



ENGAGE PGCPSS

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Back-to-School Top 10!



The 2024-2025 school year kicks off soon with the first day of school for students Monday, August 26! Check out the top 10 things you need to know to start strong and soar high!

[View Back-to-School Guide](#)

1. Create or Activate ParentVUE Account

In ParentVUE, you can see your child's schedule, grades, transportation information, attendance and more. A ParentVUE account is also needed to enroll in PGCPSS. [Activate or create](#) your account today!

[ParentVUE Guide](#)

2. Enrollment



[Register](#) for school online through [ParentVUE](#) or by visiting your child's school.

3. Supply Lists

View [general supply lists](#) or visit your [school website](#) for specific lists. Clear backpacks are required for high school and Non-Traditional Program students. Clear backpack policy for middle school students in grades 6-8 is determined on a school-by-school basis.

4. Immunizations



No shots, no school! Ensure your student is current on all required vaccines!

[Learn More](#)

5. Transportation

Transportation assignments may be viewed in ParentVUE. Also, lookout for postcards with route information in the mail the week of Aug. 19.

[Learn More](#)

6. Download the Bus App



Download the StopFinder app for real-time tracking of your child's school bus. An active ParentVUE account is required to receive an invitation to activate the app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

[Learn More](#)

7. View Student Schedules & Classroom Teachers

Student schedules can be viewed in ParentVUE.

8. Student Orientation



New and transitioning students should attend Orientation Day on Friday, Aug 23. Check with your school for specific times.

9. School Meals

View [meal prices](#), [menus](#) and [apply](#) for Free/Reduced Price Meals!

10. Find Your Back-to-School Night



Meet school leaders and teachers to learn about expectations and resources.

[View Dates](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join Us for a Transportation Update!



TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION SESSIONS *INFORMACIÓN SOBRE LAS SESIONES DEL SERVICIO DE TRANSPORTE*



PGCPS [announced strategies](#) last spring that will improve transportation services for our students, including adjustments to school start and end times and bus assignments for the 2024-25 school year.

If you missed our spring transportation information sessions or want to get updates on the latest efforts, please join us at an information session Aug. 13, 14 or 15.

[See Details](#)

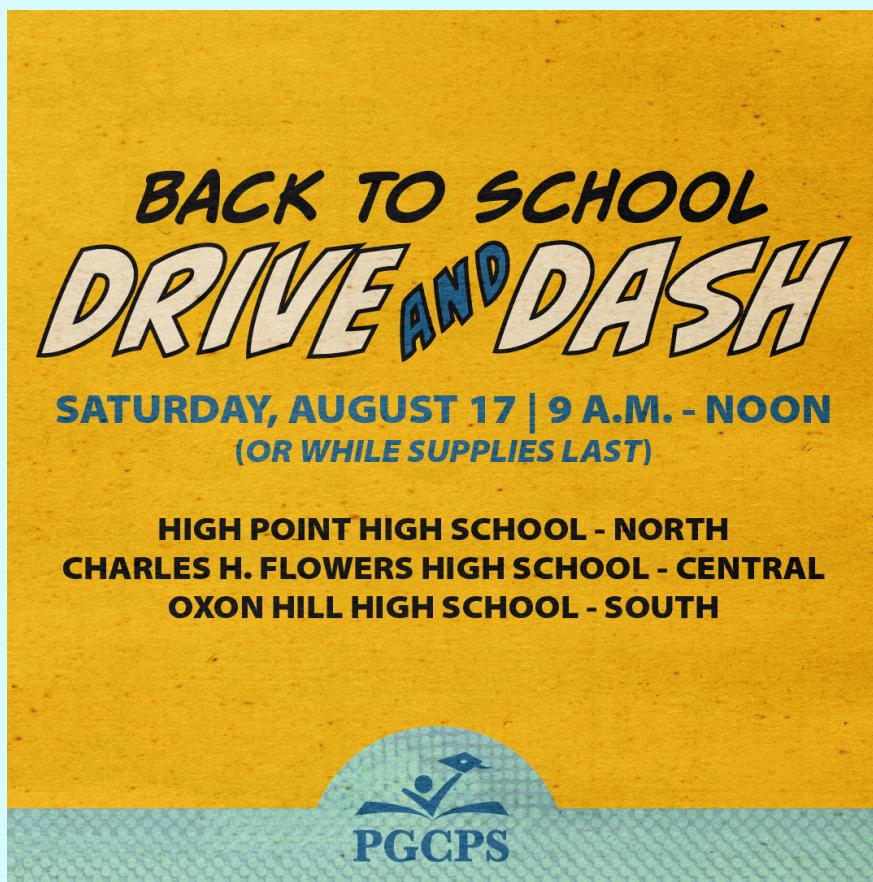
Special Education Virtual Town Hall for Families

Join the Department of Special Education for the first in a series of Town Halls and learn about tips and resources to support you and your student!

Thursday, August 15 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.

[Register & Learn More](#)

Back to School Drive and Dash



Saturday, August 17 | 9 a.m. to noon

Stop by one of three sites to get a free backpack while supplies last at the annual Back to School Drive and Dash!

[Learn More](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

STEM High School Specialty Programs Application Window Opens Early for Current PGCPS 9th Grade Students

The College Board has made significant changes to the test administration timeline for the PSAT 8/9 assessment.

Ninth-grade PGCPS students who are applying to a High School Specialty Program as a sophomore for the 2025-2026 school year must submit a program application and test registration now through September 16.

[Learn More](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- [Aug. 13 - Transportation Info Session](#)
- [Aug. 14 - Transportation Info Session](#)
- [Aug. 14 - First Day for New Teachers](#)
- [Aug. 15 - Transportation Info Session](#)
- [Aug. 15 - Special Education Virtual Town Hall](#)
- [Aug. 17 - Back-to-School Drive & Dash](#)
- [Aug. 19 - First Day for All Teachers](#)
- [Aug. 23 - Student Orientation Day](#)
- [Aug. 26 - First Day of School for Students](#)

QUICK LINKS

- [2024-2025 School Calendar](#)
- [School Meals](#)
- [ParentVUE Family Portal](#)
- [School Violence Resources and Support](#)

- [Bus Info/Finder](#)
- [Registration/Enrollment](#)
- [PGCPS TV](#)
- [Vendor Managed Child Care](#)

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