



PCS FAMILY FLYER



Important Info:

- [2024-2025 School Calendar](#)
- Town Hall Meeting - August 5th at 7:00pm - [Virtual Link Here](#)
- Back to School Information Night August 19th at 6:30pm
- First Day of School - August 21st
- Meet the Teacher Night for Grades 2-5 - Sept. 10th at 6:30pm
- Meet the Teacher Night for Grades 6-8 - Sept. 12th at 6:30pm

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

Dear PCS Community,

I was reminded of our mission last week when Extended School Year began and smiling students filed in. I found myself reminded of it again this week as we prepare for our first ever, Alumni Picnic on July 31st! It is just good to have students and teachers in the building!

I am often heard saying that summer is a “different kind of busy” in our schools. From facility upgrades to behind the scenes plans for new programming, we are busy! Whether your child is new to our community or returning for another year, please know that your child’s safety, health and wellbeing are prioritized as we plan for the 24-25 school year. We are committed to providing a supportive and enriching environment where every student can learn.

I invite you to partner with us and there are a number of ways you can do so.

Please see information below about our Parent Group and consider attending their meetings, volunteering and supporting their efforts. This group has contributed so much to PCS! They may be second only to the PCS Board of Trustees, who support all that we do from a close distance. The Board meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 pm (except January and July) and anyone is welcome to attend. More information can be found on our website. As we approach the start of the new school year, please keep an eye out for important updates and information to help you and your child prepare.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and see you soon!

-Mrs. Maria Paluselli, CEO

PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear PCS Families,

I hope everyone is having a joyful and restful summer break. I am excited to welcome our returning families and extend a warm greeting to those joining our school community for the first time.

Information for the 2024-2025 school year:

We have many new and exciting things happening this school year. Below you will find information on our afterschool partnership with Sarah Heinz House, PowerSchool—our new student information system, our upcoming events, and updates from the PCS Parent and Family Group.

Please help me in giving a warm welcome to Ms. Shannon Keating, our new Social Worker for Provident. Ms. Keating will play a crucial role in supporting students, families, and school staff to ensure students' academic and social success.

School Supplies - Students will need their own personal supplies in a pencil box: child scissors, crayons, colored pencils, pencils, 2 large erasers. We ask that families purchase either a drawstring bag or a smaller type of book bag, as the lockers do not close if the book bag is larger. Your child's teacher will send a supply list specific to their classroom if one is necessary the first week of school.

Important Reminders:

- Our uniform guidelines have not changed; however, I included a picture below for you to reference for your back-to-school shopping.
- We will once again focus our efforts on improving school attendance, as



research shows attendance is directly correlated to student achievement. The “limit” for days absent with a parent note is 10. After the 10th absence, a doctor's/medical excuse is required for each additional absence. Please monitor your attendance carefully this school year, and let's work together to get your child to school daily.

- For educational trips during the school year, remember to complete a [Pre-Approved Absence Request form](#).
- Students who take medication at school, please remember that medication CANNOT be brought to the school by your child, and medication orders are required each year. Even if your child had medication at school last year, updated medication orders from your child's doctor are still required for the start of school.

Finally, be on the look out for more back-to-school information, including teacher assignments, in early August. I look forward to seeing everyone in just a few short weeks.

-Mrs. Yonushonis, Principal



All shirts must meet the following criteria:

- Solid white, navy, or light blue
- Long or short sleeve (no sleeveless)
- All shirts must have a collar
- Only PCS logo allowed
- All undershirts must also be approved colors



All sweaters/jackets must meet the following criteria:

- Solid white, navy, gray, or light blue
- Crew neck or v-neck (no hoods)
- Button, full zip, quarter zip or no zip allowed
- Only PCS logo allowed



All shoes must meet the following criteria:

- Heels must be 1" or lower
- All shoes must be closed toe
- Crocs are allowed with back straps engaged
- No slippers, slides, flip flops, or backless shoes

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All bottoms must meet the following criteria:

- Solid khaki or navy only (no logos)
- Pants, shorts, jumpers, skirts free of holes
- Skirts/jumpers no shorter than 4 in above knee
- White, navy, or nude tights/leggings may only be worn under skirts, jumpers, or shorts



All athletic wear must meet the following criteria:

- Athletic wear on TKD/PE/Spirit wear days only
- Solid navy, khaki, or gray sweatpants
- Solid navy, khaki, or gray knit or mesh shorts
- Only PCS logo allowed
- Solid white, navy, gray, or light blue crew neck sweatshirts or PCS spirit wear t-shirts only



BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Overview: Join us for our Back-to-School Family

Information Session where an overview of PCS items will be discussed. Topics will include information from our school principals, technology, cafeteria, school nurse, and our parent/family group. Following the presentation, families will be able to visit a variety of booths and will have the option to complete any paperwork if necessary. If you plan to apply for Free & Reduced lunch, please bring the previous month's pay stub to use with your paperwork. Both new families and current families should plan to attend.



[Register Here](#)

Location: Provident Charter School Central, 1400 Troy Hill Road Pittsburgh, PA 15212

Date: Monday, August 19th, 2024

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Questions?

Please email Mrs. Yonushonis at kyonushonis@providentcharterschool.org

AFTERSCHOOL CARE

Sarah Heinz House Afterschool Care - PCS Dismissal is at 3:40 pm. Afterschool care, for those who need it, will be provided at Sarah Heinz House. The afterschool care runs until 6:00 pm, and there are additional programs offered from 6:00 pm-9:00 pm. Their facility is just down the street from our school and the PCS van will transport students who are registered for the afterschool program to the Sarah Heinz House. Afterschool care will not begin until September 3rd and they do end their program in mid-May.



Important Action Required: You must register through Sarah Heinz House if you want your child to participate in their afterschool programs. The fee for the entire year is \$25 and registration must occur through their website. Details about the program will be posted the last week in July and registration will open August 1st. It is recommended that you register as soon as possible after registration opens.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stop by TOMORROW and get your car washed!



A pink poster for a car wash event. At the top left are pink heart-shaped sunglasses. At the top right is a pink convertible car. The text 'CAR WASH' is written in large, white, cursive letters. Below it, the date and time are listed: 'Thursday, July 18th' and '12pm - 5pm'. The location is 'Provident Charter School' and '1400 Troy Hill Road'. A note says 'All proceeds benefit Provident Performers'. At the bottom left is a small brown and white Chihuahua dog with a pink banner above it that says 'See you there!'. At the bottom right is a logo for 'LEGALLY BLONDE The Musical JR.' inside a pink frame with white dots.

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The Musical JR.

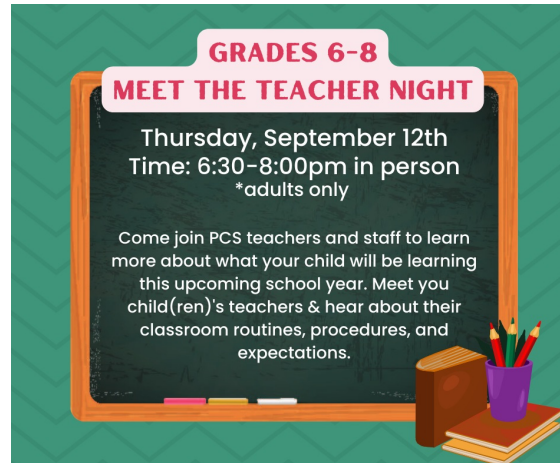
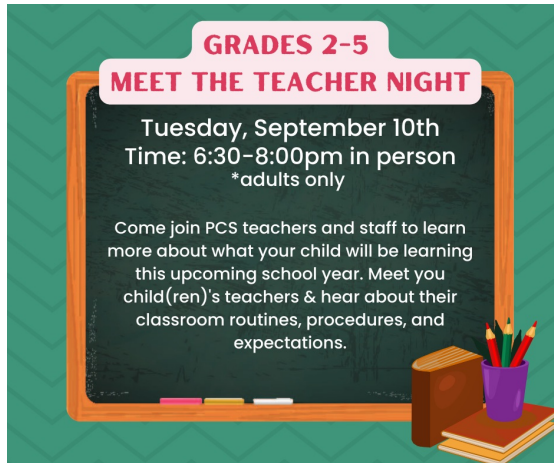
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A blue rectangular sign with a yellow border. The text 'VIRTUAL TOWN HALL MEETING' is written in large, bold, yellow and white letters.

**VIRTUAL
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Save the Date! Our Meet the Teacher Nights will be on September 10th for Grades 2-5 and September 12th for Grades 6-8.



INTRODUCING: POWERSCHOOL

Technology System Updates: We are excited to share that we have upgraded our Student Information System (SIS) to PowerSchool! You will receive a notification email with instructions on how to access PowerSchool.



This email will contain an access code and password for each of your enrolled students, allowing you to create an account and link your student(s). Please be on the lookout for these emails, as they are crucial for managing your child's educational information. More information will be provided on PowerSchool in the upcoming weeks. Thank you for your cooperation and support during this transition.

This new SIS will serve as our one-stop-shop which means ClassTag will no longer be used for the 2024-2025 school year. Instead, we will utilize Schoology for all parent-teacher communications.

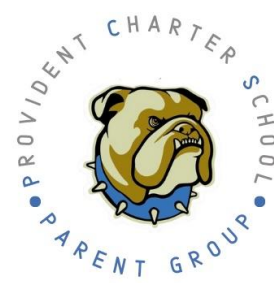
-Mr. Justin Matschener, Technology Director

PCS PARENT GROUP

A NOTE FROM THE PCS PARENT (and guardians) GROUP:

Yes, we know it is only July but if stores are already putting out their Halloween decorations, we should probably start to prepare for the school year. Welcome to families new to PCS. We will be sending out more

information about the PCS Parent Group in the near future, but wanted to make sure all parents and guardians were aware of three exciting upcoming parent group events.



BACK TO SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR SALE - July 17th - July 29th

PCS Spirit Wear can be worn on days students have gym or Taekwondo. Students will rotate through specials on a six day cycle and gym and Taekwondo are included in those classes. If spirit wear is not worn uniform rules apply. Please use the link to access the sale.

<https://providentbacktoschool2024.itemorder.com/shop/home/> *Remember to use the pull down menu to select your image choice as images on the screen do not always match your selection. And non uniform attire (hoodies and tanks) cannot be worn during school. Hats and sweater are embroidered. All orders will be given to students the first week of school. All sales are final. Thank you for your support.

UNIFORM CLOSET EXCHANGE - August 17th 10am - 3pm

The PCS Parent Group runs a uniform closet of gently used and new uniforms that have been donated by previous families and benefactors. All PCS students have access to these uniforms and items can be exchanged (or taken) for new sizes or different items available in the closet.

No items to exchange? No worries. You are still welcome to use the closet. If you can do so, a small donation of \$1 per top or bottom is welcome. This allows us to restock the closet when sizes or items are in short supply. If you are unable to attend on this day or need access to the closet sooner or later during the school year, please reach out to the parent group (can you add contact info here?) or the school.

Contact us with any questions at: ProvidentCharterSchoolPG@gmail.com

Mabel's Labels - Ongoing Fundraiser

Check out Mabel's Labels website [here!](#)

*Keep all those uniforms (and spirit wear) out of the lost and found by labeling them with your child's name. It really does make it so much easier to get PCS student's items back to them if they are labeled. Check out the SALE!

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