

Selection Guide

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Background of the Selection Process

- In the Spring of 2020, the Board of Education (BOE) retired both the Cowboys and Indians mascots.
- The school created a student and teacher committee to select the Top 3 mascot options for a school vote.
 - 68 members (15 teachers, 53 students)
 - Representatives from every academic department
 - Representatives from every sport and a majority of school clubs
 - The new mascot had to:
 - Be positive and inclusive in nature
 - Promote school pride and excitement
 - Portray strength, toughness, competitiveness, grit, togetherness, excellence, history, fairness, and compassion
- 53 mascot names were initially suggested to the committee, and multiple votes and discussions were had to narrow down the list of ideas to three names.
- It was voted that a 51% majority would need to be required in this vote to select the mascot.
 - If no mascot met that requirement in the first vote, then the top two mascots would have a run-off the next day.
- After going through a vetting process with the administration, the final three mascots were:
 - Green Wave
 - Hawks
 - Panthers

Rationales and Sample Logos

- The following slides provide rationales for each mascot name
- The purpose of these rationales are to help paint a full picture for each mascot option.
- You are encouraged to do your own research as well in order to be an informed voter.
- We compiled several logos that are currently used by schools/teams/organizations in order to help the voter see what a logo might look like for Pascack Valley.
- For our final logo, the students and staff will vote on the logo at a later date (similar to the mascot voting process you are currently going through).
- The final logo will incorporate our school colors = green and white.

Green Wave

Definition:

No definition found. “Green Wave” is seemingly a compound word of “Green” and “Wave” with no established meaning in the dictionary

Rationale

- Green Wave connects to PV’s rich history and school colors, green and white.
- PV’s loyal fans can pack the stands as a “sea of green” in their PV apparel.
- Graduating seniors are reminded each year that they will always be part of PV’s history, that “their blood will always run Green and White.”
- As a connection to the history of our region and PV, the Lenape had a strong relationship with water, evident with several of their subtribe names having references to water.

Possible uses of the Mascot

Pascack Valley Green Wave

PV Green Wave

Valley Green Wave

Go Green Wave

Green Wave Pride



Green Wave

Some different logos found on the Internet.

Hawks

Definition:

any of numerous diurnal birds of prey belonging to a suborder (Falcones of the order Falconiformes) and including all the smaller members of this group especially: Accipiter (Merriam-Webster Dictionary)

Rationale

- Hawks are a symbol of strength, speed, toughness, and grit.
- Hawks form large flocks, hence promoting a sense of community.
- Community connection to Hillsdale and River Vale since both Middle Schools, Holdrum and George White, have Hawks as their mascots.
- There is a family of hawks that can be found on the PV campus, circling above the property, resting on top of the field light towers, and in the surrounding woods.

Possible uses of the Mascot

Pascack Valley Hawks

PV Hawks

Valley Hawks

Go Hawks

Hawks Pride

HAWKS



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School colors are not changing. A green/white logo will be chosen.

Hawks

Some different logos found on the Internet.

Panthers

Definition:

1. Leopard, such as a leopard of a hypothetical exceptionally large fierce variety; 2. Cougar; 3. Jaguar (Merriam-Webster Dictionary)

Rationale

- Panthers have attributes of being strong, fearless, courageous, and fierce animals.
- Panthers have a strong sense of community as they protect and look out for each other, representing inclusivity and family.
- Since some panthers have green colored eyes, the possible logo could include green eyes, connecting with PV's school colors.
- "Pascack Valley Panthers" has a nice sound to due to the alliteration, creating effective chants and cheers at athletic events.

Possible uses of the Mascot

Pascack Valley Panthers

PV Panthers

Valley Panthers

Go Panthers

Panthers Pride



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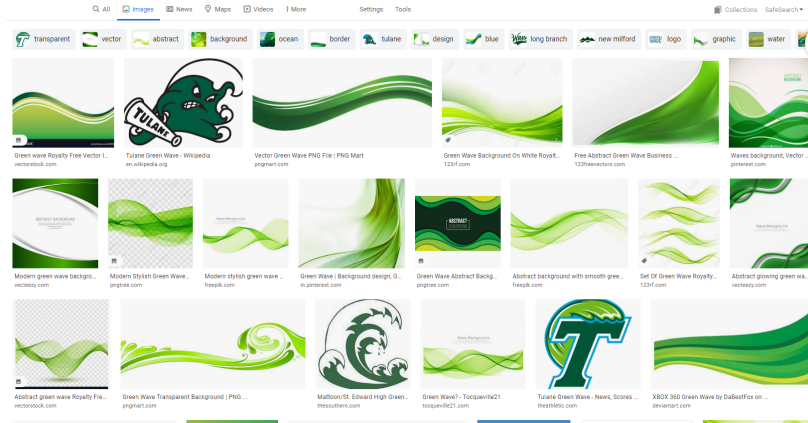
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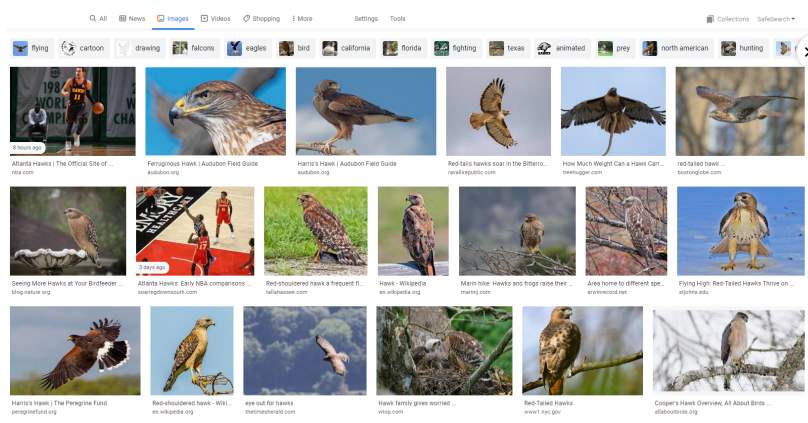
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