

Pine Forest High School

Home of the Trojans

Principal's Weekly Message |
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Trojans! Welcome back! We are excited to welcome you to PFHS for the 2023 - 2024 school year.

1. Welcome Back: First Days of School Information

The first day of school is Monday, August 28, 2023. School begins at 8:30 am and our building opens at 8:00 am for students.

- **Bus Transportation.** Bus routes for each student assigned to a bus route are available within PowerSchool. Questions about bus transportation are best addressed to Assistant Principal Jeffery Stewart (jefferystewart@ccs.k12.nc.us).
- **Student Drivers.** Only students who have an approved parking permit may park on campus. Students must display the permit in his/her vehicle and park in his/her assigned parking space. Parking permits for eligible students are still available for sale. Do not delay, purchase your parking permit today!
- **Student Pick Up/ Drop Off:** We kindly ask for your patience if you are dropping your student off at school as we anticipate long lines and extended wait times as everyone becomes acclimated to the morning drop off and afternoon pick up process. If you are dropping off or picking up your student, please remember to adhere to the designated traffic pattern. The traffic pattern is posted on the school website.

2. Clear/Mesh Bookbags

Please be reminded that all students must have a clear or mesh bookbag. If a student needs assistance with procuring a bookbag, he/she can see our school social worker, Latoya McKoy.

3. Homeroom

We will transition to homeroom at the beginning of the school day for the first 10 days of school. During homeroom, important information will be reviewed and given to students. Parents & guardians, please review this information with your student. Also, please do not forget to submit all necessary beginning of year forms/paperwork via the new E Collect system. The ECollect system is a data collection system integrated into PowerSchool and parents/guardians can access it through the ParentPortal. If you do not have access to the Parent Portal, we highly encourage you to contact our data manager, Ms. Brittney Godwin, to get access today.

4. Red Zone/Green Zones

Pine Forest High School is utilizing the red zone/green zone system for the use of electronic devices. Students can use electronic devices in green zones to check text messages, review information on their phone, etc. and students are not allowed to use phones in red zones unless given explicit permission from the staff member for academic use only. At no time, should a student engage in a telephone conversation or Facetime conversation even in a green zone. If a student needs to use the phone to contact a parent/guardian, students can come to the main office.

5. Monday, September 4, 2023 - Student/Staff Holiday

As a friendly reminder, Monday, September 4, 2023 is a student/staff holiday.

Our theme for the 2023 - 2024 school year is "Succeed on Purpose" and we are looking forward to a successful school year at Pine Forest High School.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call us at 910-488-2384. We look forward to a fabulous week at Pine Forest High School!

Respect Self ... Respect School ... Be Responsible! Go Trojans!