



## Ogden West Campus: FAQ's

### **1. How does my student check their grades online?**

1. Visit <https://student.cps.k12.il.us>
2. Log in using your CPS username and password (If you forget, contact Mr. Noel)
3. View your grades and attendance.

### **2. How do I check my student's grades?**

The Parent Portal is a unique web-based tool that allows you to securely view your student's grades and attendance online. You can register to receive e-mail or text notifications when your student is absent or when his or her grades drop below a point you identify. Additionally, you will be able to communicate directly with your student's teachers, enhancing the opportunity for parent-teacher interaction.

- How to create an account:  
See and/or e-mail Mr. Noel ([sjnoel@cps.edu](mailto:sjnoel@cps.edu)) to receive a PIN. Once you have received your PIN you can create your Parent Portal account. Here's how it works:
  - a. Fill out the Parent Account Signup page and agree to the terms of usage at <https://parent.cps.k12.il.us>
  - b. Link to your student's school record using your school-issued PIN; and
  - c. View your student's grades and attendance.

### **3. What about Class Websites?**

Students and parents can go online to <http://ogden.cps.edu/our-staff.html> and find classroom websites.

### **4. Who should my student see if their lock on their locker doesn't work or a new student needs a locker assigned?**

Mr. Nivar, Dean of students ([rnivar@cps.edu](mailto:rnivar@cps.edu)) will help ensure your student has an appropriate locker. If your child loses their lock they will need to purchase another lock from the Main Office for \$10.00. For safety purposes only school locks may be used.

### **5. When will my student get his or her ID?**

Students took photos for IDs during registration, orientation or during a makeup session. IDs will be processed and printed within the coming weeks.

### **6. How early is my student able to arrive at school or stay in the school building?**

The building is open to students at 7:30am. In the case of inclement weather, please adjust arrival time since we are not staffed to provide entrance to students before this time. Unless participating in an official school activity and supervised by a coach or sponsor students must exit the building promptly at 3:15pm. There is no afterschool care at the West Campus as we do not have staff to supervise students. Middle school students needing afterschool care should contact J@School ([jatschool@jccchicago.org](mailto:jatschool@jccchicago.org)). All J@School activities occur at the East Campus.

### **7. Who does my student see to talk about their schedule?**

Parents should contact their child's guidance counselor regarding schedules. Assigned counselors are as follows: Mr. Ribaud grades 6-8 ([ndribaud@cps.edu](mailto:ndribaud@cps.edu)), Mrs. Witherspoon grades 9-12 ([jwitherspoon@cps.edu](mailto:jwitherspoon@cps.edu)).

### **8. Does my student get a recess?**

All middle school students have a 25-minute recess either before or after their lunch period. .

### **9. When will textbooks be distributed?**

Textbook distribution will take place during the first two weeks of school.

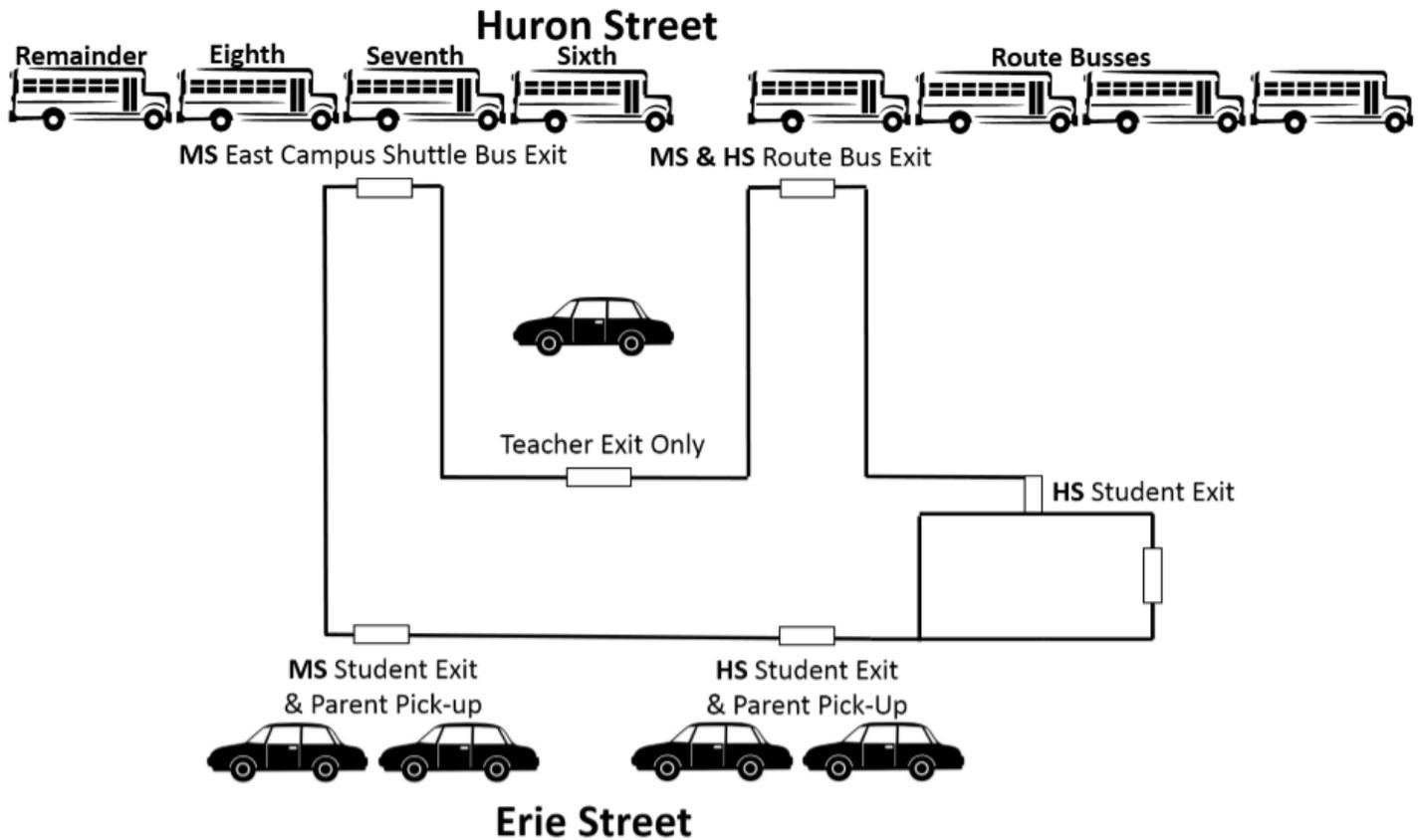
### **10. How do I support my student with Executive Functioning (Organizational) skills?**

One of the more important parts of the Executive Functioning system is providing a comfortable and well lit area for homework completion. As much as students would love to sit in front of the TV, computer or listening to music doing homework, it is highly encouraged that students work an area that is conducive for learning with as few distractions as possible. We also encourage you to check the Parent Portal often, as this will enable you to monitor your student's academic progress on a daily basis. Setting goals, both short and long term is also something that you can help your student with. Large projects can seem overwhelming to many until those projects are broken down into manageable steps. Please utilize the planner that was distributed to students as a means of organizing and prioritizing tasks.



**11. What about the busses? Where do they gather and what are those procedures for shuttle and route busses?**

All shuttle buses load students on Huron Street. Both shuttle and route buses will leave from Huron Street. Students taking buses should exit out the back entrances. Busses depart promptly at 3:20pm and arrive at East campus within 15-20 minutes depending upon traffic.



**12. If I pick my student up from school, where should I be waiting?**

Parent pick-up and drop-off should only happen on Erie Street. Please avoid double and triple parking to ensure a safe and efficient flow of traffic. Ogden's Safety and Security team will be present on Huron and Erie to provide support and direction for both students and parents.

**13. Does my student need to purchase a Physical Education Uniform?**

Students registered for Physical Education in grades 9-12 will receive information regarding PE uniforms during the first week of school. Middle school students do need PE Uniforms. Additional PE Uniforms are available for purchase from the Physical Education teachers upon request.

**14. Does my student have off-campus lunch?**

We offer the privilege of off campus lunch to Juniors and Seniors that meet high academic, behavioral and attendance standards. This privilege must be applied for quarterly. Please see the [West Campus Off-Campus Lunch Policy](#) for additional criteria and conditions that must be met or contact Mr. Nivar ([rnivar@cps.edu](mailto:rnivar@cps.edu)) if you have any additional questions.

**15. I'm not getting emails from the school? What do I do?**

Please visit our website's main page, [ogden.cps.edu](http://ogden.cps.edu) and under the "Our Parents" drop down click "Sign up for school updates." Enter your contact information and you'll begin receiving e-mails from the school immediately.

**16. How can my son or daughter purchase a CTA Ventra card? How much do they cost?**

Students can purchase Ventra Cards in the main office from Ms. Hernandez for \$5. These Ventra Cards do not expire until 2018. Rides are subsidized for student riders.