



PINEY WOODS
ELEMENTARY

Piney Woods PRESS

School Newsletter
2026-2027

#PURPLEMARTINPRIDE

Home of the Purple Martins

September 28, 2026

Mark Your Calendar

This Week

Sept. 28 Chess Club, 2:30-3:30pm

Sept. 29 Vision/Hearing Screening for all K, 1st,
And 3rd
5th graders will be screened for vision
Only

Sept 30 Strikers Soccer, 2:45-3:45pm

Oct. 1 Good News Club, 2:35-4:00pm

[26-27 PWES School Calendar Overview](#)

Looking Ahead...

Oct. 5 Chess Club, 2:30-3:30pm

Oct. 6-8 CogAT testing (2nd grade)

Oct. 13 & 15 Iowa Testing (2nd grade)

Oct. 7 Strikers Soccer, 2:45-3:45

Oct. 8 Good News Club, 2:35-4:00

Oct. 9-12 No School, Fall Break

Oct. 14 Strikers Soccer, 2:45-3:45

Oct. 15 Strawbridge Pictures or \$ due back
Good News Club, 2:35-4:00

Stay Informed

★ Calling All Parent Volunteers!

Our **School Improvement Council (SIC)** is looking for parent volunteers to help **cover teacher lunches** on select Fridays in October! This is a wonderful way to give our teachers a little extra time while supporting our PWES staff. We are looking for volunteers on: **October 2, October 16, and October 30.**

Please use the link below to view available times and sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4AABAA2BA3FFC34-66028529-teacher>

Thank you for giving your time to support our amazing teachers! Questions? Please email pwessicchair@gmail.com.



- ★ **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** Please consider donating bags of individually-wrapped candy for our upcoming Tent or Treat event on Friday, October 23rd. We want to have enough candy for all our Purple Martins to enjoy! The bags of candy can be sent in with your child to their class and their teacher will make sure it gets to the right place! Thanks in advance for your help with this request!
- ★ **School Report Cards**-Starting this school year, District 5 will distribute report cards electronically through the PowerSchool Parent Portal and will no longer send printed copies home with students. This will ensure a safe and secure way to distribute report cards to parents/guardians. With this transition, historical report cards will be available for each student for each term that they are enrolled in District 5, starting with the 2026-2027 school year.
- When report cards are distributed to the PowerSchool Parent Portal after the conclusion of each grading term, an email will be sent to the parent/guardian of each student informing parents/guardians that they are available to view.
 - In order to view the digital report cards, you will need to log on to PowerSchool Parent Portal at <https://lexrich5.powerschool.com/public> using a web browser. The PowerSchool App will not have the digital report card available, but grades are visible. Please note that parents and students have separate accounts/portals. If you log on and do not see the student scheduling information form, then you may be signed into the student portal. You can verify by looking at the top-right of your screen and see the name that is displayed. If you have any questions regarding the PowerSchool Parent Portal account, please contact your child's current school's registrar.
 - If a printed copy of a report card is needed, then please contact the child's school to request a copy to be picked up from the front office.
 - Directions to view report cards:

[Parent Directions Google Slides](#)

[Parent Directions from Notebook LM](#)

[Infographic from Notebook LM](#)



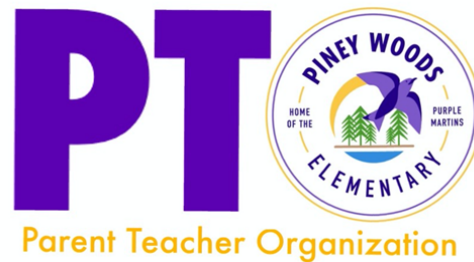
Click [here](#) to read a letter from our cafe which includes information on current prices, lunch calendars

as well as other helpful cafeteria information! Please note: It states 2025-26 on top of the letter but it is for our current school year, 2026-27.



For birthdays or other celebrations you can purchase tickets for Ice Cream and Snacks from our Snack Shack for \$1 ea for your student's class. Please contact Angie Schuster at aschuster@lexrich5.org to order. Please give at least two days' notice if possible!

If you have any questions, please contact Angie Schuster at aschuster@lexrich5.org
Breakfast & Lunch Menus can still be found on our PWES cafeteria site or on this app.



Have Questions? Email us!

pto@pineywoodselementary.com

- Join the PTO for **FREE** here: <https://pwes.ptboard.com>
- Have questions? Reach out via email to - pto@pineywoodselementary.com

School Information

School Hours:

Arrival: 7:00-7:35am

School Day: 7:40 am - 2:30 pm

Dismissal: 2:30pm

School Office Hours: 7:00am-3:30pm

PWES Calendar can be found [here](#).

dates are subject to change as needed but will only be done if absolutely necessary

PWES Cafe Information

PWES Cafeteria website

Lunch/Breakfast Menu

Click [here](#) to get the Mobile Menu App

Student Lunch Accounts: Click [here](#) to add money to your child's k12 lunch account

*To apply for meal benefits, please CLICK [HERE](#)!

If you would like to order Ice Cream tickets for \$.75 each or Snack Shack tickets for \$1ea for your student's class for a birthday or other celebration please contact Angie Schuster at aschuster@lexrich5.org.

Family Resources

- [iFive Instructional Technology Initiative](#): learn more about instructional technology in our district.
- [26-27 Parent and Student Handbook](#)
- [K-5 Proficiency Expectations](#)
- [SC Family Friendly Standards](#)

- [Student Quick Pay](#) - online fee payment system
- [Student Attendance Excuse Form](#)

Stay Connected

www.lexrich5.org/pwes



814 Amicks Ferry Road Chapin, SC 29036
Phone: 803-756-1100 Fax: 803-576-1120

Piney Woods
FLYERS

District 5 Social Work Services & DFMS Counseling Dept
In collaboration with D5 Departments and Community Partners
PRESENTS:

SHATTER THE MYTH

Tuesday, October 27th
Irmo Middle School
5-8 PM

**Educating D 5 families & students of all ages on the
facts about alcohol, vaping, and drug use**

5:00-5:45 pm- Dinner

**6:00 -7:30 pm - Parents & Students Separate for Age-
Appropriate Activities**

7:30 - 8:00 pm - Family Discussion & Resource Sharing

Dinner & Childcare* are Provided
****Children need to be at least 2 yrs. old & potty
trained****

SIGN UP LINK:

<https://forms.gle/pN1PoM1bRAVv2yfU8>

LIMITED SEATING
SIGN UP BY 10/20!



