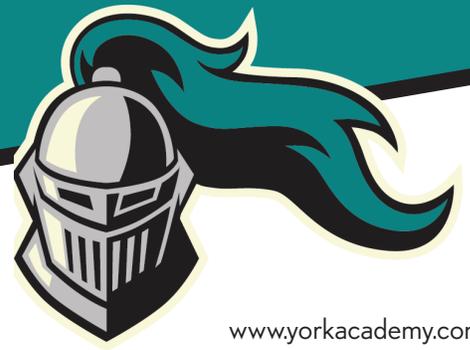


# Knight News

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## School Calendar Reminders



**EARLY  
DISMISSAL  
& SPIRIT  
DAY**

**Tomorrow, April 18**, is a scheduled Early Dismissal and PTO Spirit Day. Lower School students will be dismissed at 12:15 p.m. and Upper School students will be dismissed at 12:30 p.m. Please make the necessary arrangements for your child/children to be picked up at the appropriate times.

The Spirit Day theme is "Don't Sweat the Test." Students may wear sweatpants, shorts, sweatshirts, t-shirts, athletic team jerseys and sneakers. Each student that elects to participate is asked to bring \$1 that will go toward the events that are sponsored by the PTO. Students electing not to participate are to wear the required uniform.

Please note that **Monday, April 22** is a **make-up day** for Academy students. **School will be in session on Monday** as a result of a previous school closure due to weather.

## Pennsylvania Assessment (PSSA)

Please be reminded that York Academy students are required to participate in Pennsylvania's assessment program (PSSA). During the **week of April 22**, students in grades three through eight will be involved with some level of assessment.

It is extremely important that students arrive at school on time and prepared for the assessment. Please ensure that your child/children have a restful night of sleep and a good breakfast. The Academy will provide students with a morning snack to help get them through the day.

## Aladdin Tickets On Sale Now

Tickets are now available for the York Academy Upper School's inaugural musical! Our talented eighth and ninth-graders will present Disney's Aladdin Dual Language Edition (DLE) on **May 10, 11 and 12**. The DLE version includes the Academy Award-winning score from Disney's animated classic, with lyrics in Spanish and English. It features a revamped plot that creates dramatic necessity for the bilingual script.



The story begins centuries ago when the royalty of Agrabah spoke one language, and the citizens another. Communication is impossible without translation, which is controlled by the evil vizier, Jafar. When the rebellious princess (Jazmin) and a delinquent street rat (Aladdin) meet in the marketplace, they find something special in one another. Together, they work to transcend the barriers between them and, with a little magic, help create a better future for themselves and for Agrabah.

In partnership with Weary Arts Group, our students have been working hard to present a fantastic show. Come support these [IB risk-takers](#) and [click here](#) to order your tickets before they sell out!

## Give Local York: Support the York Academy Foundation on Friday, May 3



We're counting down the days to **Friday, May 3** when the York Academy will participate in [Give Local York](#) in partnership with the [Rotary Club of York](#)! During this 24-hour giving spree to benefit local charities like the [York Academy Foundation](#), we'll be raising money to build a college Scholarship Fund for our first graduating class and fulfill STEM needs (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) at the Upper School.

We are pleased to share that the Rotary Club of York has committed to **match the total donation we raise as a school!** Their contribution will help equip the Upper School chemistry and biology labs and provide start-up materials for our new Robotics Team. Please consider participating with a donation of any amount. **Your support will inspire learning, innovative thinking and spark possibilities today and beyond!**

# Give Local York Activities and Fun

## Lower School Activities:

From **Monday, April 22 through Friday, May 3**, Lower School students will participate in Penny Wars to benefit the York Academy in Give Local York. Several staff members and a parent are vying for the opportunity to become "human sundaes."

Each morning, jars will be placed in the lobby. At the close of school on May 3, we will identify the two staff members who have received the most contributions. At an assembly on **Monday, May 6**, several students will be selected to make them look like hot fudge, nut-covered, whipped cream smeared, cherry covered sundaes - with sprinkles on top! The potential human sundaes are:

- Mr. Goodwin, Head of School
- Mr. Noel, Plant Operator
- Mrs. Alvarnaz, Math Teacher
- Mr. Bricker, Fifth Grade Teacher



- Ms. Frederick, Kindergarten Teacher
- Ms. Kinard, Physical Education Teacher
- Mr. Michael, Music Teacher
- Mr. Josh George, Parent and President Elect of the Rotary Club of York



## Upper School Activities:

From **Monday, April 22 through Friday, May 3**, Upper School students will support Give Local York by holding Penny Wars for a "Teacher Lock In!" The grade level with the most donations at the end of school on May 3 will have their teachers locked in their classrooms during first period on **Friday, May 10**. The students in that teacher's homeroom will

have a free period to socialize in the Media Center, play games in the gym or even watch a movie in the Dr. Baughman Center for Creative Excellence while their teachers are officially "locked in."

## Give Local York Spirit Day for All Students:

**Friday, May 3** will also be a Spirit Day and students may contribute \$1 to dress in our school colors (teal and ivory). Each homeroom will decide which staff member gets their donation. Students electing not to participate are to wear the required uniform.



## Give Local York Activities for Families and Friends on Friday, May 3

### Science Demonstrations:

At **1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. on May 3**, our Upper School students will perform science experiments. They will demonstrate some of the activities that are currently required within the science curriculum in the lobby. Come early and visit the [D.E.W. Good Academy Café](#) for a cup of coffee, tea or some of our delicious pastries - all locally sourced.

### Tailgate Party

On **May 3 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.**, York Academy families and friends may join us for a fundraising tailgate celebration and tours of the Upper School. Hot dogs, hamburgers and snacks will be available in the cafeteria and guests may spend time in our outdoor dining area overlooking the Codorus Creek. The D.E.W. Good Academy Cafe will also be open extended hours. Families can even plan to participate in our [Parents' Night Out event at 6:00 p.m.](#) and head downtown for First Friday festivities or the [Give Local York Big Give Party at the Appell Center!](#)



Please join us in our Give Local York efforts to offer more opportunities for students. **Any amount will make an impact** and help the York Academy continue to **develop caring, successful leaders** who will make this world a better place.



Thank you in advance!



Give Local York runs from 12:00 a.m. through 11:59 p.m. on May 3. During that time, online donations will also be accepted at [www.givelocalyork.org](http://www.givelocalyork.org).



## Parents' Night Out: Friday, May 3

Mrs. Chester and members of the Upper School National Junior Art Honor Society and National Art Honor Society are hosting one more "Parents' Night Out" fundraiser on **Friday, May 3 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.** (First Friday & Give Local York). Proceeds will help fund the upcoming Upper School NJAHS/NAHS field trip to Philadelphia.

This event is for York Academy students and their friends (K-7). Siblings are welcome as long as they are at least five years old. The children will play games in the Upper School gym and enjoy popcorn while watching Hotel Transylvania 3 (PG) in the Dr. Dennis Baughman Center for Creative Expression. [Click here for more details and register now.](#) Thanks for your support!

## PYP Arts Night: Friday, May 10

The annual PYP York Academy Arts Night will be held on **Friday, May 10 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.** at the Lower School. Please mark this date on your calendar and join us for an evening of displays and musical presentations representing the work our students (K-5) have done over the year.

## Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are needed for three upcoming events. If you are interested and hold the required clearances, please contact Mrs. TaTyana Abreu at [tabreu@yorkarcs.org](mailto:tabreu@yorkarcs.org). Thank you!

- **Monday, May 13:** Upper School Field Trip to Washington D.C. (7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.)
- **Wednesday, May 15:** Upper School PTO Field Day at PeoplesBank Park (1:00 - 3:00 p.m.)
- **Friday, May 17:** End of the Year PTO Social for MYP students in Grades 6-9 at the Upper School (4:00 - 6:00 p.m.)



## We Help Two Amputee Update

Last fall, our caring third-graders sold funky socks through the charity "[We Help Two.](#)" This community service project was a way to raise funds to assist amputees in need get a second chance at life. We are happy to share that our students raised enough to provide prosthetic legs for two people who are now walking again! Congratulations to our students and thank you to everyone who purchased socks. Click on the pictures below to learn how our efforts changed Ashok and Rahinatu's lives.



[Ashok](#)



[Rahinatu](#)

