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**WE LOOK AHEAD**

**March 2021**

11 3rd Quarter Progress Reports Released On-line

**March 29 – April 5** Spring Break/Easter Holidays **- Schools Closed**

**April 2021**

6 PreK and Kindergarten Registration Begins

8 PGCPS Phase 1 Instruction for PreK-6th Grade

12 Professional Day for Teachers – **2 Hour Early Dismissal**

**May 2021**

13 Eid al-Fitr Holiday – **Schools Closed**

31 Memorial Day Holiday – **Schools Closed**

**June 2021**

15 Last Day for Students

**PRINCIPAL’S CORNER**

**Stephen I. Green, Jr.**

**IT Assistance for Parents**

In August 2020, PGCPS implemented our Reopening Plan for distance learning, we also established and launched a Distance Learning Hotline for parents and guardians. The Distance Learning Hotline was very successful in which we had PGCPS staff who served as Hotline Agents and diligently assisted and guided parents and guardians as they sometimes struggled with IT apps, equipment, or other issues to support their children’s participation in virtual learning during the COVID-19 closure of schools.

Unfortunately, we had to close our Distance Learning Hotline as of Friday, February 26 at 5:00 pm, due to staff returning to worksites beginning on Wednesday, March 3, 2021. We celebrate and thank the Hotline Agents for their service for the past 24 weeks. With the closure of the Distance Learning Hotline, parents and guardians may begin to contact the school directly for assistance.

**New Hours for Parent Support Centers Begin March 1**

Beginning Monday, March 1, Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) distance learning Parent Support Centers will operate on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5 - 8 p.m. Appointments may be scheduled [online](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAyMjUuMzU5NDM3NzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2Nwcy5vcmcvcmVvcGVuLXBnY3BzL2Rpc3RhbmNlLWxlYXJuaW5nL3BhcmVudC1jZW50ZXJzIn0.NtuzvOYjOPpHtWuKtdTXjlX8nGjhBxc2kG1kSozKro0/s/68718308/br/98354622417-l) or by calling 240-696-3315.

**School Immunization Requirements Reminder**

As school districts across the state work towards reopening, we remind families that all students must be up to date on state-mandated immunizations prior to returning to school. Please note these requirements have not been waived due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

We encourage families to act now to ensure students have the immunizations they need to attend school. Due to the mass COVID vaccination clinics being conducted by the Prince George’s County Health Department, immunization clinics are not being held at this time. The organizations listed below provide immunizations for a small fee.

* [Mary's Center](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAyMDguMzQ4NTM0MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5tYXJ5c2NlbnRlci5vcmcvIn0.FfGA3wRaj6Z1tllGnxdl35jOOSfXdPBRqv4Qm5719ZQ/s/68718308/br/97226850671-l) | 844-796-2797
* [Prince George's Community Pediatric and Adolescent Health Center](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAyMDguMzQ4NTM0MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2NvbW11bml0eXBlZGlhdHJpY3MuY29tLyJ9.02DA904U3zPCIZeo1SpMsCwjECFDSxnJtcqVu0oe86o/s/68718308/br/97226850671-l) | 301-322-2411
* [CCI Health and Wellness Center](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDQsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAyMDguMzQ4NTM0MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL2NjaXdlYi5vcmcvIn0.gV99o1m1O7GNSbSfC3GVguLRbGyYZN6vpgavSnMijII/s/68718308/br/97226850671-l) | 866-877-7258
* [La Clínica del Pueblo](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDUsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAyMDguMzQ4NTM0MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5sY2RwLm9yZy8ifQ.lpjdmUfoNxKRizLPsRYmuUsoIGHkDBMpJs9Juj5qf5A/s/68718308/br/97226850671-l) | 202-462-4788

Families with insurance should make vaccination appointments with their child’s pediatrician.

Please visit the [PGCPS immunization website](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDYsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAyMDguMzQ4NTM0MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2Nwcy5vcmcvaW1tdW5pemF0aW9ucyJ9.Kq6EY13DJ2_lcBzFEV0RkVrY_uw0uwa78lC6BVGeBZs/s/68718308/br/97226850671-l) for more information.

**REMINDERS:**

**Need WiFi Help?**

PGCPS continues to cover the cost of the Comcast Internet Essentials program, which provides affordable high-speed internet at home, for families eligible for free and reduced-price meals (FARMS). Non-FARMS families may also obtain a Verizon hotspot for home internet access by making a request through their school or by calling our Distance Learning Hotline at 240-696-6229, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**PGCPS Login Credentials**

1. Each student enrolled in PGCPS is issued a username and password.
2. It usually takes 3-5 days after new enrollments for students to receive their login credentials.
3. In the event that students are unable to login to PGCPS Chromebooks, Clever or Google Classroom with their credentials, please contact your teacher.  Please provide the teacher with the **exact error message** you received when you attempted to login.
4. The teacher will notify you once the error has been resolved.

**Wednesdays**

* Wednesday is **NOT** a day off for teachers and students.
* Wednesdays have been identified as the day targeted to provide differentiated support for students via teacher-led small group instruction and enrichment, interventions or related services.
* When assigned, students submit an assignment to one of their teachers
* Engage in synchronous instruction or tutoring with an PGCPS teacher
* Meet online with a PGCPS teacher or service provider; or
* Compete work in our supplemental online education tools where applicable (i.e., DreamBox, i-Ready, i- Read etc.)