

PIONEER NEWSLETTER

The Parrish Middle School Welcome Back to School Edition

September, 2020



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"The secret of change is to focus all your energy, not fighting the old, but on building the new."

- Socrates

A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome Back Parrish Pioneers!

We want to take this opportunity to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year! We are so excited you are here! Our staff here at Parrish has been working very hard to make sure we have a successful start to a very successful school year. We know that we are facing some challenges as we start the year out in Comprehensive Distance Learning. We also know many people have been impacted by the devastating fires we are experiencing right now in Oregon. Our hearts and minds are on them at this time. As a school, it is more important now than ever to pull together to ensure we are providing that highest quality education possible for all of our Parrish students. Despite the tremendous challenges we are currently facing, we know we must move forward to ensure a successful start to the school year. As a staff, we know we cannot do this alone. Creating and maintaining strong partnerships with our families and community members is going to be more important now than ever in making sure our students have all they need to not only survive, but thrive under these challenging circumstances.



This school year, one step in the right direction is the launch of a monthly Parrish newsletter. By increasing the frequency of our newsletter, we are committed to maintaining strong communication with our families and community partners. In this newsletter, we will include important upcoming dates, highlight student achievements, introduce our staff to you, and ensure you have the information needed to support your students during Comprehensive Distance Learning. Now more than ever, that strong two-way communication will be essential for student success.

We want to remind you we have tentatively scheduled our Taking Care of Business Day to Monday, September 14th. We have set aside this day for students to pick up textbooks; get a chromebook or exchange a damaged/broken chromebook; get personal items from lockers; purchase yearbooks; get student schedules; pick up a free student binder; and purchase Parrish t-shirts. Please refer to the detailed information in this flyer for preferred arrival times, and please continue to watch for communication in the event we have to reschedule.

One important change we have this school year is the launch of a new online learning platform, Canvas. We know this is not only a learning curve for our teachers, but for our students and families as well. We know this will be a challenge for us all, and we thank you in advance for your patience in our new learning. Just know we are here to support you in this process! You are not alone! In this newsletter, you will find important information on where to go for support with Canvas. We know together we will get through this year and be stronger together in the process. Here is to a great year!

Go Pioneers!

Dustin Purnell, Principal

NEW WEEK 1 SCHEDULE

The first week of Comprehensive Distance learning (CDL) will look a little different than any of us anticipated. Here's the updated schedule for the first week of school at Parrish Middle School.

Tuesday 9/15

Taking Care of Business Day
8am-7pm

Wednesday 9/16

Extended Advisory Period

Log into Canvas @9am

Thursday 9/17

CDL Starts!

Log into Canvas @9am

Friday 9/18

Applied learning day

Log into Canvas @9am



Students should log into Canvas
@ 9am on Wednesday 9/16

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

At this time, we are not allowing public access to Parrish. Please follow social distancing measures to include standing six feet apart.

Face coverings are required.



Please return any textbooks or library books from home at this event. If you have multiple students in multiple grades, pick one time slot to come as a family.

Tuesday 9/15

Time	Grade	Schedule by Last Name
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	8	A – I
9:30 am – 10:30 am	8	J - O
10:30 am – 11:30 am	8	P - T
11:30 am – 12:30 PM CLOSED - LUNCH		
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	8	U - Z
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	7	A - I
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	7	J - O
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm CLOSED - DINNER		
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	7	P - T
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm	7	U - Z
5:30 – 7:00 PM	9 (Last Year's 8th Grade) 6,7,8	A - L Anyone unable to attend scheduled time slot

Parking

is on Capitol Street, D Street, or the Lamberson Street lot if space is available. Parking on D Street parking lot is reserved for staff members. Families will be walking from station to station.



GETTING STARTED WITH CANVAS

We know learning a new systems can be overwhelming. Here's a step-by-step guide to help you get started.

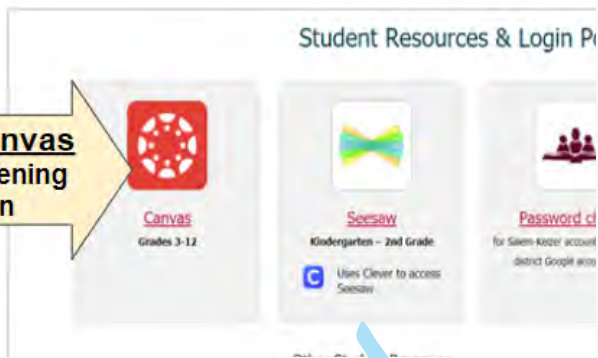
**First day of school:
Wednesday, September 16th**

**Login for Pioneer Pride Period
at 9:00 am every day!!!**



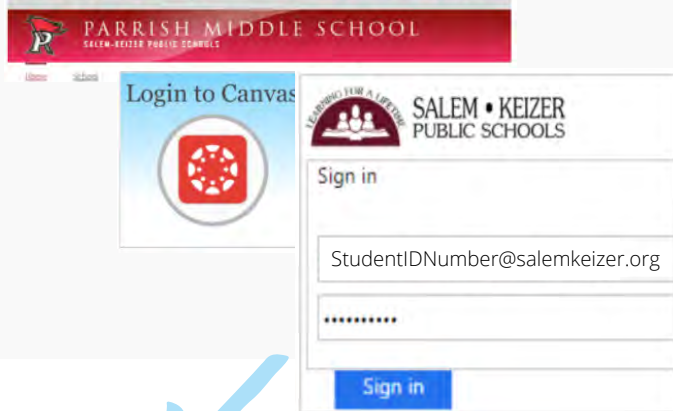
Using a district Chromebook?

Click Canvas
on the opening
screen



Using a personal device?

Go to <https://parrish.salkeiz.k12.or.us/>

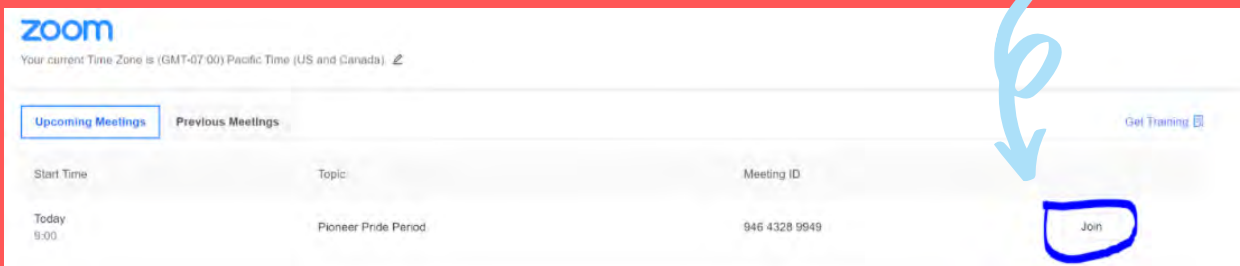
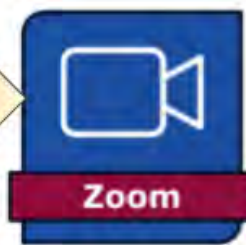


**Once you're in Canvas, get started
with your Pioneer Pride Class**



Enter Pioneer
Pride Period

Click Zoom
to start the lesson



MOVING FORWARD

CDL Week 2 and Beyond.

Log in Tuesday-Friday @ 9:00am for daily advisory

ATTENDANCE WILL BE CHECKED



Teacher Facilitated Learning

Students will have two days of learning on Zoom with their teachers. Attendance will be taken in each class and students should expect to log in on time, ready to participate. Students will receive their instruction directly from the teachers and be able to interact with their peers.



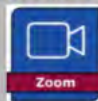
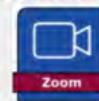






Applied Learning Days

Students will also have two days of Applied Learning, following their same schedule, in which they will work on assignments with support from our Instructional Assistants. Although students will not be working directly with teachers on these days, they should still be engaged in school work.



All students have a four-day school week including two ***Teacher Facilitated*** days and two ***Applied Learning*** days.

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
T/Th Cohort Participate in <i>Teacher Facilitated</i> lessons on canvas. 	Wed/Fr Cohort Participate in <i>Teacher Facilitated</i> lessons on canvas. 	T/Th Cohort Participate in <i>Teacher Facilitated</i> lessons on canvas. 	Wed/Fr Cohort Participate in <i>Teacher Facilitated</i> lessons on canvas. 
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Tuesday-Friday Student 5-Period Bell Schedule

Period	Time	Minutes
Pioneer Pride (Tuesday-Friday)	9:00-9:15	15 minutes
1	9:20-10:20	60 minutes
2	10:25-11:25	60 minutes
LUNCH	11:25-12:15	50 minutes
3	12:20-1:20	60 minutes
4	1:25-2:25	60 minutes
5	2:30-3:30	60 minutes

If we notice that students are having difficulty logging in and attending classes, we will reach out to students and families to help support their online learning. The district is communicating several resources to families to help log in and monitor their students' learning. Some of the resources are listed below and more information is on its way.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

*Parrish is a lunch distribution site,
Monday through Friday, 11:00am to 1:00pm*

Through the Community Eligibility Provision Program (CEP), Parrish can provide ALL students with **FREE** breakfast and lunch. Meals include a variety of items like cereal, milk, fruit, vegetables, sandwiches, chicken nuggets, hamburgers or chicken patties. All foods are fully cooked and safe to eat immediately or reheat.

HOW TO GET SUPPORT

Navigating all the new systems can be difficult and confusing. Luckily, your Parrish family is here to support you. Here's how you can find help.

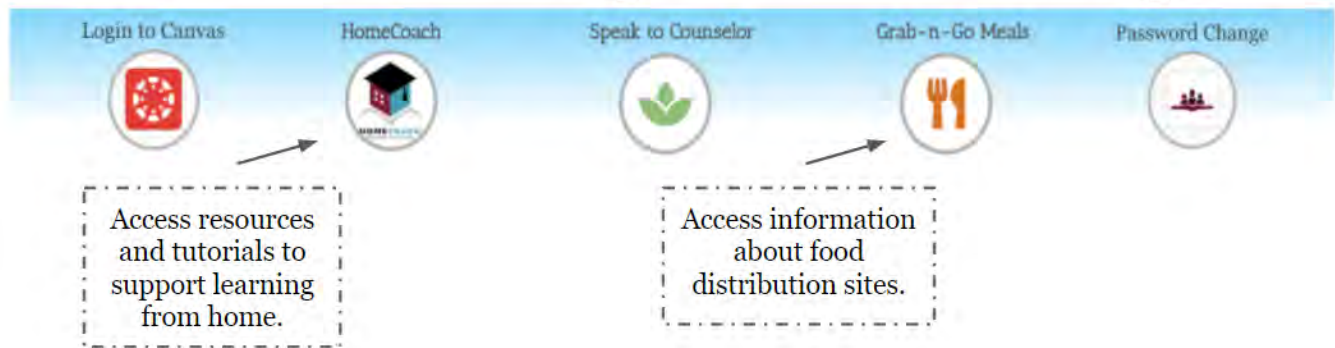
Try the Parrish website to access student and family supports:

<https://parrish.salkeiz.k12.or.us/>



Student and families can reach out to a Parrish Counselor to receive support.

Students may change their password from the generic one they were given



Parents and Students can access key information on StudentVUE or ParentVUE such as:

- Class Schedules
- Teacher Communication
- Student Attendance Records
- Course Grades
- and More!

Access ParentVUE or StudentVUE on the Parrish website.

School News

[Taking Care of Business Postponed/ Arreglar los Negocios Pospuesto](#)

September 8th, 2020

As you have likely heard, the district is postponing all TCOB days for this week. Parrish is going to reschedule for Monday, September 14th. We are asking families to please come to school during [...]

ParentVUE
powered by Synergy

[Student Attendance Cohort Information Now Available on ParentVUE and StudentVUE](#)

September 2nd, 2020

StudentVUE
powered by Synergy

You can now login to ParentVUE and StudentVUE to see your student's assigned attendance cohort. Students have been assigned to either a Tuesday/Thursday attendance cohort or to a Wednesday/Friday attendance cohort. EDGE students will [...]

Need additional support?

-Request help with technological issues through the HomeCoach page.

-For help with a particular class, call or email your teacher during Family Connection Hours.

-Reach out to your Pioneer Pride Period Teachers.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

At Parrish Middle School, we want to recognize our students, as Pioneers, who reflect pride in our school, peers and themselves.

Students can show **PRIDE** in our school by demonstrating the following characteristics:

Positive

- I am enthusiastic about learning
- I encourage my peers
- I embrace mistakes as learning opportunities

Respectful

- I value diverse perspectives
- I use good manners and appropriate language
- I am considerate of others' feelings

Involved

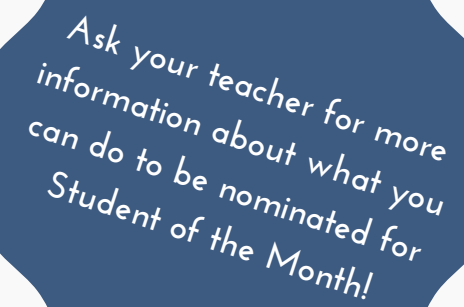
- I log into classes on time
- I actively participate in my classes
- I build community by participating in school activities

Determined

- I demonstrate GRIT and personal determination by making progress on set goals
- I show improvement in academic, behavioral, and/or attendance performance
- I take initiative to get help when I need it and help others

Effort

- I ask questions during class
- I turn in my work
- I fix errors and re-submit my work



Ask your teacher for more information about what you can do to be nominated for Student of the Month!