

Pleasant Grove Jr High  
August 8, 2023

### **Not Attending PG Jr this year?**

If your student is no longer planning to attend Pleasant Grove Jr High this year, please call the Counseling Office at 801-610-8147 or [julianneatkinson@alpineschools.org](mailto:julianneatkinson@alpineschools.org).

### **Important DEmates:**

**Aug 4 (Fri)--Student Schedules** available to see in Skyward

**Aug 7 (Mon)--Class Changes Begin--[Online Only](#)**

**Aug 7-14--Building Open to come and walk around, 8:00-2:00**

**Aug 14 (Mon)--Back to School Night, 3:00-6:00pm, Open House Style**

**Aug 15 (Tues)--7th Grade Day, 8:15-12:00**

**Aug 16 (Wed)--First Day of School, 8:15-1:45 (early out Wed)**

**Sept 7 & 8 (Thurs & Fri)--Picture Day**

### **New Lunch Number System**

Our cafeteria has fabulous new equipment to process the students as they come through the lunch (or breakfast) line.

- **Students will no longer be able to “punch in” their lunch number.** They will need to scan the bar code that is on their school ID card.
- Please help them remember to bring their ID card or bar code every day, and find a good place they can keep it. **If your student has a phone,** one idea is to take a picture of the bar code and they can scan the phone screen to check out.
- **7th Graders** will be given their bar code on a sticker on 7th grade day. Please help them find a good place to put it so they always have it at lunch. They will receive a school ID card after picture day.
- **8th & 9th graders** need to bring their school ID cards to school every day to scan for meal purchases. For those 8th & 9th graders who have misplaced their school ID cards, we will have bar code stickers for them on the first day of school. Everyone will get a new school ID card after picture day.

### **Lunch Online Payments & Menus--New System**

We have a new provider for menu information and online lunch/meal payments called LinQ. For more information [Click Here](#). For Free & Reduced Lunch Applications see the district website nutrition page: <https://alpineschools.org/nutrition/>

### **Kindness Club**

The Kindness Club at PGJH welcomes everyone. We have monthly meetings/activities, help welcome new students, do service projects, help organize our principal pantry, and make PGJH a great place to be. If your student is interested in joining the Kindness Club this year, please have them fill out the following form. Questions? Contact Mrs. Bullock ([lbullock@alpinedistrict.org](mailto:lbullock@alpinedistrict.org)) <https://forms.gle/4W9BkLVhrBm7iY7y6>

### **At Home Chromebook Permission Form**

After the Skyward rollover (approximately July 17th), a tab for “At Home Chromebook Permission” will be added to the Student Information Update in Skyward for your school. Parents can login to Skyward and give their permission for use of a school chromebook at home on this tab. **If this step is not completed, your student will not receive a chromebook.**

[Tutorial](#)  
[Video Tutorial](#)

### **More Information About Next Generation 1:1 Chromebooks**

- **Each student at PGJH will receive their own Chromebook** to use for the entire school year for 2023-2024. This is often referred to as being one-to-one (1:1). For more information see our school website: <https://pleasantgrove.alpineschools.org/next-gen-1-to-1/>
- **Monitor your students chromebook:** [Blocks Information](https://parent.blocksi.net). Blocks Parent Registration Link: <https://parent.blocksi.net>
- **Purchase Chromebook device insurance \$30.00:** <https://schooldevicecoverage.com>. \*\*parents will need their student's chromebook serial number so they cannot register until they have their chromebook but must sign up before September 15.

### Yearly Registration Update in Skyward

Please log in to Skyward as the parent and complete the yearly registration update. Make sure the list of people who can check out your student is up-to-date, and choose if you give your permission for use of a school chromebook at home. If this step is not completed, your student will not receive a chromebook. [Click Here for Tutorial](#).

### Class Changes

**Class changes will not start until August 7.** All changes will be online. Please do not call the Counseling Office with class change requests. If you have any questions, please email your counselor. Class changes are \$5. Please be patient with your requested class change. We will get to them as soon as we are able. [Class Change Link](#)

### Back to School Night & Open House

Monday, August 14, 3:00-6:00pm. Tours will be available and Teachers will be in their rooms.

### 7th Grade Day (Bring a Copy of your Class Schedule)

7th Grade Day will be on TUESDAY, August 15 from 8:15-12:00. Free Pizza will be served at 11:30, the buses will run in the morning and will leave PGJr at Noon. 7th grade students are encouraged to come, learn about our school, and become more comfortable with PGJr. Students will attend all 8 classes for a short amount of time. Students should report to their A1 class at 8:10.

### First Day of School (Bring a Copy of your Class Schedule & Your School ID Card)

WEDNESDAY, Aug 16, will be the First Day of School and all grades will attend. Because it is a Wednesday, it will be our new short Wednesday schedule: 8:15-1:45. It is an "A" Day, students will go to A1 at 8:10am.

### Daily Bell Schedule–New Wednesday Schedule

Our Bell schedule will be the same as last year, except our Wednesday schedule has changed. **Wednesdays will now be 8:15-1:45, with lunch at the end of the day.** [Click Here for NEW bell schedule](#). As we have done in the past; on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 1st and 2nd Lunch are based on your 3rd Period teacher. **A list of which 3rd period teachers have 1st and 2nd lunch will be posted to our website, and outside the Front Office soon.**

### Policy Updates

Please read our [Dress Code Policy](#), our [Electronic Device Policy and Tardy policy](#).

### School Fees

- All school fees can be paid online at ([myschoolfees.com](https://myschoolfees.com)) or at the finance office, Monday-Friday 7:45-3:00pm. If you need to submit an ACH Monthly Payment Plan, or submit a Fee Waiver, they will need to be submitted by the end of September. Links are below. Student fee statements will be emailed out on Friday, August 4th. Contact Michelle Dutson @ 801-610-8146 or [mdutson@alpinedistrict.org](mailto:mdutson@alpinedistrict.org) with any questions. All forms can be returned via email with the supporting documents.
- Form Links: [My School Fees Instructions](#), [Fee Waiver-English](#), [Fee Waiver-Spanish](#), [ACH Monthly Payment Form](#).
- For online Free & Reduced Lunch Applications see the district website nutrition page: <https://alpineschools.org/nutrition/>
- Students with an approved fee waiver are not required to pay waivable fees. Please note that if a student with an approved fee waiver voluntarily chooses to pay a waivable fee, the payment will be

treated as a donation to the applicable program or activity unless a refund is requested. Please contact the finance office at Pleasant Grove Junior High with any questions.

- Those with an approved or pending fee waiver are asked to contact the school finance office rather than paying fees online.

### **Bus Stops**

To see the bus stops for 2023-24 and other bus information, please visit <https://alpineschools.org/bus-boundaries/> after August 11th.

### **PGJH Social Worker**

Our school Social Worker is Melinda Chamberlain.

- Melinda L. Chamberlain, LCSW  
School Based Therapist/Wasatch Behavioral Health  
Pleasant Grove Jr. High School  
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### **Federal Affordable Connectivity Program**

Affordable Internet Program. [Click Here for More Information.](#)

### **Student Accident Insurance Opportunity**

Available to all students, K-12. Note that students who participate in UHSAA sanctioned activities must have medical insurance, [Click Here to Apply](#). Click here for information in [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

### **School Community Council**

We have positions for parents open on our community council for this year. This council decides Trustland monies allocation and addresses other school improvement concerns. Council members attend a council meeting once a month during the school year, and fill a two-year term. If you are interested, please send your contact information to Brenda Miles ([bmiles@alpinedistrict.org](mailto:bmiles@alpinedistrict.org)).