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## WELCOME BACK GATORS & WELCOME THE CLASS OF 2027!

Welcome PHHS Families,

We are so excited to welcome the Class of 2027 into the Gator Family and all of our students to the 2023-2024 school year. Staff and student groups have been busy planning events initiatives for what is sure to be an excellent year! Read on for a few tips and reminders for a successful school year.

### Arrival – 7:15-7:30 AM

- Doors open at 7:15 AM – students may wait in the Smith Fine Arts Lobby or the Cafeteria until 7:30 AM when all students are dismissed to class.
- FREE grab-and-go breakfast will be served in the Smith Fine Arts Lobby and Cafeteria.
- First bell is 7:30 AM; all students should be in their **PERIOD 1** classrooms by **7:40 AM**.

### Pick-Up & Drop Off

- No cars may enter the bus loop between 6:45 AM-8:00 AM and 1:00 PM-2:50 PM
- Use the parking lot loop and entrance to the Smith Fine Arts Lobby – see the attached map for more information: [23-24 Pick-Up Drop-Off Parking.pdf](#)
- RIGHT TURN ONLY - All exiting vehicles must turn right on Ebenezer Road during pick-up and drop-off.

### School Meals & Snacks

- Breakfast and Lunch are FREE. Students must use their PIN number to pick up a meal. PIN numbers can be found in FOCUS.
- Cafeteria vending machines are open to students during assigned lunches only. Cafeteria vending machines accept Apple Pay, credit card, and PIN numbers. Parents may load funds on “My School Bucks” account to purchase snacks. See the flyer for more information: [FNS ONE MESSAGE - BACK TO SCHOOL 23-24.pdf](#)
- Vending machines outside the Gym only operate after 3:30 PM and accept cash and card.

### BCPS Transportation

- The most up-to-date bus stops and times are posted in FOCUS. Know your assigned bus number and/or name.

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- Please be patient during the first few days of school as drivers work out their routes. It's recommended you arrive at the bus stop 10 minutes early and be prepared to wait 10-15 minutes after the posted time.
- Staff will share afternoon bus changes and locations with students in Period 4. Buses will be parked in or near the same location every day.

### Course Schedules

- Students' course schedules can be found in FOCUS. If you take a screenshot, be sure to include the **Room Number** for each of your classes.
- If you have an incomplete schedule, see your counselor during the period that is unassigned period. No other schedule changes will be made.

Here's to a smooth start to a fantastic year! Go Gators!

### Perry Hall High School 2023-2024 SCHOOL COUNSELING ASSIGNMENTS

Last Name Beginning with:	School Counselor
A-Bh	Mr. Ferenschak- <a href="mailto:mferenschak@bcps.org">mferenschak@bcps.org</a>
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Harris-Le	Ms. Picone- <a href="mailto:apicone@bcps.org">apicone@bcps.org</a>
Li-Pa	Mrs. Updike- <a href="mailto:mupdike@bcps.org">mupdike@bcps.org</a>
Pe-Sn	Mrs. Alic- <a href="mailto:salic@bcps.org">salic@bcps.org</a>
So-Z	Mrs. Anders- <a href="mailto:canders@bcps.org">canders@bcps.org</a>
College	Mrs. Campbell- <a href="mailto:scampbell3@bcps.org">scampbell3@bcps.org</a>



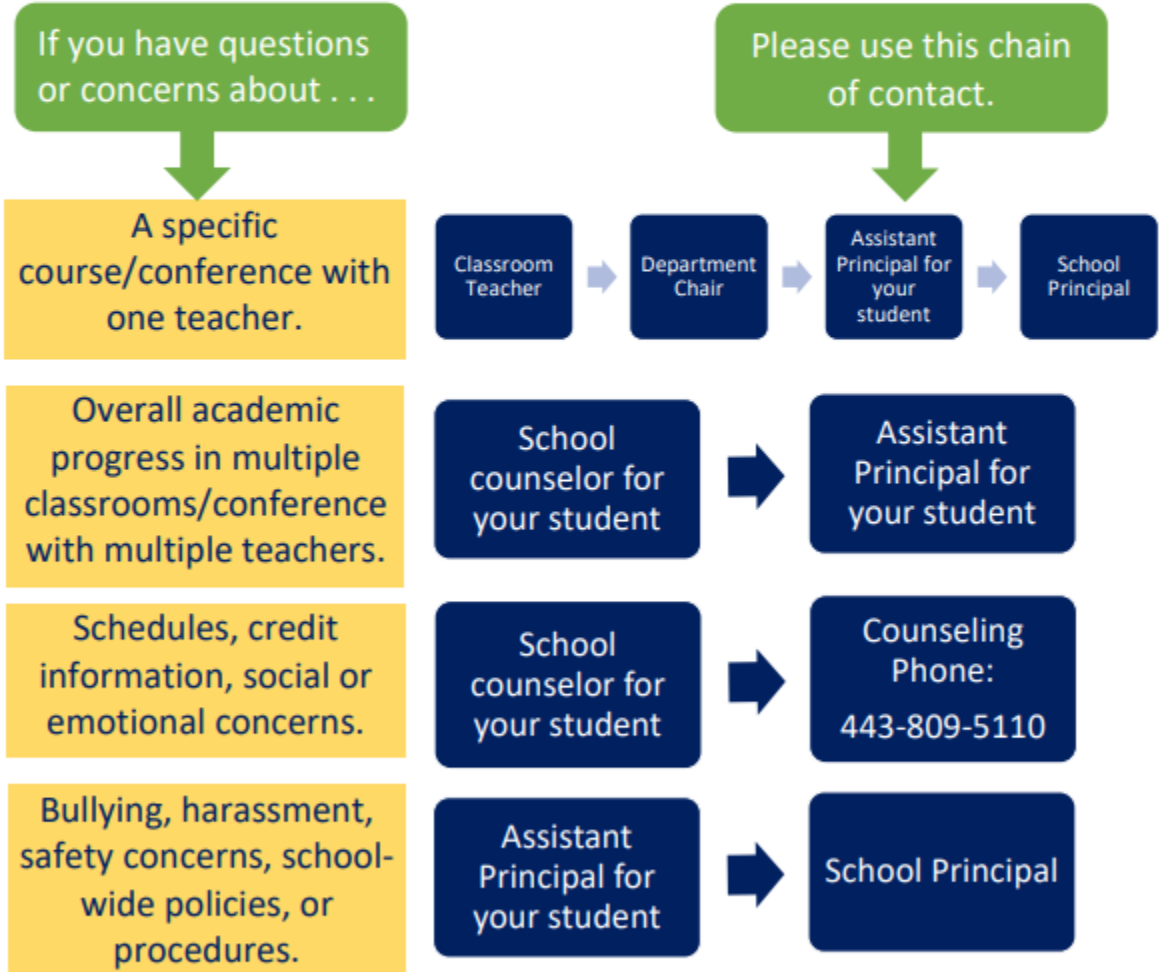
### Perry Hall High School 2023-2024 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR ASSIGNMENTS

Last Name Beginning with:	School Administrator
A – C	Mr. Mark Baikauskas- <a href="mailto:mbaikauskas@bcps.org">mbaikauskas@bcps.org</a>
Seniors	Ms. Tephany Ortiz- <a href="mailto:tortiz@bcps.org">tortiz@bcps.org</a>
D-J	Dr. Roderick Harden- <a href="mailto:rharden4@bcps.org">rharden4@bcps.org</a>
K-Q	Mr. David Soler- <a href="mailto:dsoler@bcps.org">dsoler@bcps.org</a>
R-Z	Mrs. Melissa Hatcher- <a href="mailto:mhatcher@bcps.org">mhatcher@bcps.org</a>

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## PERRY HALL HIGH SCHOOL Contact Information

**Main Contacts:**  
 Main Office: 443-809-5108      Main Office Fax: 443-809-5116  
 School Nurse: 443-809-8840      School Nurse Fax: 443-809-8850



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**Class of 2024:**

Mr. Henry, Mr. Ricciardi Planning for spirit wear, fundraising, and class activities.

Rm 113, Wed(Steering Committee Only) 2:45 to 3:45  
Schoolology Code: 5VHC-DKV3-KXZ8T

**Class of 2025:**

Honor Hartman and Heather Evans. Plan fun class events & fundraisers. 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month 2:30-3pm. Rm 5  
Schoolology MG4R-PQNX-37H29

**Class of 2026:**

Ms. Birmingham and Ms Alam: Instead of complaining about the things you don't like that, get involved and do something about it. Every other Thurs in Room 2.  
Schoolology code: 3QN3-F2S5-SVCRV.

**Class of 2027:**

## Honor Societies

**Art National Honor Society**

Mr. Whipple: Students enrolled in art classes may apply to the society after 1st quarter grades are finalized. Participate in art related events and can take trips to art museums.  
Rm 225, 4th Thurs each Month, 2:30-3:30PM

**National Honor Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA)**

Ms. Soule: NHSDA is the honor society open to any student enrolled in dance at Perry Hall High School.  
Rm 13 3rd Friday each month @ 2:30PM  
Schoolology DVSJ-73PM-3HK3N

**English National Honor Society**

Ms. Drusano, Maintain a 3.5 overall unweighted cumulative GPA; attend induction each year; attend meetings; yearly dues.  
Rm 138, TBD Schoolology code: Q5PFK-DJJS7

**French National Honor Society**

Madame Tadman: Recognizes high academic achievement in French and organizes activities for the culture convention, National French week, and field trip opportunities. Qualified students may apply in the spring for membership.  
Rm 219, 2nd Tuesday of month @ 2:30PM  
stadman@bcps.org

**International Thespian Honor Society:**Mr. Pusateri  
The mission of ITHS is to honor student excellence in the theatre arts; its motto is "Act well they part; there all the honor lies." ITHS is the Education Theatre Association's student honorary organization. Members are required to participate in theater presentations & service to the theatre program as part of their membership. Rm 148, Friday @ 7AM 2FWT-J5SK-4SRGK

**Math Honor Society**

Ms. Dube: Love of Mathematics; excitement of competition; accomplishment of problem solving; comradery; fellowship! cdube@bcps.org  
Rm 202, Thursday 2:30-3:30PM

**National Honor Society**

TBD:Meet new individuals; become more active in the community through donation drives and charities; able to honor your accomplishments & high academic achievements.  
Cafeteria, 1st Wednesday of every month

**Quill & Scroll Honor Society**

Ms. Richardson and Ms. Strazzire, Quill & Scroll National Honor Society is for students who excel in the field of journalism including yearbook and media production. Rm 134, Quarterly Meetings  
Schoolology Code: FGZTX-NTHSV

**Science National Honor Society**

Ms. Blake & Mr. Yelovich: Juniors and Seniors with the requisite GPA can apply in October. Members of SNHS are committed to advancing scientific endeavors to the school and community. They also commit to maintaining an interest in any field of science. Rm 211, 2nd Thursday @ 2:30PM

**Social Studies National Honor Society: Rho Kappa**

Ms. Krause and Mrs. Evans: We acknowledge students who have flourished in the social sciences and are devoted to giving back to their community to promote civic participation.  
Schoolology DF8N-K3R5-98MS8  
Rm 139, 2nd Wednesday of the Month @ 2:45pm

**Spanish National Honor Society**

Ms. da Costa: To further understanding of Spanish and Latin American culture beyond the language. Members help organize the culture convention, celebrate Spanish heritage month, participate in the World Language induction and have field trip opportunities to learn more about Spanish culture.

**Tri-M Music Honor Society**

Mr. Pusateri: Students are selected on the basis of musical ability, academic qualification, and demonstrated leadership skill. Schoolology WCG4-KG4-33M4Q. Rm 148, Monday @ 7AM



**180 Club/Jesus Club:** Mr. Roland: Student-led prayers, conversation and connection with God and each other. Everyone is welcome! Rm 215  
jroland@bcps.org

**African Student Union:** Ms. Drusano . Rm 138. Date and Time TBD. mdrusano@bcps.org

**Anime Club :** Mr. Dagenhart: Watch various animes and have anime-related, manga-related and Japanese-related discussions.  
Rm 7, Every other Tues 2:45-3:45PM  
Schoolology Code RQNN-JZNP-V8M84

**Asian Student Union:** Ms.Long

**Baking Club/ Gator Bakers:** Hartman. Enjoy watching demonstrations, researching, and creating multicultural baking recipes from around the world! Either the 2nd or 4th Wednesday of the month 2:45-4:30pm. Rm. 5. Schoolology 3JHS-JR57-R6CJQ

**Black Student Union:** Ms. Jones and Coach Iweh. An organization encouraging cultural diversity at PHHS, with special regard to students of African descent. Every other Wed. 2:45 - 3:45. Rm 213 K7W7-3KC9-962VC. JJONES27@bcps.org, JIWEH@bcps.org

**Book Club :** Mrs. Adams: Read & discuss books; share love of story and character; Option to participate in Battle of the Books (partnership w/BCPL) Library, 2-3 Mondays a Month TBA. Schoolology:Z89XH-HNQ4B

**Chess Club :** Mr. Haughey: Play Chess with emphasis on instruction, rules, strategies and preparation for competition play. Rm 103, Thurs 2:45 - 3:45 Code 6WPQ-B8GX-CVXWR

**Dance Company- Synergy :** Ms. Soule: Synergy is Perry Hall High's after-school Dance Company. We are a performance-based group focused on contemporary and jazz dance styles. Audition-only. Rm 13. Dance Studio. Tuesday/Thursday 2:30-4:00. ssoule@bcps.org

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**Drama Club** : Mr. Gitelson: Provide Theatre Arts opportunities. The Drama Club is heavily involved in the fall and spring play productions as well as student driven performance projects and improv. Auditorium, Wednesdays @ 2:45- 3:45 PM  
Schoolology: DKG8X-MR67W

**Educators Rising (formerly the FEA)** : Ms. Dessasore: A community-based movement that works alongside the Teacher Academy of Maryland and aims to provide a clear pathway to increase teacher diversity and quality. Rm 108, Every other Wed 2:40-3:40  
Ddessasore@bcps.org

**Electric Car Club** : Mr. Tedeschi: Design, create, and race! Students will apply engineering skills to create an electric vehicle to race against other high schools in the region. Students must commit to one meeting a week, multiple meetings leading up to the race, and a Saturday event (TBA). Tech 5. Wed. 2:30-4:00PM.  
mtedeschi@bcps.org

**Environmental Club** : Ms. Johnson and Mr Henry: Organized to meet the environmental needs of the School and community. Provides opportunities to complete service projects, explore and learn more about the local environment with other students. Thurs: 2:45 -3:45 Rm 312. Schoolology: 4PSSQ-T4QQ9

**E-Sports**: Mr. Aleo: Do you like video games? Casual and competitive gaming for a variety of games (Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart, Mario Sports, and more!). Wed 2:30 to 4:00pm. Rm 212  
Schoolology Code: 2CKS-JNTX-TWGZB

**Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)**  
Ms. Scala: Learn how to handle business problems, participate in the Millionaires Club, compete in Stock Market game, and compete against other FBLA members county and statewide. Rm 213, Every other Thurs, 2:30-3:15PM. hscala@bcps.org

**Gender-Sexuality Alliance** : Ms. Jones: Respect and understanding amongst the group and community. Create a safe space and find ways to promote that idea throughout our communities. Rm. 213 .Every other Monday, 2:45 - 3:45. JJONES27@bcps.org

**Girl-Up** : Ms. Yencsik: A club for empowering women around the world.  
Rm 133, Every other Thursday @ 2:45PM  
Schoolology code: 2MMQ-PNKR-CQCXZ

**Golden Majorettes!** : Ms. Jones: Hip-hop dance group that combines the choreography of gymnastics, modern, ballet, jazz, African and hip-hop dance moves into high energy synchronized hip-hop dance routines. Thurs @ 3:30-4:30PM Schoolology: MVT2-XJQS-NGD3T

**Guitar Ensemble** : Mr. King: Non-Auditioned group that rehearses and performs guitar ensemble arrangements for concerts and events at PHHS. Anyone can join! Rm 152, Wed @ 2:45PM

**Hallways Yearbook** : Ms. Richardson: Elective course offered at PHHS. Yearbook staff and editors meet daily during class and after school.  
Rm 113, TBD @ 2:30PM

**Hallmark Newspaper** : Ms. O'Brien: Current members of Journalism I - Journalism IV meet on Thursdays to work on the student newspaper, the Hallmark.  
kobrien3@bcps.org  
Trailer 1: Thurs 2:30-3:30PM.

**Health Occupations Students of America**  
Ms. Koehn & Mr. Losinger, A student organization that operates pursuant to federal and state laws for the need for HOSA activities to be available parts of career-technical education programs. Rm 310, Fri @ 2:45PM Schoolology 9GFW-HP42-8HMSC

**Just Us Girls**: JaDenna Jones / Sarah Koehn: A mentor program to help girls that have been identified as needing help navigating high school (and life). Every other Tuesday. 2:30 - 3:30. Room 309. Schoolology: Z9TZ-D7X8-PC5HJ. JJONES27@bcps.org. SKOEHN@bcps.org

**Mabuhay Dance Club**: Buscarino. Focus on the different cultural dances and traditions of PHHS students! Learn about the many different dances of our cultures, the meanings behind them, clothing worn and even perform them yourselves. Wednesday 2nd and 4th of the month, 2:30-3:30. Rm 221. mbuscarino@bcps.org

**Majorettes**: Ms. Jones: Hip-hop dance group that combines the choreography of gymnastics, modern, ballet, jazz, African and hip-hop dance moves into high energy synchronized hip-hop dance routines. Cafeteria. Mon-Tues, 2:30 Schoolology: MVT2-XJQS-NGD3T. JJONES27@bcps.org

**Marching Band**: Mr. Feathers. Ensemble supplement musical offerings that students get during school. Marching Band incorporates diverse styles that students can learn in specialized settings. Rm 154

**Mock Trial** : Ms. Fulwiler and Mr. Stern: Create mock cases and compete with other schools to learn more about law and the court system; Schoolology Code: J9XZ-GGKF-V8RWR; Room 100 (Day TBD)

**Model UN** Ms. Robinson: Open to 12 students. Global politics by simulating the work of the United Nations; college prep; learn diplomacy and negotiation skills. Rm 155. 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 2:30 - 3:30: TH6j-G4P5-GWZC

**Muslim Student Association** Ms. Bostian: Where students can freely talk about religion and discuss common problems; carry out social and cultural activities, educate all people regardless of their beliefs, race, gender, etc. about Islam. Remind: @phhmsa to 81010 Library, Wed @ 3PM

**Philosophy Club** Mr. Sawyer, Learn and think about interesting ideas. Communicate and listen like philosophers! Remind: @b3aage.Trailer 5. TBA

**Pit Orchestra**: Mr. Kupyac. All interested enrolled band or orchestra members to join for spring musical.. Please see Mr. Kupyak in Rm. 154.  
KKupyak@bcps.org

**Robotics**: Mr. Tedeschi & Mr. Weber, Design, create & compete! Tech 2 Every Tuesday & Wednesday (Thursdays from December - March. wweber3@bcps.org

**Rock N Roll Workshop**: Mr. King, Auditioned group that does covers of popular rock tunes for events and concerts at PHHS. Rm 152, Wed @ 2:45PM.  
Schoolology Z5XZ-6BVC-DGNFJ

**Rotary InterAct Club** Ms. Bostian & Ms. Vickery, Perform various service learning activities; spread goodwill. " Service above Self". Schoolology DZBF-9ZCC-G8848. Remind: @phhrot. Media Center, Every 3rd Wed @ 2:45PM

**Select Choir** Mr. Pusateri & Ms. Plitt: Perform fun pop arrangements! Open to students in Choir and students who are great singers but couldn't take choir. Schoolology 5N3K4-WGXKP. Rm 148, Thurs 2:30-4PM

**South Asian Student Association**: Ms. Alam: A safe space for students of all backgrounds to discuss and learn about the various cultures that make up South Asia. Rm 106. Wed 2:45PM. jalam@bcps.org; Remind class code: @bgbf68

**Student Council** Ms. Krause & Ms. Neddo, Represents the student body; prepares for homecoming, pep rally, parade; dance, spirit week. Snow dance, winter spirit week, food drive, senior citizen, and various projects. Schoolology PKKPZ-CZ847. Rm 130, Tues 2:30- 4:00 PM

**Vignette Literary Magazine** Ms. Brown. Work collaboratively to create Perry Hall's literary magazine, Vignette. Sharing and critiquing writing and art, creating engaging writing and art contests to share with the school, and designing the magazine. FGTS-X7DM-NHVXK. Rm 140, Thurs 2:30-3:30PM

**Vision Club**: Ms. Drusano. Rm 138. Date and Time TBD. Mdrusano@bcps.org

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## Welcome Back BCPS Families!



### MY SCHOOL NUTRITION

Nutritious breakfast and lunch meals, are now free to ALL students.  
**No more meal applications!**

#### **PIN:** (Personal Identification Numbers)

- All returning BCPS students will use the same pin number as the prior year, even if they changed schools.
- All students will receive a letter with their pin number, emailed to your address on file.
- Pin numbers can also be accessed through FOCUS (Parent Portal).

### Affordability Connectivity Program

As a result of our participation in the CEP Program, all families are eligible to receive a discount of \$30 per month off your internet bill. Please visit GetInternet.Gov to apply and/or ask questions.

For additional information, please visit [bcps.org](http://bcps.org) and scroll to Food and Nutrition OR call us at 443-809-7860

### Community Eligibility Provision

All enrolled students of BCPS will receive breakfast and lunch, free of charge, every day! Breakfast will be served at kiosk locations, as students enter the building. Late arrivals are encouraged to stop by the cafeteria to receive a meal. Lunch includes a variety of fresh and nutritious options, to include a minimum of four entrée choices daily!

**FREE  
BREAKFAST &  
LUNCH**

**PIN  
(PERSONAL  
IDENTIFICATION  
NUMBERS)**

**\$30 OFF  
YOUR  
INTERNET**

### Snacks & Payments

#### Elementary schools

- All Smart Snack approved items will be available for purchase on the serving line at lunch.
- Cash and MySchoolBucks will be accepted.

#### Secondary schools

- Smart Snack approved beverages and snacks are available for purchase in new vending machines located in the cafeteria.

Cash, credit, Google Wallet, and Apple Pay are accepted at the machines. Cash will not be accepted on the serving lines in secondary schools.

MySchoolBucks.com is your online connection to your students' meal program and purchases. Families can monitor meals, set limits, fund student accounts electronically, and more! Visit www.MySchoolBucks.com



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## Athletics

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### BASEBALL-

Mandatory baseball interest meeting for anyone that would like to join the Perry Hall High baseball program this year. Tuesday, Sept 19th 2:30 - 3:15 pm in the cafeteria

### BASKETBALL-

Mandatory meeting for anyone interested in playing in the Perry Hall boys basketball program this year. Tuesday, Sept. 12th 2:30 -3:15 pm in the school cafeteria. See Coach Carlineo in room 305 if you have a conflict.

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## Dance

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Do you love to dance?

Audition for Synergy, PHS's after-school dance company! If you have experience in jazz and contemporary dance, this is the club for you.

Auditions are Tuesday, September 12th from 2:30-3:30. Come dressed in athletic wear. Direct any questions to Ms. Soule in room 13. Hope to see you there!

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## School Pictures

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Picture day for students in grades 9-11 will be during English classes **September 21-22**. This year, PHS is working with Legacy Studios for all school portraits and events. Visit the [Legacy Studios Website](#) for information on ordering school pictures. This year all school picture orders will be delivered to your home address!

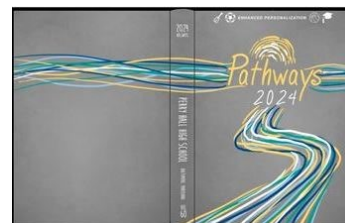
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## Yearbook

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The **2024 Yearbook Pathways** is now on sale at the lowest price of the year. Visit the Josten's

Website [HERE](#) to reserve your copy before **September 30<sup>th</sup>** to take advantage of the "Back to School" offer and receive free icons when you personalize your yearbook. The school sold out of yearbooks last year, so be sure to order your copy early.



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*From the School Nurse*

# MARYLAND MEDICAID RENEWAL IS NOT AUTOMATIC THIS YEAR.

- ✓ Make sure your contact info is up to date so that you can receive your renewal notice for your health insurance.
- ✓ Once you receive it, you'll have 45 days to renew.

Get started at [MarylandHealthConnection.gov/Checkin](https://MarylandHealthConnection.gov/Checkin) or call 855-642-8572 and check in with Medicaid today.

KEEP YOUR INFO CURRENT. KEEP YOURSELF INSURED.





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# LA RENOVACIÓN DE MARYLAND MEDICAID NO ES AUTOMÁTICA ESTE AÑO.

- ✓ Asegúrese de que su información de contacto esté actualizada para que pueda recibir el aviso de renovación de su seguro médico.
- ✓ Una vez que lo reciba, tendrá 45 días para renovar.

Visite [MarylandHealthConnection.gov/Checkin](https://MarylandHealthConnection.gov/Checkin) para comenzar o llame al 855-642-8572 y consulte a Medicaid hoy.

MANTENGA SU INFORMACIÓN ACTUALIZADA. CONSERVE SU SEGURO.





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MARYLAND  
FOOD BANK

# Perry Hall High Food Pantry

Available to any student or family member in need.  
To gain access, please reach out to PHHS school social worker,  
Ms. Strauss, in room 150-B. You can also e-mail  
[jstrauss3@bcps.org](mailto:jstrauss3@bcps.org) or call (443-809-5108).

\*Limited amount of school supplies available upon request.

PHHS, as a community,  
wants to ensure you  
have what you need to  
succeed.

We are here for you!



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## Quick Links

**-BCPS Website:**

[Home - Baltimore County Public Schools \(bcps.org\)](http://bcps.org)

**-Counseling:**

Phone Number-443-809-5110

**-FOCUS Links :**

[SET-UP Parent Link](#)

[Navigate FOCUS Account](#)

**-PTSA:**

[PTSA Website](#)

**-School Information:**

[Home - Perry Hall High \(bcps.org\)](http://bcps.org)

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