



Preview

2021-2022



Presbyterian Day School's 73rd School Year

Mission Statement



Presbyterian Day School strives to glorify God by developing boys in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man.

(1 Corinthians 10:31 and Luke 2:52)



Guiding Principles

1. We intentionally educate and nurture the heart, soul, mind, and body of each boy.
2. We know, nurture, and love each boy as a unique child of God.
3. We teach the Bible and model the Christian faith to our boys.
4. We aren't just teachers; we are life-long learners and students.
5. We push students to engage as thinkers.
6. In an increasingly connected world, our curriculum has a global perspective.
7. Flexible teaching strategies seek to maximize learning for each boy.
8. Our assessments aren't just a way to measure learning — we want our boys to demonstrate understanding.
9. We seek to enroll boys from diverse backgrounds.
10. We seek balance and excellence in all we do.
11. We aren't just boy-friendly; we're boy-specific.
12. Our program sets a foundation of learning that will help boys thrive beyond PDS.
13. We take time to make sure our faculty and staff are growing spiritually.
14. We hold high standards for ourselves, pushing ourselves to reflect, renew, and grow.

Greetings from PDS!



It has been an exciting summer at school, and I hope your family is enjoying the remaining weeks of the summer break. I hope the summer months have brought your family time to relax and enjoy a slower pace and quality time together.

With the start of another school year fast approaching, I look forward to welcoming your sons to campus, getting to know them, spending time with them, visiting their classes, and seeing them develop and grow. I would also like to welcome each of our new families to the PDS community. We are very excited that you are joining this welcoming and vibrant community. I hope you feel as welcomed as my family and I have through our transition to PDS.

As we begin this year, we look forward with excitement and anticipation to all that lies ahead. We want each year at PDS to be made of those magical moments that define boyhood. We are grateful to have the privilege of partnering with you through these formative years to help your son reach his highest potential in academics and character. We are excited as always to stretch and challenge your sons, to laugh with them, to watch them grow and progress, and to see their intellect, faith, and character deepened.

PDS has always been an institution working at the foundational level of education. I'm sure you recall Jesus' words about 'building your house upon the rock' and setting a proper foundation. It is through these early years, some of the most formative years, that many of one's most cherished values, and what a boy cares most deeply about, are embedded deep within him; and how those values influence his brain architecture.

In educational research, these early influences and experiences are sometimes referred to as "what gets under the skin." Getting "under the skin" is about those early events in life, in daily activities, in the types of experiences, and the exposure to certain values each day that exert powerful influences on the pattern of a boy's brain architecture and behavioral development. The foundational experiences stay deep within him, influencing him for years to come. In the short time that I've been in Memphis and on-campus, the values and habits instilled at PDS have been visible through interacting with our boys and meeting many of our alumni.

When I first learned of PDS, I remember instantly searching for the mission statement to understand the heartbeat of this institution, a mission that has been unchanged for over 70 years. "*PDS strives to glorify God by developing boys in wisdom and stature and with favor with God and men.*" I deeply believe in our school's mission. I was taken by its simplicity as it reflects the school's core values of establishing an excellent foundation and setting the trajectory for every boy. I am excited to see that same mission carried forward, unaltered, uncompromised as the driving force and passion behind all that PDS continues to do in the city of Memphis and beyond through its alumni.

As we begin another academic year, I always feel as though we are at the beginning of a new journey. And when embarking on any journey, it's always helpful to have a roadmap. We hope that this piece of collaboration, *PDS Preview: 2021-22* will be a helpful starter for you. You will find in these pages information about all kinds of programs, events, important dates, faculty information, and campus updates. We welcome several new teachers to campus this year, each of whom is excited to share their expertise in our boys' academic and spiritual growth. We know that each individual will become integral to the success of our boys. I invite you to take the time and read through these pages to familiarize yourself with the upcoming year. Bear in mind that our administration and faculty are happy to meet and talk with you individually if you find that you need additional details.

Please, introduce yourself to me (repeatedly!) as we run into each other. I look forward to meeting you soon, and I am grateful to be part of your son's educational journey!

Lastly, throughout my transition to Memphis I have thoroughly enjoyed reading the history of PDS. Reading through various school documents, one particular piece caught my eye – 'Build Us A School'. It is adapted from Douglas McArthur's, *Build Me A Son*. I encourage you to read it on page 5 and invite your prayers for PDS as we begin this school year.

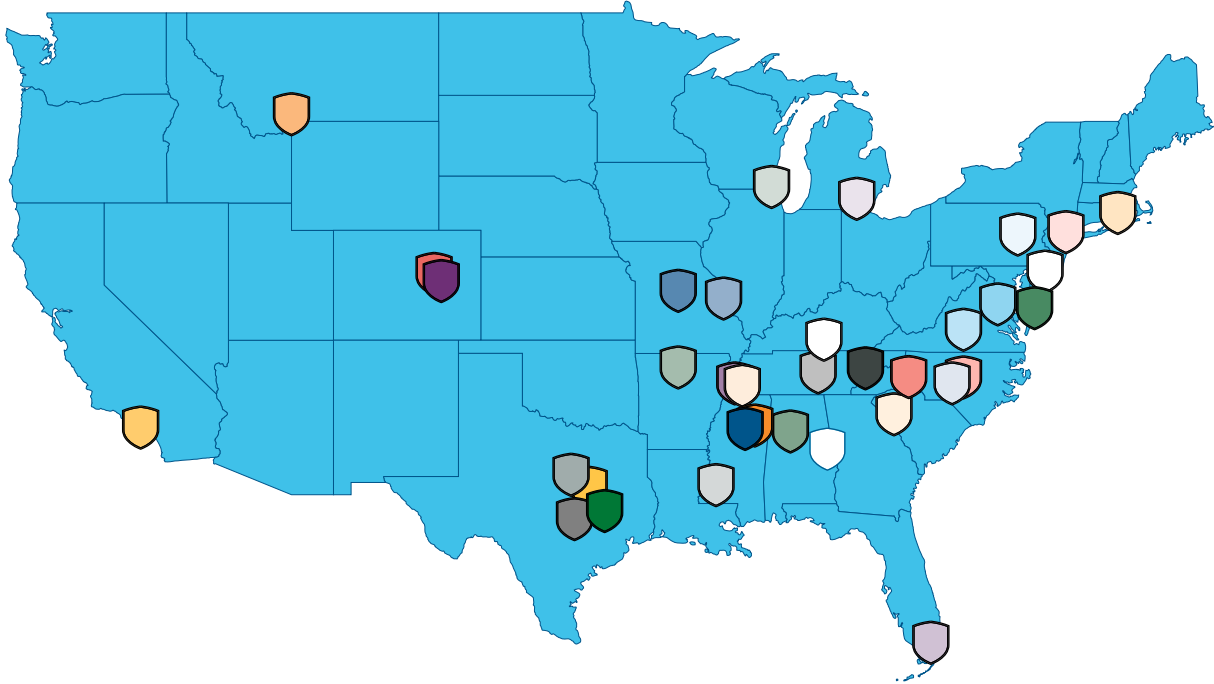
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brad Sewell". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Brad Sewell
Head of School

Matriculations: PDS' Class of 2015

This spring, 75 PDS alumni graduated from high school and scattered to over 39 universities across the country (and world)! •



Jack Alexander
Houston Allen
Elliot Allen
Will Arthur
Warren Barrey
Jack Beard
Torrance Bostick
Cash Brown
Dominic Brown
Benjamin Burkhardt
Walker Burks
Wesley Butler
Alex Coffman
Harmon Colvett
Luke Donovan
Austin Dowdle
Chip Eason
Beau Elkington
Mason Ezzell
Judson Fair
Thomas Fisher
Michael Gallagher
Sam Gassaway
Hart Gowen
Elijah Graham
Cooper Grinspun
William Harris
Rhodes Heard
Jack Jabbour
Will Jarratt
Warren Johnston
McKnight Johnston
Baxter Jones
Matt Jones
Robert King
Akbar Latif
Myles Loritts
Mason Love

University of Mississippi
University of Alabama
Ohio Dominican University
Western Kentucky University
University of Missouri - St. Louis
Southern Methodist University
University of Missouri
Texas A&M University
Southwest Mississippi Comm. College
Rhodes College
University of Mississippi
Colorado School of Mines
University of Arkansas
University of Missouri
Lehigh University
University of Mississippi
University of Alabama
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
University of Alabama
Montana State University
University of Mississippi
University of Mississippi
Duke University
University of Mississippi
University of Chicago
University of Mississippi
Mississippi State University
United States Naval Academy
University of Arkansas
Auburn University
Clemson University
University of Mississippi
Vanderbilt University
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
University of Edinburgh
Biola University
George Mason University

Thomas Lusk
Mac Magness
Cole Mallery
Fisher Marks
Colin McCown
Davis McGhee
Ayman McGowan
McLean Meeks
Everett Miller
Mac Mitchell
Jack Morin
Gavin Murrey
Henry Nickey
Fawwaz Omer
Christopher Parks
Holden Pate
William Patteson
Ryan Peng
Jonas Pflaumer
Jacob Rickels
Wade Roberts
Jack Rogers
Daniel Russell
TR Santos
Aidan Saunders
Will Schuessler
Sam Scott
Max Shackelford
Edwin Shy
Stefan Smith
Carrigan Sulcer
T.J. Thompson
Charles Treadway
Cason Triplett
Jon Van Hoozer
Will Watson
Michael Wylie

University of Denver
Southern Methodist University
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
Yale University
Rhodes College
University of Miami
Hampden-Sydney College
University of Texas - Austin
University of Mississippi
Auburn University
Rhodes College
Texas Christian University
University of Alabama
Fordham University
University of Missouri
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
Brown University
University of Michigan
University of Memphis
University of Mississippi
University of Mississippi
Baylor University
University of Memphis
University of Memphis
Fordham University
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
Davidson College
University of North Carolina
College of Charleston
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
Clemson University
University of Arkansas
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
Auburn University
University of Tennessee - Knoxville

Build Us a School

Build us a school, O Lord, that seeks your heart and will, that stands firmly in our faith in You amidst the sometimes-stormy seas.

Build us a school, O Lord, of teachers not simply of subjects and skills, but of mentors and ministers attending to matters of the heart and soul.

Build us a school of sound learning and strong bodies, of deep faith and tender hearts, of Your eternal truths hidden in our souls.

Grant us, we pray, vision and wisdom and boldness in charting our course, and grant us the courage and perseverance to follow it.

Keep us ever-growing and ever-learning, O Lord, stimulated by the wonders of Your world, striving to use fully the gifts bestowed upon us.

Keep us, though, young at heart, energetic and fresh, so we might laugh with our boys during their magical moments of boyhood.

Give us, we pray, a school of smiles and sunshine, unity and community, compassion and kindness.

Bring us here each day, O Lord, with a joyful attitude and servant's heart, with an eagerness to share our laughter and love and learning.

Bless our labors, O Lord, protect and move among us, encouraging and shaping and directing all of us.

Bless our boys, O Lord, whose lives we seek to touch and transform, that they might grow into men with a heart for You.

And, finally, O Lord, shine through us, so that others might see You in us, and that Your radiance would warm the world of our boys, families and neighbors.

Building this sort of school is not easy, but we do so with numerous blessings that God has bestowed upon us.

Leadership Team



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Director of Athletics & Operations

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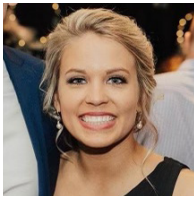


Cheryl Burkart
*Director of Administrative Support /
Administrative Assistant for Brad Sewell*

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Welcome New Faculty Members

Ashleigh Campbell | *Elementary Administrative Assistant for Laura Glenn and Mark Fruitt*



Ashleigh holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from The University of Memphis. Ashleigh has been married to her husband, Scott, for four years, and they have a Golden Retriever named Huey.

Together they love to spend time traveling, hiking, camping, and attending Memphis football games. Go Tigers! Ashleigh looks forward to getting to know PDS families.

Meg Patterson Comes | *Young Knights*



A native Memphian, Meg holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from the University of Tennessee. Meg comes to us from Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal School where she taught Pre-Kindergarten for 34 years. She and her husband

Mark are the proud parents of two adult sons, Tyler and Tucker, and an adult daughter, Julia. Her passion is teaching and working with children.

Jenny Craig | *1st Grade*



Jenny holds a Bachelor of Science degree from The University of Tennessee-Chattanooga and a Master of Arts in Teaching from The University of Memphis. Jenny comes to us with eight years teaching experience, having most recently

taught in Jackson, MS. She and her husband, Robert, are parents to two little boys, John John (age 2) and Banks (age 1). Both boys will be joining us on campus this year. Jenny enjoys spending time with her family and exploring new adventures with her boys. PDS is going to be their best adventure yet!

Molly Graham Gore | *Pre-Kindergarten*



Molly holds a Bachelor of Arts in Education degree from the University of Mississippi. She has 16 years of teaching experience from first through fifth grade in all subject areas in a variety of educational institutions both public and private.

Molly has served as a dedicated PDS substitute teacher for multiple years. Her love of young children and dedication to teaching are evident in all her interactions. Molly and her husband, Mike, have two children, Graham '21, and Price.

Sheridan Harris | *Young Knights*



Sheridan holds a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from the University of Memphis and a Master of Arts in Leadership and Management from Western Governors University of Tennessee. She most recently taught Junior

Kindergarten at St Luke's Day School. Sheridan and her husband, Robert, have a son and a daughter.

Gardening is her favorite activity to share with her children. They have herbs, cut flowers, pollination beds, and shade beds. Her background in library and literacy development fuels her love of reading. We are excited to have Sheridan as part of the educational experience for our youngest PDS boys.

Allyse Holcomb | *Pre-Kindergarten*

Allyse holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Early Childhood Education from the University of Memphis and a Master of Education Degree in Education from Union University. Prior to joining PDS, she was with Hutchison School for twelve years where she taught Junior Kindergarten girls. Allyse is married to Zachary Holcomb and she is the mother of Henry, age four and Peter age two. Both will be attending PDS next year. She loves spending time with her family, traveling and photography.

Adriana Moore | *Spanish Teacher (3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Grade)*



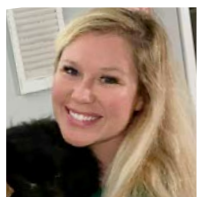
Adriana holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish from Mississippi University for Women and a Master of Arts in Spanish from Mississippi State University. Having taught high school Spanish classes for five years in Memphis, she is most eager to

transition to an elementary level in which she can incorporate authentic, interactive lessons to promote a passion for language. She and her husband, Ben, are parents to Peter (age 2) and Gabriela (age 1). Adriana enjoys gardening, working out, listening to podcasts, participating in Bible studies, and experiencing new places with her family. Adriana knows well the benefits of being bilingual and looks forward to sharing her unique perspective with PDS boys.

David Rose | *Physical Education*

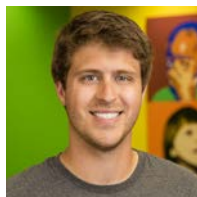
A native Memphian, David holds a Bachelor's degree in English from the University of Memphis as well as a Master's degree in Christian Studies from Union University. David is returning to PDS after spending the last two years with Shelby

County Schools. This will be his twelfth year teaching and coaching after beginning his career as a camp director at Victory Ranch. When he's not coaching, he enjoys working out, reading, and time with family. David is married to Brandy, and they have two children: Parker and Luke.

Corey Beth Stovall | *1st Grade*

Corey Beth holds a Bachelor of Arts from The University of Mississippi and a Master of Arts in Education from Union University. Having taught first grade for 11 years in Memphis, Corey Beth is excited to continue her career teaching PDS first graders.

Over the years, she has served as a mentor teacher for both Christian Brothers University and Teach for America. Corey Beth and her husband, Colin, love to spend time outdoors. Whether gardening, hiking, or playing with her dogs, Corey Beth brings great energy and a commitment to excellence in all she does. We are blessed to have her join us at PDS!

Paul Warner | *Physical Education*

Born and raised in Memphis, Paul graduated from White Station High School and then received his Bachelors degree from the University of Memphis. This is his second stint at PDS, having been a Coach here from 2013-2016. Paul

has been married to his wife Meghean for 12 years, and they have three kids - Gracie (8), Lilly (6), and James (2). He is extremely excited to be back at PDS!

Lake Weston | *2nd Grade*

Lake holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education from The University of Mississippi. With extensive training in both the Orton-Gillingham and SMILA multi-sensory approaches to teaching reading, Lake has spent the first few years of her career teaching

first and second graders at Bodine School. Beyond her passion for teaching, Lake is a Young Life leader for local high school girls and an avid horseback rider. Having had three brothers attend PDS, Lake knows first-hand what a special community PDS is, and we are eager to have her on our team!

Linda Winchester | *Reading Specialist (1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grade)*

Linda holds a Bachelor's degree in Education with a minor in Social Services from The University of Mississippi. Having taught first and second graders for the past 20 years at both St. Agnes Academy and Hutchison School, Linda has had

many opportunities to pursue additional training in the pursuit of understanding the development of young learners, including SMILA multi-sensory training. Linda is married to Brooks Winchester, and she is mom to MaryBrooks (age 13), Thompson (age 10), and MaggieKate (age 6). While teaching is her first passion, she can also be found reading a book in a cozy nook, attending Ole Miss games, traveling, and spending time with family and friends. Linda has incredible expertise building young readers, and we know she will have a great impact on countless PDS boys in the future.



2021-2022 Faculty Directory

Early Childhood Office



Debbie Todd
Head of Early
Childhood



Cyndy Wright
Administrative
Assistant for Debbie
Todd



Emily Lequerica
Director of Early
Childhood Programs

Elementary Office



Laura Glenn
Head of Elementary



Mark Pruitt
Principal of the
Elementary Division



Ashleigh Campbell
Administrative
Assistant for Laura
Glenn and Mark Pruitt

Advancement



Lindsey Robinson
Director of Academic
Support & Learning
Specialist



Tom Edwards
Counselor



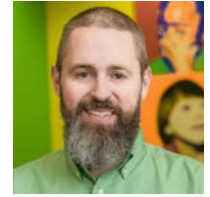
Ross Spain
Dean of Students



McKee Humphreys '95
Assist. Head of
School for
Advancement



Rachel Bishop
Director of Admission
& Enrollment
Management



Winston Baccus
Director of Creative
Services

After-School



Kim Bridgforth
Director of Annual
Giving



Cynthia Cross
Director of Special
Events / Parents'
Association



Emily Lequerica
Assistant Director of
Admission



Anne-Davis Parks
Adv. Officer / Alumni,
PR & Social Media
Coordinator



Lyssa Fisackerly
Dir. of AfterCare,
Summer, and
After-School Adv.



Erin Greer
Assistant Director of
AfterCare

Athletics



Dennis Smith
Director of Athletics &
Operations



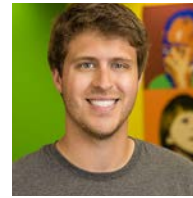
Spencer McLean
Director of Physical
Education and
Fitness



Garret Harrison
Physical Education



David Rose
Physical Education



Paul Warner
Physical Education



Jill Kauffman
Chief Financial
Officer

Business



Lyndi Heard
Controller



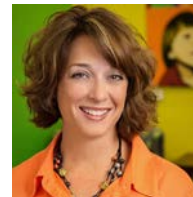
Laura Hyde
Student Accounts
Manager



Monica Vunk
Vendor Accounts
Manager



Erin Greer
Lunch Administrator



Melissa Smith
Chief Information
Officer



Chris Langston
Network & Systems
Administrator

Technology

Young Knights



Mallory Byrd
Technology
Coordinator



Holly Lindsey
Technology
Coordinator



Meg Comes
Young Knights
Teacher - YK1



Sheridan Harris
Young Knights
Teacher - YK1



Courtney Wages
Young Knights
Teacher - YK2



Jeremie Upshaw
Young Knights
Teacher - YK2

Pre-Kindergarten



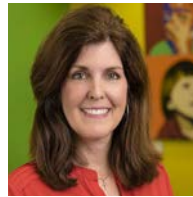
Molly Gore
Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher - PK1



Sandy Kilgore
Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher - PK1



Molly Beard
Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher - PK2



Elizabeth Bell
Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher - PK2



Cami Sewell
Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher - PK3



Traci Stewart
Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher - PK3

Junior Kindergarten



Allyse Holcomb
Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher - PK4



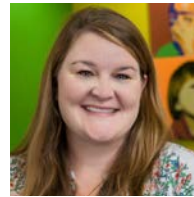
Shelley Umberson
Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher - PK4



Shari Caruthers
Junior Kindergarten
Teacher - JK1



Lynley Goddard
Junior Kindergarten
Teacher - JK1



Ashley Eggers
Junior Kindergarten
Teacher - JK2



Emily Treadwell
Junior Kindergarten
Teacher - JK2

Senior Kindergarten



Heather Spiegelman
Junior Kindergarten
Teacher - JK3



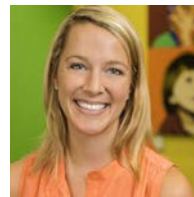
Holly Yarbrough
Junior Kindergarten
Teacher - JK3



Tosha Smith
Senior Kindergarten
Teacher - SK1



Lyndsey Kelley
Senior Kindergarten
Teacher - SK2



Lydia Butler
Senior Kindergarten
Teacher - SK3

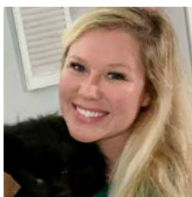


Cindy Bramlett
Senior Kindergarten
Associate

First Grade



Perry Patterson
Senior Kindergarten
Associate



Corey Beth Stovall
First Grade Teacher
- 1A



Ginny Brundick
First Grade Teacher
- 1B



Jenny Craig
First Grade Teacher
- 1C



Stacey Hays
First Grade Small
Group Teacher

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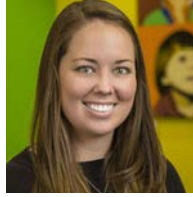
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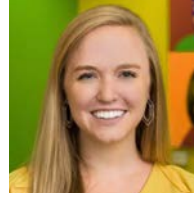
Marian Richards
Second Grade
Teacher - 2A



Lake Weston
Second Grade
Teacher - 2B



Stephanie Taylor
Second Grade
Teacher - 2C



Weezie Pouget
Second Grade Small
Group Teacher



Rachael Schaefer
Third Grade Teacher
- 3A



Katie Tackett
Third Grade Teacher
- 3B

Fourth Grade



Brooke Haley
Third Grade Teacher
- 3C



Brittany Smith
Third and Fourth
Grade Small Group
Math Teacher



Christine Driskill
Fourth Grade Teacher
- 4A



Jenny Stenberg
Fourth Grade Teacher
- 4B



Sherry Creasman
Fourth Grade Teacher
- 4C



Brittany Smith
Third and Fourth
Grade Small Group
Math Teacher

Fifth Grade



Kim Pruitt
Fifth Grade Teacher
- 5A



Jason Hewer
Fifth Grade Teacher
- 5B



**Stephanie
Weatherford**
Fifth Grade Teacher
- 5C



Diann Belote
Fifth Grade Teacher
- 5D



Gerrin Murray
Fifth and Sixth Grade
Small Group Math
Teacher

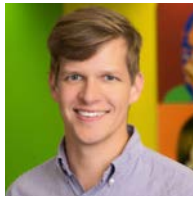
Sixth Grade



Lauren Riley
Sixth Grade Teacher
- 6A



Ashley Garner
Sixth Grade Teacher
- 6B



Jackson Boyd
Sixth Grade Teacher
- 6C



Marjorie Porter
Sixth Grade Teacher
- 6D



Gerrin Murray
Fifth and Sixth Grade
Small Group Math
Teacher

Special Areas



Darilyn Christenbury
EC through Third
Grade Bible Teacher
& Chaplain



Lili Frye
Mandarin Chinese
Teacher (3rd, 4th, 5th,
and 6th Grade)



Nancy Gentry
Learning Specialist



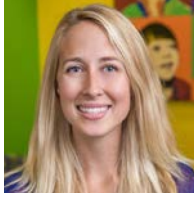
Terry Himebook
Band Teacher



Terri Jarratt
Science Lab (2nd,
3rd, 4th)



Adriana Moore
Spanish Teacher (3rd,
4th, 5th, and 6th
Grade)



Jessica Muller
EDGE Design Studio
Teacher



Haley Pace
Library/Media
Specialist



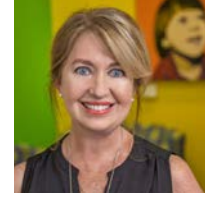
Anna Pearson
EC Music/Movement



Lindsey Robinson
Director of Academic
Support & Learning
Specialist



Tony Rudzena
Fourth through Sixth
Grade Bible Teacher
& Chaplain



Dawn Southerland
Vocal Music Teacher



Casey Smith
Visual Arts Teacher



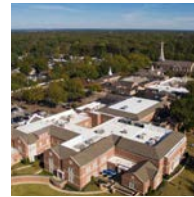
Dania Watson
Spanish Teacher (PK,
JK, SK, 1st and 2nd
Grade)



Linda Winchester
Reading Specialist
(1st, 2nd, and 3rd
Grade)



Sunny Zheng
Mandarin Chinese
Teacher (PK, JK, SK,
1st and 2nd Grade)



Deborah Rainey
Child Development
Center Director



Lawanda Fields
Child Development
Center

Child Development Center

Food Services



Susie Springfield
Child Development
Center



Ella Johnson
Food Service Staff



Tim Johnson
Maintenance



Wadell Bobo
Maintenance



Randy Shirley
Maintenance

Maintenance

Nurse



Alice Ball
Nurse

Receptionist

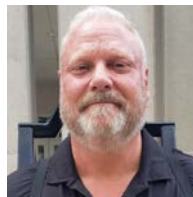


Marilyn Seaton
Receptionist

Security



Vonzell Cribbs
Head of Security



Doug Bailey
Security



Stanley Brownlee
Security



Steve Todd
Security

Housekeeping



Beverly Crutcher
Housekeeping



Charlene Hamer
Housekeeping

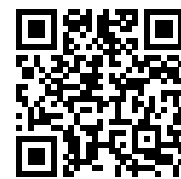


Gloria Perkins
Housekeeping



Betty West-Brown
Housekeeping

MORE INFO



Find phone numbers,
and email addresses
on our website.

Community Events

Parent Meetings



Monday

1st Grade: 8am
2nd Grade: 9:30am
3rd Grade: 3pm



Tuesday

Early Childhood: 8:30am
4th Grade: 1pm
5th Grade: 2:30pm
6th Grade: 4pm



Elementary Parent Night

1ST-6TH PARENTS • 6pm

Meet with your son's teachers.



PDS Family Cookout and Jamboree

ALL FAMILIES • 9am

Join us as we celebrate the kickoff of our intramural football season with burgers, hot dogs, & inflatables.



Christmas Pageant

1ST-6TH GRADES • 6:30pm

Boys in red bows singing carols — a treasured tradition at PDS. All PDS families are welcome to attend.



Father & Son Dinner

4TH-6TH GRADES • 6pm

Featuring an inspirational speaker.



March Mania LIVE - Auction Night

ALL PARENTS

ALL NEW EVENT FOR 2021-2022!

Join us for a special night of food, drinks, & fun! Bid on unique offerings and experiences!



Early Childhood Family Night

YK-SK FAMILIES • 5:30pm

Celebrating the work of our EC boys.



PDS Maker Faire

ALL FAMILIES • 5:30pm

A celebration of innovation and creativity. PDS boys in 1st-6th grades are encouraged to embrace the maker movement and make a project at home to showcase at the Faire.



Field Day

1ST-6TH GRADES



Sports Banquet

4TH-6TH GRADES



Crusader Cafe

Crusader Café is an opportunity for boys in 1st through 6th grades to showcase their musical talents for their peers and others during lunchtime. Look for a sign-up form later in the fall.



Friday, October 29, Friday, February 4,
& Thursday, April 28

Music Programs



Instrumental Music Recitals

Tuesdays, December 7 & April 26



Band Concerts

Thursday, December 9
& Tuesday, May 3



Academic Competitions



Spelling Bee

8am




MORE INFO

See the full school calendar on our website




Grade-Level Events


Parents, mark your calendars for these events where parents are on campus during the school year:

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Pumpkins with Pop
Friday, October 22 • 8:30am

Mother's Day Tea
Tuesday, May 3 • 9:30am
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Dads and Dogs
Thursday, October 21 • 10:45am


Jingle and Mingle Program
Thursday, December 9 • 10:45am
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Donuts with Dads
Friday, September 17 • 8am


Mother's Day Tea
Thursday, May 5 • 10am
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Parent Meeting
Thursday, April 21 • 9am


Mother's Day Picnic
Wednesday, May 3 • 12:30pm

Class Day
Friday, May 20 • 8:30am
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Books for Breakfast (Dads)
Wednesday, January 12 • 8am


Class Day
Wednesday, May 18 • 8:30am
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Yipes Stripes
Friday, February 22

Class Day
Tuesday, May 17 • 8:30am
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Father/Son Kickball
Friday, April 29

Class Day
Monday, May 16 • 8:30am
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Father-Son Dinner
Thursday, February 24
6pm
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Father-Son St. Louis Trip
Friday-Sunday, September 17-19

Father-Son Dinner
Thursday, February 24 • 6pm

Mother-Son Luncheon
Friday, April 8

Student-Faculty Basketball Game
Thursday, March 10 • 1pm

Father-Son Retreat
Friday, May 20



7 VIRTUES BREAKFAST

Our 7 Virtues of Manhood Breakfasts are for elementary grade boys in first through sixth grades. Because of the nature

of this breakfast, each boy must have an adult host in order to attend.

For each of these events, breakfast is served at 7am, and the program begins at 7:15am.

SEP 3 True Friend Virtue Breakfast
1ST-6TH BOYS & PARENT / ADULT HOST

OCT 1 Humble Hero Virtue Breakfast
1ST-6TH BOYS & PARENT / ADULT HOST

NOV 5 Servant Leader Virtue Breakfast
1ST-6TH BOYS & PARENT / ADULT HOST

JAN 7 Pacesetter Virtue Breakfast
1ST-6TH BOYS & PARENT / ADULT HOST

FEB 4 Bold Adventurer Virtue Breakfast
1ST-6TH BOYS & PARENT / ADULT HOST

MAR 4 Noble Knight Virtue Breakfast
1ST-6TH BOYS & PARENT / ADULT HOST

APR 1 Faithful Follower Virtue Breakfast
1ST-6TH BOYS & PARENT / ADULT HOST



MORE INFO

Visit the event registration section of the website to register for these events



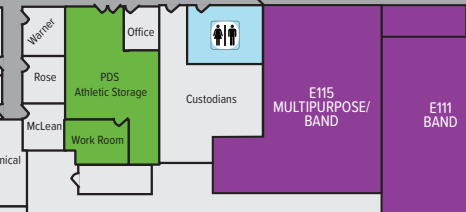
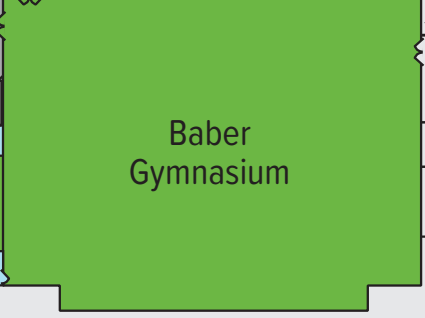
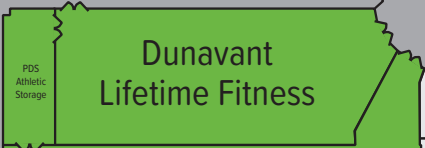
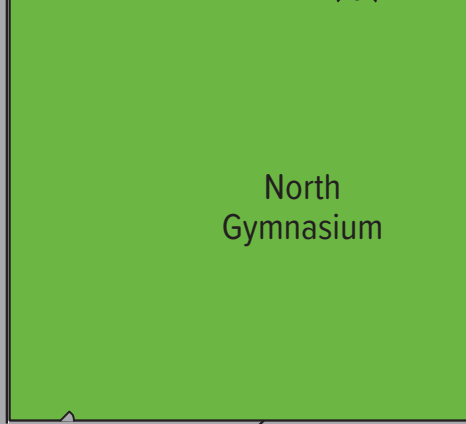
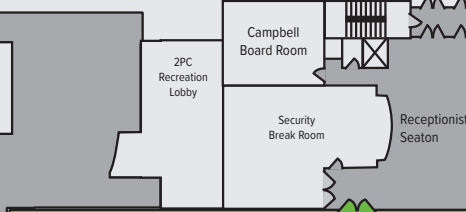
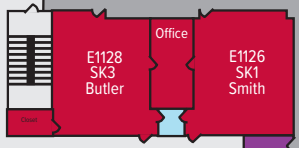
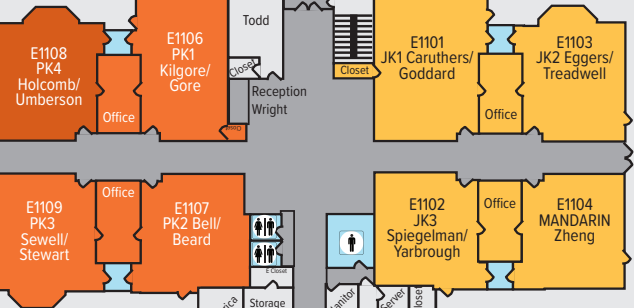
CARPOOL ENTRANCES

DAYTIME LOT ENTRANCE

EARLY CHILDHOOD

MAIN SCHOOL ENTRANCE

Hussey Commons



Presbyterian Day School

Central Ave. Entrance

CENTRAL AVENUE

First Floor and Early Childhood Key

- Young Knights
- PK
- JK
- SK
- Special
- Athletics
- Restrooms
- STAIR

PARKING LOT EXIT

Chapel, Sanctuary, & Fellowship Hall Entrance

CAMPUS MAP

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STAIRS TO LUNCHROOM

SCHOOL ENTRANCE



Second Floor

- 2nd
- 3rd
- 4th
- 5th
- 6th
- Special
- STAIRS

Daily Schedules & School Holidays

Daily Schedule

7:20-7:50 AM	Early rooms open (supervised by faculty)
7:30-8:00 AM	Drop Off Time
7:50 AM	Boys may arrive in classrooms
8:00 AM	Classes begin

Normal Schedule Dismissal Times

	Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri	Wed
YK & PK, morning	11:45 AM	11:45 AM
YK & PK, full day	2:20 PM	1:45 PM
JK, full day	2:30 PM	2:00 PM
SK	2:40 PM	2:15 PM
1st	2:50 PM	2:30 PM
2nd	2:50 PM	2:30 PM
3rd	3:00 PM	2:30 PM
4th-6th	3:10 PM	2:45 PM

	Mon, Fri	Tue, Thu	Wed
PK, 2/3	1:45 PM	2:20 PM	1:45 PM
JK, 2/3	12:00 PM	2:30 PM	2:00 PM

School Holidays

Parent-Teacher Conference Day:

Fridays, September 24 & January 28

Fall Break:

Monday-Friday, October 4-8

Thanksgiving Break:

Wednesday-Friday, November 24-26

Christmas Break:

December 18 - January 2

Martin Luther King Jr. Day:

Monday, January 17

Winter Break:

Friday, February 18

President's Day:

Monday, February 21

Spring Break:

Monday-Friday, March 14-18

Good Friday:

Friday, April 15

Easter Holiday:

Monday, April 18

Who to Call

AfterCare & After School Adventures:

Lyssa Fisackerly 901-842-4609

Lunch Program Questions:

Erin Greer 901-507-5006

PowerSchool Questions:

Melissa Smith 901-842-4648

Submit a Photo for Social Media:

Anne-Davis Parks 901-507-5009

Technology Questions:

Melissa Smith 901-842-4648

Re-Enrollment:

Rachel Bishop 901-842-4695

Tuition / Billing Questions:

Laura Hyde 901-842-4615

Update Parent Contact Info:

Kim Bridgforth 901-842-4606

Half-Days / Early Dismissal Days

First Day of School:

Wednesday, August 18

Christmas Pageant Day:

Thursday, December 16

Christmas Party Day:

Friday, December 17

Yipes Stripes:

Friday, February 25 (2nd grade only)

Spring Break Begins:

Friday, March 11

Field Day:

Friday, May 6 (1st-3rd grades only)

Last Regular Day of School:

Wednesday, May 25

4th-6th Grade Class Day:

Thursday, May 26

Half-Day Schedule Dismissal Times

Young Knights	10:40 AM
Pre-Kindergarten	10:40 AM
Junior Kindergarten	10:50 AM
Senior Kindergarten	11:00 AM
1st Grade	11:15 AM
2nd Grade	11:20 AM
3rd - 6th Grades	11:30 AM



MORE INFO

Subscribe to the calendar
to integrate it into your
devices



Chapel / Building Boys, Making Men

The Chapel program at PDS is truly one of the foundational elements of a PDS boy's education. Chapel is held four days a week at 8:05am as follows:

Mondays - Grades 1-3 in the chapel
 Tuesdays - Grades 4-6 in the chapel
 Thursdays - Early Childhood in Hussey Commons
 Fridays - Grades 1-6 in the sanctuary

Elements of the Program

All Grades

- Chapels
- Virtue of the month
- Calendars with daily virtue activities

Early Childhood

- Verse of the month
- Virtues used in daily teaching and in Bible curriculum
- Buddies from 4th - 6th grade

1st-3rd Grades

- Virtues used in daily teaching
- Virtues shown in heroes of the Bible in Bible Class
- Monthly virtue breakfast with a parent

4th Grade

- Weekly seminar on being a True Friend
- Bible Class every other day focusing on the life of Jesus
- Monthly virtue breakfast with a parent

5th Grade

- Mentor groups
- Monthly virtue breakfast with a parent
- The 7 Virtues of Manhood (book & leader guide)
- Weekly seminar on being a Servant Leader
- Bible Class every other day focusing on the life of Jesus

6th Grade

- Mentor groups
- Flight Plan (book, leader guide, & parent resources)
- Weekly seminar on becoming a man of God
- Monthly seminar on preparing for teen years and manhood
- Monthly virtue breakfast with a parent
- Bible Class every other day focusing on Paul's life and letters
- Early Childhood buddies
- Fall and spring father-son trips



Building Boys, Making Men isn't just a class or an event.

It's a complete program to teach every PDS boy what it means to be a man of God—beginning when boys enter PDS as two-year-olds and becoming more intensive as boys approach their teens and prepare to graduate from PDS.



MORE INFO

Read "Building Blocks" for more information on the elements of the program



Medical Information

Required Medical Permission Form

Before school starts, please complete our required Medical Permission Form. HIPPA privacy rules prevent us from storing this information, making it necessary for you to complete the entire form each year.



Included in the form are areas where you can indicate emergency contact information, list any allergies we need to be aware of, and a list of over-the-counter medications that your son will be allowed to receive.

We have also included the concussion and sudden cardiac arrest forms that are required for intramural and Crusader sports for 4th-6th graders.

Prescription and Over-the-Counter Medications Forms

If your son needs to take prescription medications during the school day, please complete the online Prescription Medication Form.

PDS provides some over-the-counter medications, such as brand or generic versions of Advil, Tylenol, Benadryl, Tums and topical (skin) medications. The student will not be given any of these medications unless a permission form is filled out and on file in the nurses' office.

Before and After-Care



Early room is available beginning at 7:20am each morning.

PDS offers an after-school care program from your son's class dismissal time until 6:00pm for grades YK-6.

Pricing (per semester)

5 days/wk - \$1125
4 days/wk - \$1035
3 days/wk - \$915
2 days/wk - \$720
1 day/wk - \$430

Sibling Stay

Since class dismissal times are staggered, Early Childhood students (YK-SK) who have an older sibling at PDS will be able to enroll in the program and attend AfterCare until the older sibling is dismissed. The cost is \$400 per semester

Drop-Ins

Drop-in days are available to students who are not registered for aftercare. The drop-in fee is \$25 per day. Please contact Lyssa Fisaackerly to schedule a drop-in.



MORE INFO

Visit our forms landing page to find these forms



Athletics

Offerings

4th Grade Intramural
5th Grade Intramural
5th Grade Crusaders
6th Grade Intramural
6th Grade Crusaders

Football, Basketball, Soccer
Football, Basketball, Soccer
Football

Football, Basketball, Soccer

Fall: Football, Cross Country, Golf | Winter: Basketball | Spring: Track, Tennis



All participants should complete the Medical Permission Form which includes the sports permission forms by the first day of school.



MORE INFO

Visit our Athletics landing page for schedules and other sports information



Parents' Association

By virtue of being a parent of a PDS student, all parents are members of the Parents' Association. There is no membership fee or charge for belonging to the Parents' Association.

The Parents' Association seeks to provide support to the school through volunteer assistance and service. Each year, the Parents' Association works closely with the administration to assist the school.

Familiarize yourself with our upcoming events, mark them on your calendar, and use the Volunteer Form to plug yourself in!

Officers



Dupree McDonald
President



Michelle Wilson
Vice-President

For a full list of PA Board members, visit the PA page on the website: pdsmemphis.org/parents-association

Spirit Sale

Our annual Back-to-School Spirit Sale is your opportunity to shop the newest PDS gear.

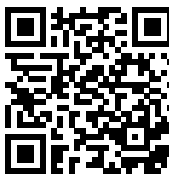


Spirit Sale
9am-4pm

During the school year, our Spirit Sale continues online. Order an item and it will be sent home with your son.

MORE INFO

Visit the online Spirit Sale
(Opens after the in-person
Back-to-School sale)



Lunch Program

We offer a complete menu of hot lunches cooked on campus for 1st-6th grades. The cost for the 1st Semester Lunch Plan is \$505. The cost for the 1st Semester Drink Plan is \$95.



Menu items are made from fresh and wholesome ingredients. There are many options available and each boy should be able to choose a balanced meal even if he does not choose the hot lunch on any particular day.

Salads and turkey and ham sandwiches are available on a daily basis as an alternate option to the hot lunch choice. Ice cream is offered on Wednesdays and Fridays. Our lunch program provides a balanced and healthy lunch as well as the convenience of not having to pack a lunch!

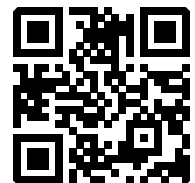
For questions about lunch, please contact Erin Greer.

Lunch Schedule

1st	11:00 - 11:30
2nd	12:05 - 12:35
3rd	11:35 - 12:05
4th	11:50 - 12:20
5th	12:30 - 1:00
6th	11:20 - 11:50

MORE INFO

Visit our forms landing page to register for the lunch program



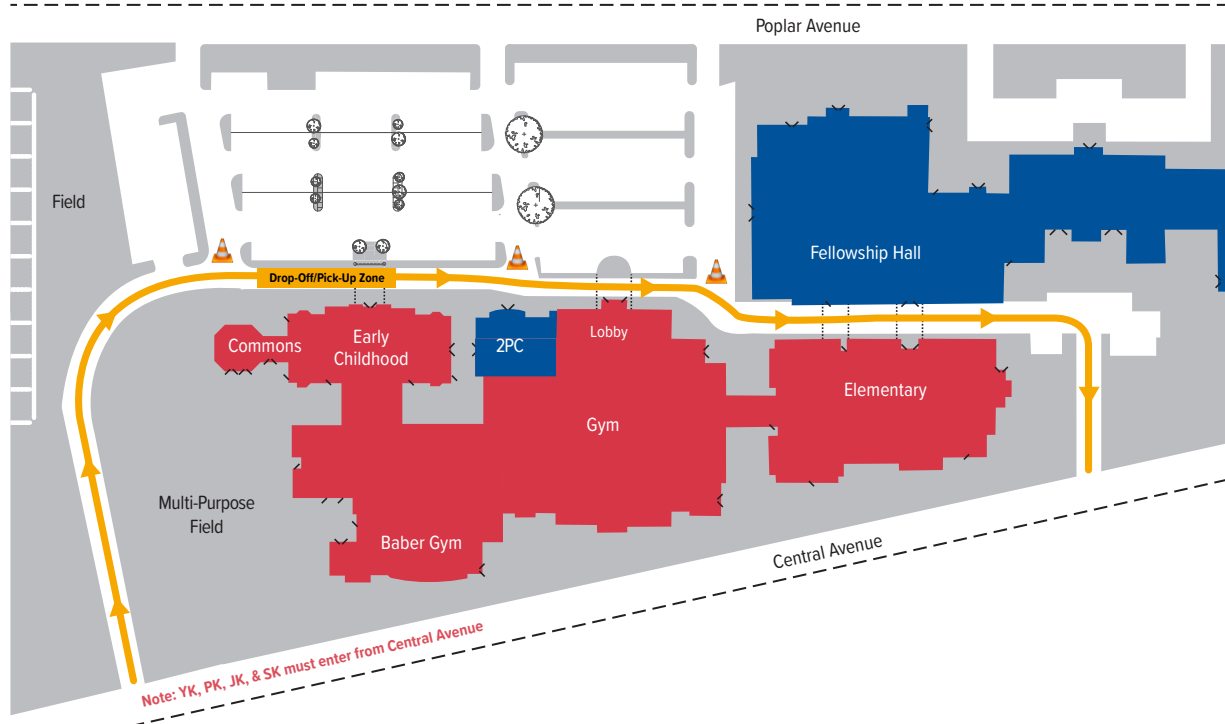
Dress-Down Days

Friday, December 17 - Christmas Parties
Thursday, March 10 - Student-Faculty Game
Tuesday, March 8 - March Mania
Friday, March 11 - Spring Break Begins
Friday, May 6 - Field Day

Stay tuned to the weekly *PDS Express* newsletter for other special Dress-Down Days that get announced during the school year!

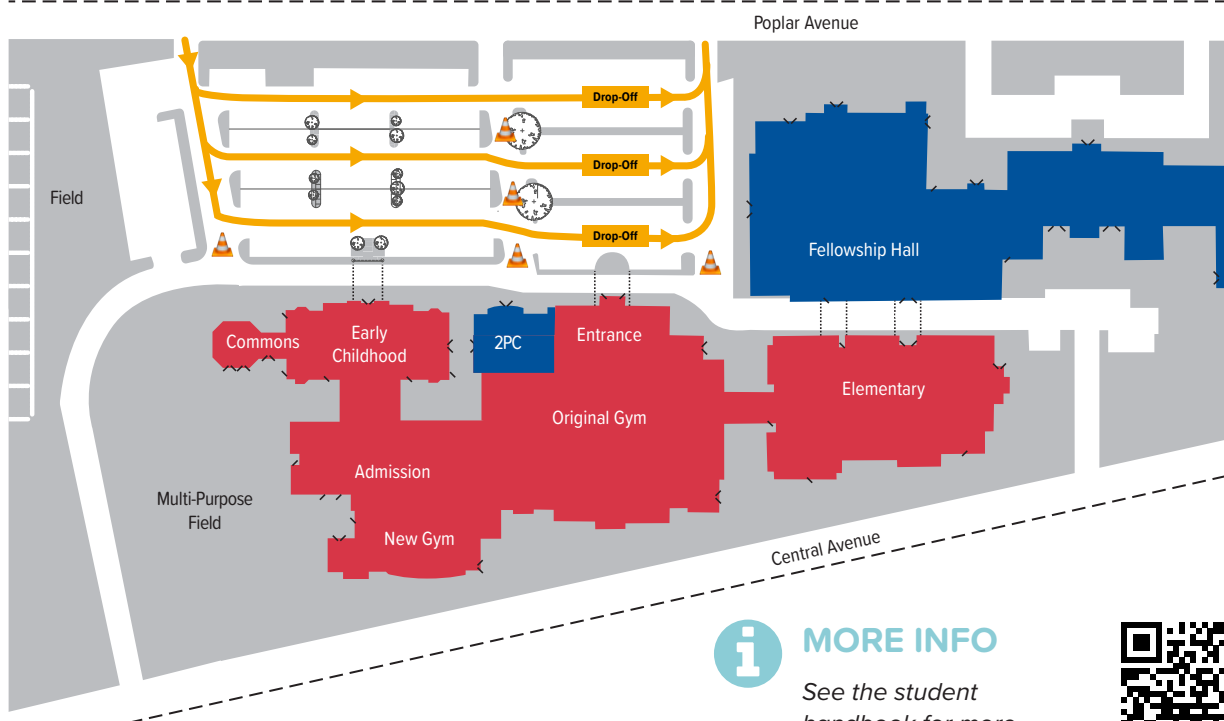
Carpool Maps

Early Childhood - Dropoff and Pickup



1st-6th Grades - Dropoff and Pickup

Note: 1st-6th must enter from Poplar Avenue

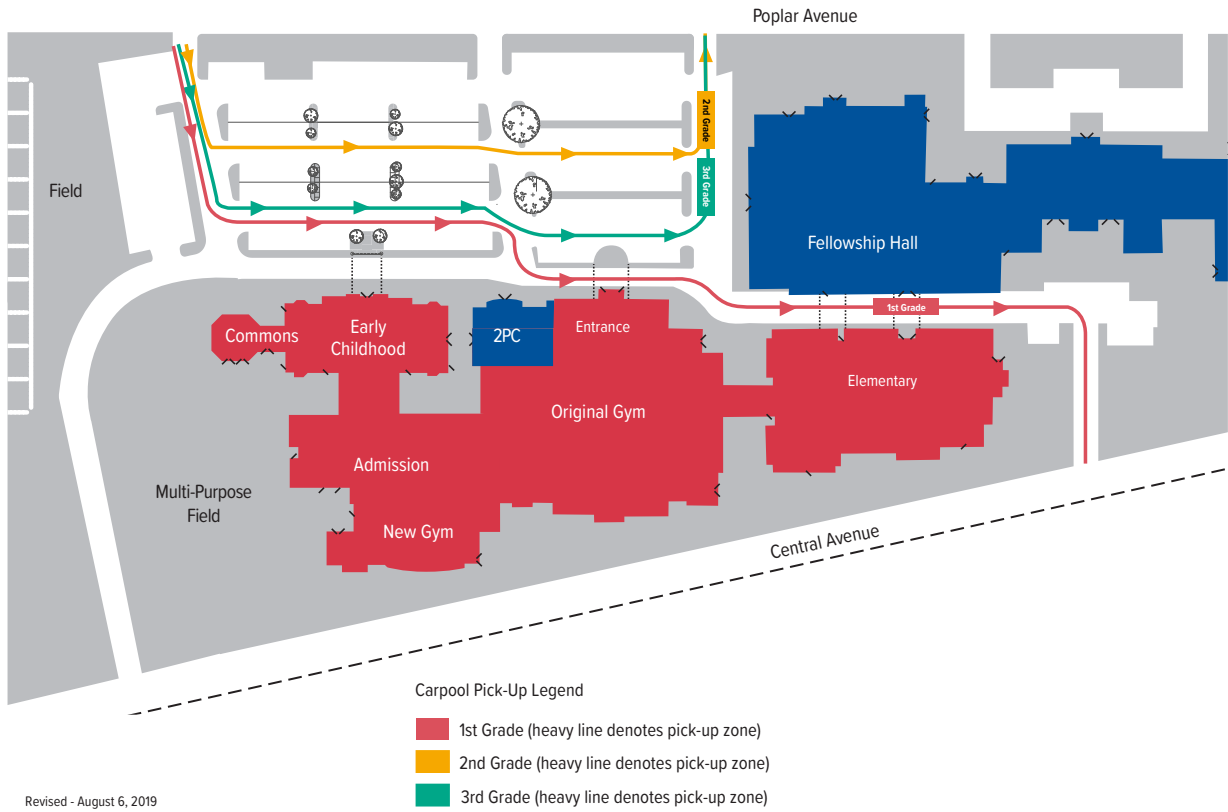


MORE INFO

See the student handbook for more procedures related to carpool

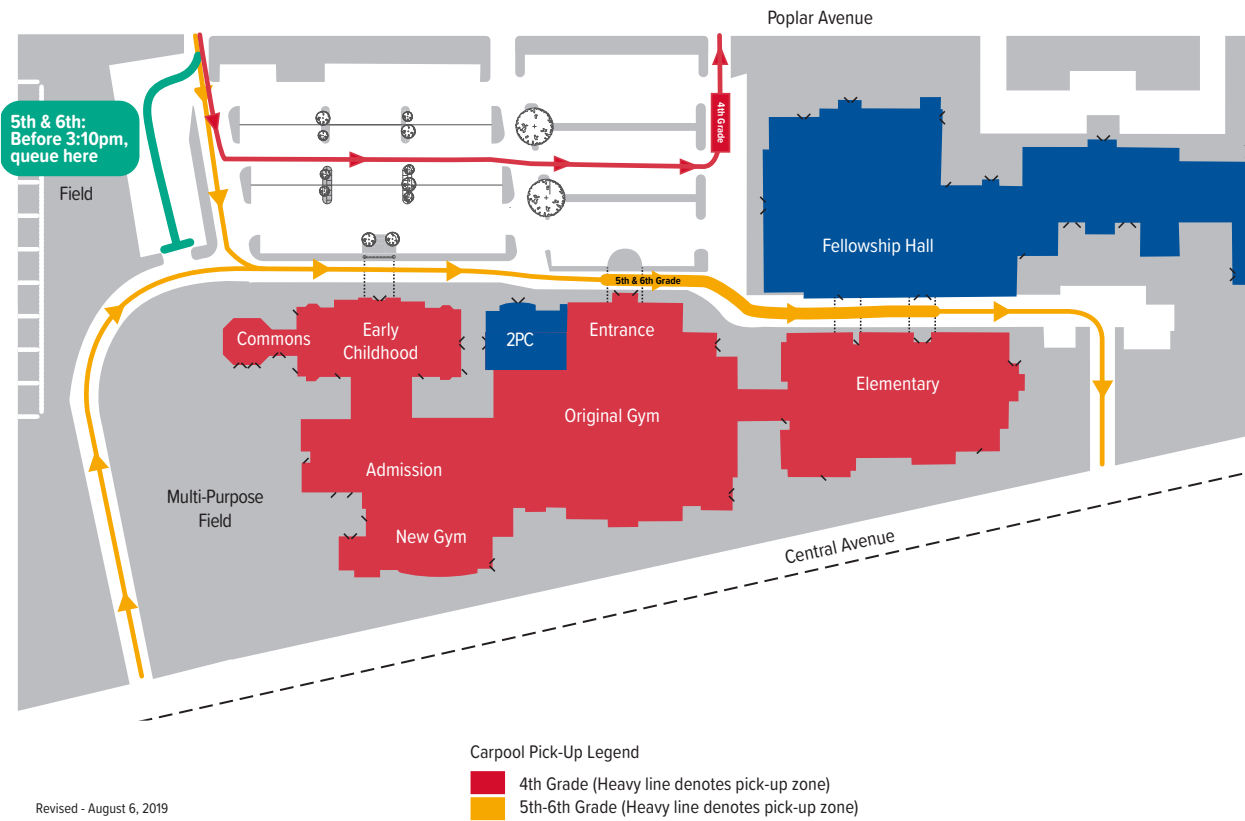


1st-3rd Grade Pickup



Revised - August 6, 2019

4th-6th Grade Pickup



Revised - August 6, 2019

Supporting PDS

Parents are encouraged to support the school in several ways. First, please pray for the school. Pray for the safety, growth, and happiness of our boys. Pray that our teachers and staff might have wisdom, inspiration, energy, and love. Pray that we might all be united in purpose and as a community.

Second, all parents are encouraged to make a financial gift to the school according to their means. Each year, donations to the Annual Fund help the school sustain excellence in teaching, support the health of our boys via our full-time nurse, and secure our campus with our in-house security team.

There are many ways you can support the Annual Fund: cash or check, stocks and mutual funds, and through other non-liquid assets.

GOAL:
100%
PARENT
PARTICIPATION

We are thankful for the support of our parents. As always, our goal is 100% participation from all parents and faculty.

Every gift matters, no matter how big or small.

Annual Fund Events

PDS ANNUAL FUND
BLITZ SEP 10 thru OCT 1

Help us reach 100% participation!

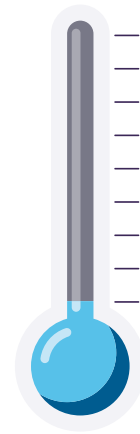


Annual Online Auction. Donate an item or experience or become a sponsor!

MAR 3 thru MAR 8

MAR 4 **March Mania LIVE - Auction Night**
ALL PARENTS

ALL NEW EVENT FOR 2021-2022!
Join us for a special night of food, drinks, & fun!
Bid on unique offerings and experiences!

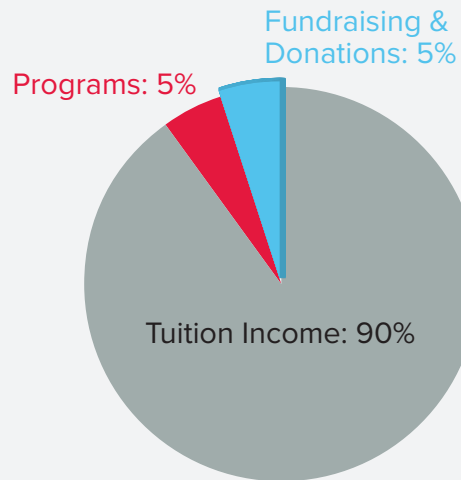


← Annual Fund: \$400,000

← March Mania: \$130,000

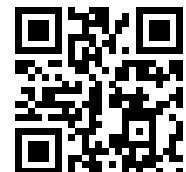
Overall Goal: \$530,000

SOURCES OF INCOME



GIVE ONLINE

Use our online form or Venmo your gift to @pds-memphis



Calendar

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KEY

	First / Last Days
	Event
	Standardized Testing
	No School / Holiday
	Half-Day Dismissal

August

- 11 Elementary Buddy Party
- 16 Parent Meetings (1st -3rd)
- 17 Parent Meetings (EC, 4th-6th)
- 18 Classes Begin (JK-6th)
- 19-20 PK Preview Days
- 23 Classes Begin (YK-PK)
- 26-27 Breakaway to VR (5th)
- 30-31 Breakaway to VR (6th)

September

- 2 Elementary Parent Night
- 6 Labor Day Holiday
- 11 Jamboree & Family Picnic
- 17-19 Father-Son Trip (6th)
- 24 Parent-Teacher Conferences

October

- 4-9 Fall Break

November

- 8-11 Book Fair
- 17 Spelling Bee
- 24-26 Thanksgiving Break

December

- 7 Instrumental Music Recital
- 9 PK Jingle & Mingle Program
- 9 Winter Band Concert
- 16 Half-Day Dismissal
- 16 Christmas Pageant
- 17 Half-Day Dismissal
- 18-2 Christmas Break

January

- 5-11 ERB Testing (6th)
- 12 Books for Breakfast (1st)
- 12-18 ERB Testing (5th)
- 12-19 ERB Testing (3rd)
- 17 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
- 20-25 ERB Testing (2nd, 4th)
- 28 Parent-Teacher Conferences

February

- 6 PDS Sunday (4th-6th)
- 18-21 Winter Break
- 24 Father-Son Dinner (4th-6th)
- 25 Yipes Stripes (2nd)

March

- 3-8 March Mania Online Auction
- 4 March Mania LIVE Event
- 10 Student-Faculty Game
- 11 Half-Day Dismissal
- 14-18 Spring Break
- 24 EC Family Night

April

- 7 PDS Maker Faire
- 8 Mother-Son Luncheon (6th)
- 12-13 WrAP Testing
- 15-18 Easter Break
- 21 SK Parent Meeting
- 22 AR Auction
- 26-27 AR Store

- 26 Instrumental Music Recital
- 29 Father-Son Kickball (3rd)

May

- 3 Mother's Day (YK)
- 3 Spring Band Concert
- 4 Mommy and Me (PK)
- 4 Mother's Day Picnic (SK)
- 5 Mother's Day Tea (JK)
- 6 Field Day (1st-6th)
- 6 Half-Day (1st-3rd)
- 12 Sports Banquet
- 16 Class Day (3rd)
- 17 Class Day (2nd)
- 18 Class Day (1st)
- 20 Class Day (SK)
- 20 Father-Son Retreat (6th)
- 25 Last Day (YK-3rd)
- 25 Half-Day Dismissal
- 26 Class Day (4th-6th)
- 27 Graduation
- 27 Last Day (4th-6th)



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Parent Meetings



Monday
1st Grade: 8am
2nd Grade: 9:30am
3rd Grade: 3pm



Tuesday
Early Childhood: 8:30am
4th Grade: 1pm
5th Grade: 2:30pm
6th Grade: 4pm

First Day of School



Wednesday
JK-6th (Half-Day)



Monday
YK-PK



MORE ONLINE

Visit our *Back-to-School* landing page for required forms, and other information.

