



PINE GROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Promoting Growth, Achievement, Success and Direction for ALL Children!
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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

In the school setting, drug usage affects not only the users but entire student body, faculty and other district employees. The educational process is disrupted and the individual safety risk factor is increased. In order to create a drug-free setting for the Pine Grove Area School District Campus, the Pine Grove Area School Board has adopted the Student Drug Testing Policy. For complete Drug Testing Policy please refer to the district website (PGASD Board Policy #227.1).

This policy encompasses all students in grades 7 through 12 wishing to participate in activities (sports, clubs, band, chorus, drama, JROTC) and those who wish to obtain a parking permit. The district welcomes all students, who are not seeking privileges for participation in activities to participate in the program on a voluntary basis.

Random drug testing shall be conducted without prior notice, on a quarterly basis for up to five (5) percent of students in each designated group who have signed a Drug Testing Consent Form. Please review the procedures on the reverse of this page for more detailed information.

Prior to participating in any district sponsored activities, sports and/or receiving a parking permit; custodial parent/guardian need to complete and sign the Consent to Perform Drug Testing Form, regardless of the student's age. No student will be permitted to purchase a parking permit or participate in practices, competitions or any school-sponsored activity until these forms are properly signed and returned to the building principal. Copies of the policy in its entirety are available in the high school and middle school offices, as well as all policies may be accessed on our website at www.pgasd.com.

The district is placing a high importance on this initiative, it is important the timelines are adhered to consistently. Please be reminded that our goal is the safety, health and well-being of all of the students in our district. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the High School Principal, Dr. Charlotte Golden, at 570-345-2731 ex. 210 or the Middle School Principal, Mr. Steve Brill, at 570- 345-2731 ex. 330.

Sincerely,

Charlotte M. Golden Steve Brill
High School Principal Middle School Principal