

Principal Newsletter

Pine Grove Elementary ~ August 2023

Welcome back to school!

It was great to see so many of you at Back To School Night last week! The home-school connection is one of the most important relationships as we work together to support students!

A few safety reminders as we begin the new year:

* All visitors must enter and exit the building through the front door. Visitors need to check in at the front office to receive a visitor's badge.

* Please help us keep our students and parents safe during drop off and pick up by not making U-turns in the school zone on Stonegate and if using our Kiss-N-Go lane off of Keystone, pulling into a designated spot or walking across Keystone to pick up students. Since there is no crosswalk on Keystone, for students' safety, we ask that they do not cross Keystone unaccompanied by an adult.

*PGE Staff Crossing Guards are at the main entrance of the school and the 4-way stop at Keystone and Stonegate. Thank you for modeling safe crossing for our students and spreading kindness to our crossing guards!



Quick Note About Electronics as School

To avoid distractions and support student learning at school, we ask that cell phones remain in student backpacks all day. Smart Watches may be worn as long as they are in "school mode" and can't send or receive text messages or phone calls from 8:25-3:10. If students are using their watch to send or receive texts or calls during the school day, teachers will ask they be put in their backpack until the end of the day.



If you need to speak to your student during the day please call the main office and we can get a message to them. If your student needs to speak with you during the day, they may use the office phone during a break in learning such as lunch or recess. When

students aren't feeling well, they will be sent to the Health Room where the Health Assistant will contact parents if necessary.

Thank you for your support of this school policy.

Positive Behavior Interventions & Support (PBIS)

These first few weeks of school your child's teacher, our mental health team, and our Leadership team have been visiting with grade levels to explicitly teach appropriate behaviors around the building. Research tells us that explicit teaching of expected appropriate behavior is an important factor of PBIS and helps to prevent more serious behavior problems. We strive to be proactive, positive, and encouraging as we work together to make sure our students understand what's expected of them.

Panther Pride Responsibilities						
School Rules	Classroom	Hallways	Playground	Cafeteria	Restroom	Assembly
Respect Yourself	Walk in aisle Get your seat Be prepared	Walk in aisle Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line	Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line	Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line	Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line	Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line Walk in line
Respect Others	Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice	Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice	Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice	Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice	Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice	Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice Use your voice
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