



**Princeton Christian Academy**  
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Dear PCA Parents and Guardians,

Can you believe it?!? July is more than half over, and August is around the corner. Another school year will be here before you know it!

**The first day of school for grades Kindergarten and up, is Wednesday, August 21st. Preschool begins on Wednesday, September 4th.** With confidence in God, we look forward to His provision in support of His purposes as we serve Him through the ministry of Princeton Christian Academy during the 2024-2025 school year.

Our school calendar, sports schedule, handbook, and supply list are available on our website: [princetonchristianacademy.org](http://princetonchristianacademy.org). Please keep in mind that the schedules and plans we share today may need to be changed as the days unfold.

**A PCA workday is scheduled for Sunday, August 11th, beginning at 3:00 p.m. to prepare the facility for a new school year. From minor maintenance, to dusting and sweeping, there's something for everyone. Your participation is welcome — many hands make light work!**

Final student registration days are scheduled for Wednesday, August 14th through Friday, August 16th, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. These days enable us to get a head start on the files, sign-up sheets, and forms — including physicals, eye and dental exams, medical emergency forms, prescription forms, Kindergarten birth certificates, etc. — to be supplied for students' files. This helps lessen the burden and confusion of doing all of this on Orientation Night. Please plan to attend sometime during the hours available.

**K-8 Orientation** will be held on Monday, August 19th at 6:30 p.m.. **High School Orientation** is Tuesday, August 20th at 6:30 p.m.. It is important for a parent or guardian to attend the orientation. Students are welcome but are not required to attend. During orientation you will meet the staff, learn about PCA guidelines and procedures, visit the classrooms, and fellowship with other PCA families.

Please be aware of requirements concerning the health and well-being of your child. The following information **must be on file in the office**:

- Physical exam with up-to-date immunizations - Preschool, Kindergarten, Sixth, Ninth
- Up-to-date immunizations - Twelfth
- Lead Test/Screening - Preschool, Kindergarten (if not done at preschool)
- Dental exam - Kindergarten, Second, Sixth, Ninth
- Vision exam - Kindergarten
- Birth certificate - Kindergarten

In addition, anyone requesting medication of any kind to be administered to a student (Tylenol, cough syrup, prescription drugs, etc.) must submit to the office a Medical Authorization form that has been signed by your doctor. This form can be picked up in the office. No medication will be given without this form on file.

We will offer hot lunch meals for grades K & up, beginning the first day of school. Menus are available at the office and on our website. **Both August and September menus** need to be turned into the office by **August 2nd**.

Bus transportation is available for rural families in the Princeton Elementary School District. Students are transported to and from PCA via the Princeton Elementary school buses. The district office needs to be notified if you have a student riding the bus, even if they rode the bus last school year. There is generally a “ride the bus day” for students new to the district or students going into kindergarten. For more information and for any questions you may have, please call the district office at 815-875-6417. We are so thankful for this service that is offered to our families.

As you prepare school wardrobes for your children, please refer to the dress code found in the Parent/Student Handbook. Our intent is for students to dress neatly and modestly. Shirts that show the midriff when arms are raised, as well as scooped necklines and large armholes are inappropriate. Leggings can only be worn with a shirt that goes to mid-thigh. Skirts, dresses, and shorts should fall only 2-3” above the knee. For shorts, this goes for girls and boys. Jeans and pants should be free of holes and frayed bottoms. Non-marking athletic shoes should be available for recess and PE classes. All other shoes must have backs or back straps on them. Please no flip flops. Help us maintain a God-honoring environment by monitoring your child’s appearance prior to school each day. Infractions of the dress code will require the student to wear something that we provide or to sit in the office area until appropriate clothes are brought to them.

We advise you to sign up for text alerts, to stay informed of various school developments throughout the year, including timely reminders, event notifications, and school cancellations. To register, go to [princetonchristianacademy.org](http://princetonchristianacademy.org) and click the tab for ‘PCA Text Alerts’. You’ll then be directed to the sign-up page. If you have a Facebook account, you may also request to join our private Princeton Christian Academy group. We are thankful for these communication tools that provide a vital link between our parents and staff. **Signing up for PCA Alerts and/or the PCA Facebook page is the best way for you to receive reminders and notifications of changes.**

The PCA Board and staff welcome your support and covet your prayers as we assist you by providing a Christian education with a Biblical worldview. We look forward to seeing you at Orientation!

Because of Christ,

Steve Lunger, Principal

*Summer office hours: Generally Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10-3.*



***PCA MISSION STATEMENT ~ To provide an excellent academic education with a Christian worldview based on the absolute authority of God’s Word, the Holy Bible.***