

SAMUEL OGLE MIDDLE SCHOOL



Samuel Ogle Town Hall Notes

Tuesday August 23, 2022

New Student Orientation Day

The New Student Orientation is planned for Friday August 26, 2022

Who: Students transitioning to Middle School and any new student to Samuel Ogle MS is welcome to attend.

Busses will provide transportation.

Orientation Hours will be from 9:30am - 1:00pm (Following a 3-hour early dismissal schedule)

Students will follow their A-Day schedule

Students should print and bring their schedule with them on orientation day.

"Grab-n-go" breakfast and a bag lunch will be provided.

Student Pin Numbers for Breakfast and Lunch

Students will be receiving new PIN numbers this school year. These will be provided on August 29, 2022 by their teachers. Students will use these numbers on a touch pad in the serving line if they choose to purchase a meal on a daily basis.

Estimates of cost are:

Breakfast \$1.60

Lunch \$3.75

(The costs are estimates. The actual costs will be shared as soon they are known definitely). Funds can be added to your student account at myschoolbucks.com

Chromebooks

Chromebook questions generally range in the following categories:

- 1) Lost
- 2) Damaged
- 3) Broken
- 4) New student needing a chromebook

Please send any chromebook questions to pam.spencer@pgcps.org

We will provide new chromebooks to those who are new to the district during the first few days of school. Lost, damaged or broken will be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

Transportation

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This weekend, our Transportation Call Center (301-952-6570) will be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. to assist with questions or concerns about your child's bus assignment. We also encourage you to submit inquiries online through the <u>Transportation Resolution Center</u> on the PGCPS website. We ask for your patience during the first few weeks of school as drivers become acclimated to routes. Given staffing challenges, delays should be expected. We will do our best to minimize wait times and communicate delays at the school level when possible.

Mullikin Bus Lot services Samuel Ogle. Questions can be directed through their office at 301 - 390 - 0210

Dropping Off and Picking Up Zones

The bus loop in front of the school is reserved for busses specifically.

If you are dropping off or picking up your child, we have three zones for these opportunities:

- 1) The shoulder on the school side of Chelmont Lane
- 2) The shoulder in front of the school on Old Chapel Road
- 3) The parking lot adjacent to the bus loop at the front of the building

Crossing guards and school security will be present to help guide students and vehicles at the beginning and end of the school day.

Students should always remain on a sidewalk or crosswalk when approaching or leaving school.

Masks

Currently PGCPS is following a Mask Mandate. Any updates to this requirement will be provided to schools and families if an option is implemented.

Please make sure your child is bringing masks with them as part of their school day. Masks are not available in mass inventory as they were in the past. Students are to have the necessary mask on them as they arrive to school and it is recommended that they have at least one back-up mask during the school day.

Calls will be made to guardians, if necessary, for students who are not mask compliant.

Dress Code Policy

Students are expected to come to school in school appropriate attire. Any revealing clothing is not acceptable.

Students are to be dressed for an academic day free from distractions. While we encourage individual personality, we discourage attire that does not follow the dress code policy.

(See next slide for more details)

Dress Code Policy / Cell Phones

School-Wide Dress Code for Students AP 5152 Rev. 2018

<u>HEAD</u> Headdresses can be worn indoors for religious or health reasons **only.** For safety and identification purposes, no hoods, bandanas, bonnets/sleep caps, do-rags, scarves, ski-goggles or ski-masks should be worn during the school day.

SHIRTS AND BLOUSES Shirts and blouses should be continuous from neckline to waist. The entire midsection **should be covered**. No tank tops or muscle shirts. No clothing with vulgar language, obscene pictures, weapons, drugs/alcohol, drug paraphernalia or tobacco products. No identifiable gang/crew clothing or paraphernalia. No see-through clothing.

SKIRTS, DRESSES, AND SHORTS

Skirts, dresses, shorts, and spandex skirts should be approximately six (6) inches below the buttocks, or no shorter than fingertip level (no extra-short shorts are allowed). Students are required to wear spandex shorts under dresses and skirts.

PANTS

Pants should be secured at waist: no **sagging** below waist to expose undergarments. Tights, stretch pants, leggings, and spandex body suits must be worn with clothing long enough to cover buttocks. No pajama pants, cozy pants or sleep wear should be worn. No ripped jeans should be worn that will not expose any parts of the leg above mid-thigh. Spandex, compression pants (knee-length or full) or under garments should be worn under jeans with holes in them.

SHOES

Shoes must be worn. For safety reasons slippers, and flip flops are not allowed to be worn in the school building. Crocs shoes should be worn with the straps on the heel of the foot and socks. Students must wear tennis shoes/sneakers for PE classes.

EARBUDS

In accordance with Administrative Procedure 5132, PEDs (Portable Electronic Devices) are not permitted to be worn during the school day. This includes (personal listening devices such as earphones, ear buds, "Bluetooth", etc.) Students should not use cell phones during school hours. In the event, a student needs to call a parent/guardian, classroom or office phones are available for use.

Grade-Level Counselors

This year our Grade-Level professional School Counselors are as follows:

6th Grade - Ms. Selena Archibald <u>selena.archibald@pgcps.org</u>

7th Grade - Ms. Andrea Carswell andrea.hepburn@pgcps.org

8th Grade - Ms. Monica Leftwich <u>monica.leftwich@pgcps.org</u>

Back-to-School Night

Back-to-School Night will be virtual

Date ~ Thursday September 8, 2022

Time ~ 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Format ~ Virtual Links will be provided after school starts

Who: All Grades 6th, 7th and 8th

PTSO

PTSO at Samuel Ogle MS -

Samuel Ogle has an active PTSO that meets regularly at 6:30pm on the second Thursday of each month. These meetings are traditionally held via zoom. Our PTSO board will be providing updates throughout the year and during the opening weeks of school through Back-to-School Night as well. If anyone is interested in becoming part of our PTSO or has general questions, please send an email to samuelogleptso@gmail.com

Lockers

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This year we will be receiving BRAND NEW Lockers. Students will appreciate having a full size locker and no bottom placed lockers as a result of this renovation and school improvement. The locker installation is scheduled for the first part of October. Therefore, students will be starting the school year without lockers, much like last year. As you prepare for student needs and bookbags, please keep in mind that they will be carrying their book bags to class until locker installation is completed in the fall.

Administrative Team

The grade level administrators are as follows:

Principal Cameron Millspaugh - 6th Grade email address: came.millspaugh@pgcps.org

Assistant Principal Tamela Taylor-Orr - 7th Grade email address: ttaylor@pgcps.org

Assistant Principal Brian Harbel - 8th Grade email address brian.harbel@pgcps.org