

PGA Friday Update

October 14, 2021

Upcoming Dates - Mark your calendar		
October 14		K-5 No School
October 15		K-12 No School
October 18		First day of second quarter
October 18		Vision & Hearing Screening for High School students (to volunteer, send an email to kkissel@psdschools.org)
October 19		Vision and Hearing Screening for K-8 students (to volunteer, send an email to kkissel@psdschools.org)
October 19	3:45	PTO meeting at PGA or click here to join virtually
October 21	6:00 - 8:00	Fall Festival at PGA (in person)
October 22	2:30 - 4:00	Playground Connect
October 25	2:30 - 4:00	Second Quarter supply pick-up for virtual families
October 25	2:00 - 2:30	Senior Graduation Cap & Gown order meeting - Seniors, look for your calendar invite! 🎓 Please pick up your packets from the front office starting 10/18.
October 29	10:00 - 12:00	K - 5 Pumpkin Patch - For Hybrid and Virtual PGA families!!!
October 29	2:30 - 4:00	Virtual Fall Festival
November 5		No School
November 8		Normal K-12 school day <i>Note: This date is different from the PSD calendar. This is an approved variance to to minimize the impact on PGA student schedules.</i>

Important Links

[Regular Weekly Schedule Chart 21-22](#)

[PSD 2021-22 Calendar](#)

[PGA Attendance Policy](#)

[Traffic Flow and Parking at PGA](#)

[PTO Meeting Dates](#)

[PGA Club Information Page](#)

OCTOBER Lunch Menu

Click [here](#) to view the lunch menu



PGA Tech Support

Click [here](#) to make an appointment



Notes for all PGA Students

We need your ideas and help with Clubs!

Check out PGA's club offerings on this page: [PGA Club Information Page](#)

We would love to be able to offer more opportunities for our students to connect. **Students and parents, if you have an interest and would love to share it with others, please consider leading a club.** If you are willing to do this, you just need a staff advisor to be present for the meetings. So, ask your teachers! Many are willing to sponsor a club if you bring the ideas and activities.

PGA Fall Festival Time is here!!!

This year we will have TWO Fall Festivals! The first will be on-campus on Thursday, October 21 from 6:00 - 8:00pm. Students on either path may attend either festival.

To donate items and/or sign up to volunteer, please click this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4EAFA72EA4F94-fall>



Tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased with cash or check. We encourage advance purchase to give us an idea of how many will be attending. A master list will be kept at the entrance so you will not need a hard copy ticket. Send an envelope labeled 'PTO Fall Festival' with cash or check and include your name and number of attendees in your group. Remember this is our main fundraiser and all activities are there to build community!

Hearing and Vision Volunteers Needed (date change)

We will need 12 volunteers to help with hearing and vision screening at PGA. High school screening is October 18 and K-8 screening is **October 19**. Screenings will be from 8:30 - 11:30 with volunteers showing up 15 minutes early. Please contact our health tech Kris Kissel (kkissel@psdschools.org) if you are able to volunteer any or all of that time.

The Teal Pumpkin Project

Have you ever seen a teal pumpkin? When someone has a teal pumpkin or jack 'o lantern on their doorstep it means that they have non-food items to give out to children with food allergies or other dietary restrictions. You can learn more at TealPumpkinProject.org including ideas for non-food trinkets/toys and see if you can put your home on the list of participating locations. Each little teal pumpkin below links to a slightly different flyer you can place in your window in addition to, or in place of a teal pumpkin or jack' lantern.



Update from District Advisory Board (DAB) for October

In October the District Advisory Board (DAB) began collaborating regarding best methods for gathering and disseminating information between school SAC/PTO groups and each other. We recognize that all schools have strengths and seek to improve our internal workings to allow for an exchange of ideas between schools, as well as between the school and the DAB. **If you are interested in participating on the DAB, I would love to have an alternate join me on the first Monday of each month.** Additionally, a resource for navigating the many educational acronyms was shared and is available at this link:

<https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeacronyms>

With the election fast approaching, the legislative committee is encouraging everyone to read the blue book carefully given the sometimes confusing language of the measures to ensure that you understand the impact of each of the measures.

In service,

Jodi Quass

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No School- Friday 11/5

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PGA student schedules.

We will have school on November 8.

REMINDERS FROM LAST WEEK

Turkeys, Holidays and more!

It has been an unprecedented 18 months in which all of us have experienced hardship. Please take a few minutes to let us know how you are doing and if we can provide you with a Thanksgiving turkey and/or other holiday support. We are also checking in with all families regarding your housing situation as we want to ensure access to additional supports and resources for students experiencing housing insecurities. Please complete our brief [Turkey Holiday and Housing Survey](#). Para responder a este formulario en español, [haga clic aquí](#).

A Note about Immunizations from the Health Office

Please make sure that you have completed the requirements for immunization or exemption as soon as possible and no later than October 31. If you have questions regarding these requirements or wish to email your immunization record, please send those to our health technician, Kris Kissel (kkissel@psdschools.org).

Notes from Elementary

The next Virtual Path supply pick-up will be
October 25 from 2:30 - 4:00 at PGA. All Virtual families should plan to bring back any supplies from the 1st Quarter and pick up new supplies. Please use the exterior classroom door for your child's teacher for pick-up.

Colorado Ski Country Passports for 4th, 5th and 6th graders

The CSCUSA Ski Passport Program offers 4th through 6th graders up to 88 days of skiing or riding at 21 of Colorado's mountains (starting at \$59). Passport holders also receive 2 free ski or snowboard rentals from Christy Sports. See specific information in the brochures below.

[English Brochure](#)

[Spanish Brochure](#)

Pumpkin Patch with PGA K - 5

Families of all Elementary (Virtual and Hybrid), please join us on Friday, October 29th, from 10:00 - 12:00 at Bartel's Pumpkin Patch! Please click on the pumpkins below to read the complete info sheet.



REMINDERS FROM LAST WEEK

Frequently Asked Questions

Please check out the new [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document put together by the Learning Coach Mentors. They have put together a lot of great information for all of our families!

Notes from Middle School

The last day of the 1st Quarter is Thursday, October 14.

**The next Virtual Path supply pick-up will be
October 25 from 2:30 - 4:00 at PGA. Your individual teachers will let you know if
there is anything for you to pick up on this day and the exact location at PGA
to pick it up.**

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[Click here for this week's Friday Focus.](#)

Notes from High School

The last day of the 1st Quarter is Thursday, October 14.

A Note about Starting Second Quarter

Great job on making it to the end of the quarter! [Here is a quick video update](#) on how to check your final quarter grade and your schedule for 2nd quarter. A quick summary of the video:

Grades will be posted for quarter 1 on or before the end of day on Friday, October 22. You can view your final grade by clicking on the "Report Card" tab in StudentVue.

Schedule - most of you checked your 2nd Quarter schedule during conferences but just a reminder to log into StudentVue this weekend and click on your Quarter 2 class schedule. You might be in a new or different class or flex lab 2nd Quarter so be sure you know where you are headed for each period of the day starting Monday morning.

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to your advisor. Have a great weekend!

NEW CLUB: Get work experience through our Service Learning Club

This club is for students in grades 10-12. An opportunity to get job experience while contributing to their community. There will be 4 trips. The first is October 22 at Horsetooth Reservoir. More details about this opportunity can be found in your child's advisory course.

PERMISSION SLIPS ARE DUE WEDNESDAY, OCT. 20 BY 4 PM for the Horsetooth trip. They are required and this permission slip covers all 4 events. They can be returned digitally to Anne Eakins (aeakins@psdschools.org) or at the main office.

Students who attend 2 trips 2nd quarter receive resume support with the experience they gained

through the club. Attend all 4 trips and receive the resume support plus a full-size candy bar!



Counselor Caseloads:

Elementary Students - [Chris Hagge](#)

Middle School Students - [Rachel Eaton](#)

High School Students -

Last name starts with A-Ga = [Rachel Eaton](#)

Last name starts with Ge-Mi = [Chris Hagge](#)

Last name starts with Mo-Z = [Anne Eakins](#)



Teen Parents = [Anne Eakins](#)

Next Steps & Options = [Stacy Sevelin](#)

Upcoming Events:


Event Title & Location	Date	Description
Colorado Free College Application Days https://cdhe.colorado.gov/cofreeappdays	October 19-21	Submit your college applications to any Colorado college during these days and you do not have to pay the application fees!
PSD Financial Aid Night - Virtual Join Zoom Meeting PSD FINANCIAL AID NIGHT	October 21	6:30 - 8:00PM Sponsored by CSU - open to all PSD high school students and families. Learn about paying for any college, including the FAFSA, grants, loans, scholarships, financial award letters, etc.

Mental Health Tools & Community Resources:

 <p>Fort Collins Museum of Discovery will open this special exhibit about mental health opening on 9/25. More info: https://fcmof.org/mindmatters/</p>	 <p>Current job/volunteer opportunities for teens: https://student.xello.world/inspire/opportunities . Some of the current listings: Museum of Art Volunteers Needed, Cryptotronix - Info. Interviews, Poudre School District is offering a Photography Internship.</p>
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Grade Level or School-wide Updates:

Is your family experiencing **housing instability** or living in the home of another family (doubled-up)? If so, please connect with your child's counselor to talk about resources.

High School Seniors: It's time to order caps and gowns for graduation!  Please plan to attend the required Graduation Cap & Gown order virtual meeting Monday, October 25th at 2:00. It will be virtual, via Teams. Plan to pick up your Jostens order packet from our front office **prior** to this meeting.

Also, schedule your senior meeting with your counselor to discuss your current mental health, requirements you have remaining for graduation, and your post graduate plans. We are here to help you reach your goals. Read this [article](#) on the **college application process and timeline**. **Also, the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) opens October 1st. Click [here](#) to start your application.**

The Daniels Scholarship Program Application is now open. Visit the [Daniels Fund website](#) for more information. The application deadline is November 15th at 4:00Pm.

The Boettcher Foundation Scholarship is open. Application deadline is November 1st. Click [here](#) for a flyer and more information.