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Dear PCA Parents,

Is it really true? July is already half gone! With August around the corner comes the realization that summer is nearly over and our thoughts must turn to school once again. **The first day of school for grades K and up, is Thursday, August 17. Preschool begins on Wednesday, September 6.** We trust God in all things and know that He has a plan for our staff and families here at Princeton Christian Academy during 2023-2024.

Our school calendar, sports schedule, handbook, and supply list are available on our website: princetonchristianacademy.org. Please keep in mind the schedules and plans we share today may need to be changed as time progresses.

Registration days for PCA are scheduled for Wednesday, August 9 through Friday, August 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is to help us get a head start on all the files, sign-up sheets, and forms, including physicals, eye and dental exams, medical emergency, prescription, Kindergarten birth certificates, etc., to be handed in for the student's files. This helps lessen the confusion of doing all this on Orientation Night. Please try to take time to attend during these hours.

K-8 Orientation will be held on Monday, August 14 at 6:30 p.m.. **High School Orientation** is Tuesday, August 15 at 6:30 p.m.. It is important for a parent or guardian to attend the orientation. Students are welcome but are not required to attend. During orientation you will meet the staff, learn about PCA guidelines and procedures, visit the classrooms, and fellowship with PCA families.

Please be aware of requirements concerning the health and well-being of your child. The following information **must be on file in the office**:

- Physical exam with up-to-date immunizations - Preschool, Kindergarten, Sixth, Ninth
- Lead Test/Screening - Preschool, Kindergarten (if not done at preschool)
- Dental exam - Kindergarten, Second, Sixth, Ninth
- Vision exam - Kindergarten
- Birth certificate - Kindergarten

In addition, anyone requesting medication of any kind to be administered to a student (Tylenol, cough syrup, prescription drugs, etc.) must submit to the office a Medical Authorization form that has been signed by your doctor. This form can be picked up in the office. No medication will be given without this form on file.

We will offer hot lunch meals for grades K & up, beginning the first day of school. Menus are available at the office and on our website. **Both August and September menus** need to be turned into the office by **JULY 28**.

Bus transportation is available for rural families in the Princeton Elementary School District. Students are transported to and from PCA via the Princeton Elementary school buses. The district office needs to be notified if you have a student riding the bus, even if they rode the bus last school year. There is generally a “ride the bus day” for students new to the district or students going into kindergarten. For more information and for any questions you may have, please call the district office at 815-875-6417. We are so thankful for this service that is offered to our families.

As you prepare school wardrobes for your children, please refer to the dress code found in the Parent/Student Handbook. Our intent is for students to dress neatly and modestly. Shirts that show the midriff when arms are raised, as well as scooped necklines and large armholes are inappropriate. Only knee length shorts are acceptable. Skirts and dresses should be knee-length or longer. Jeans and pants should be free of holes and frayed bottoms. Non-marking athletic shoes should be available for recess and PE classes. All other shoes must have backs or back straps on them. Please no flip flops. Help us maintain a God-honoring environment by monitoring your child’s appearance prior to school each day. Infractions of the dress code will require the student to wear something that we provide or to sit in the office until appropriate clothes are brought to him or her.

We advise you to sign up for alerts/cancellations for PCA on your mobile phone called BCR Alerts. Go to princetonchristianacademy.org and click the tab for ‘BCRAlerts’. You’ll then be directed to the sign-up page. Choose ‘Princeton Christian Academy’ under both categories 4 and 5. Beyond that, you can add other alerts, including severe weather alerts, activities for area schools, and community notifications. If you have a Facebook account, you may also request to join our Princeton Christian Academy page. We are thankful for these communication tools that provide a vital link between our parents and staff. **Signing up for BCR Alerts and/or the PCA Facebook page is the best way for you to receive reminders and notifications of changes.**

The PCA Board and staff covet your prayers as we assist you by providing an education with a Biblical worldview. We look forward to seeing you at Orientation!

Because of Christ,

Steve Lunger, Principal

Summer office hours: Generally Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10-3.



PCA MISSION STATEMENT ~ To provide an excellent academic education with a Christian worldview based on the absolute authority of God’s Word, the Holy Bible.