

By this time, you will have created a PowerSchool Parent Portal (PS PP) account, which is now accessed by typing the following URL into the address bar of your Internet browser:

https://ps.rockyview.ab.ca/public

A link to the PS PP can also be found on our school website (select the *Parents tab* then click on the *Powerschool Parents/Students viewlet*). The School Info page illustrated below is displayed the <u>first time</u> you enter the PS PP. Following your first entry to the portal, the page that is displayed will be the page you last viewed before signing out of your last visit. Some of the key features that you will see on any page have been described below.



The most frequently visited page in the PS PP (selected from the Navigation pane on the left) is the *Grades and Attendance page*. Features of this page and how to obtain detailed information via the links on it have been outlined in the following section. Details regarding other pages selected from the Navigation pane begin on page 3.



Grades and Attendance

The *Grades and Attendance link* is by far the most "popular" link as it will display a student's Grades and Attendance data for the current school year. One very important thing to note on this page is that there are other links that allow a parent/guardian to "drill down" and obtain more detail regarding marks as well as attendance data. As per industry standard, links are in <u>blue</u>. Please note that clicking on a Teacher Name link results in direct connection to the Teacher's e-mail, but only if Microsoft Outlook is installed on the computer currently being used.

There are two <u>tabs</u> on the Grades and Attendance page; *Grades and Attendance* (the default and illustrated below) and *Standards Grades* (described in more detail on page 6). Following is an example of clicking on an *Achievement Indicator* in the Term column to obtain further information regarding the <u>assignments</u> that made up that mark (in this case, the *EP* or *Exemplary* achievement indicator).



Other **Achievement Indicators** that may be displayed under a Term (to the right of the Course Name) include **PR** (Proficient), **SA** (Satisfactory), **BA** (Basic Achievement), **EM** (Emerging Achievement), **LI** (Limited Achievement), **IE** (Insufficient Evidence of Learning) or **NA** (Not Assessed this Term). Detailed information regarding



the assessment process and associated achievement indicators can be found on the Rockyview Website by typing the URL <u>http://www.rockyview.ab.ca/home/21stC/assessing</u> in the address bar of your browser.

The *Standards Grades tab* allows an individual to view information that is organized by course. Under each course heading are the outcomes that have been addressed thus far for that class. An achievement indicator <u>OR</u> a *Comment link* (a blue dot) will be displayed to the right of each outcome. An outcome is itself a link that can be "drilled down" on for further information. For example:



column indicates that a personal comment exists for that outcome. Simply click on the blue dot to view the comment.

To obtain more information regarding the specific assignment(s) that an outcome is linked to, return to the Grades and Attendance page by clicking on the **Grades and Attendance tab** (to the left of the Standards Grades tab).

Detailed **Attendance information** can also be obtained from the Grades and Attendance page. As per the following illustration, the most current attendance data will be displayed to the left of the Course column (the previous and current weeks). Detailed year-to-date attendance data for each course (period) will be displayed



by clicking on any of the blue numbers (links) under the <u>Absences</u> or <u>Tardies</u> columns (to the right of the Term columns).



After "drilling down" on a specific grade or attendance link, simply click the **Grades and Attendance link** on the Navigation pane on the very left hand side of the monitor to return to the starting page.



If a student has attended our school in previous years; a summary of the student's marks can be displayed for each year attended by first clicking on the *Grade History link*.

To view the marks history for a particular year, simply click on the <u>tab</u> of the desired school year. In the example below, marks for the 2011-2012 school year are displayed.



Attendance																	
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School Bulletin	English Language Arta 6	A+	97	Е	0	A	93	E	0	A	92	Е	0	A	93	Е	0
Account Preferences	Fine Arts 6	A	.92	E,	0	A-	87.	Ε	Φ.	A,	39	Е	0	A-	89	Ε	đ
	French as a Second Language 6	Ă#	96	Æ	0	A	.99	E	0	A	94	Ε	0	A	93	E	0
Access Logs	Grade 6 Homeroom				0		0		0		0		0				0
My Schedule	Mathematics 6	A+	97	E	0	A4	.95	E	0	A	92	E	0	A	94	E	0
2	Physical Education 6	A	85	E	0	A	13	Ε	0	A	90	٧	0	A-	80	V.	0
School Information	Science 6	A+	98	Ε	0	A	-91	E	0	A	34	E	0	A	94	E	0
	Social Studies 6	A+	95	Ε	0	A	.91	E	0	A.	89	E	0	- A	90	E	đ



Selecting this link from the Navigation pane allows a parent or guardian to view a week by week summary of a student's attendance for the <u>current Term</u> of the current school year. The definition of each attendance code can be found by scrolling down to the bottom of the page.

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Grade History	Course	Expression	M 1	w	и н	F	м	T١	N 1	I F	м	T١	N 8	F	м	т	w	н	FI	1 1	r w	1 1	F	м	т	w	H F	м	T I	w	H F
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Access Logs	Fine Arts 6 Haig, Lisa 235/6273 E: 09/11/2013 L: 06/28/2014	P1(1) P4(3)		-	-	-	•	•					. L											1				-			
School Information	Social Studies 6 Kronlund, Jessica 263/6271 E: 09/03/2013 L: 06/28/2014	P2(1) P2(3) P3(6) P5(4) P6(4)	•																					1				-			
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Email Notification

The *Email Notification link* allows a parent/guardian to determine whether they would like student information for one or all of their students forwarded to them via e-mail on a regular basis.



It should be noted that the information reports or summaries contain the same information that is displayed in the PS PP. The Email Notification link simply allows a parent/guardian to receive the same information via a different medium and in a slightly different format.



This link allows a parent or guardian to view a summary of the "overall" Teacher comment for <u>each class</u> the student is in for the selected Term (if a comment has in fact been entered). This "overall" comment can also be viewed by "drilling down" on an achievement indicator on the Grades and Attendance page (see page 2).

Teacher Comments: Goodstudent, Paige Reporting Term										
Exp.	Course	Course	Teacher	Comment						
AM(1-6)	70001	Grade 7 Homeroom	Levson, Dave							
P1(1,5) P2(3) P3 (2,4,6)	70006	Mathematics 7	Levson, Dave							
P2(1,5) P6(3)	70011	French as a Second Language 7	Duval, Daniel							
P1(2,4) P3(1,3,5) P4(1-2)	70003	English Language Arts 7	Paterson, Trinity J							
P4(6) P5(1,4)	70004a	Art 7	Hryciw, Katt	Paige's first watercolour painting was excellent and demonstrated a very good understanding of the techniques covered in class.						
P4(3) P6(1,4,6)	70007	Science 7	S Levson, Dave							
P2(2,4,6)	70004d	Band 7	Maetche, Cathy							



Please note that clicking on a Teacher Name link (the Teacher's name in blue in the Teacher column) will result in direct connection to that Teacher's e-mail, but only if Microsoft Office is installed on the computer currently being used.



Periodically, key events and dates or messages will be displayed as a School Bulletin in the PS PP. Simply click on the **School Bulletin link** after which a small window will appear over top of the current window. Click on the blue "X" at the top right of the View School Bulletin window in order to uncover the previous window.

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Access Logs	ulfetouch Picture Retakes will take place in the alternoon of Thursday, November 7th, 2013. Students must bring their order sheets with them.									
My Schedule	Should you have any questions n Office at 403-932-2215.	egarding either	of the above two	o events, pleas	e do not hesitate to cont	act the		0		
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The *Account Preferences link* is one of the most important links under the Navigation column. The Account Preferences page contains two tabs:

- The **Profile tab** allows the parent or guardian to make changes to their PS PP account. For example, the parent or guardian may change the account name or the password. He or she may also change the e-mail address to which Grades/Attendance reports are forwarded to (via the E-Mail Notification feature as described on page 6).
- The *Students tab* is where a parent or guardian can <u>LINK additional students</u> (siblings) so that Grades or Attendance data for all siblings may be viewed using one PS PP account. Please note that students who attend <u>any school</u> in Rockyview (who are siblings or who have the same guardian) can be linked to a single PS PP account.

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The following illustration outlines the administrative procedures that may be performed by an individual wishing to change their PS PP account information (the *Profile tab*).

OPEN HEARTS . OPEN DOORS

Grades and Attendance Grade History	Account Preferences - Profile If you want to change the name, e-mail address, usic corresponding Edit button to make changes to your	Make sure that this e-mail address is <u>accurate</u> . When using the <i>E-Mail</i> <i>Notification Link</i> (see page 6), all reports are			
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	Last Name:	Parent	V		
Teacher Comments	Email:	caringparent@rockyvk	<u>1</u>	Click on the "eraser" to	
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	- Contain at least one letter and one number				
	Contain at least one special character				
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The following illustration outlines the steps that must be performed in order to link an additional Rockyview student (the *Students tab*) to your existing PS PP account. Note that the given name for each student linked will appear on the top blue "band" of each page.

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Navigation	Profile Students			
Grades and Attendance	Account Preferences - Stu	udents		
Grade History	To add a student to your Parent account	click the ADD button	Click here first in	Salast VOUD
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Teacher Comments	Page			
💆 School Bulletin	Sean Crawford			
Account Preferences	Add Student			*
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		student's teacl	her or the	verify your data
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Access Logs

This link simply allows a parent or guardian to view a list of the times that the information for a particular student has been accessed (viewed). As per the sample below, the date and time that the information was accessed will be displayed along with <u>who</u> accessed the information (i.e., in the event that parents have separate PS PP accounts, both names will be displayed under the "Accessed By" column). The duration of the session will be displayed in the last column.

Parent / Student Acc	ess Summary				
Parent Access Summary					
Date	Time	Accessed	l Əy	Duration (minutes)	
1. 11/06/2013	1	0:56 AM	Parent, Caring		6.00
2. 11/06/2013	1	0:57 AM	Parent, Caring		0.47
3. 11/05/2013		3:42 PM	Parent, Caring		13.56
4. 11/05/2013		1:47 PM	Parent, Caring		17.62

As students may have their own PS PP accounts and view their own information (only), <u>student access</u> can also be monitored by parents or guardians. Student access information can be found by scrolling down to the bottom of the Parent/Student Access Summary page (parent access will always be displayed first).



The *My Schedule link* will allow a parent or guardian to view the current Term's schedule for a student. As in the partial example below, the school <u>day</u> is listed vertically while the school <u>period</u> is listed horizontally.

