October 2026

Panther Tales

October Happenings

October 2 Picture Day
October 2-23 Parent Teacher Conferences
October 2,9,16,23,30 School Spirit Store
October 5-6 Gulf Coast Kid's House
October 5-9 PM1 5th Grade Science Testing
October 9 End of first 9 Weeks
October 9 P. E. Throwing Fair
October 9 Kindergarten Fire Truck Visit
October 10 PTA School Carnival
October 12 Professional Development Day
October 13 Pensacola Interstate Fair Art Reception
October 16 Roy Hyatt Night of the Creepy Crawlies
October 19 Report Cards
October 19 5th Grade Pensacola Symphony Field Trip
October 20 All County Chorus
October 22-31 Pensacola Interstate Fair
October 23 Kindergarten Scarecrow Day
October 26-30 Red Ribbon Week
October 27-29 5th Grade Field Trip to Roy Hyatt Center
October 29 5th Grade PME Birthday Program
October 30 Veterans Wall of Fame Pictures Due

November 4-5 Family Nights
November 10 Veteran's Day Program
November 11 Veterans Day Holiday
November 16-18 2nd Grade Field Trip
November 19-20 Turkey Trot
November 23-27 Fall Break

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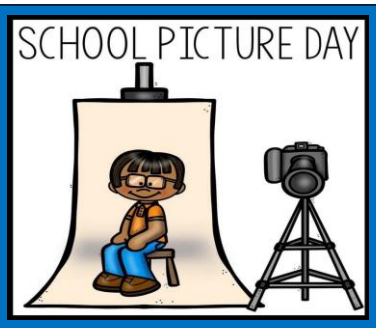


Friday, October 2

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Friday, October 2 - Broadwater 4th & McCraney 2

Tuesday, October 6 – Williams 4th & Duncan 2nd
Wednesday, October 7 – Simmons 4th & Greene 2nd
Friday, October 9 – Wickham 4th & T. Harris 2nd

Monday, October 12 – No School for Students
Tuesday, October 13 – Stroud 4th & Melville 2nd
Wednesday, October 14 – Garic 3rd & Cotita K
Friday, October 16 – Mitchell 3rd & Huber K

Monday, October 19 – Chism 3rd & Lassiter K
Tuesday, October 20 – Case 3rd & Vaughn K
Wednesday, October 21 – Murphy 3rd & Baker K
Friday, October 23 – V. Taylor 3rd

PTA

SCHOOL SPIRIT STORE

October
2, 9, 16, 23, 30

October 5-6

Gulf Coast Kid's House

CHILD SAFETY MATTERS

This age appropriate, facilitator led class teaches children five safety rules and how they relate to all types of bullying, cyber bullying, and digital abuse.

Schedule:

Monday, October 5 & Tuesday, October 6

K & 1st 8:00 – 8:40

2nd & 3rd 8:40 – 9:20

4th & 5th 9:20-10:00

October 9

Kindergarten / Mrs. Bell

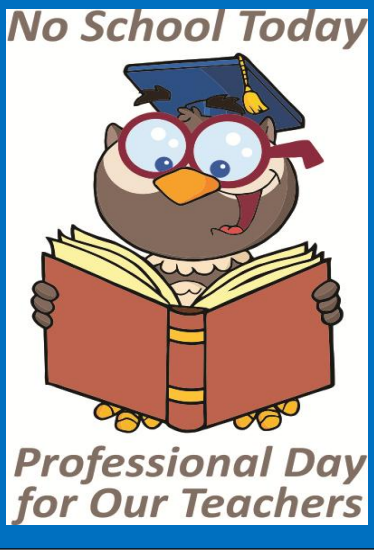
Firetruck Visit 10:00-11:00

OCTOBER 9

PHYSICAL EDUCATION PRESENTS

STEP RIGHT UP!

OCTOBER 12



PINE MEADOW ELEMETARY

FALL CARNIVAL

OCTOBER 10, 2026

AT THE HADJI SHRINE TEMPLE
OPEN TIME: 10:00AM - 2:00PM
Address: 800 West 9 Mile Road

Get ready for a day packed with sunshine, laughter, & unforgettable fun!

WHAT'S WAITING FOR YOU:

- *Raffles*
- *Delicious food & sweet treats fresh from local Food Trucks*
- *Face painting*
- *Carnival games*
- *Fun prizes & surprises*
- *Petting zoo*
- *Inflatables*
- *Activities for all ages*

SCAN QR CODE TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Don't miss the highlight of the season—come celebrate fall with us!

Admission: Early $7 Children and $10 Adults
At the Gate: $10 Everyone

OCTOBER 19

1st Nine Weeks Report Cards in FOCUS!

October 13

Opening Art Reception for Artists
Look for Information Coming Home!

Artwork from Pine Meadow Artists will be on display:

October 22- October 31

Roy Hyatt Environmental Center

Friday Evening,
October 16, 2026
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM
1300 Tobias Road
Cantonment, Florida

FREE EVENT!

Observe birds of prey with the Wildlife Sanctuary of Northwest Florida

Meet creepy crawlies with the Sunset Wildlife Connection

Say hello to RHEC resident reptiles

Examine microscopic creepy crawlies through microscopes

Discover aquatic creatures in our "Beach House"

Watch movies in the planetarium (limited seating) Suggested donation $2

Go on a "Spider Hunt!" during a short naturalist led hike in the woods

NIGHT OF CREEPY CRAWLIES!

Chick-Fil-A & Kona Ice on site
(there is a cost for food)

**Donations are welcome*
Text "RHEC" to 850-930-9939
OR
Scan the QR code

OCTOBER 19

PENSACOLA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Peter Rubardt, Music Director

5th Grade is going on a fieldtrip to see the Pensacola Symphony Orchestra with the Music Department featuring music from WEST SIDE STORY.

5th Grade students completed artwork inspired by WEST SIDE STORY. The top three students entered in the Symphony Artwork Competition to win tickets to a Symphony Performance.

Here Are Our Top 3 Artists!

Draper Dupree

Lincoln Brabner

Zaraina Anoia

Let's give a shout out to the following students for making their auditions to All County Chorus!

Joshua Bourne

Madilynn Brooks

Leeloo Diemert

Aubrey Edwards

Amiyah McDaniel

Emily Phillips

Keylan Pogue

Schedule:

October 12 Practice 9-10:30 am @ N.B. Cook
October 19 Practice 4-6pm @ N.B. Cook
October 20 Rehearsal 8-12:45 @ 1st Baptist Church
October 20 Performance 6:30 @ 1st Baptist Church

Kindergarten Scarecrow Day
October 23

Students are encouraged to dress up like scarecrows as we participate in fun fall activities and have a yummy snack!

*This is a student event only.

October 26-30

Monday, October 26

Wear Red for Drug/Bullying Prevention

"Red-y Set Go! Let's Kick-off Red Ribbon Week!

Tuesday, October 27

Wear crazy Socks and Hair!

Sock it to Drugs!

Wednesday, October 28

Wear a Super Hero T-Shirt (no costumes)!

Be a Hero and Fight Against Drugs!

Thursday, October 29

Dress like your favorite Character.

Good Characters Say No to Drugs!

Friday, October 30

"Being Drug-Free is *Spirit* Day

Wear your school spirit shirt /favorite team shirt!

Guidance Corner *Ms. Steiner*

Begin With the End in Mind/ Have a Plan: The Habit of Vision

"Would you tell me please, which way I ought to go from here?'

'That depends a good deal on where you want to get to.'

'I don't much care where- '

'Then it doesn't matter which way you go."

~Lewis Carrol, Alice in Wonderland

People who begin with the end in mind have a plan. They create a Personal Mission Statement that they live by every day.

~You begin with the end in mind when you:

~Set short term and long-term goals.

~Plan the steps you need to take to reach your goals.

Ways to practice Begin with the End in Mind:

*Lay out your clothes for tomorrow before you go to bed.

*Get out a pencil and a piece of paper and write down three goals you want to do. Put the paper in a safe place where you can see it.

*We all have something we need to get better at, like doing our homework, brushing our teeth at night, or obeying our parents. Pick one thing you need to do better. Start doing it.

5th Grade Field Trip

R H E C
Roy Hyatt Environmental Center

The mission of the Roy Hyatt Environmental Center is to immerse students in meaningful outdoor educational experiences that encourage curiosity and respect for our environment through hands-on, experiential, standards-based activities which will develop their knowledge and love of the natural world, ultimately inspiring them to become lifelong stewards of the environment.

October 27 Bennett/ Schrock

October 28 Benoit/ Dupree

October 29 Potter/ Steele

PINE MEADOW VETERANS

Veteran parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, siblings and active-duty family members are invited to attend our Veterans Day Program. Please pass this information along to them. RSVP's coming home soon!

Have any family photos of your Vets? Send them in for our WALL OF FAME. Instructions coming home this month!

Would you like to be a classroom speaker? Keep an eye out for the information form coming your way!

Pine Meadow Eras

October 29 @ 5:30

Join us for an evening of music as our 5th Grade highlights hits form various decades to celebrate the 65th Birthday of Pine Meadow Elementary.

THE Ultimate FALL FAMILY BUCKET LIST

- Visit a pumpkin patch
- Get lost in a corn maze
- Carve or paint a pumpkin
- Take a fall family photo
- Jump in a pile of leaves
- Trick-or-treat as a family
- Go to a fall festival
- Cheer on your favorite football team
- Enjoy a s'mores night
- Make an apple crisp, pie or another apple treat
- Take a fall hike
- Try a new pumpkin spiced treat
- Warm up with chili or soup
- Do a fall scavenger hunt
- Decorate your porch for fall or Halloween
- Have a family costume night
- Make a scarecrow
- Go on a hayride
- Write down what you are thankful for
- Go camping
- Have a fall picnic
- Go star gazing

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