

High School Parent Frequently Asked Questions
Start of School Year 20-21

- **How will the virtual open house work?**
 - In each class Schoology Account, students will see a video from their classroom teachers. Those videos will be posted by the end of the day on Thursday.

- **Is my child able to switch between educational options?**
 - You must first contact your student's guidance counselor or an administrator to request to go from A/B to 100% Synchronous or vice-versa.
 - Changes into or out of Cougar Academy may only happen at the end of semester.

- **Who attends school the first day, Monday 8/31/20?**
 - A/B students - A in school, B synchronous
 - 100% Synchronous students (on-line from home according to the bell schedule.)
 - Asynchronous Cougar Academy students
 - CTC students

- **Who attends school the second day, Tuesday, 9/1/20?**
 - A/B students - B in school, A synchronous
 - 100% Synchronous students (on-line from home according to the bell schedule.)
 - Asynchronous Cougar Academy students
 - CTC students

- **What time should students report to school each day?**
 - The building will not open for students until 7:15am. Students must be in first period by 7:45am.

- **Are masks required for all students and staff?**
 - Yes, masks are required for all staff and students on campus, during extracurricular activities, and on school buses.
 - Masks will be provided for any student who arrives at school without one.
 - Masks must cover the student's mouth and nose.

- **Where can parents and/or students get help with technology?**
 - The PASD Technology Team is able and ready to provide support. Please use hyperlinks listed below in “Where Can I Find”.

- **Where can I find**
 - Online Help Center
<https://pasd.happyfox.com/home>
 - Student Tech Ticket
mailto:student_support@pasd.us
 - Parent Tech Ticket
mailto:parent_support@pasd.us
 - At Home Screening Protocol
<https://swift911v4-ch.swiftreach.com/Public/Email/AttachedFile.ashx?c=202982&j=77208368&l=0&e=207b043f-90fe-4fc5-8c98-cdd04f0ba89b&n=At+Home+Screening+Protocol.pdf&f=041f5b94-1123-4295-a343-1948ce32d625>

- **Will visitors be permitted on campus?**
 - Visitors will not be allowed in the building.
 - If materials or belongings need to be dropped off for students, parents will be asked to leave them in the office vestibule.

- **Where can I drop off items for my student or papers/forms?**
 - You may drop off forgotten items in the front office vestibule.
 - There will be a form drop off as well and an information form pick up in the front office vestibule.

- **Where do I drop off my student in the morning?**
 - If you are dropping off your student at PHS we ask that you do that in the back of the school. This area is one way and please follow traffic signs and exercise caution as this is a busy area.

- **How does my student log in on the first day?**
 - All students received an email from Dr. Richardson with information to their school account.
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- **How will lunch/breakfast work?**
 - Breakfast - students will come in and go to the atrium and get breakfast there. They will need to eat their breakfast at one of the tables and then report to their 1st period class.

- Lunch - Students will enter cafeteria/atrium and take seats. They will be directed to the serving lines by tables.
- **My Jr. or Sr. has permission to leave for lunch each day. Can they just sit outside or do they need to leave the high school campus?**
 - Students leaving for lunch must leave the high school campus and return in time for their next class.
- **My student is a half day CTC student. What happens if they are A/B and do not have to be in class but synchronous?**
 - Half day CTC students have two options on days when they are scheduled to be 100% synchronous:
 1. They may attend their classes in person.
 2. If they have transportation, they may return home and attend their classes online, or remain home until it is time to get the CTC bus at 11:00am from the high school.
- **How will attendance work this year?**
 - Students are expected to be in class everyday at the scheduled time regardless of in school or online at home. If they are not, they need an excuse.
 - If a student is sick at home, they may still log into class. They will need to provide a note if they were due to be in person that day.
 - Students may not choose to stay home when they are to be in school - this is an unexcused absence even if they attend virtually.
 - If students have an unexcused absence they may only earn a 60% on graded assignments for that day.
- **What if my student needs to see their guidance counselor in a non-crisis situation?**
 - Students can email their counselor for an appointment.
Mrs. Kulas (Last names A-E): jennifer_kulas@pasd.us
Mr. Watson (Last names F-K): dave_watson@pasd.us
Mr. Walny (Last names L-R): aaron_walny@pasd.us
Ms. Markulike (Last names S-Z): teresa_markulike@pasd.us
 - Classroom teachers can call the guidance office to check to see availability of a student's counselor.

- **Where can my 100% synchronous learner pick up supplies?**
 - We will have a table in the front office vestibule for supply pick up.

- **What can I do as a parent to support my child in this new learning environment?**
 - Because all educational options include some form of at home learning, it is important to establish a consistent daily schedule for students. To the extent possible, that schedule should mirror the traditional school day.
 - Create a consistent work area for students, free from distractions and with space to use their laptop.

- **Will students need headphones?**
 - Yes, students should have headphones with them (most of them do anyhow)

- **What will the instructional model be following September 17th?**
 - The district will evaluate the instructional and inform families prior to the 17th.

- **Will there be fall sports?**
 - Yes. The PIAA and PASD is allowing sports to happen with a delayed start. There will be attendance restrictions. More information will be coming out.