

Pearblossom Private School, Inc.
MIDDLE SCHOOL
IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please read this document in its entirety before contacting us at 800.309.3569 for additional help.

All text and test books and booklets remain the property of Pearblossom Private School, Inc. and are to be returned upon completion or termination of the program. Outside USA dial 601.823.9034 for additional help.

Please note: If you received a partial shipment with a notice stating there will be a second shipment, all books in the "List of Books to Follow" will be automatically be sent and there is no need to contact us regarding this shipment.

☺ **Your unique student number is:** _____

Please keep this number close, as it should be included with all homework and correspondence submitted within the program. Please have it ready when contacting us. It is also used with your login at www.ppstest2.com. Please make copies of EVERYTHING that is sent to us, it is your responsibility to keep a copy of any and all correspondence including homework submissions.

CREATE YOUR STUDY GUIDE:

1. Use a different binder for each subject or use subject dividers.
2. Go to the section or chapter review in your textbook.
3. Write the questions, leave **3** or **4** lines for each answer. As you read the textbook you can answer the questions.
4. Write the page number and the paragraph, where you found the answer in the margin of your binder.
5. Read your questions and their answers. Review them before taking your chapter tests.
6. This study guide will help you do well on your chapter tests.

LOG IN:

1. Click on this link or copy and paste it into your web browser of your choice: www.ppstest2.com
2. Select the "LOGIN" button at the top of the page.
3. Input **Student Name**, **Student Number** (provided above), **Password** (must have the appearance of an e-mail address, such as test@test.com, it can be an actual working e-mail address or a made up one) and Confirm Password (only for first time log in, with new student number). Then select "Login."
4. Note: Students will be logged out after 30 minutes of inactivity ***ANSWERS NOT SAVED WILL BE LOST***
5. Sub Note: Once a report card has been issued for your grade you will no longer be able to login.

ONLINE TEST:

1. Once logged in, select the "Online Test" button.
2. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and select the subject and chapter test.
3. Select "Take Test" button.
4. Take the test and "Save" if you need to come back to it later, or select "Submit for Grading" when finished. Once submitted you will see the graded test results instantly. ***PRINT THESE RESULTS*** Once you submit another test, these results will be replaced by the new test results.

When submitting initial test answers for grading, it is **ESPECIALLY** important to double, or even triple, check the answers that have been entered corresponding to true or false questions, as these questions cannot be redone for credit. After the initial submission and grading of a chapter test, the student may correct any problems marked as incorrect. When the revised test answers are graded the second time, you will receive credit for corrections on any answers previously missed, with the exception of true or false questions. Submission for re-grading may only be done once after the initial grading. This ensures learning by the student since they can't simply keep guessing at the answers, especially on multiple choice questions. When submitting for re-grading, it is recommended that you review the chapter and restudy the material associated with each question missed so as to better understand the material covered.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Mail: P.O. Box 439, Bogue Chitto, MS, 39629 | Fax: 601.835.1718 | Email: info@pearblossomacademy.org

Middle School Frequently Asked Questions

CONTACT INFORMATION and HOURS:

We are located in Mississippi, USA and our Business hours are 9am to 3pm Central Standard Time, Monday – Friday.

We accept enrollments year-round. Phone: 800.309.3569 or 601.823.9034 (outside USA)

Mail: P.O. Box 439, Bogue Chitto, MS, 39629 | Fax: 601.835.1718 | Email: info@pearblossomacademy.org

How do I enroll for the next year?

Fill out an enrollment form just like you did for your current year enrollment. You can obtain applications for Grades K – 8th at www.PearblossomSchool.com or for Grades 9th – 12th at www.PearblossomAcademy.com for enrollment.

Do I qualify for a discount if two students in the same household are enrolled?

Yes, the second student enrolled will receive a \$50 discount off of the full tuition amount, and any additional students after the first enrollment will receive this discount as long as they are living in the same household.

How long will it take to get my books after I have submitted an enrollment application?

Between November and May, we ask that you allow 3 to 4 weeks for delivery; between June and October, we ask that you allow up to 8 weeks for delivery, as this is considered our peak season.

I just received my books, what do I do next?

Log in to your student portal. Please be sure to read all the paperwork associated with your grade level as this will tell you what your next steps will be.

I am only doing the Second Semester, where do I start?

Grade 6 (textbook) – if only completing the Second Semester, you will receive an instruction sheet. Second Semester only is not available for 7/8th Grade.

Which “Questions Young People Ask” book do I use?

Health 7/8th Grade utilizes Questions Young People Ask, Volume One.

What do I do with the Grammar Workbook?

Students begin using the Grammar Workbook, this is a consumable book the student is encouraged to write in, with Chapter 8 of the “Writer’s Choice” textbook, non-consumable textbook the student should NOT write in. The Grammar Workbook is used to help the student develop their grammar skills. Pearblossom Private School does not grade this workbook, it is for the students use only and should not be returned with the other textbooks.

In “Introducing Literature”, which reading selections correspond to each Chapter Test?

Log in to your student portal and select “Online Test” for Literature. At the bottom of the screen there is a drop-down list showing each Chapter and the corresponding reading selection that serves as the material for the Chapter Test. If mailing in tests, see corresponding test booklet.

How do I send in my test for grading if I do not have a computer with Internet access?

If you received test booklets, please write answers on a separate sheet of paper as test booklets should be returned with your textbooks unwritten in, please MAIL a COPY of your answers to Pearblossom Private School, Inc. P.O. Box 439, Bogue Chitto, MS, 39629. Please do not send original course work or answers as they can sometimes get lost in the mail, by retaining the original, if this were to happen, you would be able to send another copy for grading. Can I fax my course work or answers for grading? NO. Faxed course work or answers cannot be accepted.

How long does it take for tests that have been mailed in for manual grading to be returned to the student?

Test answers submitted via mail can take up to 4 weeks for processing, receiving, grading, and returning. If you have not received your graded work within the 4-week allowed period, it is likely that they were lost in the mail and will need to be resent for regrading. PLEASE ONLY SEND IN COPIES OF YOUR ORIGINAL COURSE WORK OR ANSWERS. If taking online testing using the student portal, tests are graded instantly.

Can I return Chapter Tests for manual grading, or send a New Enrollment Form in the same box as returning books?

We advise against sending paperwork or documents with returning books as the boxes can arrive damaged and paperwork would be lost. It is recommended to mail all paperwork or documents separate from returning books to ensure we receive it.

When and how do I make a payment?

Payments are due on the 15th of every month until paid off. If you signed up for automatic payments, these are processed on the 8th of every month. You may schedule a one-time payment or sign up for automatic payments through your online student portal by scrolling to the bottom of the page and choose the “secure message/payment” button. If you prefer to make a payment over the phone using a debit or credit card, please call us at 800.309.3569 or 601.823.9034. If you prefer to send a check or money order (please keep in mind there will be a \$20 returned check fee added to your account if check is returned for insufficient funds) it should be made payable to Pearblossom Private School, Inc. for grades K- 8th or Pearblossom Academy, Inc. for grades 9th – 12th, and mail to P.O. Box 439, Bogue Chitto, MS, 39629. Please remember to always include the Student’s Name and Student Number on all correspondence with us, including payments.

What do I need to know about the book deposit?

If all scheduled payments have been made and all books have been received in good condition by the school, and the student re-enrolls for the next grade 100% of the book deposit will be rolled over and applied to the next grade; If the student does not re-enroll 50% or \$100 will be issued as a refund check once requested, please allow 60 days to receive the refund check via certified mail sent to the address we have on file.

How do I return my books?

Textbooks are not consumable, *the student should NOT write in the textbooks*, as they are property of Pearblossom Private School, Inc. and must be returned at the completion or termination of the program. Books needing to be returned can be sent via U.S. Post Office to Pearblossom Private School, Inc. P.O. Box 439, Bogue Chitto, MS, 39629, ask the Post Office about a Flat-Rate Priority Mail Box which can fit 3 or 4 books per box. If sending via FEDEX or UPS, send to Pearblossom Private School, Inc. 1882 Mill Creek Lane SW, Bogue Chitto, MS, 39629. Several things to note when returning books: You, as the consumer, are responsible for the postage/insurance fees necessary to return the books; Please tape boxes up securely as seams can break open and books could be lost in the mail; It is recommended that you return books with a tracking number and include insurance on the package(s) to guarantee our receipt of the contents so that you may have your book deposit rolled over or refunded, as this is only issued once ALL books are received by the school.

Do I need to send a copy of the student’s Immunization Card?

No. Copies of Immunization records are not needed because this is a distant learning education program. Immunizations are not required.

How do I obtain a progress report or report card?

Parents can call at any time to obtain a progress report throughout the year. To obtain a report card, parents should call once the student has completed the school year. Report Cards can take 2 to 4 weeks to receive.

As a parent, how do I know if my student’s performance is satisfactory and if they are doing a sufficient amount of school work?

We encourage our students to share their log in information with their parents. When logging into the student portal a pop-up message will inform you if the student is on schedule or not. The message will suggest how many tests the student should be completing each month to finish the program in 9 or 12 months. There is also a summary of the grades for each chapter in each subject. You can also click on “Grade Status” to get the complete list of grades. Below 60% is an F or failing, 60-69% is a D, 70-79% is a C, 80-89% is a B, and 90-100% is an A.


How long does it take to complete the schoolwork for each grade, how much time is allowed?

Assigned course work can be completed at student’s own pace within 9-12 months even when enrolled in a combination grade like 7/8th. We do not allow two years for combination grades. There is a \$50 extension fee applied to every month extending beyond the allowed 12-month time-frame.

ATTENDANCE RECORD

In accordance with Private School Laws, attendance records are required. As there is no on campus options for schooling with Pearblossom Academy Inc. or Pearblossom Private School Inc. as they operate a satellite school study program, the parent is responsible for maintaining student attendance records. We recommend that you keep complete attendance records, they do not need to be sent in to us. However, if you have not kept a detailed record, please estimate the month and day that the student did not engage in school work. Put an **X** through the day for vacation or sick days, or draw a line through the column for such days as Saturdays and Sundays as they are not usual school days. Please update the attendance records for your student for their current grade beginning with their enrollment date. The June, 2021 – September, 2022 School Year Calendar can be found on your main portal page. Please include Student Name and Student Number on each attendance calendar. Additional school calendars can be downloaded for free from <https://www.calendarlabs.com/school-calendar/>

For example: The enrolment date is marked on June 2nd, 2021. If a student doesn't do school on Saturdays or Sundays, you would put a line through both columns. Say the student was sick in 2021 on June 10th, & 11th, you would mark those days with an X as shown below. When the student wants to take a vacation day, it would be marked with an X like on the 21st as shown below.

 Pearblossom Private School and Academy, Inc.						
June 2021 Notes: <u>EXAMPLE ATTENDANCE CALENDAR</u>						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1	2 Enrollment Date	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 X	11 X	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Father's Day
21 X	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				