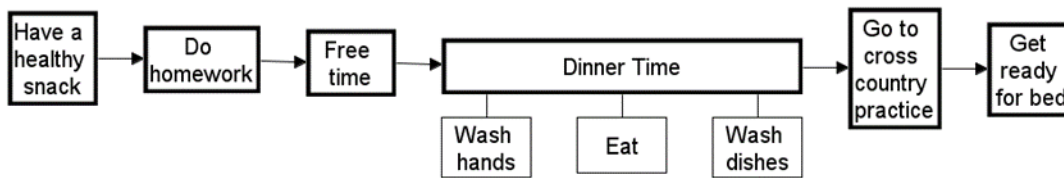
Connection



A flow map is used for sequencing. Often this map is used to show time, but it can also be used to show intensity (greatest to least / favorite to least favorite)

Example:

After School Routine



With your family, create a flow map. You may select anything to break into all its parts.

Other ideas for **Flow Map**

- Daily Routine
- Steps for completing a task
- Order people by age
- Prioritize Christmas list
- Any other sequencing or ordering event



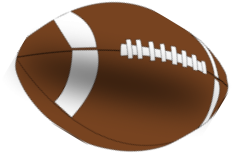
Please come and join us for the 2019 Fall Festival on Sunday, October 14 at the school. Buffet Style dinner includes roast beef and ham, mashed potatoes, dressing, salad, homemade breads and desserts.....and much more!

- Dinner will be served from 11:00 until 2:00 pm, and take-out meals will be available in the Parish Hall during those same hours.
- Raffle tickets can be turned in at the Raffle Booth in the lobby outside the school office on Sunday from 10 until 2:45 p.m.. The raffle will be held in the Parish Hall at 3:00 p.m.
- The Arts and Crafts Show will run from 9:00 to 3:00 pm in the first floor halls and classrooms as well as the gym.
- There's a Euchre Tournament in the Parish Hall at 12:30.
- Kidfest activities will take place in the second floor hallways from 10-2.
- 5K/Half Marathon on the River Trail.
- For complete information visit the school website: www.portlandstpats.com---click on **Fall Festival**. See you there!

Homecoming 2019 News!!!!

Childhood Cartoons

Seniors – Sponge Bob
 Juniors - Dora
 Sophomores – Scooby Doo
 Freshmen – Phineas and Ferb
 Jr. High – Mickey Mouse Club



Homecoming Court

King Candidates: Jeff Davlin, Riley Kissane and Breton Weller
 Queen Candidates: Ally Florian, Leah Kissane and Samantha Teachworth
 Juniors: Tristin Huhn and Avery Zimmerman
 Sophomores: Derec Fedewa and Carly Scheurer
 Freshmen: Payton Russman and Samantha Smith
 Prince and Princess: Parker Osborne and Sadie Easlick

Dress Up Days:

Monday- Comfy Day (Grades 6-12) Dress up in comfy clothes. (NO JEANS!!)

Tuesday- Jersey Day (Grades 6-12) Dress in your favorite Jersey, jeans allowed.

Wednesday- *Sunday Best (Grades 9-12) Dress in your Sunday best. Guys in ties and girls in appropriate clothing (skirts should meet length requirement (no more than one inch above the knee), no bare shoulders and shoes should have straps on the back). Great Grandma approved!!! (No flip flops!)

*Cartoon Day (Grades 6-8) Dress as your favorite cartoon character. (No flip flops or JEANS!)

Thursday- *Cartoon Day (Grades 9-12) Dress as your favorite cartoon character. (No flip flops or JEANS!)

*Sunday Best (Grades K-8) Dress in your Sunday best. Guys in ties and girls in appropriate clothing (skirts should meet length requirement (no more than one inch above the knee), no bare shoulders and shoes should have straps on the back). Great Grandma approved!!! (No flip flops!)

Friday- Spirit Days (Grades K-12) Dress up in St. Pat's SUPER spirit wear and let your spirit rock! (No flip flops!)

*****Elementary and Jr. High are flip flopping Wednesday and Thursday. Sunday best day is on their Mass day.*****

Activities and Events:

Saturday, September 28, 2019

- High School Dance in the Parish Hall from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- Students from other schools MUST have a dance permission slip.
- Cost is \$5 per person

Friday, October 4, 2019

- 7:30 a.m. – Donuts for High School and Junior High
- Volleyball Tournament (to be announced)
- Jr. and High School Pep Assembly (to be announced)
- 1:00 p.m. – High School Powder Puff.

Saturday, October 5, 2019

- 5:30 p.m. - PTO Tailgate Party at the Portland High School Parking Lot
- 6:00 p.m. – Parade from St. Patrick to Portland High School *****This is for Jr. High and High School Students only.*****
- 7:00 p.m. – Football Game
- Bonfire after the football game at Fr. Flohe Field until 11:00 p.m.

During Spirit Week (Monday, September 30th – Thursday, October 3rd) Student Council will be selling Spirit Wear during lunch. The students will be able to wear the tattoos on Friday of Homecoming week.

- 1 string of green and 1 string of white beads ----- 25¢
- 1 string of small shamrock necklace ----- 25¢
- 1 green of big shamrock necklace ----- 50¢
- 1 green glow pompon ----- \$3.00
- 1 green & white pompon ----- \$1.00
- 1 tattoos ----- 25¢
- 1 green frisbee----- \$1.00

October 10

Ionia County Central Dispatch 9-1-1
6th Annual



9-1-1 Open House

545 Apple Tree Drive, Ionia

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1st Responders, Road Commission, Tri-County,
Local AMBULANCE, FIRE & POLICE departments.



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