

Hance Elementary School

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Message from the Principal

October is officially here and we are starting to feel some fall in the air. Students are already talking about their Halloween costumes and their first party. As we get closer, we will be sharing details and reminders about safe costumes on our daily announcements.



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Halloween/Fall Parades and Parties

Students may wear costumes or fall/Halloween-themed clothes to school on **Thursday**, **October 31**. Click the link below for grade level and costume specifications.





Hance Family Literacy

Each month, we will feature a a Reading Connection newsletter which is full of information to help foster a love of reading in all students. Click here to view October's newsletter.



School Picture Day

Picture day is **Monday**, **October 21**. Please visit **Lifetouch** to purchase your photo packages. Our

Picture Day ID code is EVT8K67RG. <u>Download the flyer here</u>. All orders must be submitted online. No money will be collected at school.



School Bus Expectations

Parents, please remind and reinforce that no electronic devices should be out on the buses, and if they are bringing a stuffed animal or item for recess to school, it must fit in and remain in their backpacks. This ensures the drivers can focus on the roads and traffic and also keep the stuffed animals clean.



Gift of Time Tickets

Visit the link below to see the fun ideas our staff have submitted. Enter today for your chance to skip the car rider line, or for your student to read with Mrs. Fetterman's Beagle Boys!



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Fall After School Program Starting Soon

This semester we are working with <u>Young Brothers</u> <u>Tae Kwon-Do</u>, Pittsburgh School of the Arts, and <u>Mad Science</u> to bring you some active and engaging afterschool options! PSA started this week, but Tae Kwon-Do and Mad Science still have open space!



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Updated PTO Calendar

The calendar that was sent home last week was missing a few items. Please click here to see the updated calendar.



Trunk or Treat

HPTO will have a trunk at Pine-Richland's 2nd annual Trunk or Treat on **October 20** at Richland Park.

Register now to see what treasures are in store for ye.



Order Your Hance Yearbook

We are hard at work creating this year's yearbook at Hance. Order your copy today! Books cost \$18.90 and will be passed out at school in May.



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After-School Playtime

Mr. Mike is joining our after-school play time next week! Every student can attend one of the five dates for free, so feel free to <u>sign up</u> if you haven't done so yet! We need volunteers to help make this event run. <u>Click here to sign up to volunteer</u>.



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Morning Fit Club

Join Morning Fit Club and transform your mornings into epic adventures of fitness and fun. The next session starts on **Wednesday**, **October 16**, at 8:00 am.



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In Case You Missed It

Principal Quarterly Meetings

The first quarterly meeting for parents will be on **Monday, October 14**, at 10:00 am. These meetings will be about building relationships and partnering with each other to ensure continuous improvement. **Please complete this survey** to let us know how we've been doing to start the year!



Outstanding October Calendar

Do one or do them all... check out the <u>Outstanding</u> <u>October</u> spirit calendar! Wear PR or green and white on RAMS Way Days.



October Lunch Calendar

What's on the menu in the cafeteria this month?

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Hance Dance Chairperson

The HPTO still needs a chair for the Hance Dance and committee members for various events throughout the school year. Without a chair, the Hance Dance will be canceled. Sign up to fill an opening.



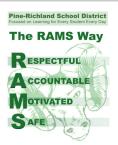
Cafeteria Volunteers

Our calendar is now open for volunteers to sign up to help out in the cafeteria. Please <u>sign up here</u> if you would like to volunteer during our lunches. This is a great way to see your child in action and socialize with our students.



RAMS Way Committee Wish List

The RAMS Way committee is looking for incentives/prizes for students and staff. Please check out our **Amazon wish list**. Items will be used during our RAMS Way assemblies and throughout the year as a way to reinforce positive behaviors.



Reminders

- Friday Flash submissions are due Wednesdays at 8 am to 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 <u>Title I Right to Know</u> letter.









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