



## Welcome Back Panthers!

Prince Andrew High School  
2017 - 2018

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# WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

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## **Hours of Operation**

**PRINCE ANDREW HIGH SCHOOL HOURS OF OPERATION 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.** Students are not permitted in the building outside of these hours unless under the direct supervision of a teacher for extra help or an extracurricular activity.

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## **Important Dates**

Late Registration	Wednesday, August 30 / 17
First Day of School for Students	Thursday, September 7 / 17
School Photo Day	Thursday, September 7 / 17
Curriculum Night	Thursday, September 14 / 17 (6 - 7:30 pm)
Professional Development Day (no classes for students)	Friday, September 29 / 17 (6 - 7:30 pm)

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## **Student Fees**

Total Fee: \$45

Breakdown (Field Trips: \$10, Athletics: \$20, Co-Curricular: \$15)

Student fees are collected during the first week of school from students (cash / cheque)

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## **Bus Schedules**

Any inquiries regarding bus routes and times please call:

Stock Transportation (902) 481 - 8400

or

[www.stockhalifax.com](http://www.stockhalifax.com)

Download the Stock Transportation Bus Tracker APP

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**Bell Schedule**

First Bell	8:25 am
First Class Begins	8:30 am
First Class Ends	9:50 am
Second Class Begins	10:00 am
Second Class Ends	11:20 am
Lunch Begins	11:20 am
Lunch Ends	12:15 pm
Third Class Begins	12:20 pm
Third Class Ends	1:40 pm
Fourth Class Begins	1:50 pm
Fourth Class Ends	3:10 pm

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**Block Pattern**

	Monday Day 1	Tuesday Day 2	Wednesday Day 3	Thursday Day 4	Friday
1st Class 8:30 - 9:50	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	Rotates using Monday to Thursday
2nd Class 10:00 - 11:20	<b>B</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>	
11:20 - 12:15	<b>Lunch</b>				
3rd Class 12:20 - 1:40	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	
4th Class 1:50 - 3:10	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>A</b>	

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## **Powerschool Student Information System**

The Halifax Regional School Board continues to use the Student Information System (SIS). The system allows students and parents to log on to their own private online account and see grades, track attendance, learn about upcoming assignments and catch up on school events and announcements.

Information will be made available about how to log on to a private account and access real-time information. The system includes a student and parent portal, enabling students and parents to see similar information such as attendance, grades, assignments, teachers' comments and upcoming school events. Students and parents will be able to log on anywhere there is internet access such as home, work or school. The benefits of this system extend beyond convenience and fast access.

### **Reasons why PARENTS should be regular Powerschool users**

- As a reminder to call the attendance line (902 435-8452 ext. 1)
- To check on attendance and late records to make sure your child is attending their classes
- To track grades so that I know where they stand
- To view the Grade History section, and click on grade percentage to see all of the assignments and tests and the marks they have received for each that has brought them to that grade percentage to date
- To see courses/credits they have completed to date so that I know what they need to graduate
- To ensure that my contact and demographic information is correct in case the school needs to get in touch with me. If it is incorrect please email Mrs. Crooks at [scrooks@hrsb.ca](mailto:scrooks@hrsb.ca)
- To read comments from teachers about areas of strengths and challenges in their learning
- To help make decisions on their course selections for the following school year
- To play an active role in their learning and attendance by keeping track and supporting their educational needs
- Teachers often send messages via PowerSchool so check regularly
- Rather than "Do you have any homework?" PowerSchool provides many conversation starters
- Teachers will update PowerSchool monthly

### **Reasons why STUDENTS should be regular Powerschool users**

- To check my attendance and late records to make sure everything is in order to receive my exam Exemption
  - To track my grades so that I know where I stand and see if I have any outstanding assessments
  - To view the Grade History section, and click on my grade percentage to see all of my assignments and tests and the marks I received for each that has brought me to that grade percentage to date
  - To see courses/credits I have completed to date so that I know what I need to graduate
  - To directly email my teacher from PowerSchool if I have any questions
  - To read comments from my teachers about my areas of strengths and challenges in my learning
  - To choose my course requests for the following school year from PowerSchool
  - To be more in charge of my learning and attendance by looking at common patterns (eg. Why am I always late for the first class in the morning)
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## **Important School Phone Numbers**

902 435 8452

Main Office - press 0

Attendance - press 1

Student Services - press 6

Administration	Student Services
Vice Principal (for surnames A-K) - press 4	Counsellor (for surnames A-K) - press 7
Vice Principal (for surnames L-Z) - press 5	Counsellor (for surnames L-Z) - press 8
Principal - press 9	Registrar (enter extension 4101005)

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### **No Scents Please**

There are students and staff at Prince Andrew who are very allergic to scented products. Out of respect for fellow students and staff, we ask everyone to refrain from using these kinds of products during class time, extra curricular activities, parent teacher meeting and school events.

Thank you.

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### **Attendance**

#### ABSENCE CALLS

If your son/daughter is excusably absent, parents/guardians need to call the school attendance line @ 902-435-8452 extension 1 to inform the school. Please do not leave attendance messages for administrators or teachers.

The attendance line is used to enter attendance directly into the school's computer system to inform both subject teachers and administrators of students who will not be attending for that particular day. The attendance line is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and is manually checked in the morning each school day for your convenience.

At the end of the day, an automated call will be forwarded to your home telephone to notify of any unexcused absences.

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### **Course Changes**

Here at Prince Andrew we spend a great deal of time working with our students in the spring to choose their courses for the upcoming school year, to ensure they: are meeting graduation requirements, meeting post secondary program(s) entrance requirements, and meeting student needs and interests. This allows us to build the best possible schedules for the students in the spring for the upcoming school year.

Some course changes may be possible to meet graduation requirements or updated post secondary program(s) entrance requirements if there is space available in the particular courses. If this is not possible the guidance counsellors will discuss alternatives such as Nova Scotia Virtual School or correspondence studies offered through the Department of Education and Childhood Development.

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**Exam Exemption Policy**

In order to be granted an exam exemption in one course each semester the following criteria will have to be met:

- No more than 6 (absent or absent with notification) absences in any course
- No more 6 lates in any course
- The student cannot have missed a major piece of assessment that are expected in the program outcomes in the course in which they are choosing an exemption
- A student cannot choose an exemption in a course they are failing

The following courses do not qualify for an exam exemption and the student is required to write the exam:

Mathematics at Work 10 Mathematics 10 English 10	Mathematics at Work 11 English 11 Mathematics 11 Pre-Calculus 11 English Communications 11	Mathematics 12 English 12 Pre-Calculus 12 Calculus 12 English 12: African Heritage Literature English Communications 12
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**Note:** A student enrolled in Grade 10 Pre IB or IB Courses cannot be exempt from any exam

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**Emergency Medical Alert Form**

ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS ARE REQUIRED TO FILL OUT THESE FORMS IF APPLICABLE. IT IS IMPORTANT FOR SCHOOL STAFF AND ADMINISTRATION TO BE AWARE OF ANY MEDICAL EMERGENCY INFORMATION. THESE FORMS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST AND WE WILL HELP COMPLETE THEM IN COLLABORATION WITH FAMILIES AND THEIR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. IF APPLICABLE PLEASE CONTACT THE STUDENT SERVICES OFFICE AND LET US KNOW AND WE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH THE APPROPRIATE FORM.

**Severe Medical Conditions Include:**

1. Diabetes Plan
2. Seizure Plan
3. Heart Condition
4. Asthma

5. General Plan
6. Tube Feeding Procedure Plan
7. Catheterization Procedure Plan
8. Medical Procedure Tracking Form
9. Anaphylaxis Emergency Plan

**Administration of Medication to Students**

Form A Administration of prescribed medication to students

Form B Administration of prescribed Medication Record

**Co-curricular Clubs / Committees / Athletics**

Being involved in a school club, participating on a school committee, or playing on a school varsity team is a great way to increase your students connection to our school. The following is a list of activities that may be available for students to participate in, however this list is subject to change based on student interest and teacher / community involvement:

Anime Club	Art Club	Audio Recording Club
Badminton Club	Band / Music	Best Buddies
Breakfast Program	Brain War	Dance Club
Eco-Club	Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA)	Girl's Group
Guy's Group	Guitar Club	Improv Club
International Student's Club	Intramurals (Lunch)	Mr. PA
Nova Scotia Math League	Nova Scotia Secondary School Students Association (NSSSA)	PA Tech
PA Players	Peer Tutoring	Politics Club
School Advisory Council	Songwriting Club	Student Council
YHC - Jack.org	Yoga Club	Youth Health Committee
	Underwater Robotics	Ujima Cultural Group

**Varsity Sports**

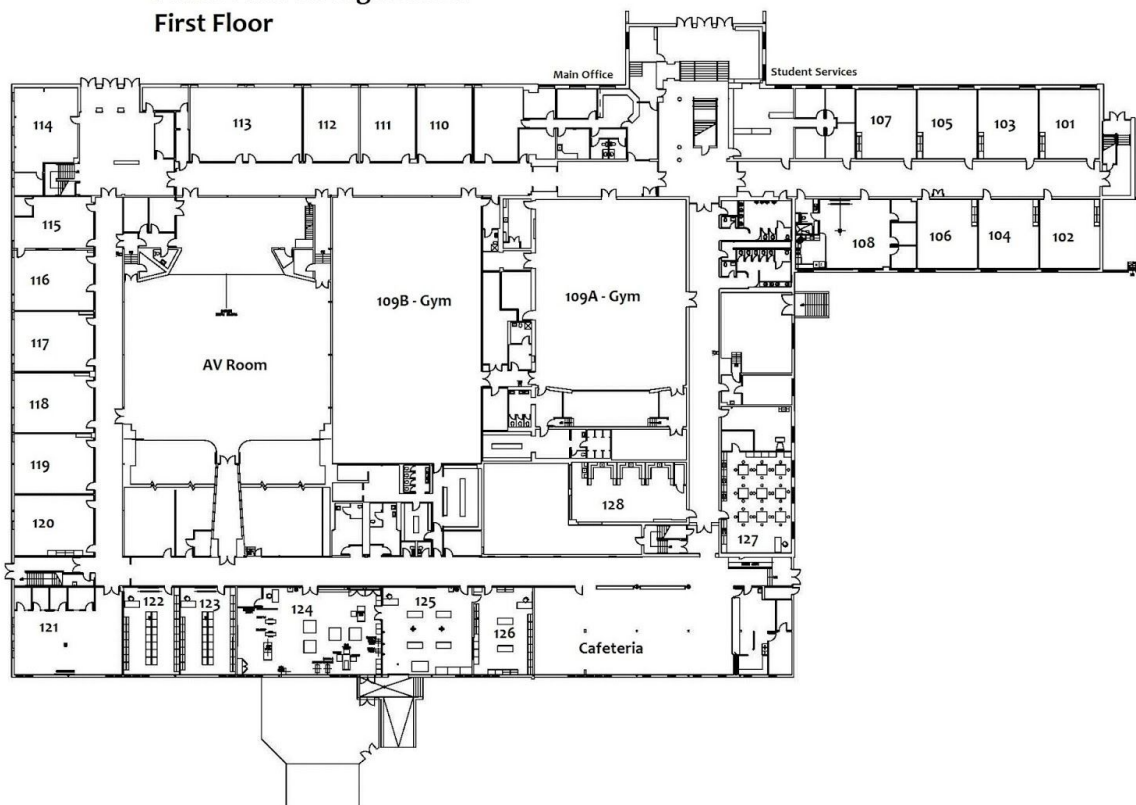
- Baseball Mixed Team
- Golf Boys and Girls Teams
- Cross Country Boys and Girls Teams

- Soccer Boys and Girls Teams
- Football Mixed Team
- Volleyball Boys and Girls Teams
- Hockey Boys Team
- Basketball Boys and Girls Teams
- Curling Boys, Girls and Mixed Teams
- Badminton Boys Girls and Mixed Teams
- Table Tennis Boys and Girls Teams
- Rugby Boys and Girls Teams
- Slo-Pitch Boys and Girls Teams
- Track and Field Boys and Girls Teams
- Lacrosse
- Field Hockey Girls Team
- Ultimate Frisbee

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## School Map

### Prince Andrew High School First Floor





Prince Andrew High School  
Second Floor

