Pasco Middle School Re-Opening FAQ

Here is a list of the frequently asked questions we have received thus far. We will continue to update this form as new questions are asked. Thank you for your patience.

1. When will my child meet their teachers?

We will be hosting a virtual meet the teacher day on Wednesday August 19th for all students. Please stay tuned for further details of how to access this event by following us on social media and viewing our school website.

6th grade students **ONLY** will have the opportunity to meet their teachers in person on August 19th

Only one parent is allowed to accompany their 6th grade child, no other family members are permitted. Face masks must be worn by both the parent and the student.

6th Grade parents who registered will be contacted with their scheduled time. If you are a 6th grade parent and would like to attend, please email jtellez@pasco.k12.fl.us

2. When will my child receive their schedule and be able to pay fees?

https://www.studentquickpay.com/pasco/

Activate your Parent Portal Account by selecting "Activate Account" on the screen. Enter the email address associated with your myStudent account and select "Send Email" which generates an email to activate the account. Go to your email and select the link. Continue by creating your password. Once this is completed, you will be able to see the school fees based on your student's courses and any other fees as needed. It is recommended this be completed as soon as possible to ensure all records are ready for the 19th.

Student schedules will be available online through myStudent on August 19th.

*6th graders will need to have their own copy of their schedule (found on myStudent) prior to Meet the Teacher Day. Pasco Middle will not print any student schedules on this day.

3. What is the learning platform for mySchool Online?

The district will utilize the myLearning platform for mySchool Online. myLearning is through the student's myPascoConnect. This is the platform students use regularly in their traditional school model.

4. When will mySchool online students pick-up a device and textbooks?

Pick-Up Day for mySchool Online: 8/19 from 8am-2pm

ALL MSOL students will have materials to pick up!!!

Pick-up day for devices, textbooks, and other course materials will be on August 19 from 8am-2pm. Devices will only be given out to those who have scheduled a time.

- Please pull in through the bus loop to pick up materials.
- Stations will be based on grade level. Cambridge will be included within the grade-level station.
- If you need to borrow a device, you must complete this form to be scheduled for a pick-up time: Device Needed Form

Please continue to check the Virtual Registration, Open House, & Virtual Tours Tab on our school site.

5. Where can I send my TDAP records?

A school message went out on July 22 to all students that Pasco Middle is missing TDAP records for. Please scan or email a picture of the TDAP records to our school nurse Kathy Browning at kbrownin@pasco.k12.fl.us

6. Will my child be required to wear a mask while on campus?

Yes, per Pasco County School District guidelines all students are required to wear a mask. Medical documentation must be provided for any student who is unable to wear a mask due to a medical condition. Our school district requires that all students, staff, and visitors wear masks or face coverings when on a school campus or other school district property in the fall. In this video, Superintendent Browning explains the reasoning behind the decision.

The proposed rule describes what qualifies as a mask or face covering and under what circumstances the mask can be removed. It also describes how the school district will make accommodations for students or staff members who have a medical condition that would prevent them from wearing a mask or face covering.

A summary of the proposed rule can be found here.

7. Will there be sports this year? When can my child try-out for sports?

Yes, we will have sports this year. The FHSAA has delayed fall sports try-outs until Monday September 7th. Pasco Middle will begin tryouts on or after September 8th. Football / Volleyball / Cheer Tryout Info — Printable PDF If you have any additional questions regarding sports, please reach out to our Athletic Director Lisa Herndon at lherndon@pasco.k12.fl.us for more information.

8. Will my student be able to change his/her schedule when they receive it on August 19th?

The purpose of middle school electives is to provide students with an opportunity for exploration to assist them in selecting future course work at the high school and college level. All middle school students will be placed in the correct core class. Due to the multiple scheduling options caused by COVID-19, we diligently tried to place students into one of their six elective choices. **Unfortunately, due to scheduling constraints caused by the online and traditional school options we cannot offer any schedule changes for electives.** We appreciate your understanding in these unprecedented times.

Form to report Schedule Errors: Schedule Errors

9. Will students dress-out for PE this year?

No. Due to COVID-19, students will not be dressing out this year or using the locker room for PE courses. Please have students dress accordingly if they have a PE course on their schedule. PE lockers will be used for athletes only.

10. If my child is not using the locker room for PE how will they secure their belongings? Student valuables will be locked in a designated safe location by the PE coach during class.

11. What is the PBIS Rewards app?

PBIS is a system to promote positive behaviors by "catching students being good." Please be on the look out once school starts for how to create a parent account to monitor all the ways your student is recognized in a positive way as well as any interventions for negative behaviors. These are not referrals but will include progressive discipline steps such as student conference, parent contacts, and detentions.

12. What will arrival at Pasco Middle look like for the 20-21 school year?

Our mornings at Pasco Middle will look a bit different this school year. Upon arrival from a car, bus, or walking, students must head directly to get their breakfast from the closest cart and then take their breakfast to their 1st period class to eat. Students who do not eat breakfast at school will be expected to go directly to their 1st period class as soon as they arrive on campus. Loitering and gathering in the courtyard, in hallways, outside or inside will not be permitted.

To reiterate - as soon as you arrive on campus, you must report directly to a breakfast line, then to your 1st period, OR you must report directly to your 1st period class.

13. What are the start and end times for Pasco Middle?

Due to the push back of the start date of school, we have had to adjust our bell schedule. Start time/End Time – 7:25am-2:03pm **No student should arrive on campus before 7:05am**

- There will be NO Early Release Days during 1st semester.
- There will be NO Club/Activity periods during 1st Quarter.
- There will be no activities held with 50 or more students during 1st Quarter.