

Parent Success Guide

Pinellas Park High School

Pinellas Park High School provides an engaging, supportive learning environment where students have the opportunity to take high-level advanced placement and dual enrollment courses as well as a variety of career and technical courses. Additionally, there are many elective options to maximize individual potential and ensure all students are well-equipped to meet the challenges of post-secondary education, work, and life. This success guide will cover the highlights of our dress code, tardy and attendance policies, and disciplinary processes, as well as provide important dates and links to our website and the student code of conduct.

Import Dates

Date	School Information
August 10, 2023	First Day of School
August 29, 2023	Back to School Night
September 4, 2023	Labor Day Holiday--School Closed
September 25, 2023	School Closed for Students
October 13, 2023	End of 1st Quarter
October 16, 2023	School Closed for Students
November 20 - 26, 2023	Thanksgiving Holiday--School Closed
December 18 - 21, 2023	Exams (21st is end of 2nd Quarter/1st Semester)
December 22, 2023 - January 7, 2024	Winter Holiday--School Closed
January 8, 2024	School Resumes
January 15, 2024	MLK Day--School Closed for Students
February 16, 2024	School Closed for Students
February 19, 2024	School Closed for Students
March 8, 2024	End of 3rd Quarter
March 11 - 17, 2024	Spring Break--School Closed
April 26, 2024	School Closed for Students
May 27, 2024	Memorial Day--School Closed
May 29, 2024	Last Day for Students, Released 2 Hours Early

Please check the school website for additional information

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STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT — Scan the QR code to the left for this year's code of conduct or visit our website: PCSB.ORG/CODE

HEADPHONES — Earbuds/headphones are permitted on campus during passing time and at lunch, and in the classroom **at teacher discretion only**. Students must follow teacher directives for earbuds/headphones in the classroom. **For safety and security reasons, it is recommended that you only wear one earbud when passing from class to class.**

DRESS CODE — The dress and grooming of Pinellas County students shall be neat and clean, promoting a positive educational environment. Apparel that disrupts educational activities and processes of the school will result in the removal of the student from the regular school environment until acceptable apparel can be secured for the student. The administration will be the final judge about whether a student's clothing is appropriate for school or whether it will create a climate that is distracting to learning. Failing to comply with the dress code will result in disciplinary action. Please refer to the the Student Code of Conduct for full details.

1. All shirts and blouses must cover midriff, back, sides, and all undergarments including bra straps at all times. All shirts, tops, and dresses shall have sleeves and cover the shoulders.
2. Shorts, skirts, divided skirts, dresses and culottes are allowed, but may not be shorter than mid-thigh.
3. All trousers, pants or shorts must totally cover undergarments including boxer shorts.
4. All clothing, jewelry or tattoos shall be free of the following: profanity, violent images, wording or suggestion, sexually suggestive phrases or images, gang related symbols, alcohol, tobacco, drugs or advertisements for such products.
5. Safe and appropriate footwear must be worn. Inappropriate footwear includes, but is not limited to, roller skates, skate shoes and bedroom slippers.

Further Dress Code Clarifications / Other Requirements

- a. Form fitting leotard/spandex type clothing (including sport bras) are not allowed unless a proper outer garment covers it.
- b. See through or mesh fabric clothing may only be worn over clothing meeting requirements.
- c. Clothing must be appropriate size, with the waist of the garment worn at the student's waist.
- d. Clothing not properly buttoned, zipped, fastened, or with inappropriate holes or tears shall not be worn.
- e. Clothing and footwear designed as undergarments or sleepwear shall not be worn as outer garments.
- f. Sunglasses may not be worn inside unless a parent provides a doctor's note to the school.
- g. Bandanas or sweatbands are not allowed to be visible on schoolgrounds during the regular school hours.

TARDY POLICY — Any student not in class when the bell rings is tardy. Tardy students must report immediately to Admin A to get a tardy slip within the first five minutes of being tardy. After five minutes, students that have not reported to Admin A will be directed to the Intervention Center for the remainder of that period, where they will be issued a referral for skipping. Please note that tardies accumulate across all periods. 10 tardies will constitute a Detention and excessive tardies will be referred to administration for consequencing.

DISCIPLINE — Students can be sent to the Intervention Center (IC) for In-School Suspension for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to skipping class or receiving a referral. Once

there, students will be required to place their cell phone/electronic devices in a secure location within the room and will not be allowed to access their phones until they are released from IC.

ATTENDANCE POLICY — Daily student attendance is required by School Board Policy. The Code of Conduct outlines the entire attendance policy.

- It is the student and parent responsibility to document absences by calling the school office, sending in a note, or emailing the attendance clerk (information on school website)
 - Absences will only be excused for the reasons stated in the Code of Conduct
 - Absences must be reported to the school within two school days
 - Parents may excuse up to 5 days. After 5 days, only a physician's note will be accepted, per the Code of Conduct
- Students with more than 5 unexcused absences in a nine-weeks or 10 in a semester may not be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities in the current nine weeks and the following nine weeks. This includes athletics, clubs, performances, and attendance at special events (Prom, Homecoming, etc). Students exceeding this limit may be required to meet with their Assistant Principal to implement an attendance improvement plan.
- Per State law, students will have their Driver's License suspended for excessive absences. See the Code of Conduct for more information.

CELL PHONES — Parents are advised that the best way to get in touch with their child during the school day is **by calling the school office**. A student may possess a cell phone and other electronic devices in school, on school property, at school-related functions, provided these items are powered off and concealed from view while in class. At the discretion and upon approval of the school administration, students may use electronic devices before school starts, during lunch, during passing periods, after school, and at teacher discretion.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR INFORMATION

ATHLETICS — Student participation in athletics is governed by the Florida High School Athletic Association. Participation is a privilege and is considered an extension of the classroom. Students may not participate in a competition unless they are in attendance for at least half of the day of the competition. In order to participate in athletics, a student must meet the following eligibility requirements and have completed the Athletic Packet and purchased student insurance. Students must maintain at least an unweighted 2.0 GPA to be eligible to participate. An incoming 9th grader must have been regularly promoted from the 8th grade as in incoming student-athlete.

INSURANCE — Pinellas County Schools mandate that all students participating in specific extra-curricular activities (band, chorus, drama, cheerleading, etc.) must purchase student accident insurance. The link to insurance is: **www.pcsb.org/StudentAccidentInsurance** and can also be found on the school website.



PPHS 2023-2024 Bell Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 7:25-8:13	2 7:25-9:02	1 7:25-9:02	2 7:25-9:02	1 7:25-9:02
2 8:20-9:05				
3 9:12-9:57	4 9:09-10:46	3 9:09-10:46	4 9:09-10:46	3 9:09-10:46
4 10:04-10:49				
5 First lunch 10:49-11:19 <i>Class time</i> 11:26-12:11 Second lunch 11:41-12:11 <i>Class time</i> 10:56-11:41	5 First lunch 10:46-11:16 <i>Class time</i> 11:23 - 12:11 Second lunch 11:41-12:11 <i>Class time</i> 10:53-11:41	5 First lunch 10:46-11:16 <i>Class time</i> 11:23 - 12:11 Second lunch 11:41-12:11 <i>Class time</i> 10:53-11:41	5 First lunch 10:46-11:16 <i>Class time</i> 11:23 - 12:11 Second lunch 11:41-12:11 <i>Class time</i> 10:53-11:41	5 First lunch 10:46-11:16 <i>Class time</i> 11:23 - 12:11 Second lunch 11:41-12:11 <i>Class time</i> 10:53-11:41
6 12:18-1:03	6 12:18 - 1:55	7 12:18-1:55	6 12:18-1:55	7 12:18-1:55
7 1:10-1:55				

5th period classes in wings: J, K, L, M, N, A – have **FIRST LUNCH**

5th period classes in wings B, C, D, E, F, G, H – have **SECOND LUNCH**