The First Week of School is Almost Here!

It’s hard to believe that the first week of school is just around the corner! This issue of Panther Nation has information to get you ready. You will find both repeated information from the last issue and also new information!

The First Day of School

- Freshmen and New Student Orientations: 8:00 - 11:40 AM
- Late start for all returning, Grades 10-12, Panthers: 11:10 AM (Lunch)
- All students attend their Periods 1-6 classes, 11:45 AM - 2:35 PM, and meet their teachers.
- No Period 0 classes on the first day.
- There are two (2) bus runs on the first day:
  - Regular run: For orientation
  - Three-hour late run: For late start schedule.
- It’s a day focused on connecting!

First Week: Wednesday and Thursday

- Start time for both Wednesday and Thursday the FIRST WEEK of school is 8:00 AM (See “Regular Schedule” below).
- Period 0 will run at “regular” time at 7:00 AM on Wed, Aug 31 and Thurs, Sept 1.
- Late start Wednesdays begin the second week of school on Sept 7 (See “Wednesday Schedule” below).
- Period 0 teachers will share with students (on Aug 31) the plan for late start Wednesdays.

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*Freshmen and New Students
**Grades 10-12 (Returning) and Staff (Official)

We are super excited to see you and launch the 2022-23 school year! Kimberly, Coretta, Rick, and Ray
Schedule Changes

Enrollment this year exploded. We are currently at 1880 students and enrollments continue daily. This high enrollment also means that classes are full. We are working on hiring in new staff; however, this high enrollment also means that class changes are not easy and often impossible. Our first priorities are to 1) enroll new students and register them into classes, and 2) fix schedules that have “holes” (missing classes). Therefore, please understand the following:

● No schedule changes on the first day of school.
● **Day 1 of School:** Students with **incomplete schedules** will report to the Student Services (Counseling Center) during the class period where there is no class listed to fix the issue.
● **Day 2 of School:** Students with **academic misplacements** (ex: received Pre-Calc; should be in Geometry). Report to Student Services during class period of issue to fix.
● **Tuesday, 6 September:** **Elective course changes** will be considered based on availability. To request an elective course change, complete the “Schedule Change” form located in your grade level Google Classroom (info included next article).

This form will be available beginning Tuesday, 6 September. If a change can be made, your counselor will call you down to Student Services.

Counselors’ Google Classrooms

Each grade level Counselor and the College and Career Counselor have Google Classrooms full of information. Students join the “classrooms” appropriate for them. Families, encourage your student to “invite” you to join.

**Ms. Thornton | College and Career**

All College and Career information is shared via each “Class of…” Google Classroom.

For appointments, stop by the College and Career Center, or call 7027.

**Ms. Fender | Class of 2023 and Advanced Placement**

Join code (class): ohqrquis
Join code (AP): 5fwfz4i

**Mr. Phillips | Class of 2024**

Join code: fpdzvic

**Ms. Harkness | Class of 2025**

Join code: grto66q

**Mr. Strate | Class of 2026**

Join code: q2sbpro

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**IMPORTANT ATHLETIC & ACTIVITIES INFORMATION**

**Participation Information**

1. Register online via **Family ID**.
2. Pay Participation Fee ($45) and purchase ASB $50.
3. Incoming Freshmen, Juniors, and new students to Mead must present a current sports physical.

**2022 Fall Sports and Activities Dates**

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<td>Monday, 22 August</td>
<td>First day practices for Volleyball, Girls Soccer, Boys XC/Girls XC, Slow Pitch Softball</td>
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<td>Friday, 2 September</td>
<td>FIRST GAME NIGHT! Football: Mead @ Eastmont 7:00 PM; Soccer v. CDA @ Union 4:00 PM</td>
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| Saturday, 10 September| CAT SCRAMBLE Golf Tournament @ Wandermere Golf Course
|                       | Great opportunity to support Mead Athletic Boosters. [Click here](#) for more information! |
| Wednesday, 21 September| Turf Wars: Lady Panther Soccer v. Mt Spo @ Union Stadium, 6:30 PM |
| Saturday, 22 October  | Homecoming Dance, 8:00-10:00 PM, The Mall                             |
| Thursday, 27 October  | Volleyball Cat Fight: Mead v Mt Spo @ Mead, 7:00 PM                 |
| Friday, 28 October    | Battle of the Bell: Mead v. Mt Spo @ Union Stadium, 7:00 PM          |
Get your Greater Spokane League (GSL) 2022-23 Annual Sports Pass!

- Save hundreds by ordering now for only $97.00: [Click here.](#)
- Includes two (2) adults and children younger than high school.
- Avoid rising costs: There is now a ticket cost for soccer.

Interested in a Winter or Spring Sport?

**Winter Sports**
- Girls Basketball
- Boys Basketball
- Unified Basketball
- Girls Gymnastics
- Girls/Boys Wrestling

**Spring Sports**
- Girls Fastpitch
- Boys Baseball
- Girls/Boys Golf
- Girls/Boys Tennis
- Boys Soccer
- Unified Soccer
- Girls/Boys Track

MORE ATHLETIC INFORMATION LOCATED VIA THE ATHLETIC NEWSLETTER!

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**2022-23 BUS RIDER REGISTRATION**

Just a reminder that all bus riders must register each year. Registering in advance helps Transportation plan routes and prepare for riders.

- [REGISTRATION FORM](#)
- [TRANSPORTATION PAGE](#)

**Nutrition Services 2022-23**

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) waiver that allowed school districts to provide free lunch and breakfast to all students expired at the end of this last school year. This means that for the 2022-23 school year we will be transitioning back to regular prices for school meals, with free/reduced price meals for qualified families.

For more information about prices and application access [CLICK HERE.](#)

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