

Parents and students, **Check Out** what you need to know to begin the school year **2021 - 2022...**

- ✔ You can find the **Code of Student Conduct** on the DCPS website: www.duvalschools.org, click on the students and families tab and then click Code of Conduct.
- ✔ You can find information concerning the cost of meals and forms for **free/reduced meals** on the DCPS website: www.duvalschools.org. Click Departments on the main menu then select Food Service. You can also call (904) 732-5145 or email Food Services at foodservice@duvaschools.org.
- ✔ Parents, please familiarize yourself with the **school map** on the school website which contains parent drop-off and pick-up locations, as well as parking areas. The front of the school is for faculty, staff, and visitor parking.
- ✔ **Bus routes** can be found on the DCPS website: www.duvalschools.org under Departments, then select Transportation. Additional inquiries can be made directly to the Transportation Department at (904) 858-6200.
- ✔ Adults who would like to **volunteer** to help at Paxon SAS: Complete volunteer form directly on the DCPS website: www.duvalschools.org. Click Departments on the main menu, select Family and Community Engagement, then select volunteers.
- ✔ Sign up for the **grade portal**, FOCUS: <https://accounts.public.duvalschools.org/enrollment/wizard.aspx>.
- ✔ **Engage in Paxon SAS Communication Platforms:**
 - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PaxonSAS/>
 - Website: <https://dcps.duvalschools.org/psas>
 - Counseling Blog: <http://paxonguidance.weebly.com/blog>
 - Remind: Join with code @bdg7adg
 - DCPS App: Select Paxon for school specific updates

Paxon Athletics (Cash or Check only) and PTSA will have Paxon paraphernalia available for purchase during Orientation 2021 - 2022



Show your Paxon SAS school pride by purchasing Paxon SAS spirit wear in person or in advance in the Paxon SAS PTSA Online Store, <https://paxon-ptsa.square.site/>. Advance orders will be ready for pick up at orientation. All forms of payment are accepted including credit cards.

Paxon SAS PTSA sponsors many programs and events for our teachers, administrators, staff and students throughout the year. Please show your support by joining the Paxon SAS PTSA. Dues (\$7) can be paid online or in person at orientation. Membership cards will be emailed.

Items and designs vary

On Campus Parking Application (\$20)

Off Campus Lunch Application Applications are located on our school website under orientation. Please have all necessary documents and signatures.

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Orientation 2021 - 2022

All the printed mail-out materials, information sheets, and forms can be located and printed from the Paxon SAS website. Click Orientation on the home page.

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Highest Expectations

Dr. Royce L. Turner, Principal

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A Message from the Principal....

Eagles,

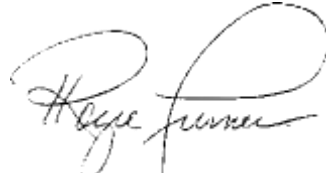
The unbelievable circumstances of the past year have propelled us to this point. We must now prepare to put in the work. The 2020-21 school year witnessed us celebrate more National Merit Finalists, earn recognition as one of the top one percent of all high schools in the nation and accept acknowledgement as a National Magnet School of Distinction. We continue to be an academic force. We now must again find our laser focus on success.

This orientation brochure contains a wealth of information pertaining to the grade level orientation sessions. Please take a moment to review the dates, times, activities, resources and locations we have outlined for your student. We have taken a great deal of time and energy to anticipate the needs of our students during this orientation. However, if there is something that we have overlooked, please call or email the school to inform us so that we might improve our process.

We anticipate we will have representatives from the Public Library, Chartwells Food Services, Paxon Athletics and Paxon PTSA. Additionally, we will have student clubs and organizations, transportation information and Extended Day communication. The goal of our orientation is to have our families leave the school more informed, prepared and excited about the educational journey we are traveling.

Thank you all for continuing to support our school. The entire Paxon community is excited about what lies ahead as the 2021-22 school year is certain to be another success. The strong partnerships we have formed with our parents will continue to grow. I encourage all students to maintain their academic focus during the summer as you complete the summer reading and assignments. Do not neglect to spend quality time with your family and friends. We will continue to strive to meet the highest expectations. See you in the halls.

With Highest Expectations,



Dr. Royce L. Turner
Principal



Distinction



Orientation Information

PAXON School for Advanced Studies will hold orientation July 13th or 14th for 10th, 11th, and 12th grades and July 20th-22nd for 9th graders. Students will receive their schedule, books, and other pertinent information during this time. Parking decals (\$20 – required forms can be downloaded from school website) and possible replacement ID badges (\$5.00 – cash only) will also be available. P.E. lockers can be rented for \$5 on the first day of school. Please note that all locks on campus must be Paxon issued. Students are not allowed to use one from home.

ALL SENIORS

Tuesday, July 13th
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
(students may come anytime
during this window)

ALL JUNIORS

Tuesday, July 13th
12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
(students may come anytime
during this window)

SOPHOMORES

Wednesday, July 14th
Last Names **A-L**: 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
(students may come anytime during their assigned
window)
Last Names **M-Y**: 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
(students may come anytime during their assigned
window)

Steps to Success at Orientation

✓ Schedules and Textbooks

Learning Center – Pick-up the most current schedule and sign receipt for textbooks. Schedules are now available for viewing in FOCUS under the 2021-2022 school year. Scheduling was completed based upon your submitted course requests. There will be no schedule changes unless there is an error. If you have not submitted your course request form, please do so at <http://paxonguidance.weebly.com/course-catalog-and-registration.html>.

✓ Parking Decals – Room 114

Social Studies Hallway – Turn-in completed application with parent signature, show driver's license, have current registration and proof of insurance, and give \$20 to receive your parking decal for 2021-2022. Please note that application can be downloaded from school website.

✓ CAS Information Session for IB Juniors – Room 118

Social Studies Hallway – Special session designed for IB juniors to help them prepare for starting their CAS requirement. Get a jumpstart on your CAS requirement with brainstorming and Q&A with Mrs. Culpepper. Students will also complete their CAS planning sheet and CAS Initial Personal Self-Review. Please bring your laptop.

✓ ID Badges – Student Services

Main Hallway – Have ID Badge made or pay for a replacement. First badge is free for new students, but replacements are \$5. *Students new to Paxon will receive IDs when school begins.

✓ Parent Involvement- Main Hallway

- PTSA (membership \$7)
- Athletic Booster Club
- Yearbook Sales
- College Representatives (July 13th only)
- Other Organizations