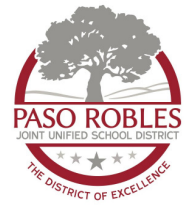




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Tutorial Period:

PRHS is committed to providing students with time and support to foster their pursuit of success academically, behaviorally, and social/emotionally. During tutorial, students will meet with their teacher to discuss their continuous improvement, collaborate with their peers to master course content, attend events to support their growth, and receive instruction intended to prepare students for success in college, career, and community.

After-School Tutoring:

Math tutoring is available in the Career Center on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 3:05 pm – 4:05 pm. Tutoring is voluntary and no appointment is necessary. Teachers and counselors will also refer students who are in need of support.

Student Parking Lot:

Students who drive to school and park on campus must obtain a parking permit through our safety office ([permit application](#)). Student drivers must only park in the parking lot west of Bearcat Lane. In addition, the parking lot is off limits during the instructional day and during lunch and nutrition. Students who do not abide by the parking contract and the parking lot policy may be subject to progressive school discipline.

Cell Phone Use: Cell phone use is prohibited during the instructional day unless a teacher or staff member permits use. If a family emergency exist and your child needs to have access to his or her cell phone, please have your students communicate this to his or her teacher at the start of the period. Below is the protocol for inappropriate use.

Unauthorized or inappropriate use of cell phones/signaling devices/electronic equipment will result in the following disciplinary action:

- 1st Incident – Teacher parent phone call. Device returned to the student after school. Parents may contact the Discipline Office if extenuating circumstances exist.
- 2nd Incident – Lunch detention assigned. Administrator parent phone call. Device returned to the student after school. Parents may contact the Discipline Office if extenuating circumstances exist.
- 3rd Incident – After School detention assigned. Administrator parent phone call. Device returned to the student after 24 hours/next school day or same day parent pick up. Parents may contact the Discipline Office if extenuating circumstances exist.
- 4th Incident – Saturday school assigned. Administrator parent phone call. Device returned to parent/guardian after 24 hours/next school day with a warning that their child will be suspended for defiance if they commit another violation.
- 5th Incident – One-day suspension from school or other means of correction.



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Dress Code:

Preparing students for success includes learning to dress for the occasion. Student dress should not distract from the learning environment and should be appropriate for an institution of higher learning. If a student is out of dress code they will be asked to change into our Bearcat gear or make arrangements for clothing to be brought to school prior to returning to class. To respect instructional time please make sure your child is dressed according to the outlined dress code.

General Guidelines:

- All clothing must be suitable for school: neat, clean, size appropriate (no oversized or undersized clothing) and in good repair. Any clothing that is a distraction to the learning process is prohibited. All clothing will be worn as its design was intended.
- All clothes must meet the dress code with or without a jacket or sweatshirt covering the clothing.
- Clothing and jewelry shall be free of writing, pictures, and/or any insignia that:

- (1) Are crude, vulgar, violent, profane, prejudicial, racial, or associated with any hate group;
- (2) Advocate or reference the use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or weapons (for example, marijuana leaves, beer advertisements, cigarettes/cigars, or firearms);
- (3) May associate them with any law enforcement and/or security agency;

- Students will not wear or promote indicators with any color, combination of colors, writing, and/or other items which demonstrate an affiliation to a known group or gang. If a student or group of students is using colors or items to demonstrate group or gang affiliation, such colors or items may be banned for that student and/or group.

Specific clothing guidelines can be found on page 24 of our Student Handbook.

Student Attendance and Tardies:

The success of students starts with students being present and being prepared to actively participate in their daily classroom instruction. Being present and on-time are habits what we emphasize with being PREPARED. Please see below for more information regarding tardies.

Students are expected to be in their classroom with appropriate materials for class when the bell rings or they will be considered tardy. The first minute in class is a critical time for students to focus on the learning objective; being late to class can also be a disruption to the instruction process. Students who reach eight unexcused tardies will be required to serve a twenty minutes lunch detention. Subsequent tardies will result in additional assigned lunch/after school detentions. Saturday Schools and parent conferences (see below). Failure to attend lunch detention or Saturday School may result in class/activity suspension and/or athletic ineligibility (I.C. 37223)

- Tardy 8 (cumulative) – Twenty-minute lunch detention
- Tardy 12 (cumulative) – After School detention and meeting with Dean of Culture
- Tardy 16 (cumulative) – Saturday School and meeting with Dean of Culture
- Tardy 20 (cumulative) – Behavior Plan (ex. activities loss of privilege, parent accompaniment, etc.)

Bearcat P.R.I.D.E.:

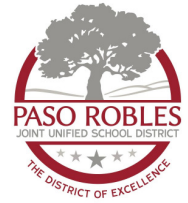
We encourage students to demonstrate their Bearcat P.R.I.D.E throughout their school day and out in the community. Being PREPARED, RESPECTFUL, showing INTEGRITY, being DETERMINED and ENGAGED



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will help promote their academic and behavioral success. Bearcat P.R.I.D.E is a cornerstone to our culture and climate and is messaged to our students on a daily basis.

Co and Extracurricular Participation Eligibility - Loss of Privilege:

We recognize and encourage students to be involved in co and extra-curricular activities at PRHS, as this creates a positive connection to peers and our Bearcat community. However, students need to maintain and meet the eligibility requirements to participate as their primary function is to earn passing grades that will promote them towards graduation.

To be eligible for participation in extracurricular activities, a student must maintain a 2.0-grade point average with no more than one "F" grade and maintain satisfactory citizenship/discipline record. The 2.0 GPA is not cumulative; it must be established for each grading period. All graded classes (with the exception of Tutorial) shall be included in the determination of the student's GPA. Incomplete grades will not be counted. However, as the incomplete grade is changed to an academic grade within two weeks of the following grading period, eligibility will again be determined at that time. Candidates for ASB offices must sign a candidate contract that includes a parent signature. Each candidate for ASB or class office must have written approval from each teacher. To participate in activities/field trips during the school day, approval from classroom teachers and administration is needed. In order to participate in school-sponsored activities, students must be present in at least 4 classes the day of the activity (two periods on a block day).

In addition to athletics, activities affected by this policy include, but are not limited to:

1. Music groups and auxiliary groups
2. Cheerleading
3. Student Government
4. Student Leadership
5. Club Officers
6. Drama/Dance/Choir
7. Newspaper/Yearbook (out of class activities)
8. Work Permits
9. Dances/Prom
10. Activities which involve student performances, presentations, or participation including SkillsUSA and FFA

If ineligible, students may "rehearse" or "practice" with the extracurricular group, but may not participate in the "performance" or "contest". The duration of the ineligibility will last until eligibility status is again reviewed during the next grading period.