# FRIDAY FLASH

**Hance Elementary School** **September 4, 2026**

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## School Counseling Lessons



An important aspect of our school counseling program is the annual lessons offered to all students. Kindergarten students must be *opted in*, while students in grades 1-3 may be *opted out*.

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## Back-to-School Health Information




Welcome back to a new school year! We are looking forward to working with our students and families to help make this a happy and healthy school year.

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## Car Rider Parking Lot Reminders




Help keep everyone safe during arrival and dismissal by ensuring students remain fully inside the vehicle and seated while cars are moving. Follow posted speed limits when entering and exiting the school.

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## Appropriate Use of Smartwatches

Under the PRSD electronic device policy, smartwatches and other personal devices may not be used during the school day. Please ensure your child's watch is used only as a wristwatch, with all essential communication going through the front office or teacher.

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## Title I Partners in Print Workshop

Join us on **Monday, September 21**, for our Title I Partners in Print Workshop. Learn more about building strong reading skills and becoming a confident reader. RSVP by September 14.

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## Upcoming PTO Meeting

Our first meeting is on **Tuesday, September 8**, at 9:30 am in room 110 or online. Check the **LinkTree** or Facebook page to get the online link the morning of.

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## Before- and After-School Programs

Take a look at our list of after-school programs, including Baker's Dozen, Izabella's Gourmet Chow, Mad Science and more. This list will be updated throughout the school year with new opportunities.

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## Volunteer for Upcoming Events

The PTO has two available volunteer opportunities: the Fall Book Fair and Fall Picture Day.

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# In Case You Missed It

## Volunteer in the Cafeteria




Our calendar is now open for volunteers to sign up to help out in the cafeteria. This is a great way to see your child in action and spend time socializing with students.

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## Register for the Ice Cream Social




This year's ice cream social is on **Friday, September 18**. This event is free to attend. Families are encouraged to pre-order food, as there will be a limited amount available on the day of.

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## Breakfast Buddies



New for grades 1-3—Celebrating a birthday or just want to spend a few extra moments with your child? Learn how they can host a breakfast buddy twice a year.

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## Sign Up to Be a Homeroom Coordinator




Parents may now fill out a form to sign up as a homeroom coordinator and give permission to share their email with their child's homeroom coordinator. Registration closes on September 4 at 6:00 pm.

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## Join Us at the Book Fair




The Fall Book Fair will take place **September 14–18**. Students can shop during their scheduled library time, as well as during the ice cream social on Friday.

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## Student Directory Information

If you'd like your child to be included in the directory, please fill out the directory form. The deadline to have your child included is **September 15**.

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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.

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