



Top News

2023-24 School Year Loading!



Next week we will welcome back more than 133,000 students across our schools, and there are great things in store for the new school year!

'23-'24 Highlights

- [Opening](#) of six new state-of-the-art schools
- New Superintendent Millard House II and [executive team](#) who bring a wealth of experience to PGCPS.
- New [safety measures](#) for secure and nurturing learning environments

As we approach the first day of school, please review our [Employee Code of Conduct](#) and share our [Back-to-School Guide](#) with families. Don't forget to [show us](#) your back-to-school preparations with #PGCPS1stDay!

Calendar reminders:

Friday, Aug. 25: Student Orientation Day

Monday, Aug. 28: First Day of School for all students

Monday, Sept. 4: Schools and offices closed for Labor Day

['23-'24 Calendar](#)

New Teachers Gear Up for the Classroom



Hundreds of new educators participated in the Professional Educator Induction Program (PEIP) and New Teacher Bootcamp this week to network and learn classroom management, curriculum technology and more!



Explore the New Staff Portal!

With a modern design, refreshed content, and a custom search engine, the new staff portal offers quick access to your most-used applications and documents, easy to use staff-specific communities and more! Log in today with your email@pgcps.org address to view current staff portal features and staff-only content.

Cyber Attack Update & Password Reset Help

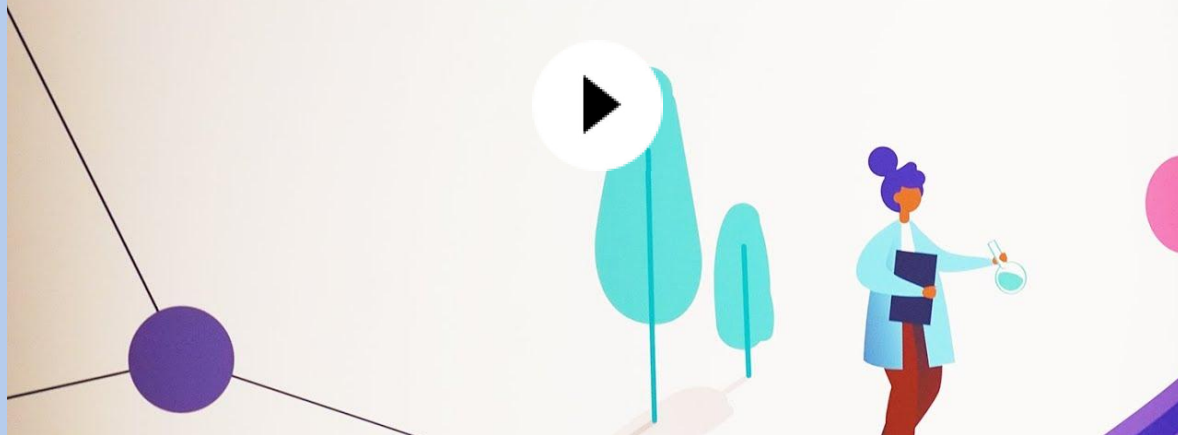
PGCPS continues to investigate the [cyber attack](#) that disrupted our servers this week requiring district-wide password resets. We are now focused on completely restoring our technology environment and analyzing the scope of the event to determine any current and

future data loss.

In-person password reset assistance is available Monday, Aug. 21 and Tuesday, Aug. 22 from 4-8 p.m. at Bonnie F. Johns Educational Media Center, 8437 Landover Road.

Unlocking the Power of AI in the Classroom

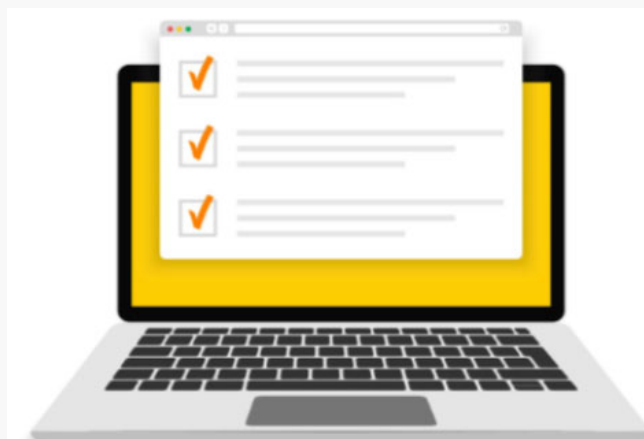
The AI Education Project



This summer, PGCPS announced a three-year partnership with The AI Education Project (aiEDU) to ensure students, teachers, staff and school leaders are equipped to thrive in the age of artificial intelligence (AI).

"If we don't stay ahead as educators then students can't stay ahead," said PGCPS Superintendent Millard House II. "Our job is to prepare students for what's beyond, and we know that AI is beyond."

SafeSchools Training



SafeSchools training modules provide critical information for staff to maintain a positive, respectful, safe, healthy and lawful culture for safe and supportive school environments. **Round 1 sessions are due by August 27.** [Start trainings now!](#)

Show Us Your Back-to-School Prep



Teachers and staff are busy preparing our buildings and classrooms to welcome students on #PGCPS1stDay! [Share](#) your back-to-school preparation and first day/week of school photos for a chance to be featured on PGCPS communications platforms.



Staff First Day Sign

Announcements and Professional Development

New to PGCPS? Enroll in Benefits



Newly hired benefits eligible employees have 35 days from their date of hire to enroll in benefits. Coverage is effective the first of the month after enrollment.

New Employee Benefits Information

Email Password Tips



Keeping your password updated and secure helps keep our network secure.

Here are two easy ways to reset your **known** password:

- While at a PGCPs location connected to our network and using a Windows device,, you can select CTRL + ALT + Del simultaneously. Choose Change Password and follow the prompts.
- When offsite away from the PGCPs network, use our Self-Select Password tool (IDM).

Technology Training Team Upcoming Classes

Sign up for an upcoming course with the Technology Training Team.

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