



Dear Pali Family,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! After such an unprecedented 2021-22 school year, we are excited to welcome our new Pali students back to campus as a family to kick off 2022-23.

Palisades Charter High School's **Mandatory In-Person** Orientation is quickly approaching. Please refer to the information below to see the date and time your student should be at Pali.

<u>Virtual Pali Family Orientation</u> <u>Mon. August 8th</u> 6:00 - 7:00 PM We welcome all existing families of PCHS students to this virtual event to learn about the upcoming school year! <i>The ZOOM link & details will soon be made available</i>	<u>9th Grade (in-person)</u> <u>Tues. August 9th</u> 9 AM - 1 PM <u>*NEW* Incoming 10-12th Graders (in-person)</u> <u>Tues. August 9th</u> 1:30 - 3:30 PM *Students who are new incoming enrollees/transfers to PCHS. This means that they were NOT a PCHS student in the 2021-22 school year.
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If you do not plan to send your student to Pali for the 2022-23 school year, please contact the PCHS Attendance Office as soon as possible at AttendanceOffice@palihigh.org

Mask Protocol

*Students must wear masks at all times when indoors while on campus. Before being admitted onto campus, students must complete and pass the PCHS Health Check each day. The Health Check from now until 7/31/2022 consists of verbal questions about COVID-19 exposure and symptoms. However, the PCHS Health Check is subject to change to be more or less stringent at any time. The specific requirements of the PCHS Health Check for Orientation and the start of school are still TBD at this time.

Students attending in-person will receive temporary PCHS ID cards and register with the cafeteria and **IF** your student is planning to bring their own computer device (non-phone) to Pali, be sure it complies with the PCHS student device requirements (which can be found on our website), **and** MAKE SURE to have them bring the device to orientation. PCHS conducts most testing online using a computer/laptop.

In order for students to use their own device at PCHS, they will be required to install the **Respondus LockDown Browser**. Our technology team will assist with the installation at the Tech Table. Please note that students must have administrative rights to their laptops to install the software. Without the Respondus LockDown Browser installed, your student will not be able to use that personally owned device at PCHS.

FOR 9TH GRADE & *NEW Incoming 10-12TH GRADE ORIENTATION ONLY:

- Students **should plan on arriving early** to sign in and register themselves for Orientation day. This process will begin at **8:30 AM** for freshmen and **1:00 PM** for NEW 10-12th grade students.
- Students will need to bring their personal computing device to complete the Respondus LockDown Browser installation.
- Orientation begins **promptly at 9:00 AM** in the large gym and will end at **1:00 PM for freshmen** and **promptly at 1:30 PM** in the large gym and will end at **3:30 PM for NEW 10-12th grade students!** This is not a come-and-go orientation day. Students will need to remain on campus from start to finish.



- All in-person students will participate in fun, small group activities.

ALL STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE THE OLR (On Line Registration) & COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

If you have decided not to attend Pali, please email the Attendance Office Right away at attendanceoffice@palihigh.org.

- Free and Reduced Lunch Form (CA STATE requirement; form enclosed). The form will also be available to complete online; please email a copy to dbrown@palihigh.org.
- Money (optional) for any of the following below:
 - Unpaid Textbook/Tech/School fines • PTSA • PE Clothing • Spirit Packages • White's Studios Photography Package

ANY STUDENT WHO HAS NOT COMPLETED THEIR OLR AND FREE & REDUCED LUNCH FORM WILL NOT BE ISSUED A CLASS SCHEDULE!

- If you have already registered and paid for Transportation/Busing to Pali during the school year, please visit the Transportation Office to obtain your mandatory Aug Bus Sticker. You MUST have your temporary PCHS ID before getting your Bus Sticker!
 - Bus Questions: Contact Susan Darvish at sdarvish@palihigh.org or 310-230-6631.
- The first day of school is Wednesday, August 17, 2022. Please ensure that your student arrives ON TIME, which means at least 15-20 Minutes before the 8:30 AM start Time. Students will attend all classes. Please remind your 10th, 11th, or 12th graders to complete the summer reading assignment. 9th graders are not required to complete a summer reading assignment. Check the Pali website at www.palihigh.org for details.
- **Attendance Matters! The attendance policy that was suspended by the PCHS Board of Trustees due to the pandemic will be reinstated for the 2022-2023 school year pending the PCHS Board of Trustees' approval. Beginning the 2nd week of school, all students will begin to be marked tardy (3 Tardies = 1 Absence).**
- Temporary IDs will be issued during orientation and the first week of school. Pictures for permanent IDs will be taken on August 24th and 25th during the school day.

Mental Health, IEP, Special Education Assessment(s), 504 Services, and AP Accommodations

You may speak with your counselor regarding any of the above services.

- If you currently have an IEP or 504 and would like to request accommodations for CollegeBoard/AP Test, please send a copy of your current IEP or 504 to studentsupportservices@palihigh.org
- Incoming 9th grade students, please send current 504 and IEPs if not attached in the OLR process.

On behalf of the faculty and staff, we look forward to partnering with you in the 2022-23 school year in order to help your student achieve academic and personal success.

See you in August,

Palisades Charter High School

Orientation Day FAQs

WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING?

- Cash to purchase PE clothes (optional) (\$15 Shorts, \$15 Shirt) & pay off any fines/fees
- Personal device (Laptop, Chromebook) for Respondus LockDown Browser software installation *This is MANDATORY if your student plans on using their personal device for the school year.
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- An AWESOME attitude! To order pictures after ID photos are taken on August 24th-25th, please go to <https://www.whites-studios.com/k-11photos/>. All orders will be mailed directly to the homes of students 4-6 weeks **after** the last picture day on campus.

WHERE DO I GO FOR REGISTRATION DAYS?

- All students will start their check-in process in front of the school near the flagpole.
- Students may be dropped off (unaccompanied) on campus in front of the school on Bowdoin St. beginning at 8:30 AM for freshmen and 1:00 PM for *NEW Incoming 10-12th graders. Parking will not be available.

NOT PLANNING ON ATTENDING PALISADES CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL?

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