

Dr. Jason Steingraber
Principal
@JASteingraber

Mr. Joe Cooper
Assistant Principal



2120 Ventura
Springfield, MO 65804

Main Office Phone: 417-523-2400
Attendance Phone: 417-523-2415
Fax: 417-523-2495
Nurse's Office: 417-523-2430
Nurse's Fax: 417-523-2539
Transportation: 523-0500

Facebook: @PershingMS
Twitter: @PershingSPS
Website: sps.org/pershing

First Day of School

The first day of school will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, August 23. School will be in session all day and will dismiss at 4:30 p.m.

Orientation - August 17, 2021

Voyagers: 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m./Travelers 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

PERSHING WALK ABOUT – August 20, 2021

Building open for walk thru: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Come and go event). Parents please accompany students. (No teachers will be present)

Open House – September 21, 2021

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

6th, 7th & 8th Grade - Students will walk halls

This will be your chance to meet your teachers, learn about athletic opportunities, pay your lunch bill, and check out the Pershing Spirit Wear. We encourage ALL parents to join their students for this evening event.

STUDENT CHECK OUT

For the safety and security of our students, any time a student is checked out of school early they must be signed out in the office by a parent/guardian. Parent must call or send note if they authorizing another person. Any person picking up a student must show I.D. This procedure will be strictly enforced.

DISTRICT STUDENT HANDBOOK

Student handbook are available online via the Pershing and SPS websites [Student Handbook](#). Please see the office for a paper copy. Parents are asked to review the handbook with your student. Students will be held accountable for complying with established rules and regulations.

NURSING SERVICES

If a student is sent home with COVID-19 symptoms, students may not return to school until all of the following occur:

1. Written documentation **MUST** be received by Pershing's health office from a physician or nurse practitioner stating what the student's actual **diagnosis** is.
2. If student is not taken to the doctor, then they are excluded for **14** days and must also comply with 3 and 4.
3. Student is fever free without fever-reducing medications for at least 24 hours.
4. Symptoms are improved without the use of medications to control the symptoms.

General:

Students may not attend school if they need immunizations. If your student has a medical condition or needs to take medicine at school, please contact the nurse.

WHO DO YOU CALL?

If you have questions or concerns about your student please contact their teacher. If you have general information questions you may contact the main office at #523-2404.

LUNCH PRICES

School lunch is **Free** SY 21-22. Applications for free/reduced lunch will be mailed directly home with a self-addressed envelope to be returned to SPS Nutrition Services. Milk is \$.55. If you would like to add money to your student's lunch account online, you can do so at www.mypaymentsplus.com. Students eating breakfast should report directly to the cafeteria. They should enter the building at the main office entrance. Students will report directly to their 1st hour class.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

6th, 7th, and 8th grade supply lists can be found on our school website: <http://sps.org/pershing>. Bring pencil and paper on the 1st day of school.

CAR RIDERS

All middle school students should be dropped off and picked-up each day at the **circle drive**. **Car Riders will not be released until 4:30 p.m.** Please do not drop off students before **9:05 a.m.**

ATHLETIC PASSES

Adult and student athletic passes are available in the main office. Adult cards are \$15.00 and student cards are \$5.00. **The pass will provide admission to only Pershing athletic events.**

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug 23: First Day of School
Sept 6: No School - Labor Day
Oct 21: End 1st Quarter
Oct 22: No School – Professional Day
Oct 25: 2nd Quarter Begins
Nov 1: P/T Conference Day
Nov 2: No School – Professional Day
Nov 24-26: Thanksgiving Vacation
Dec 22: End of 2nd Quarter
Dec 23: No School – Professional Day

Dec 23-Jan 3: No School Winter Break
Jan 4: 3rd Quarter Begins
Jan 17: MLK Day—No School
Feb 21: President’s Day—No School
March 10: End 3rd Quarter
March 11: No School – Professional Day
March 14 - 18: Spring Break - No School
March 21: 4th Quarter Begins
May 27: Last Day of School (Possibly May 23rd)

PTSA AND PARENT INVOLVEMENT

The best way for parents to be involved with their student and school is to be a part of the PTSA. Just by joining PTSA, you support events for students and provide supplies and assistance to students and teachers throughout the school year. Please take time to review the information enclosed in the email regarding PTSA. PTSA memberships are available to purchase for \$8 and business memberships are \$10. For additional information please contact Tammy Floyd, PTSA President, at pershingmiddleptsa@gmail.com. Also, check out the PTSA Facebook Page @PershingmiddlePTSA and Twitter @PershingPTSA.

GIRLS’ VOLLEYBALL

Try-outs are Monday, Tuesday, August 16-17, in the Main Gym. Times are as follows:

7th Grade:	8th Grade:
Mon., Aug. 16th/ 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Mon., Aug. 16th/4:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 17th/3:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Tues., Aug. 17th/4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

On the first day of practice you MUST have your physical completed, the citizenship agreement and insurance verification form completed. Forms are available in the main office or the Pershing website. Players *must* participate in 14 days of practice before they are eligible to participate in their first volleyball game.

7TH & 8TH GRADE FOOTBALL

Gear Pickup: Wednesday, August 18th from 3:00 -4:00. First Practice: Monday, August 16th. (Forms and a practice schedule are available on the Pershing website or at the office.) **Players *must* have a current physical with proof of insurance, along with concussion form and parent signature for permission to participate in practices.** Players *must* participate in 14 days of practice before they are eligible to participate in their first football game.

SPORTS OFFERED AT PERSHING

Fall:

- Football (Grades 7 & 8)
- Girls Volleyball (Grades 7 & 8)
- Cross Country (Grades 7 & 8)
- Lakes Country Boys Soccer (Grades 6,7, & 8)

Winter:

- Boys Basketball (Grades 7 & 8)
- Girls Basketball (Grades 7 & 8)
- Wrestling (Grades 7 & 8)
- Archery (Grade 6,7,8)

Spring:

- Track & Field (Grades 7 & 8)
- Lakes Country Girls Soccer (Grades 6, 7, & 8)
- OFL Football (Grades 6, 7, & 8)

