



One Week Down

Dear Potomac Middle School Families,



Our first week of school was filled with smiling students and excited educators. We thank you for your patience as we navigated the bus delays and scheduling conflicts. Now that students have settled in we are focused on engaging lessons and reinforcing the school expectations for students.

-Ms. Preston

Lockers

After collecting feedback from our school community we have determined that lockers will be issued after the labor day holiday. Students will sign a locker contract and agree to adhere to the specific locker times and appropriate use expectations. Students who are consistently tardy to class may have their locker usage suspended. Our expectation is that students store their belongings properly and make it to class on time.

Please see the proposed locker times below

Before 1st period

Before or After lunch (dependent on grade level)

Before 7th Period (students will collect belongings for dismissal)

Early Dismissal

All student messages and early dismissal requests must be completed by 2:30 pm each day. While we understand the need to pick up students or change transportation plans, in order to effectively communicate and ensure students get the necessary message, we must do so prior to the arrival of busses and the start of afternoon announcements. We thank you for your cooperation.

Back to School Packet

The Back to School Packet refers to the process at the beginning of each school year, where parents can review emergency and contact information for their student(s) and complete any annual policy reviews and acknowledgements.

Breakfast and Lunch

We want every student to have a well balanced meal each day. If you are in need of assistance with Breakfast and Lunch please apply to determine if you qualify for free and reduced lunch assistance.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

SCHOOL HOURS

School Hours: 7:55-2:55

Morning Drop Off 7:50-8:05

Early Dismissal cut off 2:30PM

Afternoon Pick Up 2:55-3:10

suggested drop off and pick up times

HERE COMES THE BUS APP

All parents are encouraged to download the Here Comes the Bus app to receive bus updates PWCS transportation page for more info by clicking [HERE](#)

DATES TO REMEMBER

8-30 Sports Tryouts Begin

8-31 & 9-1- COB Assemblies

9-8-First PTSO Meeting!

9-13 Faculty Meeting

9-14 6th Grade Back to School Night

9-15 7th & 8th Grade Back to School Night

SCHOOL DRESS CODE



Appropriate clothing that does not disrupt the learning environment.



- Hoods
- Ski-Masks
- Bonnets/DuRags
- Bandannas'
- Lewd or inappropriate messaging
- Rips in jeans above the thighs
- Excessively tight or revealing clothing
- Crop tops



Back To School Night

We hope that you will join us for Back To School Night. Parents will be able to meet each of their child's teacher and learn about the individual curriculum's and expectations. Parents will also receive an overview of our school improvement plan.

Dates and Times

- 6th Grade September 14th 6-8pm
- 7th & 8th Grade September 15th 6-8pm

PARENT INFO CORNER

Social Media

All parents are encouraged to actively monitor their child's social media pages and activity. We appreciate your assistance in identifying inappropriate posts and cyber bullying. The school has no jurisdiction over online posts or accounts, and our admin and counseling team continue to address issues that stem from online posts. Your assistance with setting appropriate use expectations with your student is greatly appreciated.

PTSO Meeting

Our Parent-Teacher-Student Organization is so important to the success of our school. Join us for our first meeting via zoom on **September 8th at 6pm**. A zoom link will be sent prior to the meeting date!

Activity Bus Updates

At this time we are unable to guarantee that activity busses will be available for students staying after school for sports and activities. While we work with transportation to secure bus drivers, we ask that you plan ahead and arrange pick-ups for your student by 4:45 pm each day that tryouts, practice, or an activity is held. We will notify parents once activity busses are arranged.

FACES OF OUR SCHOOL

MEET THE PTMS COUNSELING TEAM

Mrs. Dobson



Director of Counseling

This is my fourth year at PTMS. In my spare time, I love to travel with my family. I am very excited for the 2022-2023 school year!

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Ms. Sweatman



6th Grade Counselor

This is my second year at PTMS. I am getting married this year and I will be Mrs. Frye! I am a dog mom of a doodle named Charlotte!

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Mrs. McPhatter



7th Grade Counselor

Welcome! I'm passionate about helping students navigate through middle school I enjoy time with my family, movies, and crafting.

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Mrs. Richardson



8th Grade Counselor

I am excited about my second year here at PTMS! Outside of Potomac, I enjoy spending time with family and friends. My favorite colors are pink and green.

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