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Daily Schedule

School Hours

- M, T, TH, F: 9:00a - 3:20p
- Wednesdays: 9:40a - 3:20p



Save the Dates

- 3/1: Kindergarten Enrollment Opens
- 3/4 - 3/8: Read Across America Week
- 3/4 - 3/8: Classified Appreciation Week
- 3/8 - 3/14: Spring Book Fair (PTO volunteers!)
- 3/10: Minda Dentler @ North Spokane Library 2p
- 3/11: School board meeting
- 3/13 Pattison's Skate Night 6-8pm
- 3/14: Pi (Pie) Day Grandparents Day
- 3/15: No School (snow make up day)
- 3/18: PTO meeting, 6pm
- 3/27: Silverwood Read2Ride DUE!
- 3/29: Staff vs. Students (5th grade) basketball

Click [HERE](#) for the 2023-24 District Calendar

Going to be gone? Please call the front desk (509-465-7800) or attendance line (509-465-7884) to report absences for any reason.

Reading Across the Prairie

“Today you are You, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is Youer than You.” Dr. Seuss

Reading is magic.

We believe, however, everyone deserves to "know the trick." The unveiling not only exposes the meaning behind the text but shows

us who we are. It's how our Hawks can truly be seen. It's how we live into loving, knowing, and developing our students. "Read Across America" week is an annual celebration where we share the joy of reading and the freedoms associated. We (staff & PTO) have some tricks up our sleeves!

- **Reading = Success!** Reading is vital to a student's success: Countless studies show that children who read regularly (at home and school) perform better in school and have higher levels of academic achievement than those who don't.
- **Reading = Communication!** Reading helps children develop a richer vocabulary and a stronger grasp of language and grammar, which helps them communicate more effectively and succeed in all areas of life. Future ready Hawks are readers!
- **Reading = Brain Food!** Reading enhances cognitive development: Research shows that reading can improve critical thinking skills, enhance problem-solving abilities, and even increase empathy and understanding of others. Now, that's nutritious!
- **Reading = Pleasure!** When children enjoy reading, they are more likely to read for pleasure throughout their lives, which leads to a lifetime of learning and personal growth.
- **Reading + Families + School = WIN!** Parents are a child's first and most important teacher. Thank you for modeling and instilling a love for reading at home. In case you missed it, we are participating in the Silverwood Read2Ride program again this year. Now, that's a huge win!

I see you, Hawk Readers!

PS. Be sure to tell anyone with a kinder-aged future Hawk that it's NOW time to enroll for 2024-25! [HERE](#)

Let's fly! Together!

Dr. Jeff Naslund
Proud Principal
Prairie View Elementary
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"Courage starts with showing up and letting ourselves be seen." [Brené Brown]

School Flyers

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PTO Updates

The incredible PTO has transformed our school into a reading wonderland ready for the next adventure. [HERE's](#) a quick look.

Our **next PTO meeting** of the 2023-24 school Year starts at 6pm on March 18, 2024 (in Portable 1). All PV parents and guardians are invited to attend. Oh, treats will be served! YOU have a vote on how fundraising dollars are spent which is why it's important to attend if you can. Childcare IS provided!

Our PTO is always looking for more volunteers. ALL District volunteers are screened centrally through the District Office starting with the simple 2-step process: start [HERE](#) then let PTO know you are interested, too.

Keep up with all the happenings on our PV PTO on Facebook [HERE!](#) Prefer Instagram? We got you! We often post similar things, but many people may only use one form of social media. Here is a link to the PV PTO IG page:
https://www.instagram.com/pv_pto/



March is Nutrition Month! We all know how tricky nutrition can be at times, so encourage your household with this helpful acronym for a healthy diet.

- **E**njoy lots of colors! Different colored fruits and veggies have different important vitamins, so try and eat lots of colors.
- **A**void too many sugary beverages and snacks! Eating too many things with a lot of sugar can really be hard on our body, so aim for enjoying a treat every so often.
- **T**ry for a balanced diet! A balanced diet means eating protein, carbohydrates, and fat with every meal.

Check out [Kids Eat in Color](#) and [Feeding Littles](#) for great resources.

Caught Reading!

Get ready for lots of reading fun this week! It's Read Across America! And...our Book Fair Opens up on Friday, March 8! [HERE's](#) the letter going out on PeachJar for each of the next three Tuesdays. We will also have Spirit / Dress Up Days:



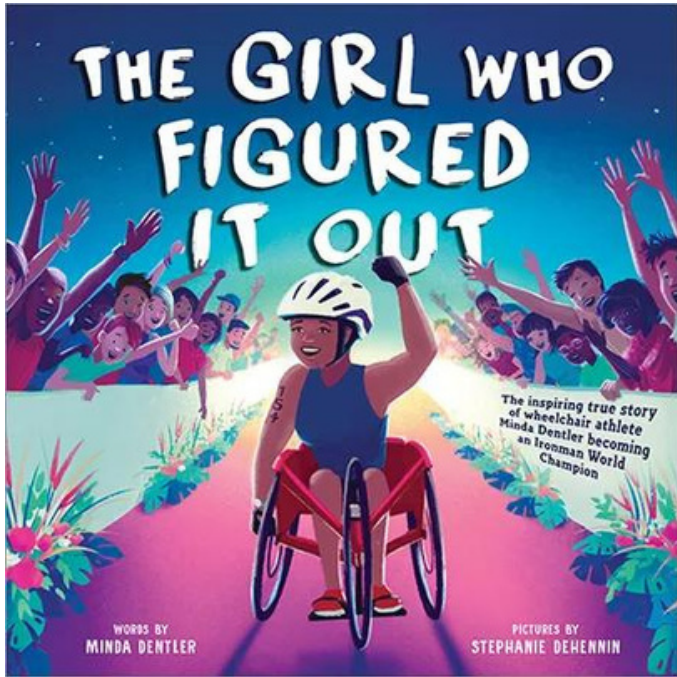
- **Monday, March 4:** Get comfortable with reading!
 - Wear pajamas or your favorite comfy clothes
- **Tuesday, March 5:** Reading adds color to our lives!
 - Wear as many colors as you can
- **Wednesday, March 6:** Reading inspires ideas and creativity!
 - Dress like your favorite book character or wacky hair
- **Thursday, March 7:** Reading can take us places!
 - Wear some sports or travel gear
- **Friday, March 8:** Reading gives us freedom!
 - Wear red, white, and blue

Reading Challenges

As students bring back the challenge slips, they will need to take them to the office to be put in the Read Across America box. Two winners will be drawn every day! Thank you to Heidi and Kirstin for drawing the names and PTO for the awesome prizes!

Caught Reading

Mrs. Chaffins and I will be spreading some cheer when we 'catch' kids reading. Prizes all around! Keep your heads on a swivel!



Inspired by our Own!

I recently connected with Mead High School grad Minda Dentler ('96), a record-setting endurance athlete, TED speaker, global health advocate, and mother, defied the odds by becoming the first female wheelchair athlete to complete the Ironman World Championship. She has been featured on CNN, NBC, Forbes, Glamour, and nominated for an ESPN ESPY Award for best female athlete with a disability. Minda's [TED Talk](#) on conquering the world's toughest triathlon has garnered over 1.3 million views.

She continues to push boundaries and inspire others and recently wrote a book entitled *The Girl Who Figured It Out!* She will be speaking at the North Spokane County Library on March 10 at 2pm. I will be bringing my girls, for sure!



What I learned when I conquered the world's toughest triathlon

Specialist Rotations

Our specialists continue their A, B, C rotation this year to ensure all Hawks get great access to PE, Music, and Library.

Check out **March at-a-glance** [\[HERE\]](#) or check in with

each:

- [PE](#) (follow Mr. Wiser's PE on Instagram @pvhawkspe)
- [Music](#) (Ms. Martin will share throughout the year)
- [Library](#) (follow Mrs. Chaffins on Instagram @pvhawkslibrary)



“ PV Hawks are known, loved, and developed. PV Hawks are future ready! ”





Prairie View Elementary
Read Across America Week
Dress Up Days
March 4th - 8th

Monday **Pajama Day!**

Tuesday **Wear lots of colors!**

Wednesday **Dress as your favorite book character or wear wacky hair!**

Thursday **Wear Sports or Travel Gear!**

Friday **Wear red, white, and/or blue!**

TRANSITION TO



Kindergarten



- Who:** Children who are four years old by August 31, 2024
- What:** A program for eligible students
- Where:** Mead Elementary Schools
- When:** 2024-2025 School Year
- Time:** Regular School Hours 9:00am - 3:20pm

WHAT IS TRANSITION TO KINDERGARTEN?

Transition to Kindergarten is an early learning program for eligible students who turn four years old by August 31st. It is a *free, full day* program focusing on basic academic and social-emotional skills to jump start success in school!

Limited spaces are available and students who meet entry criteria will be enrolled on a first come-first served basis. Entry criteria includes age; financial, academic, or social-emotional need; and/or lack of access to other early learning programs.



HOW DO WE SIGN UP?

Please complete a brief survey with [this link](#) or QR code (to the right) to confirm your interest in Transitional Kindergarten. Registration for Transitional Kindergarten will begin March 1, 2024.





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