



# FRIDAY FLASH

Hance Elementary School

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## Message from the Principal

What a wonderful start to the year! We couldn't be more proud. Hopefully, back-to-school routines are now established at home and the students are telling you all about their days. This week we began reviewing our RAMS Way behavioral expectations in the different areas of the school including the playground, bus, cafeteria, hall, bathroom, and classroom.



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## Attendance Reminders

Absences and early dismissals must be recorded in Sapphire and teachers should be notified. Read more for all of our attendance guidelines.



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## Health Services Reminders

Please review our district website for annual back-to-school reminders regarding health services, immunizations and screenings.



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## Sensational September Calendar

Do one or do them all... check out the [Sensational September](#) spirit calendar! Wear PR or green and white on RAMS Way Days.



## September Lunch Calendar

Big City Bites is similar to a chicken fajita but with mozzarella cheese on a hoagie bun topped with chimichurri. See September's menu below.

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## Important Sapphire Information

Please make sure you have signed the annual acknowledgment within Sapphire. This year, there is also a school counseling form to complete. The form will let us know whether you would like your child to participate in Ms. Godino's quarterly lessons. If it is not completed, we will assume you are opting out of the lessons. Find these forms in Student Data Forms > My Backpack. Please have all forms completed by **Friday, September 13**.

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**SAPPHIRE**  
COMMUNITY PORTAL



## Title I Partners in Print Annual Meeting

All parents are invited to our annual Fall meeting to discuss our [Title I Program](#), meet our reading specialists, and learn how you can become part of our parent advisory committee. Join us on **Monday, September 16**, at 9:30 am in the cafeteria. This meeting is for parents only. [Read our annual Title I Right to Know Letter](#).

Title I  
Meeting



## RAMS Way Committee Wish List

The RAMS Way committee is looking for incentives/prizes for students and staff. If you are interested in donating something, please check out our Amazon wish list. These items will be used during our RAMS Way assemblies and throughout the year as a way to reinforce positive behaviors.

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## Introducing After-School Playtime

There will be five different opportunities (each with 80 slots and on a different day of the week) throughout the school year because we want everyone to have some fun! Please only choose one date for each of your children. [Reserve your child's spot now!](#)

Do you want to help make this new initiative a success? [Sign up to volunteer!](#)



## Ice Cream Social Tickets On Sale

The sweetest end-of-summer celebration is happening on **Friday, September 20**. Customize the perfect family evening of fun - including whole pizza orders! Due to the possibility of needing to move the event inside, we have to limit ticket sales to 475 but will have an unlimited amount to be sold the day of the event if it can be held outside. [Click here](#) to purchase pre-sale tickets and food. Interested in set-up, tear-down, and event help? [Sign up here](#) to volunteer.



## Homeroom Coordinators Needed

We're looking for enthusiastic parents to volunteer as Homeroom Coordinators for their child's classroom. Let's work together to make this school year a fantastic one for our kids! Please use the form below to sign up by **Sunday, September 1**, at 6:00 pm. If multiple people sign up for the same homeroom, names will be entered in a random drawing. Email [Emilie Gaeta](#) with any questions.



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## Hance Elementary Directory

The HPTO will be creating a Student Directory containing family contact information for the convenience of our families. It's the best tool for planning birthday parties and playdates with school friends! Purchase one [here](#) or via [Linktree](#). Still need to enter your family's information into the directory? Please use [this form](#) to submit entries. Both directory entries and sales will end next **Friday, September 6**. Questions? Please email [Kristin Washington](#).



## Spirit Wear Sale

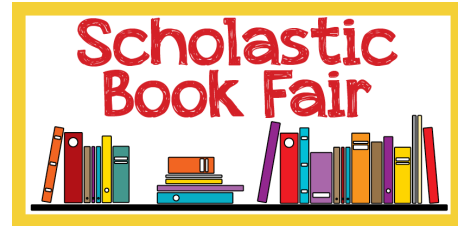
The sale is now live through **Friday, September 13**. [Click here](#) to find a variety of new spirit wear for your family. We are excited to offer fresh items in this sale, including a custom shirt representing the new school theme for teachers and students!



## Hance Book Fair

Hance Book Fair is back from **Monday, September 16**, through **Friday, September 20**, during students' scheduled library time, as well as during the Ice Cream Social.

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## Volunteer for the Book Fair

We are in need of volunteers to help the students shop during their scheduled times. We are asking for 4 - 6 volunteers per shift. As always, thank you for volunteering your time to help make the kids' experience run smoothly!

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## In Case You Missed It

### PTO Chair and Committee Members

The HPTO is seeking just a few more chairpersons and several committee members for events during the upcoming school year. Parent volunteers allow us to do more for the students and staff as many hands make light work for us all! Sign up [here](#) to fill an opening or plan to attend a virtual info session (meeting link available on Linktree) to find out more!



### After-School Program Help Needed

Hance needs independent volunteers to chaperone students during after-school programs. We have programs ready to come in, but are unable to book them without a volunteer. To volunteer, please fill out [this survey](#) so we can start confirming programs. Read



more to learn about becoming an independent volunteer, email [Tammy Godino](mailto:Tammy.Godino) with questions about [volunteer requirements](#), or [Hance After School Programs](#) with general questions.

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## Morning Fit Club

Rise and shine, young champions! Are you ready to kickstart your day with a burst of energy and positivity? Join the Morning Fit Club! Sessions start on **Wednesday, September 4**, at 8:00 am and run for six weeks before school.

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## Reminders

- Friday Flash submissions are due Wednesdays at 8 am to [prnewsletters@pinerichland.org](mailto:prnewsletters@pinerichland.org).
- [Free and Reduced Meal Applications](#) must be submitted each school year.
- Check the [Friday Flash Archives](#) for past information.
- [Children's Health Insurance Program](#) information.
- Read our [Title I Right to Know](#) letter.



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