Taking Meeting (Period) Attendance in PowerSchool

Understanding Period Attendance:

- Periods are called Meetings for attendance purposes in PowerSchool
- Meeting attendance can be used when entering attendance at any grade level.
- Meeting attendance is the **only** method used and reported in Grades 9-12
- Meeting attendance method **should** be used in K-8 schools when teachers are required to take attendance for all subjects
- Homeroom is a period and for grades K-8 it is converted to daily attendance for the report card.
- When Daily attendance is entered in a K-8 school it is **only** for Homeroom and will automatically convert to period attendance and display in PowerTeacher but will **only** be seen by homeroom teacher
- Meeting attendance can be entered for one student or a group of students.
- Meeting attendance requires the entry of one comment which will been seen by the teachers of the student in their PowerTeacher class attendance and the Period Attendance by Class in NB Reports in PowerTeacher.

Periods/Meeting attendance can only be taken from the office or in PowerTeacher if the period has been included in the Bell Schedule. Click on Edit Bell Schedule to see a list of periods. In this school Homeroom and the five periods of the day can all take Meeting Attendance.

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Student Search Staff Search	Calendaring			
Parent Search		Period	Start Time	End Time
Enroll New Student	Automated Calendar Setup	1	08:15 AM	09:18 AM
New Staff Entry	Bell Schedules	2	09:33 AM	10:36 AM
New Parent Entry	Calendar Setup	3	10:40 AM	11:43 AM
Setup	Reporting Segments	4	12:33 PM	01:36 PM
		HR	01:36 PM	01:51 PM
School System Personalize	General	5	01:57 PM	03:00 PM
	Activities Setup			

If a school administration does not want a period available for attendance they can click on the blue hyperlinked period name and delete it from the list.

If a period was missed from the list but already exists in PowerSchool period set-up. Click on the **New** button and choose the period from the list of available periods.

Taking Attendance for a Single Student

An individual student can be chosen from the main page of PowerSchool by clicking on the first letter of their last name, the grade level or typing their name and selecting them.

Selecting a student opens there individual page. The appearance of this menu items and the attendance page varies slightly between high schools with only 9-12 and all other schools. In either case you will click on Attendance and the Change Meeting Attendance as shown below.



Understanding the Attendance Change Page

Attendance Change ¥ 0							
Landers, Kayleigh SK8							1. Confirms the name of the
Option	4	Value					Student
Change attendance for		Landers	Kayl	eigh			
From this date		09/17/2	016		1		Allows the selection of a date
To this date	2	09/17/2	016				range and defaults to current
Meetings to scan			M 1	r W	TH	I F	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i
		HR 6			•	•	day's date
		P1 6					Allow the selection of specific
	3	P2 6					periods and days.
		P3 6					perious and days.
		P4 6					
		P5 6					TIP: When a student is out for the full
		P6 6					
		P7 6					school day choose Select All. Power
		P8 6					School will only enter attendance in
		P9 6					
		P10 6					periods and days that correspond with
	TIP (Select	AII	Clea	ır	1	the date(s) selected

Code(s) to scan for	All These codes
	Present TA - Tardy UA - Unexcused absence IL - Illness MA - Medical appointment MAA - Medical appointment - AM MAP - Medical appointment - PM BE - Bereavement - AM BEP - Bereavement - AM BEP - Bereavement - PM
Attendance code to set 5	MA (Medical appointment)
If other than a default present (default presents will be overwrit 6	 Overwrite Don't Overwrite
Comment	Mom called and Kaleigh has an medical appointment, will be out for the day.
	Submit

- 4. Select **All** for codes to scan for
- 5. Select the code to be assigned
- 6. Set to **Overwrite**
- Add a comment to be seen by the teachers in PowerTeacher Pro and then Submit.

TIP: If teachers tell you they cannot see the office comment. They should be advised on the PowerTeacher Pro Attendance on the far top right to click on Comments Display

Comments Display

You can check your entry by returning to the Attendance page

Course	Expression	C	9/1	2-9	/16			9/1	9-9		When an attendance code othe
Course	Expres	М	Т	W	Н	F	М	Т	Ν		than Present has been added yo
Homeroom Chartrand, Allen 144 E: 08/01/2016 L: 06/29/201	1(A) 7	IL					SA				will see a code. A blank cell represents Present A dash mark - indicates the clas
Mathematics 9 Boulanger, Yvonne 268 E: 08/01/2016 L: 06/29/201	2(A) 7	IL					SA				was not in session and attendar was not possible.
Post-Intensive French 9 Carrier, Jhon Irving 262 E: 02/03/2017 L: 06/29/201	3(A) 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		There is a legend for all of the codes at the bottom of this scre
English Language Arts 9 Beek, Hana 116 E: 08/01/2016 L: 06/29/201	4(A)	IL					SA				Clicking on a week date range (9/12-9/16) shown above opens the Edit Meeting Attendance
	Meeting Daily										Page.
Current attendance code	BEA (Bereavement -	AM)			•	U					-
Tuesday 09/06/2016 Set All	TA (Tardy) UA (Unexcused abse IL (Illness)								09/	Friday 109/2016 Set All	This is another way meeting attendance can be taken for an
19 19	MAP (Medical appoin BE (Bereavement) BEA (Bereavement -	tment tment AM)						Mac 19	neroom Dowall, f 5 AM - 0	Riece 18:00 AM	individual student.
BEA R(T)	BEP (Bereavement - GU (Guidance)	PM)				h)				HR(F)	You choose a code from the pul
English Language Arts 4 English Seeley, Yvette Seeley, Y		ion)				ts 4			l <mark>ish Lan</mark> (ley, Yvett	guage Arts	
19 19 08:00 AM - 10:00 AM 08:00 A	ISA (In school susper ISP (In school susper	eion	AM) PM)					19 08:0	0 AM - 0	9:30 AM	for a specific class or Set All for
A1(T)	IN (Intervention) LB (Late Bus)					h)				A1(F)	the day. Either will add a grey
		XX (Attendance not required) XXA (Attendance not required - AM)						Art 4 MacDowall, Riece			speech balloon appear. Comme
											must be individually added for
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Changing Attendance for a Group of Students

This works when you want to enter attendance for an entire group of people (for example....a sports team or club). This process enables you to select the entire group and then enter attendance once and have it apply to all students in the group. The procedure is very similar to the changing meeting attendance for a single student.

Click on any of the following, Grade Level, Alphabet Letter or ALL to see a list of the students in your school. The click on **SELECT BY HAND** and the screen similar to below will appear.



Check all the students you need by first deselecting all by on the top check box. Then clicking on the checkbox by the names of students you want to select. When you are done click **UPDATE SELECTION**

1	Student		Grade Level
5	Avery, Jayda		8
ł.	Banks, Jennifer		8
i.	Bear, Jaxon		8
1	Broad, Jack		8
i.	Crabbe, Isaac		8
8	Deliberis, Jacob		8
ĺ.	Estey, Jamie		8
ł.	Foulkes, Jakob		8
	Greer, Megan		4
5	Gregory, Masoka		4
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This causes the group of students to become the current selection. They will remain your current selection until you make another selection or end your session.



TIP If this is a selection you expect to use again, you will want to make it a stored selection. Click on arrow to open the group functions menu. Choose Save Stored Selection. You will need to name your selection, save your selection and also if other PowerSchool users will be using the stored selection, you will need to publish the stored selection. Saving and Publishing is a two-step procedure.

Creating the Stored Selection

	6 Students records in current selection
Name of new selection Basket Ball Team	
SAVE the current selection with a new name	
O ADD records that belong to ANY of the checked and a second s	selections TO the current selection
FILTER records in current selection BY records the	at belong to EVERY checked selection
\odot CREATE a NEW selection based on records that	belong to ANY of the checked selections
CREATE a NEW selection based on records that	belong to EVERY checked selection
 DELETE all checked selections 	
PUBLISH all checked selections for other users	

Publishing the Stored Selection

O DE	LETE all checked selections			
🖲 PU	BLISH all checked selections for other users			
	Selections	Published	#	
	Basket Ball Team		6	Go Functions
	Boys Badminton Team	Р	12	Go Functions
				Submit

Returning to the Stored Selection at another time from the homepage of PowerSchool.

Start Page

Students	Staff	Pare	ents																	
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АВС	DEF	GН	L	JК	L	м	N	0	ΡC	R	s	т	U	v	w	х	Y	z		
K 1 2	3 4	5 6	7	8	М	F	All	S	tored	l Sea	arch	es	St	ore	d Se	elect	ion	s		

If members of the group in the stored selection change the selection will need to be modified and the new updated selection saved and published. Out of date selections will need to be deleted, in can be helpful to add a year or date to your selection.

While the selection was saved as stored selection, the students have remained as your current selection. From the same Group Functions menu, click on the arrow and scroll up to select Attendance Change.

	Student Suleens
	Attendance
	Attendance Change
	Search By Grades/A ance
	Search For Perfect Att, n. nce
itart Page	Enrollment
-	Enrollment Summary
	Mass Enroll Special Program
Students Staff Parents	Re-Enroll in School
	Transfer Out Of School
	Export
🔍 🗆 Advanced	
	List Students
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z	Quick Export
	Functions
K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 M F All Stored Searches Stored Selections	Fee Functions
	Health Screenings
	ID/Password Assignment
Current Student Selection (6)	LDAP Directory Synchronization
	Mass Create Family Links
Student	Student Field Value
Bear, Jaxon	Graduation
Deliberis, Jacob	Graduation Plan Selection
Foulkes, Jakob	Graduation Progress Report
Wilson, Walter	Graduation Progress Report Data Capture
Thioda, Hakor	
Wood, Megan	Graduation Progress Summary
	Graduation Progress Summary Printing Mass Print A Student Screen

The procedures and attendance change page used for changing attendance for a group of students is identical to the steps described above for one student. There is one difference, instead of the individual student's name you will see the number of students you have selected. Follow the same steps; enter date or range of dates, choose appropriate periods or select all if it is for the whole day, leave all for codes to scan and select the code to add, enter a comment and submit. This will enter the attendance information for all of the students.

Change Meeting Attendance

	Meeting Daily
Option	Value
Change attendance for	The selected 6 students
From this Date	09/17/2016
To this Date	09/17/2016