



The HAWKEYE

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SPOOKY FAST START!

We have so much to celebrate around here (like beating our big Boosterthon goal!), but we also need to maintain a healthy learning environment and follow our nutrition guidelines. This means we need to get creative at times. [\[HERE\]](#) is a great resource for creative celebrations. Big thanks to so many of you who have found fun ways to celebrate birthdays that doesn't include junk food. More information can be found at our [Mead Healthy Living website](#).

MEAD HIGH SCHOOL TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Mead Serves, the volunteer service club at Mead High School, would like to extend a hearty Panther invitation to all of your ghouls and goblins to our 3rd annual [Trunk or Treat](#) happening later this month.

Wednesday, October 30th, from 6:00 - 7:30 pm the front of the student parking lot (the part that faces Hastings Road) will be transformed into a spooky (not THAT spooky) zone full of candy, treats, games, and fun.

HALLOWEEN

Halloween is coming up, so I want to cover some of our guidelines regarding costumes and parties on that day:

- **Costumes** - Our kindergarteners and 1st graders typically come to school in their costumes. It's too hard to get them dressed in costumes before our assembly that day. However, for our 2nd through 5th graders, please plan on just bringing your costumes to school that day and changing into them after lunch. Costumes should also be easy for your student to put on. There will not be enough time and teachers won't be able to help everyone with hair, make-up etc. Also, nothing gory, gross, or too scary, and no weapons of any kind, even if they are part of the costume
- Parties are in the afternoon, after lunch
- Any parent wishing to join their child in the classroom must be background checked and cleared.

- Parents choosing to wear costumes to school to join in the festivities will be required to show their face to the office staff before they are checked in, so masks will be required to be taken off for that process.

BALLOONS ON BUSES

While we love balloons, I need to send a reminder that for safety reasons, balloons are not allowed on any school buses. If balloons are brought to the school for any occasion, the students will need to be picked up by their parents after school. The student will not be allowed to ride the bus with the balloons.

CLUBS!

PV has some of our favorite clubs coming back this fall, and we couldn't be more excited to provide opportunities for students to connect with school outside of the regular day.

The **Math is Cool Club** at Prairie View Elementary is an amazing opportunity for our Hawks to explore the fun side of math and grow their problem-solving skills! Here's what makes it so special:

- **Math Becomes Exciting:** In Math is Cool, students discover that math is more than just numbers—it's puzzles, patterns, and challenges that can be really exciting! The activities make math engaging and fun, sparking curiosity in students.
- **Building Confidence:** Whether students are math whizzes or just starting to feel confident with numbers, the club is designed to help everyone improve. It provides a safe space to take risks, learn new strategies, and experience those "aha!" moments.
- **Team Competitions:** Math is Cool gives students the chance to work in teams and participate in competitions. This encourages collaboration, quick thinking, and teamwork, while also letting them experience the thrill of success together.
- **Critical Thinking Skills:** Students develop skills that go beyond the classroom, like logical reasoning and creative problem-solving—important tools for their academic journey and future careers.
- **A Supportive Community:** The club brings together students who love math or want to improve, creating a positive, encouraging environment where they feel seen and supported by both their peers and their teachers.

And...our Drama Club is BACK!

The Drama Club at Prairie View Elementary is a fantastic opportunity for students to shine and be seen in a whole new way. Here's what makes it so great:

- **Creativity Unleashed:** Students get the chance to express themselves through acting, storytelling, and even set design. It's a space where their imaginations can soar.

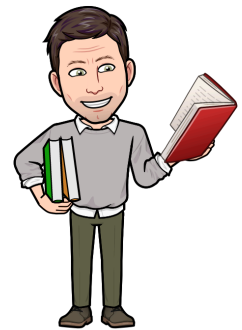
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- **Teamwork and Collaboration:** Working together to put on a performance teaches the value of teamwork. Each student's role, whether big or small, contributes to the success of the whole production—much like how every Hawk plays an important part in our school community.
- **Confidence Building:** Drama Club helps students develop public speaking skills and self-confidence. Whether they're on stage or behind the scenes, being involved in a production allows them to step out of their comfort zones and discover new strengths.
- **Friendship and Fun:** Drama brings together students from different grades, helping them form lasting friendships while having fun.
- **Future-Ready Skills:** Drama teaches valuable life skills like problem-solving, empathy, and communication—tools that will serve our students well in their future.

BOOK FAIR

Thank you so much to everyone who supported our Book Fair! The money our librarian makes goes right back to our library to buy new books for kids. And our kids have books to read! Nothing makes my heart happier than seeing a kid with a book!



THANK YOU ALL FOR BOOSTERTHON

A HUGE thanks to all who contributed to our Boosterthon FUNdraiser this year. We exceeded our school goal: \$44,642!

Prairie View Elementary Families...THANK YOU! By supporting this Boosterthon Fund Run, you have secured funding for the 24/25 School year which will directly impact our students and staff.

The last two weeks we celebrated our community coming together and created unforgettable memories at PV! THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! We are forever grateful for this community.

From the parents, grandparents, students, friends, neighbors, businesses, and PVE staff to especially our volunteers - THANK YOU!

Thank you for donating, cheering, running the water and poster-making stations, and being our PVE WORLD CHANGERS!

None of it would have been possible without our incredible PTO. Their tireless efforts and creativity make this event memorable for our kids. Thank you for helping kick off our school year in such a special way!

SPECIALIST ROTATIONS FOR NOVEMBER

[\[HERE\]](#) is the latest newsletter from our amazing Specialists and [\[HERE\]](#) is the October specialist schedule. [\[HERE\]](#) is the latest video from Mr. Wiser, updating you on all that's happening in PE.

- ❖ PE Schedule - follow Mr. Wiser's PE on [Instagram @pvhawkspe](#)
- ❖ Music Schedule - check out [Mrs. Martin's Music website](#)
- ❖ Library Schedule - follow Mrs. Chaffins on [Instagram @pvhawkslibrary](#)
- ❖ Mrs. Toth - find information on [counseling](#), [Bite-2-Go](#), and [Second Step](#)

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE ALERTS

Are you signed up to receive Text Message alerts?

I don't send out a ton of text messages, but that is one way that I communicate. If you are new to our district, have a kindergartener and this is your first child going through Mead, or if you just haven't signed up before, here is the process to do so if you would like to.

Simply text any one of the following to the number **67587**:

- Subscribe
- Optin
- Yes
- Y

You'll know you were successful if you receive the following reply message:

- You are registered to receive aprox 3 msgs/mo. Txt STOP to quit, HELP for help.

SAFELY WALKING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

Hawk families, please talk with your sons and daughters if they walk or ride bikes and scooters to and from school about pedestrian safety.

I have received multiple emails recently from concerned community members about this. Reports I'm getting are that kids on bikes and scooters are not wearing helmets, appear to be racing each other on sidewalks, and are weaving in and out of traffic. Additionally, walkers and bike/scooter riders are not waiting to cross at crosswalks.

I appreciate how slowly you all drive before and after school. We welcome and release a lot of students every day, and your efforts and vigilance help keep them safe. But our kids could also use some reminders to wear their helmets, walk and ride slowly, pay attention to traffic, and wait to cross at crosswalks where we have supervisors who can help get them across the street safely.

PICKING UP EARLY?

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We all have to pick our kids up a little early from school some days. Please be patient with us when you get here. It takes us a few minutes to get our students down to you. As a policy, we do not call students down to the office until their pickup person is here, in our vestibule, ready for them.

On that note, please be extra patient on Friday afternoons. The last half hour of the day on Friday is when our teachers do a lot of their rewards, and this can make getting students down to the office take longer than normal.

WANT TO VOLUNTEER?

Want to volunteer? Check in with your child's teacher about their needs then head [[HERE](#)] to get cleared for the year. All volunteers are checked centrally in Mead.

TREATS ON BIRTHDAYS

Thank you so much to all of you who have had birthdays in October for checking with your teachers on how celebrations run in their classrooms and for coordinating treats with your teachers if you brought them in

This helps us keep ALL of our Hawks safe, while still allowing us to help kids feel special on their birthdays. We appreciate your partnership with this! Thank you!

HELPING CHILDREN LEARN NEWSLETTER

See November's edition of the Helping Children Learn Newsletter [[HERE](#)]. It's chock full of tips and strategies you can use at home to help guide your child's learning. It really is an incredible resource! MTSS letter

SMARTWATCHES AND CELL PHONES

Thank you so much for your support with cell phones and watches! Our students are doing so well! I've talked to so many kids and parents about the apps they use to set watches to school mode. I can't tell you how much I appreciate this. Removing that distraction helps kids learn and interact with each other.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you!

PTO UPDATE

Our awesome 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 you are interested, too.

Follow our PV PTO on Facebook [\[HERE\]](#) for all the latest!



SYSA ATHLETICS

A message from SYSA Athletics:

SYSA and Mead leadership would like your help in gathering parent and student voices on the Mead After School Sports programming.

[\[HERE\]](#) is a flyer with a QR code. We are looking for feedback on the current program and for possible modifications of the structure in the future.

We deeply appreciate all the effort and time that each school has put into this program and continue to look forward to working with you all!

Additionally:

Here are the future options for the 2024-25 school year at Prairie View:

Meadow Ridge Elementary	Soccer (Indoor)	Speed and Agility (Indoor)	Basketball (Indoor)	Volleyball (Indoor)	Flag Football (Indoor) Cheerleading (Indoor)
Midway Elementary	Basketball (Indoor)	Speed and Agility (Indoor)	Soccer (Indoor)	Flag Football (Indoor) Cheerleading (Indoor)	Volleyball (Indoor)
Prairie View Elementary	Volleyball (Indoor)	Speed and Agility (Indoor)	Basketball (Indoor)	Flag Football (Indoor) Cheerleading (Indoor)	Soccer (Indoor)
Shiloh Hills Elementary	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Skyline Elementary	Flag Football (Indoor) Cheerleading (Indoor)	Speed and Agility (Indoor)	Basketball (Indoor)	Soccer (Indoor)	Volleyball (Indoor)

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Speed and Agility Program Description:

- ❖ A dynamic and engaging approach to enhancing athletic performance through play and creative exercise. Designed for athletes of all levels, the program combines the thrill of games with the fundamentals of balance, strength, and flexibility to boost the athlete's speed and agility.
- ❖ Divisions & Fees
 - Kindergarten & 1st Grade students, \$50, Tuesdays, after school - 5 pm
 - 2nd & 3rd Graders students, \$50, Thursdays, after school - 5 pm
 - 4th & 5th Graders students, \$50, Wednesdays, after school - 5 pm

Financial Assistance Information: SYSA is pleased to offer limited financial assistance for those whose finances may inhibit participation in our leagues. Financial Assistance Application found below or in the SYSA office. The form must be submitted to the SYSA office at 800 North Hamilton, Suite 201, Spokane, WA 99202, or emailed to receptionist@sysa.com.

- Please submit your application with verification of income as identified on the application.
- Financial Assistance is only available for timely registrations to recreational sports leagues. Applications need to be turned in one week prior to a deadline or registration may not get completed on time.

Register [\[HERE\]](#) Today!

MORNING DROP OFF

Hawk Families, please remember that we do not begin morning supervision until 10 minutes before school starts. We have some walkers and bike riders getting to school a little earlier, and we don't have anyone out there to help keep them safe.

Please talk with your Hawks about adjusting their leave times to get here a bit later.

BITE-2-GO

If you are interested in participating in our Bite-2-Go program this year, please fill out the form [\[HERE\]](#) and return to Mrs. Toth ASAP.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

Want to keep up with all of the Goings-Ons at Prairie View? Follow our FaceBook page [\[HERE\]](#)!

FRED MEYER REWARDS SIGN-UP INSTRUCTIONS

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Do you shop at Fred Meyer? If so, your purchases can be used to benefit our Prairie View PTO. Here's how to link your card:

- Sign into your digital account using the Fred Meyer app or website
- Click on the tab on the far right corner that display your drop down menu for your account. Click on "Rewards".
- Click "Community Rewards".
- Search for "Prairie View Elementary" or QB728
- Select the organization and click "Save".

Every little bit helps! As always, we appreciate all that you do for us!

BUS REGISTRATION

The 2024-25 Bus Registration form is now live for all students in the Mead School District. Thank you for registering as soon as you can for route planning.

2024-25 Bus Registration Form [[HERE](#)]

Helpful Resources

- ❖ [Transportation Homepage](#)
- ❖ [Transportation FAQ](#)

Questions? Please contact Transportation Services.

- ❖ Phone: 509-465-6107
- ❖ Email: transportation@mead354.org

SCHOOL HOURS

- ❖ M, T, TH, F: 9:00 am - 3:20 pm (Breakfast: 8:45 am)
- ❖ Wednesday: 9:40 am - 3:20 pm (Breakfast: 9:25 am)

SAVE THE DATES

- ❖ October 31: Halloween
- ❖ November 1: All school pajama day
- ❖ November 8: Veterans Day Assembly

