

SADIE TANNER
MOSSELL ALEXANDER

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL

PAS Weekly

Upcoming Events

PAS Schedule

Letter days will resume on 11/28

NO AM or PM Clubs except Choir and All City
November 21-23

12:09pm Dismissal
Report Card Conferences
November 21-23

School Closed
November 24-25

Giving Tuesday @ PAS
November 29 2022

Girls Volleyball v. Kirkbride/Penrose
December 1

No School - Teacher Training
December 2

5GR Dancing Clrm Culminating Event
December 6, 8:30am

Pretzel THURSDAY
December 8

NO PM CLUBS
December 8

School Advisory Council
December 12, 3:45pm

Winter Concert
December 13, 6pm

Picture Retake Day
December 15



We are excited to welcome you for in-person or virtual conferences on Monday, 11/21, and Tuesday, 11/22 . Please visit the welcome tables at the main entrance and class pods for information from the school team and the Home and School Association. We look forward to meeting with you!

Making the Most out of Parent-Teacher Conferences

Linked [here](#) are **conference checklists** that will help you prepare to ask your teacher specific questions about your child's progress. Research shows that student achievement increases when parents, students, and teachers work as a team. A parent-teacher conference is an opportunity for you and your child's teachers to engage in conversations about student learning at home and school. This checklist will help you remember what to ask when the time comes for your parent-teacher conference. We will have paper copies and additional translations at the "Welcome Table" near the main office.

Title I Family Engagement Survey

[Family Engagement Capacity Survey 22-23](#). [Encuesta de Padres para la Participación Escolar](#) Please take a moment to let us know how we can improve. We will have paper copies available during the conference window.

Report Cards

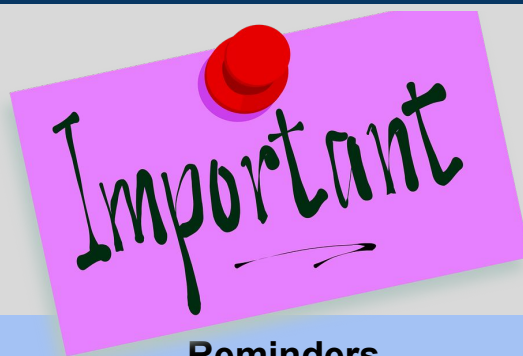
Printed copies of report cards will be available at school throughout the report card window. If you have scheduled a virtual conference, the teacher will send the paper copy home with your child. Please review the grade-specific [Parent Guides](#) to the report cards. Electronic report cards will be available soon in the [Parent Portal](#).

While you are Waiting

- Stop by the HSA table for coloring pages, mints, and informational packets
- Check out the beautiful artwork that your children have created
- Check the lost and found in the LUNCHROOM for missing items
- Take a Covid Test home (Available at the Welcome table). We are encouraging everyone to test children before we return from Thanksgiving break.

Timeliness

Just so you know, the conference windows are tight, especially for teachers in grades 4-8, because they teach more children. Please be prompt. If you are late, we may need to reschedule your conference. Please reach out to the teachers if you need to reschedule a meeting.



Reminders

1. **4-5GR Choir Rehearsal on Monday, November 21, 7:35am**
2. **No AM or PM Clubs 11/21-23 except choir on 11/21 and All-City on 11/23.**
3. If you missed **Coffee with the Principal and HSA Meeting Mash Up**. Click [Here](#) to view the principal's slidedeck. Click [here](#) for the HSA slidedeck.
4. If you haven't already, sign up for the [Parent Portal](#) to receive notifications about your child's attendance, grades, missing assignments, emergency closings and more. See this pony for fliers on how to download the app to your phone and instructions for pushing notifications to you. If you need help, call the PAS office at 215-400-7760.
5. To keep everyone as safe as possible at drop off and pick up, **please do not block the parking lot entrance.**

— THE — SPECIALIST CORNER

Please visit the links below to learn more about what our students are learning in Ms. Willbach's SEL class, Ms. Gilday's technology program and Ms. Zimmer's music program:

[PAS SEL Class](#)

[PAS Dig Lit Tech Highlights](#)

[PAS MUSIC](#)

Confused about what to wear to school?

Check out our pics below.

Shout to our PAS students for helping to inform our community.

Uniform Guidelines for this school year, can be found [here](#). [District students](#) are expected to follow the guidelines set by their school. As reminder, there is no need to shop at a uniform store.



COVID-19 Student Pre-Entry Screener

Parents/Students: All parents/guardians will be required to conduct a daily pre-arrival screening of their children at home, before their children leave for school, which involves taking temperatures daily and monitoring for the symptoms identified below.



Frequent Cough



Shortness of Breath



Sore Throat



Chills



Headache



Muscle Pain



New Loss of Taste or Smell



Fever of 100.4°F or above

1. In the past 24 hours, have you had one of the following symptoms unrelated to a pre-existing medical condition: frequent cough or shortness of breath?

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

2. In the past 24 hours, have you had TWO of the following symptoms unrelated to a pre-existing medical condition: sore throat, chills, headache, muscle pain, new loss of taste or smell?

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

3. In the past 24 hours, have you experienced a fever of 100.4°F or above?

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

4. Have you been in close physical contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 14 days? *Close contact: Within six feet of a Covid positive person for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period during the 48 hours before the positive person exhibited symptoms or if asymptomatic, 48 hours before the Covid test was administered.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

5. Have you traveled outside of Pennsylvania in the past 10 days?

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If any of the responses to the questions above are YES, please do not send your child to school and contact the school nurse for further instructions!

Предварительный осмотр студентов на COVID-19

Родители/учащиеся: Все родители/опекуны должны будут проводить ежедневный предварительный осмотр своих детей дома, прежде чем дети отправятся в школу. Осмотр включает в себя ежедневное измерение температуры и мониторинг симптомов, указанных ниже.



Частый кашель



Одышка



Боль в горле



Озноб



Головная боль



Боли в мышцах



Потеря обоняния и вкуса



Температура 100.4°F и выше

1.

Имелся ли у вас за последние 24 часа один из следующих симптомов, не связанных с ранее существовавшим заболеванием: частый кашель или одышка?

☐ Да

☐ Нет

2.

Были ли у вас за последние 24 часа любые ДВА симптома, не связанные с другим заболеванием: боль в горле, озноб, головная боль, мышечные боли, потеря вкуса или запаха?

☐ Да

☐ Нет

3.

Испытывали ли вы за последние 24 часа лихорадку 100,4 °F или выше?

☐ Да

☐ Нет

4.

Были ли вы в тесном физическом контакте с кем-то, у кого положительный результат теста на COVID-19 в течение последних 14 дней? * Тесный контакт: в пределах шести футов от человека с положительной реакцией на Covid в общей сложности 15 минут или более в течение 24 часов – в течение 48 часов до появления симптомов у человека с положительной реакцией или, если симптомы отсутствуют, 48 часов до проведения теста Covid.

☐ Да

☐ Нет

5.

Вы ездили за пределы Пенсильвании в последние 10 дней?

☐ Да

☐ Нет

Если вы ответили ДА на какой-либо из вопросов, пожалуйста, не отправляйте ребенка в школу и обратитесь к школьной медсестре за инструкциями!



Tuesday
December 13, 2022
9-11am

Call for Science Fair Judges

Come out to support our junior scientists
at Penn Alexander!

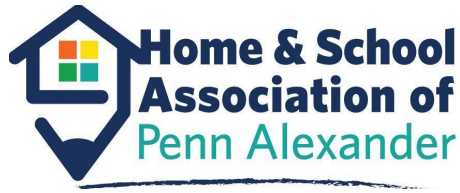
Share your love of science by being a science fair judge
at the annual PAS Science Fair for Grades 4-5.

No experience necessary. Listen to students present
their projects and chat about the scientific method.
Judges are required to be fully vaccinated.

Sign Up [Here!](#) Thanks!

Penn Alexander School
4209 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104

Q's? Email kreidlea@upenn.edu



Dear Penn Alexander Community,

Get ready for Giving Tuesday on November 29th, 2022.

The HSA supports the work of the Penn Alexander teachers and staff to create a robust learning environment for our children. This year, we have seen the return of events and activities to enrich learning and create memories, things like **In Person Field Trips**, **5th Grade Ballroom Dancing Lessons** and the traditional **8th Grade Dinner and Show**, where students saw a production of *Annie* at the Miller Theater and enjoyed dinner at SangKee. (You can see detailed descriptions of how the HSA has supported your students this year on the reverse.)

Last year's Giving Tuesday was a success: 60% of families donated \$48,000 toward our goal of \$50,000. **This year our goal remains \$50,000 but more importantly, our goal is to have 80% of families participate.** Families can participate by donating any amount.

Your contribution to Giving Tuesday will ensure that we can continue the school's vibrant art program. The HSA has pledged \$50,000-\$60,000 a year for the past 6 years to support the **PAS Arts Program**. That pledge is up for renewal this year. We won't be able to renew without your dedicated support.

This year there is a **Giving Tuesday - Grade Participation Competition**. Grades with the highest family participation for making contributions of any amount will receive extra recess!

You can donate online at HSAPennAlexander.org/GivingTuesday, or by cash or check. Please reach out to Jim at President@HSAPennAlexander.org if you are interested in participating in our **donation match program**, stock transfer, or if you have questions about **employer matching**.

Thank you,
Jim Dugan, HSA President
Nicole Carl, HSA Vice-President
Jaie Bosse, Treasurer
Mandy Diesel, Secretary

Susie Pierce, Event & People Coordinator,
Lower School
Vacancy, Event & People Coordinator,
Upper School
Vacancy, Fundraising Chair

The Home and School Association of Sadie Tanner Mossell Alexander University of Pennsylvania Partnership School is a 501(c)(3) registered organization. Our EIN is 11-3707471.

Giving Tuesday at Penn Alexander School

Your Giving Tuesday Donation Funds the Following



Full Time Art Program: \$50,000

Your continued support ensures we can fund PAS's art program for 3 more years.



Classroom Programming & Field Trips: \$30,000

Students receive special programming such as model United Nations, dancing classrooms, and yoga. Funds also support field trips, including over \$11K this year, to ensure all students attend regardless of cost.



After School Programming: \$14,000

The HSA supports after school activities such as sports teams, middle school dance, Mathcounts competition, and 8th grade graduation & gifts.



Teacher and Staff Support: \$10,000

Teachers and staff receive training, professional development, welcome back gifts, & refreshment at multiple after school events and conferences.



Teaching Materials: \$10,000

Software, science materials, textbooks, speakers & voice amplifiers, document cameras, color ink, and learning materials for each classroom are provided.



Campus Improvement & Play Equipment: \$6,000

Donations go toward play equipment for recess and gym class as well as campus improvement, including the garden and playground equipment.

How do I donate?

Online @ www.hsapennalexander.org/givingtuesday OR scan the code
NO credit card fees for online donations



Enclose cash/check in the attached envelope
Write your student(s) name on the front of the envelope
Checks payable to: Home and School Association of Penn Alexander

Learn more about the HSA's Giving Tuesday's campaign and goals on back of this page.

School Advisory Committee (SAC) September 2022 Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 12, 2022, 3:45PM-4:45PM

In attendance: Lauren Overton (Principal), Jessica McCollum (SAC Member), Theresa Knight (SAC Member, School Counselor), Vidya Plainfield (SAC Member), Jim Dugan (HSA President), Rebecca Geller-Puchalsky (SAC Member for Spruce Hill, chair of Education Committee at Spruce Hill), Max Hibbard (SAC Member, PFT representative), Ann Kreidle (Guest and School Partnership Manager), Ajinkia Sase (Guest), Cynthia Sung (Guest), Ani Nenkova (Guest), and Jacob Gantz (Guest)

Vidya

- a. Use today as planning meeting for next 9 meetings
- b. How to ensure we have pipeline of feedback that aligns with 4 pillars of SAC?
 - i. Survey parents?
 - ii. Have “themed” meetings where we address 1 topic?
 - iii. Vidya collected feedback over the summer. Will share. Group to review and prioritize. Summary below:
 - Sharing success stories
 - a. 3 or 4 times a year
 - b. Highlight new programs/groups
 - c. Overton: Putting in a lot of work in K-2, will pay off in later years
 - d. Overton: Valuable feedback from affinity dinners, already implemented this year. Focusing on identity and how each of us belong in the school.
 - Bi-lingual counselors Needed
 - a. 3 languages - Arabic, Chinese, and Bangla
 - b. Not dedicated to PSA, different school each day
 - c. Full-time salaried position with benefits
 - d. Maybe supplant with parent volunteers?
 - Family engagement
 - a. Survey participation goal - 80%?
 - b. Barriers
 - i. Knowing student ID
 - ii. Multiple languages
 - c. Opportunities
 - i. Kiosks during in-person events like Back to School
 - ii. Send home flyers with student’s school ID
 - iii. Explain what the survey results are used for, tie it back to benefits
 - Post-COVID sports
 - Pedestrian safety
 - a. What are next steps?

- b. Dialogue with Councilperson JG's office potentially stalled due to Max's departure.
- HVAC
 - a. 2 units were replaced with 1 HE unit, can't cope over 95
 - b. Had extensive servicing over the summer
 - c. Had training on building controls
 - d. Do we need to do anything to prep for hot days next spring?
- Stats on enrollment for K/waitlist
 - a. We get the same questions every year, potentially not worth an entire deep-dive
 - b. Put FAQs on website?
- EC clubs
- Homework/student work ethic
 - a. Overton: There are SAC guidelines for homework, and they will be reviewed at Back to School Night
- Curriculum for high-performing students
 - a. Overton: We do programs for both under- and over-performing students, including IEPs for gifted.
 - b. During COVID, we did "pull outs" for gifted, but BAU is in-class support. Ex: push problems, "can-do" activities on top of "must-do" activities.
 - c. Additional work tracks available online, developed in conjunction with feedback from parents.
 - d. Dugan: Additional resources available on the *new* HSA website.
- Math and English literacy
 - a. Overton: We do multi-paragraph essays starting in 2nd grade.
- Nutrition
 - a. Too much sugar
 - b. Advocacy at the district level
- Supporting your kid at home (Kreidle)
 - a. Make-and-take workshop for parents in December

II. Principal Report -Ms. Overton

Parent & Family Portal

The School District of Philadelphia is proud to offer a tool that parents and family members may use to stay connected to their child and their school.

The School District of Philadelphia's Parent & Family Portal gives you access to valuable information about your child's education and school.

Through the Portal, View Your Child's:



ACADEMIC HISTORY



TEST RESULTS



ATTENDANCE



AND MORE!



YOU CAN LOG IN ANY TIME FROM ANY COMPUTER, TABLET OR MOBILE PHONE!

GET ALERTS VIA



TEXT
MESSAGE



PHONE
CALL



E-MAIL

You can receive alerts about important issues that might impact your child (i.e. weather-related school closures, attendance alerts and upcoming events of interest to families).

How do I sign up for the New Parent & Family Portal and set up my account?

You must have a personal email address to sign up for a Parent & Family Portal account. You can register for a free email account using Gmail, Outlook, Yahoo, or a similar service.

For more information on how to set up your Parent Portal, flip the page over!



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Parent & Family Portal

- 1) WHERE DO I START?**
just visit <http://signup.philasd.org> in your web browser, and have your **Confirmation Code** ready.

WHAT'S A CONFIRMATION CODE?

Confirmation Codes are used by parents or guardians to register. The Confirmation Codes are only needed once and will expire on the first of every month. You can get your Confirmation Code from your student's school or you can register completely online!

3) IF YOU DON'T HAVE A CONFIRMATION CODE:

- Click on No, I would like to look up my Confirmation Code.
- Enter the personal information of your student (if you have more than one student, you only need to enter one student's information.)
- Select your name and a current telephone number from your student's record to request the Confirmation Code. The Confirmation Code can be delivered by voice or text message.
- Now that you have your Confirmation Code, click the link to return to Account Registration, and begin the process.

2) IF YOU HAVE YOUR CONFIRMATION CODE:

- Click on Yes, take me to Account Registration.
- Enter your Last Name and Confirmation Code. Click Next.
- Enter your email address.
- Confirm your email account by clicking on the link provided in the email message.
- Click on the web link inside the email message to complete your registration.
- After you confirm registration, you will set up your "Security Settings." Select a password and provide answers to three security questions.
- Log in to your new account with your email address and new password.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

CALL US
215) 400-4000

VISIT US!
philasd.org/pfportal

EMAIL US!
ask@philasd.org



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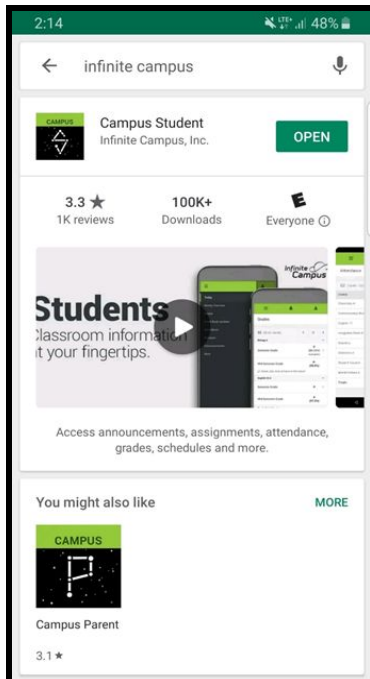
Campus Parent for Android Devices

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Search: infinite campus

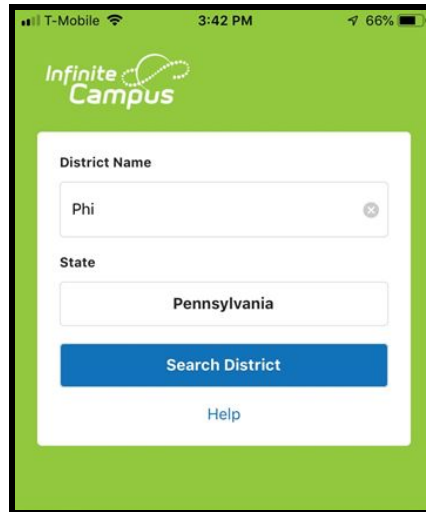
Download: Campus Parent



2) Launch App & Search

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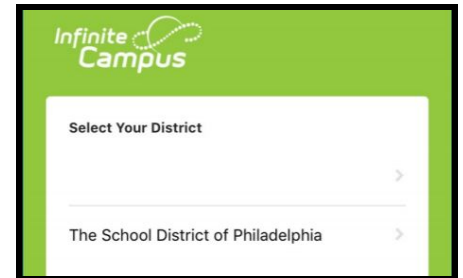
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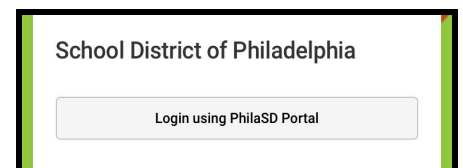
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Click on School

District of Philadelphia



4) Then, click Login using PhilaSD Portal.



5) Enter your Username and Password

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Username:

Password:

[Forgot your password?](#)

LOGIN

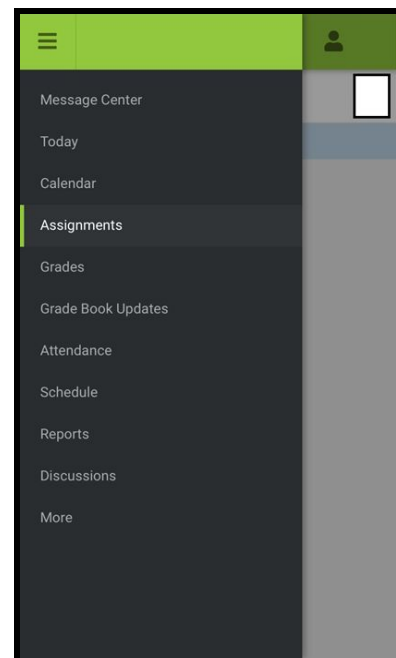
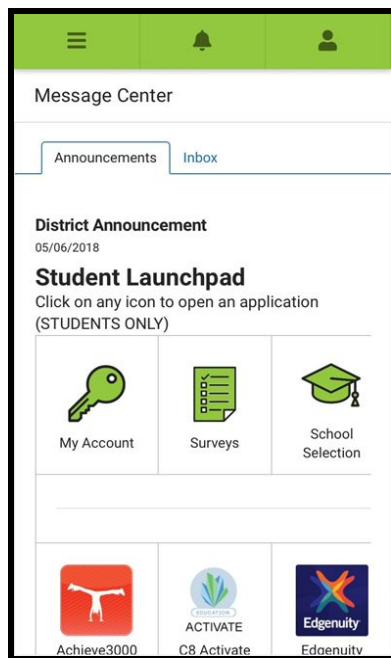
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- Click LOGIN

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Campus Parent App Settings

After registering your account, downloading the app and logging in, you will be able to access information via Campus Parent. Some navigation tips are included below!

The App will show the Student and Parent Launch Pads on the screen. Click the Stack icon in the upper left corner to see the menu of other screens that are available. Click on any of the sections that appear in the menu to view more information.



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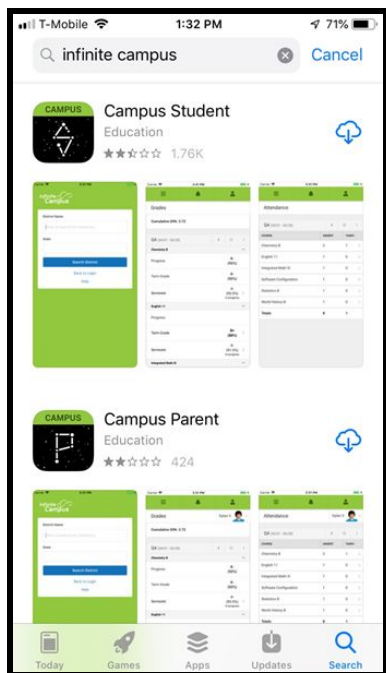
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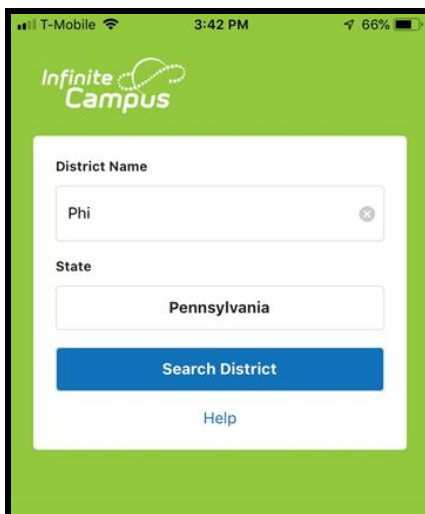
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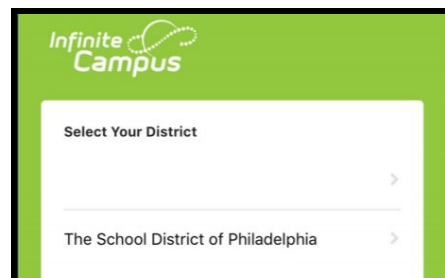
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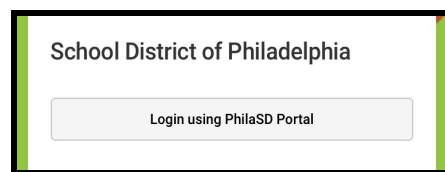
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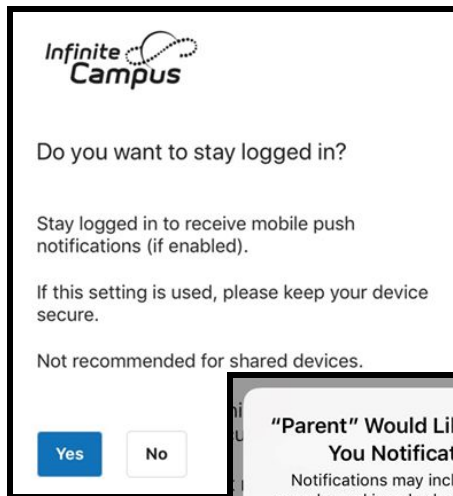
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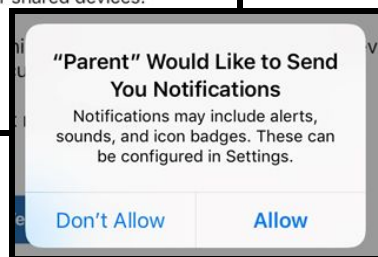
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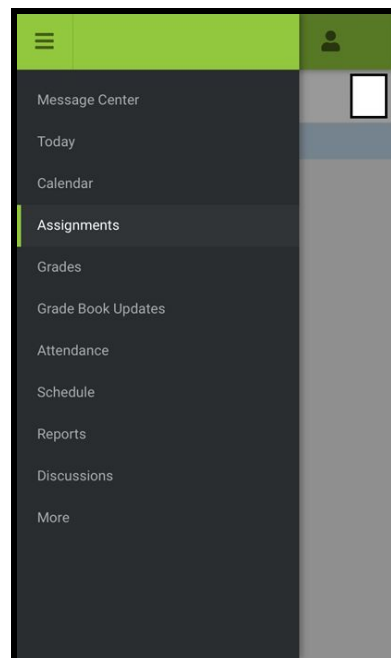
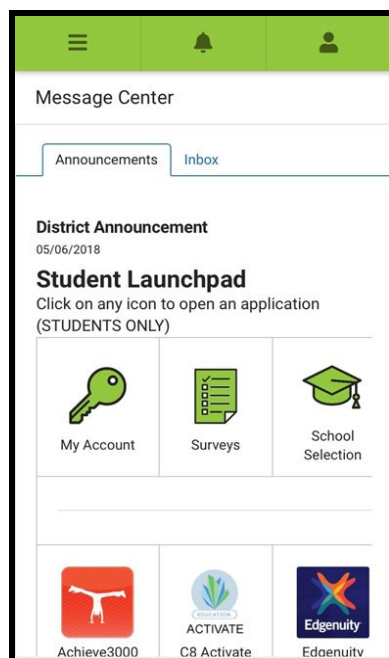
Do you want to stay logged in?

The iPhone App can keep you logged in, but this should only be selected if the device is not going to be shared by more than one person.

The iPhone App can also send you push notifications if you stay logged in. To receive push notifications, click **Yes**. Then, click **Allow** to receive notifications.



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December 7, 2022 7pm

TEMPLE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

1837 N. BROAD STREET

Philadelphia

**ALL CITY MIDDLE
SCHOOL CHORAL
FESTIVAL**

School District of Philadelphia

Doors open at 6:30pm

Admission is free
