



AUGUST 2024

Panther Tales



August 7 Orientation 9-11am
August 7 Kona Ice Fundraiser @ Orientation
August 9 Volunteer Training 2pm
August 12 First Day of School
August 24 PTA Back to School Bash @ Sam's Splash City
August 29- September 16 PTA Cookie Dough Fundraiser



September 2 Labor Day Holiday
September 10 Open House 5-6pm
September 10 PTA General Assembly 6-6:30pm
September 18 Early Release Day 12:20
September 27 PTA Donuts with Dad
September 30 Book Fair
October 4 Fall Pictures
October 5 PTA Fall Carnival



August 7th 9:00-11:00 am

- Meet the teacher/find your room
- Verify end of day transportation
- Pick up card rider tags
- Bring school supplies!
- Find the Bus Stop
- Fill out your volunteer application
- Bring Prescription/ OTC Medications and fill out forms.



August 12th

Please be patient the first week of school as students learn dismissal routines. Expect delays and extended wait times for buses and car riders. Your grace is much appreciated!



Arrival Procedures: Doors to the school open at 7:20am, which is our daily drop-off time and breakfast start time. We begin allowing car riders out at 7:10 to keep the line from backing up, other students should not be walked up and dropped off to the ramp doors before 7:20. The only adult supervision before 7:20 is at the car rider drop off area for those using the car rider line.

All students at Pine Meadow are eligible to receive breakfast and lunch at no cost to you! Breakfast stops being served at 7:45 am allowing students time to arrive in class where instruction begins at 7:50am. Students arriving in their classroom after 7:50am are marked tardy.

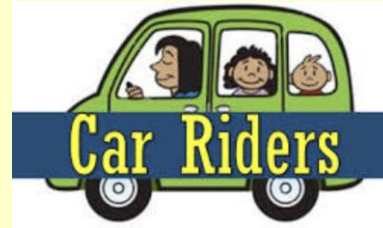
Due to District Safety Policies, parents are NOT able to walk their students to class. Beginning on August 12th, ALL students will be dropped off in their usual manner and we will have adults and safety patrols stationed throughout campus to ensure your child arrives safely to their destination. **Please do not park in the parking lot and walk your student to the sidewalk; stay in the car rider line** and your student will be assisted out of the vehicle and directed toward the classroom.

Dismissal Procedures: We begin moving to our areas at 2:05 pm, for our new 2:10 dismissal time-please be sure your child's teacher knows how your child goes home each day. Any transportation changes must be made in writing to your child's teacher before noon in the form of a **signed note**, and no students can be called for early dismissal after 1:30pm.

Bus Riders: Refer to ECSD Rights and Responsibility Handbook or attached Policies and Procedures for more information. Ms. Hale, our Assistant Principal handles all transportation questions/concerns. The ECSD Transportation web page is a wonderful resource for more information: <https://ecsd-fl.schoolloop.com/transportation>

Car Riders – PLEASE READ SHEETS ABOUT CAR RIDER INFORMATION CAREFULLY --GIVEN TO YOU DURING ORIENTATION!

Walkers: "Walkers" are defined as students that live within walking distance and are picked up by an adult to walk home. For safety reasons, you may not park in the street or parking lot and walk up. Please do not park in Pine Meadow Circle blocking driveways and walk up. The residents need to be able to access their driveways, and parking for their homes. After school, students that are walkers can be picked up in the gated area by the media center.



Morning Drop-Off 7:10
Tardy Bell: 7:50
Dismissal: 2:10

Car Rider Tags

The adult Picking up students must have the school provided number tag for 2024-2025 hanging from rear-view mirror.

Drop off Procedures

- **NO LEFT TURNS on to Omar Avenue from 9 ½ Mile Road between 7-8 am and 9 ½ Mile Road & Omar from 1:30-2:30 pm. A ticket for violating the left- hand turn rule is \$166.00.**
- Car riders enter the loop using Raymar Street from 9 ½ Mile Road.
- Turn left on St. Christopher Ave.
- Faculty and Staff start unloading students at 7:10
- Student should unload from the passenger (right) side of car. *If exiting from driver's side, they must walk behind the vehicle.*
- All vehicles must exit school area through Omar Avenue.

Pick Up Procedures

- Enter the car rider line on Raymar Street from 9 ½ Mile Road. **NO LEFT TURN AT 9 ½ Mile and Omar**
- Make sure your car rider tag is hanging from your rear-view mirror.
- Make sure your child's backpack has your car rider number on it and that your child knows their pick -up number.

Car Rider Rules

- Students must stay seated in their assigned area by numbers and listen for their number to be called.
- Students must maintain a voiced volume ZERO
- Students must keep hands/feet to themselves.
- Parents follow directions of the faculty /staff on duty.

NOTES:

Make sure your student is unbuckled before you reach the drop off point.

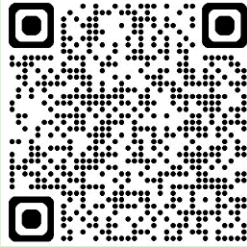
Make sure students are ready to exit. Faculty/Staff are not permitted to buckle and unbuckle children.

Always pay attention to the adults at our car rider area for the safety of everyone!

Rainy Day Dismissal- Student will be coming from inside the building. Please be patient and follow directions from adults.



WE ARE IN THIS together



Use this QR Code to become a PTA member.

Cost \$7



Volunteer Training: August 9 @2 pm

Volunteers are needed to assist teachers with copies, sorting, and various projects on Tuesdays.

Teacher Workdays for August: 13th, 20th, 27th

Volunteers are also needed to assist PTA in many activities throughout the school year!



August 29th - September 16th



Spirit Sales August 23&30



August 7th 9-11 am



SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 5

Back to School Bash!



August 24

Admission \$24.99 for Both Parks

10 am- Close

PTA is teaming up with Sam's Splash City! Come join in the fun! 25% of proceeds will go to the School!



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

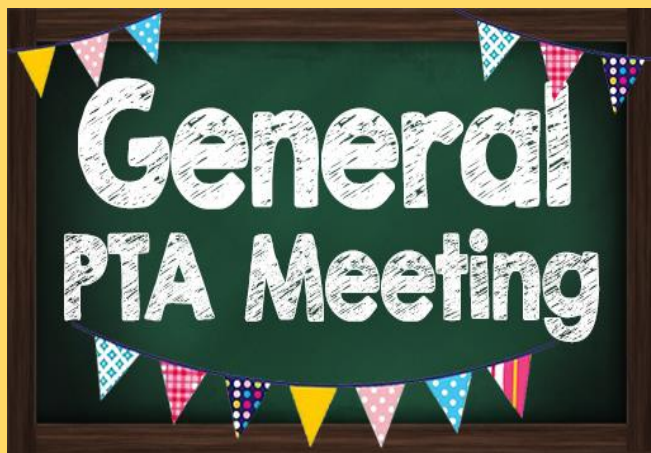
Due to construction and safety issues, there will be no lunch visitors until further notice. When construction is completed, you may have lunch with your students. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.



September 2th – No School



September 10th
5:00-6:00pm



September 10th
6:00-6:30 pm



September 18

School Dismissal Time is 12:20

Faculty and Staff will participate in Professional Development opportunities after all students have been dismissed for the day.



1ST GRADE

HEATHER SUMMERFORD

5TH GRADE

SARA WALLACE

KRISTA DUPREE



**“No one is perfect.
That’s why pencils
have erasers.”**

WOLFGANG RIEBE

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