## Personalized Education Period (PEP)

This year, Archbishop Jordan is reintroducing an engaging learning opportunity for students called "Personalized Education Period" (PEP) that was offered previously at ABJ. The goal of PEP is to offer students choice by having students direct their time for learning and/or wellness needs. PEP happens every Wednesday for one hour - from 2:11 - 3:11 pm - that is not a scheduled early dismissal day (early dismissal is the first Wednesday of the month).

Students (or parents on behalf of their child) are encouraged to sign up for a PEP session each week as it is an excellent opportunity for students to receive academic support and/or enrichment, or participate in health or wellness activities. Students are encouraged to use PEP in a way that best meets their educational students. Students (or parents on behalf of their child) can register for a PEP session on PowerSchool (see student/parent guide attached). Teachers will also have the ability to register students for PEP sessions, as discussed with the student. Students registered for PEP sessions are expected to attend as attendance will be recorded.

Students and parents can begin registering for PEP sessions beginning on Friday (yes today!) the week prior to a PEP session. Please note that students cannot drop or change their registrations once they have been made. The sessions will close at 8am the morning of the designated PEP day, the first one being Wednesday, September 15. Note: There will be a PowerSchool update on Sunday, September 12 that will restrict access to the program. It should be accessible again on the morning of Monday, September 13.

Our staff recommends that students take advantage of this time, as it is part of their school day. As a parent/guardian, if you do not choose for your child to be signed up for a PEP session, you are excusing them from being at school during PEP. If that is the case, please also ensure your child has adequate transportation, as all EICS busing is organized for pick up after 3:11 pm.

Please also note that if students are not registered for a PEP session, they are not permitted to wait around at school. Any student who needs to wait for an event afterschool or for parent pick up, needs to be assigned to a PEP session. For any students who were unable to sign up for a PEP session and decide to stay at school, they may come to Study Hall to work in the library and staff will register them for that session. Please also see attached the <u>Student-Parent User Guide.pdf</u> as well as 2021-2022 Program Information and frequently asked questions.

If you have any questions or need assistance accessing PowerSchool, please contact the office staff at (780) 467-2121.

2021-2022 PEP Program Information PEP Registration Student-Parent User Guide for PowerSchool