

PINEY RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



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Director of Human Resources 125 North
Court Street Westminster, MD 21157 (410)
751-3070.

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

Dear Piney Ridge Families,

We hope everyone enjoyed a relaxing Thanksgiving Break. The break was a good time to reflect on the things that we are thankful for in our lives. At Piney Ridge, we are thankful for the great students, supportive parents, and hard-working staff. While we are giving thanks, we want to say thank you to the parents who came out for our fall parent-teacher conference evenings. If anyone was unable to attend a conference, we encourage you to call or email your child's teacher for any questions about their progress.

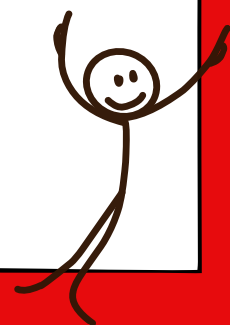
We want to congratulate the 247 students in grades 3, 4, or 5 who made one of our school's Honor Rolls. We also want to recognize 139 students schoolwide who had perfect attendance for the first marking period. Keep up the great work!

The mid-term date for the second marking period is December 13th. We encourage parents of students in grades 3 through 5 to go to Home Access Center to check on their grades. Students in grades PreK through 2 will receive an interim report from the teacher. This will be a good time to discuss progress with your child and set goals for the end of the quarter.

Lastly, we want to remind parents to begin thinking about the possibility of inclement weather and its impact on schools. If an announcement is made about the delay or closing of schools, this information will be communicated through the CCPS website, School Messenger emails and/or calls, Channel 21, and other local radio or television stations. It is a good idea to plan ahead so that your family can be prepared for a delay or closing of schools with short notice. For more information about inclement weather and schools, [click here](#).

We wish everyone a safe, happy, and healthy month of December!

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DECEMBER 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4	5 PTA Meeting 7pm	6 Concert 6pm		8
11	12	13 Concert 6pm	14	15
18	19	20	21	22 Early Dismissal 1pm
25 No School Offices Closed	26 No School Offices Closed	27 No School Offices Closed	28 No School Offices Closed	29 No School Offices Closed Jan 1, 2024 No School



MEDIA MENTIONS



Thank you Piney Ridge for a very successful Book Fair! We have earned enough in profits to pay for our yearly subscription to PebbleGo and PebbleGo Next.

We would like to say an extra special thank you to our community for generously donating to the “Change for Chapters” initiative. We were able to buy books for students in our school that face financial need.

Mrs. Cross & Mrs. Lands

NURSES'S NOOK



Cough Drops: Students are allowed to bring and hold on to Non-Medicated cough drops at school. Please send only enough for the day, 1-3 drops should get them through the day. Also be sure to send a note in for the teacher stating your child will be using cough drops. Your child should be able to use cough drops without choking. Please do not send any Lollipop style cough drops. Any cough drops which indicate limit per day require a doctor's order, ie- Robitussin with cough syrup, Cepacol.

Flu Vaccination: There will be no In School Flu Vaccine Clinics this school year. Please schedule an appointment with your primary care doctor or set up through a local pharmacy.

Hearing and Vision: Screening has been rescheduled for May 20, 21 and 22. If you child is having difficulty with either please follow up with your pediatrician or eye doctor.

Outdoor Recess

REMINDER

Students will be outdoors for recess as long as the weather is above 32 degrees (including windchill), or pouring rain/thunderstorms.

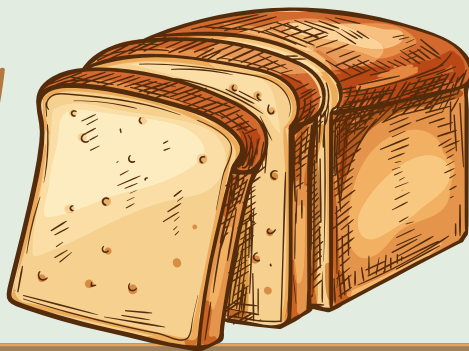
Please dress your children appropriately for the colder weather.

Children will participate in indoor recess time when it is not appropriate for students to be outside. Students are reminded to bring their jackets/sweatshirts with them to lunch to take outside.

Piney's lost and found is growing rapidly with many coats, sweatshirts, gloves and water bottle. Label your child's cold weather gear to avoid this. Please if visiting for lunch or here for afterschool activities, take a moment to check and see if anything of your child's is left behind.

SECOND GRADE
BREAD BAKE

December 8th



TRANSPORTATION OR ATTENDANCE CHANGES!

TO REPORT AN ABSENCE OR
CHANGE IN TRANSPORTION, GO TO
PREATTENDANCE@CARROLLK12.ORG

CHANGE OF
TRANSPORTATION



NOTICE OF ABSENCE



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1 Hot Breakfast Entree Variety of Breakfast Breads Variety of Cereal 100% Fruit Juice Variety of Fruit
		Condiments: • Syrup • Cream Cheese • Grape Jelly • Margarine	Milk Choices: • Nonfat Milk • Low Fat Milk • Nonfat Chocolate Milk	
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25 Winter Break	26 Winter Break	27 Winter Break	28 Winter Break	29 Winter Break

Breakfast Entree Options: Bacon Scramble Pizza , Mini Blueberry Pancakes , Mini Maple Pancakes , Pancake and Sausage on a Stick , Mini Blueberry Waffles , Mini Maple Waffles , Yogurt Smoothie - Peach , Yogurt Smoothie - Strawberry Banana

Assorted Breakfast Cereals: Apple Cinnamon Cheerios , Cheerios , Cinnamon Toast Crunch , Cocoa Puffs , Rice Chex , Trix

All menus are subject to change. We make it our priority to serve the menu as planned, but sometimes situations arise where we need to make substitutions. Recently, we have been affected by nationwide food supply chain disruptions which have resulted in last minute menu changes. We will make every attempt to substitute similar products when they are available. We appreciate your understanding as we continue to

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1	2
			Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teriyaki Chicken over Rice with Dinner Roll • Chef Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Broccoli • Tossed Salad • Mixed Fruit Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheese Pizza • Pepperoni Pizza • Cheesesticks with Dipping Sauce • Chef Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Carrot Coins • Cucumber Coins • Applesauce Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
		<i>Milk Choices:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nonfat Milk • Low Fat Milk • Nonfat Chocolate Milk 		
5	6	7	8	9
Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pork BBQ Sandwich • Grilled Cheese Sandwich • Chicken Ceasar Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tomato Soup • Fresh Carrots • Applesauce Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beef Tacos • Premium Chicken Sandwich • Chicken Ceasar Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corn • Shredded Lettuce • Salsa • Diced Pears Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheese Rippers • Popcorn Chicken with Dinner Roll • Chicken Ceasar Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crinkle Cut French Fries • Baked Beans • Celery Sticks • Chilled Peaches Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamburger on a Roll • Cheeseburger on a Roll • Chicken Tenders with Dinner Roll • Chicken Ceasar Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Beans • Tossed Salad • Mixed Fruit Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheese Pizza • Pepperoni Pizza • Hot Dog • Chicken Ceasar Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Broccoli • Green Peppers and Cherry Tomatoes • Applesauce Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
12	13	14	15	16
Entree Choices with Dinner Roll <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Macaroni and Cheese with Dinner Roll • Crispy Chicken Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crinkle Cut French Fries • Baked Beans • Tossed Salad • Applesauce Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walking Taco • Rancho Pizza • Crispy Chicken Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corn • Shredded Lettuce • Salsa • Diced Pears Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza Crunchers • Chicken Tenders with Dinner Roll • Crispy Chicken Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Beans • Fresh Carrots • Mixed Fruit Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spaghetti with Meatsauce with Dinner Roll • Chicken Patty on a Roll • Crispy Chicken Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Broccoli • Cucumber Coins • Chilled Peaches Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheese Pizza • Pepperoni Pizza • Cheesesticks with Dipping Sauce • Crispy Chicken Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Carrot Coins • Green Peppers and Cherry Tomatoes • Applesauce Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
19	20	21	22	23
Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamburger on a Roll • Cheeseburger on a Roll • Corn Dog • Chef Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crinkle Cut French Fries • Baked Beans • Celery Sticks • Applesauce Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nacho Grande • Premium Chicken Sandwich • Chef Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corn • Shredded Lettuce • Salsa • Diced Pears Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orange Chicken over Rice with Dinner Roll • Pizza Crunchers • Chef Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steamed Broccoli • Tossed Salad • Mixed Fruit Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Popcorn Chicken • Cheese Rippers • Chef Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Beans • Cucumber Coins • Applesauce Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Entree Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French Toast Sticks with Sausage Patty • Cheese Pizza • Pepperoni Pizza • Chef Salad Grab and Go Combo Fruits and Vegetables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fresh Carrots • Mixed Fruit • Celebration Cookie Variety of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
26	27	28	29	30

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Carroll County Public Schools Birth to Kindergarten and Family Support



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LIGHT SNACKS * DRINKS * COOKIES
CRAFTS * LETTERS TO SANTA
HOLIDAY THEMED GAMES
CHILDCARE AVAILABLE

DEC 7
2023

3:00 - 7:00 PM

Carroll Hospital
Shauck Auditorium
291 Stoner Ave, Westminster



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del Nacimiento a Kindergarten



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* REFRESCOS * GALLETAS
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