



Good evening PSPA Middle Grades Students and Parents,

Happy Sunday afternoon! Hope you had a wonderful weekend after an incredible 3 days of school last week. Lots of stuff going on, and we will share some updates and recaps here each Sunday afternoon.

### **PLAN BOOK LINKS**

If you have not yet bookmarked your child's grade level plan book, be sure to do that soon. Teachers will post homework assignments and upcoming tests/quizzes so you know what is happening in your child's classroom in the next few weeks.

[8th Grade Plan Book](#)

[7th Grade Plan Book](#)

[6th Grade Plan Book](#)

### **CARLINE DROPOFF AND PICKUP**

Once again, here is a map for you to refer to when dropping off and picking up your child(ren) here at PSPA. Please follow the directions and the times for arriving on campus.

[▣ PSPA Middle School Carline Map](#)

We are able to get 525 students into the building in the morning, and the same amount in their cars in the afternoon, but we need your assistance.

In the morning: Please be sure to follow the directions of the staff. We cannot have cars randomly stopping at the flagpole as that will keep us from keeping the line moving. Please move all the way up to the car in front of you before letting your child out of the car. We have been able to complete the carline by 8:25 the first few days.

In the afternoon: It is imperative that you maintain your lane in the afternoon once your number has been entered into our system. If you change lanes, you will throw off the grouping of cars.

Also, please do not stop your car until the car in front of you has stopped. If you stop in the middle, it will cause a backup of cars which does not allow us to finish before 3:45.

### **LOCKS AND LOCKERS**

All students received their locker assignments last week and after proving they could open their locks on their own, they were allowed to put their items in the lockers. Remind your child that stickers and other permanent type decorations are not allowed, but magnetized items are perfect. PTO will be selling some locker items when our Pioneer Pit Stop opens soon.

### **CHROMEBOOKS**

Last Friday, 7th and 8th grade students received their Chromebooks. If your child did not, it is possible that you have not yet completed the [Technology Agreement Form](#). As soon as we have those forms completed, your child will receive their Chromebook and their charger..

All Chromebooks have been updated with your child's login information, which includes Go Guardian. That is our security application that we can use to monitor computer usage and receive flags of inappropriate usage. Nothing, however, will be as important as human supervision, either by our staff or by you at home. Be mindful of what your child is working on, and reach out to your child's teachers if there is a question or concern.

Sixth grade students will receive their Chromebooks on Monday and will not have access to use the Chromebooks at home for the first few weeks of school. After not having the opportunity to take them home in previous years, we want to ease them into the responsibility of using them at home. For the time being, sixth grade students should charge their computers at home each night and then bring them back to school the next day. We will let you know when they will be able to use them at home.

### **SCHEDULES**

We have had a number of requests for schedule changes. Please know that the master schedule is not easy to put together and every effort was made to provide students with their choices. Some courses were adjusted due to demand and student schedules were designed with Math levels as first priority.

Schedule changes **will not** be provided unless a student was placed in a math class that is inappropriate for their ability level by the school or misplaced in a core classroom. Changes will not be made due to other reasons. We ask that you help support your child with the choices that were made when filling out the course selection form.

### **GRADE LEVEL ASSEMBLIES**

This week, we will have our quarterly Grade Level Assemblies to review expectations across the school, including dress code, tardies, hallway/classroom behavior, and cell phones/Smart Watches. All of that information can be found in our Parent/Student Handbook. Please be sure to ask your child about the assembly and encourage them to ask questions for clarification.

Here is the link to the updated handbook for this school year. You will need to print off the last page of the book and return it to your child's homeroom teacher by the end of the first week of school.

Please pay close attention to the Dress Code on pages 17-18, as these policies will be strictly enforced this year since the supply chain issues have been mostly resolved. We do not wish to call parents to bring changes of clothing or shoes if a student is not following the dress code expectations.

If there is a specific medical or religious exemption you wish to apply for, please do so as soon as possible.

📄 PSPA Parent & Student Handbook 2024-25 (Traditional School Option).docx.pdf

**MESSAGE FROM THE PSPA PTO FOR 6TH GRADE FAMILIES:**

We are getting ready for our 6th Grade Lock-In on Friday, September 6th! Click here for more information -> <https://bit.ly/3YSrcWF>

Sincerely,

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