

Attendance:**Where to find it.****How it works.****Who can help.****What if Power Outages Disrupt Classes?**

With Pacific Northwest weather, disruptions to our electrical power will likely happen again through the winter. In our new Virtual Learning world, keep this week's response in mind--as the wind is blowing again today.

- Students missed classes because they couldn't connect.
- Classes went dark when some teachers couldn't connect. Many of our teachers live out of the area where we had power outages.

We tried to **keep virtual learning moving forward** without hurting students who could not attend class because of a power outage.

- **Absences due to power interruptions were not recorded.**
 - See below more on how to check your student's record.
 - Absences excused due to power outages applied only to the specific class period, not the full day.
- **Teachers offered several routes for students to fill in what they missed:**
 - Extra availability during asynchronous time.
 - Extra materials.
 - Small-group peer support.
- **If you lose power again:**
 - If your student has access to a mobile or other device that works despite the outage, send teachers a brief message to let them know power has failed in your neighborhood.
 - Use the time to continue with asynchronous assignments and study.
 - If your student has laptop battery, continue with assignments.
 - If you have adequate light, your student should continue with books and other materials.
 - Encourage your student to discuss with your housemates things such as what they are learning, any questions they have, and what the learning means outside the classroom activities.
 - Discussion clarifies understanding and imbeds memory.
 - Understanding the purpose of the material broadens understanding and helps students transfer the knowledge to situations outside the classroom.

- **If your teacher loses power:**
 - If a teacher does not appear for class on a windy day, please monitor your Teams and email accounts for an update on the teacher's connection status.
 - Use the time to continue learning with the hints above.

How to Track Your Student's Attendance Record

- All families can verify their student's attendance record on line, including this week's power outage disruptions.
- [ParentVue](#) & [StudentVue](#) give you 24/7 access to student records.
- Download the [mobile app](#) for ParentVue or StudentVue.
- Use ParentVue to set up automatic notifications if your student is marked absent from class.
- ParentVue & StudentVue also show grade and assignment records.
- The district [ParentVue](#) page includes a button to get help accessing your ParentVue account, including IDs and passwords.
- The district provides these helpful instructions:
 - [How to Activate ParentVUE](#)
 - [How to Setup Notifications](#)
 - [Accessing ParentVUE via browser](#)
 - [Accessing ParentVUE via mobile app](#)

Where to Go for Help

- As with any classroom-related activity, always start with your teacher. If your students think the records don't reflect what happened, have them discuss it with the teacher first.
- If you reported an excused absence that is not reflected in the record, contact our Newport Attendance Specialist Kris Pierce (piercek@bsd405.org).
- Because our staff is so frequently with students during the school day, we recommend that you start with an email contact when possible.
- You can always contact the assistant principal assigned to your student if you still need assistance:

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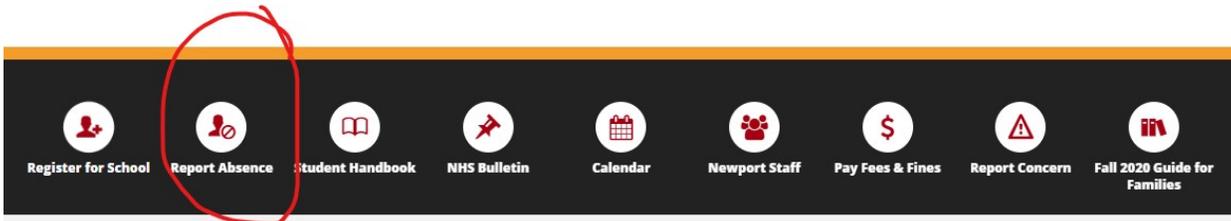
Student Alpha: Pe – Z

Navigating the Websites

Many of the Attendance weblinks on our Newport website and the district website take you to the district's [ParentVue/StudentVue](#) page.

To find attendance details about how and when to report an absence at Newport High School, look for these resources on our Newport website:

- On [Newport's homepage](#), this button will take you to attendance information specific to Newport.



- You can also click the Help tab on our [Newport website](#) to reach our Newport Attendance information.