



PUEBLO WEST HIGH SCHOOL

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Greetings Cyclone Students and Parents,

Welcome back! How quickly time flies during the summer. I am excited to be back home helping our community strive towards academic success as we cultivate life-long learners. Change is always met with some uncertainty and nothing good comes easy. I do feel the community of educators, students and parents are up to the challenge as we seek to raise the bar over the course of time. Please refer to the following information as a guide for beginning of school processes.

Updates & Computer check out processes: Both a parent(s) and their student(s) will need to report to Pueblo West High School on their assigned date to complete beginning of school processes. This entails the Principal's message, computer expectations, updates for Nutrition Services and InfoSnap, paying fees, and computer check out. If you have multiple students in your family attending PWHS, you need to only attend one of the sessions.

- In order to expedite the computer check out process, you can update InfoSnap information prior to your assigned date by completing the following steps:
 - Go to the District website (www.district70.org)
 - Click on the "Parents" tab and then PowerSchool.
 - Click on PowerSchool (again)
 - Sign in with your (parent) login information. This will take you to your student's information page.
 - On the left hand side, you will see "InfoSnap Update." Please click on this to make any changes.
 - This process must be followed yearly regardless of the need to make changes. If you have any problems, please call our Registrar at 547-8050. We will have "InfoSnap" stations set up on your assigned day and provide assistance if you are not able to complete this from home.
- **Wednesday, August 9th**
 - Seniors 4:30pm-6:30pm
 - Freshmen 6:00pm-8:00pm
- **Thursday, August 10th**
 - Juniors 4:30pm-6:30pm
 - Sophomores 6:00pm-8:00pm
- If you cannot make these dates, please come in the week of August 14th (Monday-Thursday) from 7:00am-7:30am or 3:30pm-4:00pm to complete the Updates and Computer check out processes.

Yearbooks will be available for pre-purchase for \$55 starting August 9th and 10th during computer check out. From August 14th through October 1st the cost is \$70 and from October 1st through January 31st the cost is \$80.

First Day of School Information:

Freshmen:

- Report to the Commons on **Thursday, August 10th at 7:30am** for Orientation (*required*).
- Please bring school issued laptop.
- Assembly: first day of school, map for navigation around campus, high school setting expectations
- Take school pictures for yearbook and ID cards.
- Follow class schedule.
- Dismissal is at 3:30pm.

Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors:

- Report on **Monday, August 14th at 7:30am.**
- Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors: Prior to the start date, access PowerSchool to screenshot or run off a copy of your first semester schedule using student login information from last year.

Pueblo West High School in on an Advisor system. We have divided our students by alphabetical assignments to our three Assistant Principals and three Counselors to better serve the needs of our students over the course of their high school career:

A-Ch	Lisa Middleton, Counselor (lmiddleton@district70.org)
Ci-Ge	Mark Koopman, Assistant Principal (mkoopman@district70.org)
Gh-La	April Smith, Counselor (aesmith@district70.org)
Le-Or	Gary McCown, Assistant Principal (gmcrown@district70.org)
Os-Sl	John Gomez, Assistant Principal (jgomez@district70.org)
Sm-Z	Jan Stiles, Counselor (jstiles@district70.org)

If you do not have internet access at home, please feel free to call or stop in and ask for additional information pertaining to scheduling, events, or changes that take place through the school year. Bus schedules and routes will be posted at www.district70.org by the first week of August. Communication is a very important part of a successful community. Messages are relayed via the phone dialer, our school website, and PowerSchool. We encourage parental involvement in all stages of your student’s high school experience.

Our school motto, *RESPECT – a way of life at Pueblo West High School*, helps to develop a sense of pride and ownership in our school and includes expectations for appropriate behaviors.

Other Important Dates:

- August 7th (6:00pm, Auditorium).....Fall Sports Parent Meeting
- August 8th, 9th, 10th: 8:00 am – 3:30 pm.....Sports Physicals for \$30 (Auxiliary Gym)
- August 15thSchool Pictures/ID cards for Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors

Very Respectfully,

Chris James
Principal