

2011-2012
PINNACLE HIGH SCHOOL WALK-THRU INFORMATION
SUMMER NEWSLETTER

A-F - Thursday, August 4th 7:30 - Noon
G-M - Friday, August 5th 7:30 - Noon
N-Z - Monday, August 8th 7:30 - Noon
MAKE-UP DAY - Tuesday, August 9th 7:30 - Noon

Welcome to a new year at Pinnacle. Walk-Thru will take place in the auditorium. We are developing a system of paying online in an attempt to improve the time spent completing all the necessary steps. While we still have assigned "Walk-Thru" days, most steps will be handled **online prior to** attending Walk-Thru. This will facilitate quick movement through the required at-school activities such as handing in applicable completed forms and taking an I.D. picture, etc. EVERY STUDENT MUST COMPLETE THESE ONLINE STEPS, PRINT OFF REQUIRED FORMS, AND BRING THEM TO WALK-THRU.

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If you do not have computer access, we will be happy to assist you at Walk-Thru.

- _____ 1) Log on to the PHS Website: <http://www.pvschools.net/phs>
- _____ 2) Locate the 2011-2012 Pinnacle Walk-Thru Website Link. **Available beginning July 28th.**
Follow the necessary steps to complete Walk-Thru.
- _____ 3) Read, Print, and Complete the following forms where necessary:
- **Schedule/Counseling Questions:** If you would like to request a schedule change, then you will need to complete the online Schedule Change Form, and bring it to Walk-Thru.
 - **Testing Information:** It is recommended that you pay for the PSAT and the PLAN at this time for a discounted price. If you plan to do this, then you will need to complete the Testing Registration Form.
 - **Parking Information:** At this time, only seniors will be given a parking permit. (To be eligible for a permit, a senior cannot have had 2 suspensions or 5 referrals last year, and all outstanding fees, debts and books must be cleared.)
If you are eligible for a parking tag, then you will need to download the Student Vehicle Registration Letter and bring it with you signed to Walk-Thru. Make certain it is signed. In addition, you must bring a copy of your AZ driver's license, a copy of your AZ vehicle registration, and the receipt that shows you paid for the parking tag online (\$180).
 - **Parking (Desert Ridge) Information:** Pinnacle High School offers a bus for those students who are not eligible to park on campus, or who have not received a parking pass. Desert Ridge parking may be subject to a lottery.
 - **Freshman Camp: (9th Grade Only):** Cost - \$40 Wednesday, August 10, 2011 PHS gym - 8 am - 2pm.
 - **New Student Orientation: (New sophomores, juniors, & seniors Only):** Cost - Free Wednesday, August 10, 2011 PHS gym 2 - 3 pm.
 - **Athletics:** If you plan to participate in athletics, you will need to complete the Athletic Information, Physical Evaluation, and Consent for Emergency Care forms. 9th Graders and New Students must also view the Informed Consent video. These items are due **before** you are able to tryout for a team.
 - **Health Information:** Emergency Cards will be completed the first week of school.
 - **Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application:** Available upon request.
 - **Tax Credit Information:** Will be available beginning September 5, 2011.

- **Picture ID:** Dress nicely as the ID Picture will also be your YEARBOOK picture, you must be in dress code compliance.
- **PAYMENT OF CLASS FEES AND OTHER ITEMS LINK:** This is where you will pay for any of the above mentioned items as well as additional fees that might apply to your student. If you pay online, you will be granted the FAST LANE pass when you arrive at Walk-Thru on your assigned date. It is highly **recommended** that you pay online as this will cut down on the amount of time that you will have to spend at Walk-Thru.

2 Options for Payment:

- 1) Complete Forms Online and Pay Online - Guarantees you a FAST LANE pass at Walk-Thru with your **receipt**.
- 2) Complete Forms Online and pay Cash/Check at Walk-Thru.

When does school start?

The First Day of School is August 11th, 2011. Classes are from - 7:30 am to 2 pm.

What if I want to change my schedule?

No schedule changes will be made unless one or more of the following apply:

- Schedule is missing a class
- You have completed a course in summer school
- You have failed a course and you need to repeat the course.

If you meet any of the above reasons, please go online and complete the Schedule Change Form and bring it to Walk-Thru.

Where do I find the Bus Schedule?

Visit the District Website www.pvschools.net and look for the Yellow School Bus icon that says, Bus Stop Finder. Click the icon, and it will then ask for your address, zip code, and student grade level. Your bus stop time and location will then come up.

Why can't my 11th grader get a Parking Tag?

Parking tags are limited. As a result, at this time parking permits will be sold only to seniors. If there are any remaining spaces, they will be sold to juniors who are selected through a lottery system after the school year begins provided there are any spaces available.

Where does my student pick up his/her Class Schedule on the first day of school?

All students will be required to pick up their class schedule on the first day of school in the areas listed below. Students will not be permitted into class without a schedule.

Seniors - In front of the Auditorium

Juniors - In front of the "C" Building

Sophomores - In front of the "F" Building

Freshmen - In front of the Cafeteria

How can I as a parent get involved at Pinnacle?

POP is our Parents of Pinnacle Organization. They will have a table setup at Walk-Thru for you to ask questions and join. Visit their website www.parentsofpinnacle.org.

How can I monitor my student's grades?

You can view your students grade information by accessing Infinite Campus from the Pinnacle main web page. If you do not know your son/daughter's username and password, you can contact his/her 4th hour teacher for that information.

My son/daughter would like to play sports. How does he/she go about this?

You should access the Athletics page of the Pinnacle website. There are links to the sport websites that give you plenty of information about upcoming tryouts and how to contact the coach. In addition, you will need to complete the Athletic Information, Physical Evaluation, and Consent for Emergency Care forms prior to trying out for a team. These forms can be downloaded off of the Athletics page. If you are a 9th grader or a new student to Pinnacle, you will also need to watch the Informed Consent Video available on the Athletics page. Football Tryouts are August 1st and all other Fall Sports begin on August 8th.

How can I communicate with my student's teachers and counselors?

Email is the fastest way to get in touch with a teacher/counselor. You can access the emails by visiting the faculty page on the Pinnacle main page.

How can I stay up to date on what is happening on Pinnacle's campus?

Be sure to check the Pinnacle website for up to the minute information on PHS activities and events.

Looking forward to a great 2011-12 "A+" school year.