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Message from the Principal

Nothing compares to being in a K-3 school during the month of December. The excitement and energy is second to none. Please keep an eye out for an email later today for a special surprise from all of us.

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Planet Aid Recycling Program

Keep Hance in mind as you are clearing out your closets over break. We will be collecting clothing and other textiles with Planet Aid's yellow bin in our parking lot. Our PTO will earn \$.05/lb collected.

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Before and After-School Programs

Sign up for Kids of Steel to prepare for the Pittsburgh Kids Marathon. Sign-ups are still open for Izabella's Gourmet Chow, The Knight School and Dino Wars.

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Pittsburgh Penguins Night

Cheer on the Pittsburgh Penguins as they take on the Chicago Blackhawks for Pine-Richland Night on **Thursday, January 29**. Select “Hance” from the dropdown menu when purchasing tickets.



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Purchase Your Yearbook

There is still time to purchase your yearbook for the 2025—2026 school year. Orders start at \$19.20. Use yearbook ID 15207526.

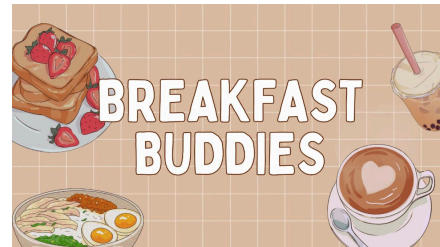


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In Case You Missed It

Breakfast Buddies

Celebrating a birthday or just want to spend a few extra moments with your child? Sign-ups for January through June can be found [here](#).



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Cafeteria Volunteers

Our calendar is open for volunteers to help out for the remainder of the year. This is a great way to see your child in action and socialize with our students.



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Skate for a Cause

Join Hance Elementary PTO on Saturday, January 17th, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. as we Skate for a Cause! \$14 includes entrance to public skate and skate rental.



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Volunteer for Kids of Steel

Hance Elementary is partnering with the PTO to host a Kids of STEEL team for the Pittsburgh Kids Marathon, which will take place on Saturday, May 3, 2026. Volunteers are needed for this program to run smoothly.



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Second and Third Grade Assemblies

The PTO is sponsoring upcoming assemblies. On **January 30**, third grade will enjoy an assembly with the Pittsburgh Zoo. On **February 12**, second grade will enjoy an assembly with the National Aviary.



Support for Food Insecurity

Resources are available for our families via our school social worker or counselors.



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Reminders

- Friday Flash submissions are due Wednesdays at 8 am to prnewsletters@pinerichland.org.
- [Breakfast and Lunch Menus](#) | [Free and Reduced Meal Applications](#)
- Check the [Friday Flash Archives](#) for past information.
- [Children's Health Insurance Program](#) information.
- Read our [Title I Right to Know](#) letter.
- [Review library book titles under 30-day public review](#).



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