Pinellas Park High School Success Guide



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Dear Patriots,

We are excited to have you be part of our PPHS family! Your transition from middle school to high school will be something you will always remember, and we are proud to share that experience with you. Success in high school goes beyond the idea of getting good grades. To be successful, you must be involved in something that interests you. Pinellas Park High School offers, visual and performing arts, career technical classes, sports, content elective classes, 30 college level courses and more than 40 clubs. The more involved you are in school, the more success you will find on your path to tackling high school and preparing for college, career and life.

This is my 16th year as a Patriot. I taught at PPHS, I was an Assistant Principal at PPHS and I am now headed into my 7th year as Principal of PPHS. I am committed to your social, emotionally and academic success as a Patriot. The dedicated faculty is ready for your arrival and will provide an exceptional learning experience for you every day. PPHS is a leader in equity and differentiated instruction. That translates to finding a way to engage and support every student, so you have the tools and opportunity to reach your goals and potential.

Thank you for choosing Pinellas Park High School. I appreciate your commitment to your school. I look forward to meeting you and working with you over the next four years.

Sincerely,

Brett Patterson Principal Pinellas Park High School

PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Office hours: 6:30am to 3:00pm

School Address: 6305 118th Ave, Largo, FL 33733

School phone: (727) 538-7410, School fax: (727) 507-4563

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If you know the person's extension you can dial it any time. If you leave a message please include your name, the student's name and the best phone number we should use to return your call. We encourage parents to contact their child's teachers and all teachers have email through Focus. We encourage you to enroll for Focus by contacting Ms. Anderson at ext. 2008.

General:

Information Needed:	Person:	Ext:
Absence reporting	Office Clerks	
Activities	Ms. Bogatz	2016
Athletic Coordinator	Mr. DeMartino	2349
Athletic Director	Mr. Adams	2015
AVID Coordinator	Ms. Brengle	2030
Bookkeeping	Ms. Fiegel	2006
Buses	Ms. Simpson	2004
Clinic		2026
Exceptional education	Ms. Byrne	2327
Facility usage	Ms. Falter	2005
Field trips	Ms. Bogatz	2016
Lockers	Mr. Peppers	2017
Lunch program	Ms. Domino	2050
Permits to leave	Office Clerks	
FOCUS logins	Ms. Anderson	2008
Schedule questions	Counselor	
Student insurance	Mr. Adams	2015
Student records	Ms. Velazquez	2330
Teacher conferences	Counselor	
Transcripts	Ms. Larson	2007
Tutors	Counselor	
Volunteers	Ms. DeMartino	2036

Administrative Services:

Position:	Person:	Ext:
Principal's Secretary	Ms. Falter	2005
Principal	Mr. Patterson	2005

Traditional Students last name A-G

Position:	Person:	Ext:
Office Clerk	Ms. Atkinson	2001
Counselor	Ms. Whitley	2064
Assistant Principal	Mr. Adams	2015

Traditional Student last name H-Q

Position:	Person:	Ext:
Office Clerk	TBD	2003
Counselor	Ms. Tijerina	2060
Assistant Principal	Ms. Leitold	2014

First Responders & Traditional Students last name R-T

ast name K-1		
Position:	Person:	Ext:
Office Clerk	Ms. Simpson	2004
Counselor	Ms. Wassermann	2062
Assistant Principal	Ms. Peppers	2017

Criminal Justice Academy & Traditional Students last name U-Z

Position:	Person:	Ext:
Office Clerk	Ms. Cruz	2334
Counselor	Ms. Gilbert	2061
Assistant Principal	Ms. Bogatz	2016

Additional Student Support Services:

Position:	Person:	Ext:
College & Careers	Mr. Dailey	1418
Psychologist	Ms. Bernstein	2027
Social Worker	Ms. Kuchle	2070
Teen Parenting	Ms. Pandolfo	2071
Success Coach	Mr. Smith	2331
Success Coach	Ms. Newman	1383
Success Coach	Mr. Chestnut	2311

Exceptional Student Education (ESE):

Position:	Person:	Ext:
VE Specialist	Ms. Byrne	2327
Behavior Specialist	Ms. Campson	2326

Financial Services:

Position:	Person:	Ext:
Assistant Bookkeeper	Ms. Perry	2012
Bookkeeper	Ms. Fiegel	2006

Learning Success Lab and Tutoring in G2:

Our school offers free academic assistance in all core subject areas during lunch Monday through Friday and after school from 2:00pm until 3:00pm, Monday through Thursday.

PPHS Bell Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1				
7:25-8:13	2	1	2	1
2	7:25-9:02	7:25-9:02	7:25-9:02	7:25-9:02
8:19-9:05				
3	4	3	4	3
9:11-9:57	9:12-10:49	9:12-10:49	9:12-10:49	9:12-10:49
4				
10:03-10:49				
5	5	5	5	5
First lunch				
10:49-11:19	10:49-11:19	10:49-11:19	10:49-11:19	10:49-11:19
class 11:25-12:11	class 11:24-12:13	class 11:24-12:13	class 11:24-12:13	class 11:24-12:13
Second lunch				
11:41-12:11	11:43-12:13	11:43-12:13	11:43-12:13	11:43-12:13
class 10:55-11:41	class 10:54-11:43	class 10:54-11:43	class 10:54-11:43	class 10:54-11:43
6				
12:17-1:03				
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7	6	7	6	
1:09-1:55	12:18 -1:55	12:18-1:55	12:18-1:55	12:18-1:55

PPHS Athletic Coaches

Sport	Coach	Email
Baseball	Ryan Griffith	Rcgriffith97@gmail.com
Boys Basketball	LaTrez Chestnut	CHESTNUTE@pcsb.org
Girls Basketball	Gary Preston	gpreston6788@gmail.com
Boys/Girls Cross Country	Kris Wilson	WILSONKRI@pcsb.org
Girls Track	Stacey Simmons	SIMMONSST@pcsb.org
Flag Football	Joshua Sanders	SANDERSJ@pcsb.org
Football Varsity	Ken Crawford	CRAWFORDK@pcsb.org
Football JV	Theoren (Theo) O'Mara	OMARAT@pcsb.org
Boys Golf	Holly Miller	MILLERHO@pcsb.org
Girls Golf	Holly Miller	MILLERHO@pcsb.org
Boys Soccer	Butch Stoll	stollw@pcsb.org
Girls Soccer	Rob Partelo	winnerscircle93@gmail.com
Girls Soccer JV	Rob Partelo	winnerscircle93@gmail.com
Softball	Shane DeMartino	DEMARTINOS@pcsb.org
Boys Swim	Amber Petrie	PETRIEA@pcsb.org
Girls Swim	Amber Petrie	PETRIEA@pcsb.org
Boys Tennis	Holly Miller	MILLERHO@pcsb.org
Girls Tennis	Holly Miller	MILLERHO@pcsb.org
Boys Track	Kris Wilson	WILSONKRI@pcsb.org
Cheerleading Basketball	Taylor Campson	CAMPSONT@pcsb.org
Volleyball	Alundeth Bounthisavath	ha33702@yahoo.com
Volleyball JV	Alundeth Bounthisavath	ha33702@yahoo.com
Wrestling	Taylor Nevitt	NEVITTT@pcsb.org
Athletic Trainer	Shawn Ganley	GANLEYS@pcsb.org
Cheerleading Football	Renee Boullianne	BOULLIANNER@pcsb.org

Attendance

There are times when circumstances prevent a student from attending school. In case of illness or other family emergency, absence from school is expected and appropriate. However, in high school, attendance is directly related to academic success.

Pass to Leave (PTL)

If a student needs to leave school during the day, the student should email their student's office clerk before the first class period. The email should include the reason for leaving, the time the student will be picked up, the name of the person coming for the student and a phone number of a parent to verify the note. If a student leaves during the day or arrives late to school due to a doctor's appointment they must bring a doctor's note to the office clerk or in the Administrator's bins in Admin A upon return to school in order for the absence to be excused. Emails for office clerks are as follows:

Traditional Students A-G: Ms. Atkinson- atkinsonl@pcsb.org

Traditional Students H-Q: TBD

First Responder and Traditional Students R-T: Ms. Simpson- simpsone@pcsb.org Criminal Justice Academy and Traditional Students U-Z: Ms. Cruz- cruz-riverac@pcsb.org

Absences

In order to excuse your child's absence, you must report the absence to the office clerk within **48 hours** of the absence occurrence. The easiest way to report an absence is by going to our website, and using the menu item on the left that says "Report a Student Absence.". According to School Board policy a tardy, pass to leave, or absence will be **EXCUSED** for the following reasons:

- The student is ill or injured with a doctor's note.
- There is a major illness in the student's immediate family (this means parents, brothers, sisters, grandparents, or others living in the home).
- There is a death in the immediate family.
- The student attends religious instruction or there is a religious holiday in the student's own faith.
- The student is required by summons, subpoena or court order to appear in court. A copy of the subpoena or court order must be given to the principal.
- Special event. Examples of special events include important public functions, conferences, state/national competitions, as well as exceptional cases of family need. The student must get permission from the principal at least five days prior to the absence.

- The student has a scheduled medical or dental appointment with a note.
- Students having, or suspected of having, a communicable disease or infestation which can be transmitted are to be excluded from school and are not allowed to return to school until they no longer present a health hazard (F.S. 1003.22). Examples of communicable diseases and infestations include, but are not limited to, fleas, head lice, ringworm, impetigo and scabies. Students are allowed a maximum of five excused days for each infestation of head lice. Students on field trips and students who attend alternative to suspension programs are not considered absent.

Any absence that does not meet the above requirements will be considered unexcused. Pinellas County School Board policy states that if a high school student misses more than four days of school during a semester (this includes both excused and unexcused), the student will not be eligible for exam exemption regardless of their final semester grades. After an absence, the number of days allowed to make up the work shall be the same as the number of days the student was absent. It is the student's responsibility to see each classroom teacher to arrange for make-up work and turn the completed work in on time.

Absences and Driving Privileges

Any student who accumulates 15 unexcused absences in a period of 90 calendar days will have their name sent to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may not issue a driver license or learner's driver license to, and shall suspend any previously issued driver license or learner's driver license of, any such minor student.

Grades

Ninth grade is typically the beginning of grades being calculated and used for satisfying state graduation requirements, college admission, scholarships, etc. One of the primary reasons for less than satisfactory grades in ninth grade is missed assignments. A zero grade is recorded for a missed assignment. Even one missed assignment can have a serious negative effect on the final grade. Students should utilize a system of keeping track of daily assignments, homework and make-up work, as well as scheduling time to review those assignments each night.

The best way to monitor student attendance and/or grades is by logging on to the PCS Portal/Focus system. This is also how you can contact your student's teachers should you have any specific questions regarding his/her grades or attendance. If you have any issue you're your Focus username and password, you can go in to any Pinellas County School to have it fixed.

Students will receive report cards every 9 weeks. Weekly progress reports will also be emailed by Mr. Patterson. In order to ensure you are receiving this update, please make sure your email address is up to date in Focus. You can contact your student's office clerk to update your email.

School Bus Transportation

The transportation department will notify each student by postcard, prior to the start of school, of the bus route, location and time of pickup each morning.

Students transported by school bus are expected to follow the directions and behavior guidelines set forth by the bus driver. Bus rules are posted in the bus and are necessary in order to provide safe transportation for all students. Failure to follow the behavior expectations may result in a bus discipline referral being sent to the program administrator. Consequences for student misconduct on the school bus will range from a warning to suspension from bus riding privileges and possible suspension from school, depending on the seriousness and frequency of the misconduct.

Students are responsible for arranging their own transportation home from after-school activities or if detained for disciplinary reasons.

Parent/General Public Transportation Call Center

(727) 587-2020

Requirements for Graduation

Number of Credits Needed	Subject	Special Notes
4	English	Must pass 10 th grade FSA Reading assessment or earn a concordant score
4	Math	1 credit must be Algebra 1 credit must be Geometry Must pass Algebra 1 EOC or earn a concordant score
3	Science	1 credit must be in Biology (state end of course exam)
3	Social Studies	1 credit must be in World History 1 credit must be in US History (state end of course exam) ½ credit must be in Economics ½ credit must be in US Government
1	Fine Arts	PPHS Courses include: Digital Information Technology, Chorus, Band, Theater, Art Can be satisfied by participating in 2 years of Coast Guard ROTC
1	HOPE (Health Opportunities through Physical Education)	Can be satisfied by participating in JV or Varsity sports for two full seasons Can be satisfied by participating in 2 years of Coast Guard ROTC
8	Electives	
1	Online Course	This can be done through US Govt/Econ on campus, HOPE online, any PVS course, earning the Microsoft Office industry certification

Pinellas Park High School Graduation Requirement Checklist THIS IS AN ADVISING AID ONLY – NOT AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT

Student Name

 English
 (4 credits)

 Sem. 1
 Sem. 2

Math (4 credits)

(*******,	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
Algebra 1		
Geometry		

Science (3 credits)

	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
Biology		

Social Studies (3 credits)

		Sem. 1	Sem. 2
World History			
US History			
American Government	(.5)		
Economics	(.5)		

Other Required	(2.0 credits)	
	Som 1	Som 2

		Sem. 1	Sem. 2
НОРЕ	(1.0)		
Fine Arts Credit	(1.0)		

World Language (recommended, not required)

Sem. 1 Sem. 2

Electives	(8.0 credits)
	Sem. 1

(Sem. 1	Sem. 2
		1

Overall Unweighted GPA

	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
9 th grade		
10 th grade		
11 th grade		
12 th grade		

24.0 credits required

Total Credits earned

State Assessment Requirements

	Passed	Needs
Gr 10 ELA		
Alg I EOC		

ONLINE COURSE REQUIREMENT MET?

Accelerated Participation (Dual Enrollment, AP Test Passed, Industry Certification)?