

QCHS Orientation Night

2022-23



Tonight's Agenda

- Meet the Administrators, Counselors, Office Team & Nurse
- Arrival & Dismissal Procedures
- Attendance requirements
- Introduction to Pathways
- Resources: Clubs, Canvas Overview, Parent Website

Meme of “Keep calm and Welcome Back”



Image of a magnifying glass





Meet Your High School Team



Meet your Leadership Team

**Mr. V,
(van't Hoenderdaal)
Principal**



**Mr. Dinney,
House Principal
9th Grade**



**Mrs. Carolla,
House Principal
A - Hai**



**Mr. Magditch,
House Principal
Hal - Pat**



**Ms. Finnerty,
House Principal
Pau - Z**



**Mr. Soto,
Dean of Students**



Meet your Counselors

We're Here for YOU!
Counseling Office
215-529-2069

Mr. Breininger
A - De



Ms. Henry
Di - H



Mrs. Roth
I - Mi



Mr. Gozzard
Mo - Sa



Mrs. Sabol
Sc - Z



Meet the Office Support Team

**Mrs. Okken, Office
Manager
Secretary to Mr. V.**



**Mrs. Derewal,
Secretary for
Ms. Carolla and
Mr. Magditch**



**Mrs. Fehnel,
Attendance
Secretary**



**Ms. Plumley
Secretary for
Mr. Dinney and
Ms. Finnerty**



**Main
Number
215-529-2060**



Meet the Counseling Support Team

**Mrs. Arlene
Taylor, Guidance
Secretary A-Mi**



**Mrs. Devlin,
Guidance
Secretary Mo-Z**



Meet your Nurses

**Nurses Office
215-529-2075**

Ms. Kelly, RN



Ms. Schwartz, RN



Ms. Beaty-Rawa, RN



Teachers will only be sending students to the nurse for serious health concerns. Teachers will have First Aid kits in their classrooms containing these items:

- Band-aids
- Gauze
- Lip balm
- Gloves
- Cough drops
- Tissues

Library Team

**Ms. Roxanne Brandis -
Library Secretary**



**Ms. Gayle Quinton -
Librarian**



Athletics

**Mrs. Banas - Athletics
Secretary**





What will I need to be successful?



What Supplies Will I Need This Year?

1. Your laptop (every day)
2. Your laptop charger - **please remember to charge your laptop at night, and bring your charger each day.**
3. Anything else will be up to the individual teacher.



Can I use my cell phone in class?



Cell Phones

- Every classroom will have a cell phone holder.
- Students are required to have cell phones away or in the pockets.
- If it is not away, and a teacher sees it, the student will be asked to hand the phone in to the teacher until the end of the period.
- If the student refuses, the phone will be confiscated by the administrator until the end of the day.





What is the Updated Bell Schedule?



Updated Bell Schedule

1 st Period	8:15 AM	8:59 AM	44 min
2 nd Period	9:03 AM	9:47 AM	44 min
3 rd Period	9:51 AM	10:35 AM	44 min
Lunch / PRIDE	10:40 AM	11:11 AM	31 min
	11:16 AM	11:47 AM	31 min
4 th Period	11:52 AM	12:36 PM	44 min
5 th Period	12:40 PM	1:24 PM	44 min
6 th Period	1:28 PM	2:12 PM	44 min
7 th Period	2:16 PM	3:00 PM	44 min

On the First Day

- Students must be in their 1st Period class by 8:15 AM. The school day ends at 3:00 PM.
 - The Panther Cafe serves coffee, juice, and light breakfast foods prior to the start of the school day. Main doors open at 7:45 for breakfast.
 - Unless scheduled with a teacher, arrive no earlier than 8:00 AM throughout the year.
- Seven 44-minute periods, with a lunch/PRIDE block mid-day
 - You either have 1st Lunch or 2nd Lunch (SAME on A & B Days)
 - PRIDE: A-Day and B-Day PRIDE
 - Can visit lockers between any classes (as long as you make it to your next class on time!)
 - Computers should be carried in a protective bag



How does Attendance Work?



Attendance

Daily Attendance

- Taken by 8:15 daily
- Reported to the state for compulsory education laws.
- K12 SWIPE

Period Attendance

- Taken each period by the teacher.

Absences **ADD UP**

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

MISSING

18

DAYS IN A
SCHOOL YEAR

or

2

DAYS EVERY
MONTH

EQUALS:



LOWER TEST SCORES



RETENTION IN LATER GRADES

*used with permission of Attendance Works.

DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but...

If your child misses...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of school that's...
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

If you want your child to be successful at school then
YES, attendance does matter!

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

SafeArrival

With **SafeArrival**, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the **SchoolMessenger app** from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>). The first time you use the app, select **Sign Up** to create your account. Select **Attendance** then **Report an Absence**.
2. Use the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>. The first time you use the website, select **Sign Up** to create your account. Select **Attendance** then **Report an Absence**.
3. Call the toll-free number **1-833-834-4911** to report an absence using the automated phone system.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

**INFO AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE. THIS IS THE SAME
AS YOU USED AT STRAYER LAST YEAR**

SWIPEK12 SCHOOL SOLUTIONS

STUDENT ID BARCODE APP

Forget your bar-coded ID card? Use the Swipe App On your Apple or Android phone. Works in the library, lunchroom, nurse or wherever you need a barcode!

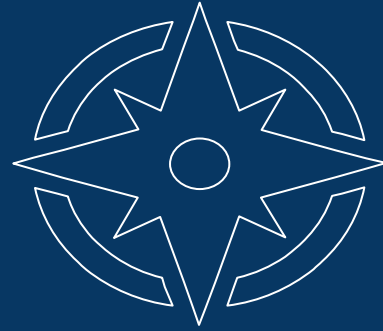
Android



Apple IOS







How does lunch work? What is PRIDE?



Lunch

- 1 Serving Area (Main Cafeteria)
- 3 Eating Area Options
 - Cafe
 - Commons
 - Gym Lobby
- Lunches no longer free for all students
- More [information about Free and Reduced lunch](#)
- PRIDE
- Resource period either before or after scheduled lunch.

How to Add Money to your Student's Lunch Account

To ease a parent's ability to track a student's food purchases, payments and meal account balances, Quakertown Community School District uses an online system that allows parents to:

- Pay for school meals using a Visa, MasterCard and Discover debit or credit card
- View meal account balances
- View a Meal Account Transaction History Report with a detailed list of cash, check or
- Avoid challenges associated with students handling cash or check
- Receive emails when meal account balances are low

Parent participation in <https://www.schoolcafe.com/> is voluntary and parents may enroll at any time. Enrolling in the service will allow parents to access this information 24 hours a day, seven days a week. For those who do not wish to add funds electronically, students may bring money (Check Payable to Quakertown Community School District) to the cafeteria to be added to the meal account.

Note: The Full Name of the Student Must be in the Memo Section to Ensure Proper Credit.

[TO SET UP A NEW ACCOUNT OR LOG IN TO AN EXISTING ACCOUNT: Please click here.](#)

For questions, contact the Food Service Department at (215) 529-2018.



How does the schedule work if I am in tech?



AM Tech Schedule

AM UBCTS			
UBCTS- Travel	8:10 AM	8:30 AM	
UBCTS Lab	8:30 AM	10:40 AM	130 min
Lunch	10:40 AM	11:00 AM	
UBCTS Travel	11:10 AM	11:30 AM	
Transition	11:35 AM	11:47 AM	12 min.
4 th Period	11:52 AM	12:36 PM	44 min
5 th Period	12:40 PM	1:24 PM	44 min
6 th Period	1:28 PM	2:12 PM	44 min
7 th Period	2:16 PM	3:00 PM	44 min

PM Tech Schedule

PM UBCTS			
1 st Period	8:15 AM	8:59 AM	44 min
2 nd Period	9:03 AM	9:47 AM	44 min
3 rd Period	9:51 AM	10:35 AM	44 min
UBCTS- Travel	10:40 AM	11:00 AM	
Lunch	11:05 AM	11:25 AM	
UBCTS Lab	11:30 AM	2:15 PM	165 min
UBCTS Travel	2:20 PM	2:40 PM	

PM UBCTS – 10th Grade ONLY			
1 st Period	8:15 AM	8:59 AM	44 min
2 nd Period	9:03 AM	9:47 AM	44 min
3 rd Period	9:51 AM	10:35 AM	44 min
PRIDE Class	10:40 AM	11:11 AM	31 min.
Lunch	11:16 AM	11:36AM	
UBCTS- Travel	11:40 AM	12:00 PM	
UBCTS Lab	12:00 PM	2:15 PM	135 min
UBCTS Travel	2:20 PM	2:40 PM	



What do I need to be able to graduate?



Every Class Counts in High School

	Class of 2022 and Beyond	
	QCHS Full Time	UBCTS Students
English	4.0	4.0
Social Studies	4.0	3.0
Science	3.0/4.0*	3.0
Mathematics	3.0/4.0*	3.0
Physical Education	1.0	1.0
Health	1.0	1.0
Arts	0.5	0.5**
Elective	6.5	8.5
	24 credits	24 credits

* QCHS Full Time Students must have a minimum of 7 total Math and Science credits combined to be eligible for graduation. Full time students must complete Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2A, as well as Biology, Chemistry and Physics even if the credit requirement has been met. Exceptions must be approved by the Assistant Superintendent.

**Participation in the UBCTS program may satisfy this requirement.



When is picture day?



Picture Day Schedule

Tuesday, August 30, 2022 - Normal Schedule (B Day)

Start	End	Photos in QPAC
8:15 AM	9:00 AM	Juniors (A-F) 117
9:05 AM	9:45 AM	Juniors (G-K) 75 / Junior PM UBCTS (Q-Z) 26
9:50 AM	10:40 AM	Juniors (L-P) 116
10:40 AM	11:45 AM	LUNCH/B PRIDE
11:45 AM	12:30 PM	Juniors (Q-Z) 109
12:35 PM	1:20 PM	Freshmen (A-F) 109
1:25 PM	2:10 PM	Freshmen (G-L) 108
2:15 PM	3:00 PM	Junior/Sophomore AM UBCTS Students 91

Wednesday, August 31, 2022 - Normal Schedule (A Day)

Start	End	Photos in QPAC
8:15 AM	9:00 AM	Sophomores (A-E) 102 / Sophomore PM UBCTS (S-Z) 4
9:05 AM	9:45 AM	Sophomores (F-L) 126
9:50 AM	10:40 AM	Sophomores (M-R) 105
10:40 AM	11:45 AM	LUNCH/A PRIDE
11:45 AM	12:30 PM	Sophomores (S-Z) 104
12:35 PM	1:20 PM	Freshmen (M-R) 115
1:25 PM	2:10 PM	Freshmen (S-Z) 92
2:15 PM	3:00 PM	Any Remaining Students

Quakertown High School
Picture Day is August 30 & 31, 2022

GET READY FOR PICTURE DAY

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THE MOMENT!



To prepay for your order go to:
ORDERS.CHRISTMASCITYSTUDIO.COM
and enter your School Code: **QCHS22**
(Prepay code expires 48 hours after picture day)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHEN DOES PREPAY CLOSE & THE CODE EXPIRE?

Prepay closes 48 hours after Picture Day and at this point the prepay code expires.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I FORGOT TO ORDER & THE PREPAY CODE HAS ALREADY EXPIRED?

You will have another opportunity to order once you receive your individual proof card. Proof cards include your student specific code and instructions on how to order.

WHEN & WHERE WILL THE PROOF CARDS BE SENT?

Proof cards are emailed directly to families 3-4 weeks after Picture Day. If your campus did not provide parent email addresses, we will deliver all Proof Cards back to the school to be distributed to students.

IF I ORDERED A PACKAGE WHERE WILL IT BE SENT?

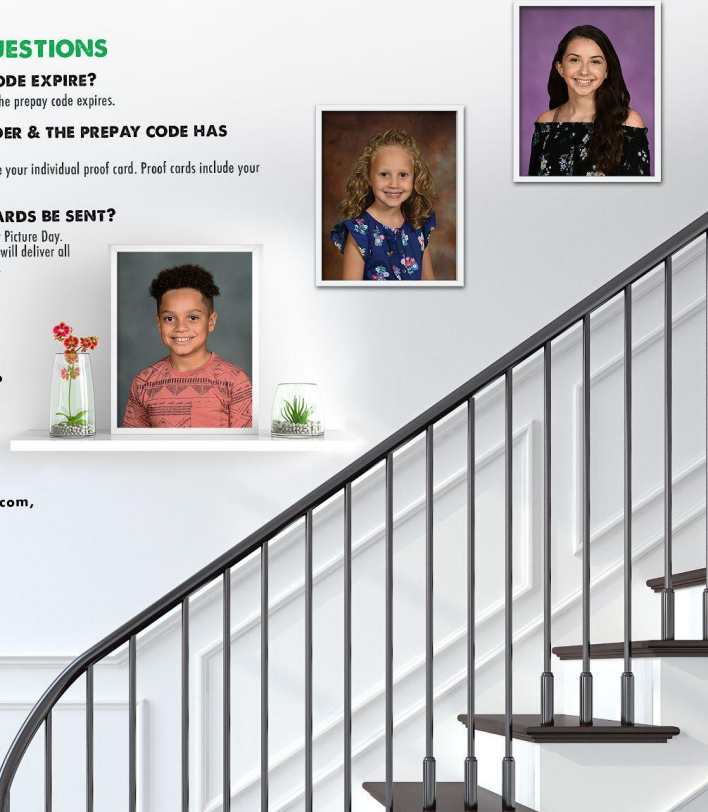
Any packages ordered Pre or Post Picture Day will be shipped directly home.

WHEN WILL PACKAGES BE SHIPPED?

All prepaid packages will be shipped approximately 3-4 weeks after Picture Day.

WHO DO I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT MY ORDER?

Questions regarding your order may be directed to:
Customerservice@christmascitystudio.com,
610-691-2109 or 888-962-7289



3200 Farmersville Rd.,
Bethlehem, PA 18020
christmascitystudio.com
610.691.2109 • 888.962.7289

Students will receive this flyer on the first day of school.



What are career pathways on my schedule?



QCHS Career Pathways

Vision Statement

The Quakertown Community High School Pathway Program empowers students to shape their postsecondary future by engaging learners through active inquiry, personalized learning experiences and rigorous academic programming aligned to the ever-changing workforce trends. Opportunities for exploration, skill development, and cultivating connections with local and national industries will prepare students to positively contribute to and lead a competitive global workforce.



- ★ **Meaningful** engagement in career exploration and planning while satisfying state requirements.
 - **Future Ready Index** (public facing school progress report): College and Career Readiness Measure
 - Eight pieces of evidence aligned to each of the four strands of the Career Education & Work Standards required by the end of 11th grade.
 - Implementation of Individualized Career Plan for students required by the state.
- ★ Stronger community partnerships with all stakeholders.
- ★ Increased student engagement leading to greater **Motivation**.
- ★ Rigor, relevance, relationships and now readiness through industry and soft skills development.
- ★ **Marketable** skill sets acquired by ALL students as they transition beyond Quakertown Community School District.

Redefining Career Readiness

QCHS Comprehensive Pathways Framework

- ★ Rigorous, cohesive academic plans of study based on student interest areas
- ★ Pathways Advisory periods to connect cohorts of students with a faculty Pathways Advisor
- ★ Engaging classroom experiences aligned to real world industry skills, and soft skills
- ★ Semester long field placements for students to learn “on the job” as juniors and seniors
- ★ Alignment of UBCTS curriculum to QCHS required CCR evidence
- ★ Career focused small group advisement meetings with students
- ★ Teacher in the workplace opportunities for continued staff learning
- ★ Teacher/Industry partner collaboration on classroom and community project based learning assignments
- ★ Virtual/physical industry field trip opportunities for students
- ★ CCR artifacts to meet state requirements completed through classroom assignments
- ★ Transition planning / Employability skill workshops for students
- ★ Culminating senior portfolio presentation demonstrating a student’s ability to synthesize his/her experiences and rigorous academic coursework to formulate his/her future goals and career plans.



Academic Pathways

- ★ [Arts and Humanities Pathway](#)
- ★ [Business, Marketing, and Finance Pathway](#)
- ★ [Education Pathway](#)
- ★ [STEM and Computer Science Pathway](#)
- ★ [Undeclared](#) (The undeclared pathway provides students the option to continue to explore interests in a more general way while still providing an opportunity for a field study connected to a potential career path.)

While every student will choose a pathway, students may still meet graduation requirements without completing a pathway. Students may elect to switch a pathway during the course selection process each year. Students who complete a pathway with fidelity will be recognized at the end of their senior year.



Quakertown Community High School Pathway Requirements

Pathways credit breakdown

Requirements for a Pathway designation:

Required	English	Math	Science	Social Studies	Health	Arts	Physical Education	Pathway Required	Field Study	Additional Electives	Total
Credits	4.0	4.0/3.0*	4.0/3.0*	4.0	1.0	.5	1.0	3.5	.5	2.5	24

* QCHS full time students must take a minimum of 3 Math and 3 Science credits AND have a minimum of 7 total Math and Science credits combined to be eligible for graduation. Full time students must complete Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2, as well as Biology, Chemistry and Physics even if the credit requirement has been met.

To be eligible for graduation, students must complete a minimum of 24 credits, as defined in board policy.

Pathway Requirements:

Students must choose **3.5 credits** from a pathway specific list of courses.

(Any one particular course may not be used to satisfy multiple graduation requirements.)

Students must complete **.5 credit of a field study** and a senior portfolio presentation to a faculty board prior to graduation.



Graduation Project

(Effective Class of 2024)



- ★ The purpose of the senior portfolio requirement is to provide an opportunity for a student to reflect on and articulate how his/her high school experiences led the student to formulate his/her future goals and career plans.
 - This ability to synthesize experiences for the purpose of transition planning is a critical component of the QCHS Career Pathways program, which fosters a learning environment in which students are becoming more intentional and thoughtful about their post graduation plans.

- ★ Students will be required to complete and present a comprehensive portfolio to a panel of teachers in the second semester of senior year.
- ★ Students will be evaluated using a standardized rubric and will be scored with a “P” (pass) or “F” (fail). The grade will appear on the student’s transcript.
- ★ Students must attain a passing grade to meet the district graduation requirement.



What is QROCK?





- **In addition to academic excellence, we strive to promote the values of Resilience, Ownership, Community and Kindness.**
- **You will learn about about Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) system called “Q-Rock!” in all of your classes during the first week of school.**



How can I stay involved in school this year?





Student success in school is often impacted, in large part, by the relationships they have, both with the teacher and with their peers. It is vital for teachers and students to develop relationships that foster both academic and social-emotional learning.



We are Stronger Together...Stay Involved!

- Best Buddies
- Chess Club
- Dance Team
- Environmental Science Club
- Explorer Post
- FBLA School Club
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Gay Straight Alliance
- I AM That Girl
- Intercambio Spanish-English
Language Exchange
- Key Club
- Men's & Women's Ensemble
- Model U.N.
- Reading Olympics
- School Spirit Club
- National Honor Society
- Photography / Comics Club
- Ski Club
- Social Justice Alliance
- Speed and Agility Training
- Theatre Arts Club
- TSA
- Weight Training
- World Language Club - German
- World Language Club - Spanish

LEARN MORE HERE



- Websites & Resources
 - [Getting Started with Canvas](#)
 - [QCHS Website](#)
 - [SafeArrival Letter](#)
 - [Student handbook](#)
 - [Attendance Information](#)
 - Information about [Clubs and Activities](#)

THE SECRET OF
CHANGE IS TO FOCUS
ALL OF YOUR ENERGY
NOT ON FIGHTING
THE OLD, BUT ON
BUILDING THE NEW!
SOCRATES



THANK YOU!

