

# Potential New Member Checklist

PNM name: \_\_\_\_\_

- Recruitment Application
- Financial and Responsibilities Form
- School Transcript
- Attendance Record
- Due no later than March 11



# Pirates of the Spanish Main

## Recruitment Application

March 9 - March 14, 2026

Due: March 11, 2026\*

\*no late forms accepted

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit an OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT from your school. You must also submit your ATTENDANCE RECORD

First or second-year going through recruitment? \_\_\_\_\_

Legacies? \_\_\_\_\_ Must put name and year of when they were an active Pirate. Can only be a mother, sister(s), or grandmother.

Parents, please initial the following :

\_\_\_\_\_ Pirates of the Spanish Main is a community service organization in Glynn County. Each member is required to have approximately 70 hours of community service hours each calendar year.

\_\_\_\_\_ Each Pirate is expected to pay annual dues and fees and participate in several parties, events, and fundraisers throughout the year. Being a Pirate can cost as much as \$700+ per year for Rats and \$500 for Pirates.

\_\_\_\_\_ Pirates of the Spanish Main has an attendance policy that each member must abide by to maintain membership. The attendance policy standards of the Pirates of the Spanish Main are strongly enforced.

Parents/ Guardians, Please sign your name below stating that your daughter has permission to participate in recruitment week activities.

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\* forms, transcripts, and attendance records must be returned no later than Wednesday. If you do not have all forms in by Wednesday, unfortunately, you will not be allowed to attend Tea Party.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that if my daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, becomes a New Member, or Rat, at the end of Recruitment Week, she will be committed to fulfilling the duties of membership, such as the following:

- Subject to following the Pirates of the Spanish Main constitution
- Following PSM's attendance policy.
  - Attending all meetings & events
  - Reporting absences to the appropriate Helm member
  - Accepting PSM standards & consequences regarding attendance
  - **Please initial here that you understand the attached PSM attendance policy \_\_\_\_\_**
- Respecting ALL members of the club. Especially high-ranking members such as Sponsors, Helm, Crew Members, Sea Masters, and Head Rats.
- Participating in all events, which include:
  - Pinning Ceremony
  - Beach Games
  - Blacksmith Ceremony
  - Fashion Show
  - Weekly Wednesday Meetings/Rat Parties
  - House Party
  - Swing Dance
  - Spaghetti Supper (mandatory, our biggest fundraiser)
  - Pirate Formal
  - Crush
  - JP Surprise
  - Mr. Blackbeard Pageant
  - Helm Voting
  - Recruitment Week/New Member Voting
  - Raids
  - Black & Gold
  - All fundraisers (donuts drives, etc)
- Attending weekly sleepovers that last approximately 8 pm-8 am on Wednesdays during the summer, known as Rat Parties. Parents must pick them up in the mornings or locate a ride home. *PSM does not provide rides home in the morning.*
- Completing at least 40-60 hours of community service each year or the amount determined by the First Supercargo. (20 hours of community service must be completed within the summer months.)
- Completing and participating in 2 hours of skits by the end of Rat Summer, known as Rat Skits.
- Purchasing a Pirate uniform by the date provided by our seamstress or from a Senior Pirate
- Financial Responsibilities
  - Please review and sign the 2025 yearly fee and what is included and not included.
  - **Please initial here that you understand the attached PSM fee schedule \_\_\_\_\_**
  - The following is NOT included in the attached yearly fees for Rats/JPs & Pirates
    - \$225 uniform (first year only, seamstress or purchase from Senior Pirate)
    - Grocery cost of spaghetti supper materials (approx \$50+)
    - responsible for any unsold tickets to Spaghetti Supper, donuts, or other fundraisers
    - responsible for providing a food item for Black & Gold, Blacksmith, Recruitment, Rat Parties, College T-shirt, House Party, Kidnapping, and any other PSM-determined event food item
    - 10 inexpensive small gifts for Operation Christmas Child
    - \$10 late fee for any late payment
    - Rats purchase swords, pillows, and house party surprises for Pirates
    - Extra PSM t-shirts and merchandise. (4 shirts are included in payments -3 required, 1 of choice)
    - Mr. Blackbeard ticket (\$10)

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential New Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Rats/JPs Fees  
\$700 yearly fee

Includes:

- Yearly dues (\$150)
- Rat Fee (\$40)
- Jersey (\$50)
- 4 t-shirts (\$100)
  - 3 required, one of choice
    - Skits, Beach Games, and Recruitment are typically required
- Swing Dance Tickets (\$50)
  - Pirate and Date (can recoup \$25 from your date and keep yourself)
- Pirate Formal Tickets (\$130)
  - Pirate and Date (can recoup \$65 from your date and keep)
- Crush Tickets (\$50)
  - Pirate and guest (can recoup \$25 from the guest and keep)
- Operation Christmas Child Postage (\$10)
- Spaghetti Supper Cafeteria Staff (\$10)
- Pirate Pictures (\$10)
- Pirate Pin (\$100)

Does not include:

- Uniform (Mrs. Frazier/Buy from Pirate)
- Houseparty Surprises
- Swords and Pillows
- Food items for Rat Parties, Houseparty, Recruitment, College T-shirt Night, or any other time PSM requires
- Blackbeard Ticket
- Any sweatshirts, bags, hats, or any other extra PSM offered
- 10 inexpensive items needed for Operation Christmas Child box
- Spaghetti Supper Supplies

After 3 required and one (1) of choice, each additional t-shirt will cost \$25.

There are 5 monthly payments (\$140 each) during the Rat/Jp year that will be paid during June, September, November, January, and March.

Pirate Fees  
\$500 yearly fee

Includes:

- Yearly dues (\$150)
- 4 t-shirts (\$100)
  - 2 required, 2 of choice
    - Beach Games & Recruitment- typically are required
- Swing Dance Tickets (\$50)
  - Pirate and Date (can recoup \$25 from your date and keep yourself)
- Pirate Formal Tickets (\$130)
  - Pirate and Date (can recoup \$65 from your date and keep)
- Crush Tickets (\$50)
  - Pirate and Guest (can recoup \$25 from the guest and keep)
- Operation Christmas Child Postage (\$10)
- Spaghetti Supper Cafeteria Staff (\$10)
- Pirate Pictures (\$10)

Does not Include:

- Food items for Rat Parties, Houseparty, Recruitment, College T-shirt Night, or any other time PSM requires
- Rat Expenses
- Blackbeard Ticket
- Fashion Show Ticket
- Any sweatshirts, bags, hats, or any other extra PSM offers
- 10 inexpensive items needed for Operation Christmas Child box
- Bibles (as could be split with masters)
- Spaghetti Supper supplies

After your 2 required t-shirts and 2 t-shirts of choice, each additional t-shirt will cost \$25.

There are 5 monthly payments (\$100 each) for Pirates during the year that will be paid in June, September, November, January, and March.

Please sign that you understand our payment plan and the financial obligations of being a member of PSM.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# PIRATES OF THE SPANISH MAIN

## ATTENDANCE

Members of Pirates of the Spanish Main are thrilled that so many young ladies are interested in joining their organization each year. Each young lady would be an asset to the club. However, PSM is held to its Constitution of how many members they allow. Therefore, we take attendance very seriously, as we do not find it fair and kind to have members who are not present and active when other young ladies would love the opportunity. Below is a brief outline of the PSM attendance policy, and we ask that you sign and agree that if you are invited to join PSM, you understand that you can uphold the attendance requirements.

- Weekly meetings are held each Wednesday.
  - Illness, out of town, death in the family, religious purposes, school and club-related sports activities, and medical are excused absences.
  - Homework, need to study, hair/nail appointments, birthday celebrations, family dinners, babysitting, anniversary celebrations, and things of this nature are not valid excuses. Think of it as if your high school does not allow it as an excuse; PSM does not, either!
  - Meetings are held at 5:30 during the summer and 6:30 during the school year to accommodate sports, extra-curricular activities, etc.
- You are not allowed to miss 5 consecutive meetings or events.
  - Summer camps and extended travel plans require a hard-copy letter, with dates of leave, to be submitted for a short leave of absence.
- 9 unexcused absences in a year will result in membership being terminated.
- 10 unexcused absences during the membership will result in termination.
- Attendance is required for all dances, raids, community service events, and fundraisers.
- Just like sports, work, dance, cheer, school, etc., not having a ride to PSM each week is not an excused absence.
- We ask members to communicate with their dance studios, tutors, cheer gyms, work, and coaches (things of this nature) the PSM meeting times well in advance.
  - For example, if you are a dancer and are invited to join PSM, please communicate with your studio ASAP that you are now a member of PSM and the PSM meeting times. We have found that studios can work around schedules if given enough notice. (Studios cannot move a dance class because you failed to communicate with them!)

We kindly ask that you review your schedule and determine whether you can actively be a member of Pirates of the Spanish Main. Again, because we are unable to invite every wonderful young lady who is interested in Pirates of the Spanish Main, we treat attendance very seriously!

Parents and PNMs, please take a moment to discuss the attendance requirements of PSM and sign that you can uphold the requirements.

Thank you!

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

PNM Signature: \_\_\_\_\_