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Catamount Messenger 8.30.20

Catamount Families,

We hope you are all doing well and have had a smooth transition to the 20-21 school year. Here is some information for you.

Meet the Teacher Follow-up

Thank you to the parents who joined us for our first virtual Meet the Teacher. If you were not able to attend live, teachers have posted an introductory video on their Canvas or Google classroom. As a reminder, you'll need to have your child login to the LMS (Learning Management System) for you to view.

Senior Meetings with Student Services - Start September 1

Please view this video from the Student Services department that is specific to parents of the Class of 2021: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/193mzUjiErnbRIZhbnKFm7oreIOPaKvc3/view?usp=sharing</u> All Seniors should plan to meet with their counselor for a Senior Meeting. All information related to these including what should be completed prior to the meeting and how to sign up can be found on the Student Services website at this link: <u>http://pchsstudentservices.weebly.com/seniors.html</u> Additional questions can be directed to your child's counselor.

Bell Schedule starting Aug 31

Starting Monday, teachers will determine the live instructional time during their class period and communicate it the Friday before on the weekly schedule so that students can plan accordingly. As a reminder, live instruction means that it's happening in real time and may take a variety of formats. The teacher will use the weekly schedule to communicate what will be happening during live instruction for each day that week. Here is the bell schedule starting Aug 31:

https://www.wcpss.net/cms/lib/NC01911451/Centricity/Domain/6295/Plan%20B%20Transition%20-%20Plan%20C%20-%20Aug%2031%20after.pdf

Attendance during Remote Learning

We strongly encourage students to attend all daily live instructional activities with their teachers and peers. In addition, students should complete all tasks and assignments assigned by the teacher according to the schedule provided.

While students are learning online (either Plan B Transition or PC Virtual Academy), they are counted present for the class period if either of these are true:

- If a student completes their daily assignments, either online or offline; and/or if a student is present in synchronous instruction.
- If a student has a daily check-in, a two-way communication, with their assigned teachers.

Absences will continue to be recorded in the same way they were previously, and parents should complete appropriate attendance forms when a student is absent. <u>https://www.wcpss.net/domain/7442</u>

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ASVAB Testing

The ASVAB test is a great tool to discover careers that match your talents and interests. The test is required to enlist in the military. However, the ASVAB is free and open to anyone interested in grades 9-12, even if you do not want to join the military. Testing dates are tentatively scheduled for 11/4/20 and 4/7/21. A Virtual Info Session is planned for 9/8. For details and to register visit the Career Services website - catamountcareers.weebly.com.

Communicating with Teachers and Staff

Students must communicate with teachers and staff using their WCPSS student e-mail account and not a personal account. If a student needs additional support with something related to a class, they should talk directly with their teacher about how to best receive that support – teachers have developed ways to provide SMART time within the class period or day.

As a reminder, live learning sessions are only for students. Parents should email teachers or set up a call if they have questions about a class.

School Meals

Please review this important information related to school meals for the 20-21 school year: <u>https://www.wcpss.net/Page/45287</u>

School Communication

https://www.wcpss.net/cms/lib/NC01911451/Centricity/Domain/6295/Schoolwide%20Communication %20flyer%201.pdf

Guides to Technology

Please review this site designed by WCPSS to support student use of technology: <u>https://www.wcpss.net/techguides</u>

WCPSS Website and Updates

The district maintains a return to campus website with all the latest information posted there. All the information they send in their messengers is also included on that website. Please visit <u>www.wcpss.net</u> and click on "Update for 2020-21 School Year" in the header tab. You can also go directly there using this link: <u>https://www.wcpss.net/returntocampus</u>

Panther Creek HS Website

Please visit the PCHS website frequently for current news, updates and a variety of other information: <u>https://www.wcpss.net/panthercreekhs</u>

As a reminder, if you are accessing the website on a mobile device, you may need to scroll down and expand the "Current News" section to see the items listed there.

Our school's Twitter feed can also be found on the school website if you are not a member of Twitter.



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Thank you for your continued support of Panther Creek High School!