



Palmer Public School



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Superintendent's Newsletter, August/September 2022

As we get started on another school year, I'd like to publicly recognize and thank the following staff members for over 25 years of service to the Palmer School District. Thank you!

- Vicki Fellers - 25 years
- Jim Chvala - 28 years
- Nathan Glause - 28 years
- Kelly Kunze - 29 years
- Judy Bennett - 37 years

Palmer Pride Night will be on Thursday, August 11. U.S.A. (Upstanding Students All-around) is the theme this year. The Palmer Pride Committee (2PC) has planned an evening of activities to include the usual registration, food, and supplies dropoff. A map of activities is on the following page. Activities will run from 5:00-8:00 p.m., and will include water games, so dress to get wet! Families are asked to stagger attendance to keep lines shorter: Last names starting with A-L register from 5:00-6:30, and last names M-Z register from 6:30-8:00.

Students and parents must view a digital citizenship presentation prior to using devices or wifi. All 4th - 12th grade students/parents must view the presentation, either online or in person at Palmer Pride Night on August 11. The online presentation can be viewed at:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hNph3XU_j-ZdXe0GzxV-4Ugv23Q8natI/view

Please join me in welcoming these staff members new to Palmer School since last August:

- Naomi Forbes, office secretary (started last January)
- Allison Rubesh, paraprofessional (started last February)
- Jazmin Reyes, paraprofessional (started last February)
- Hailey Santin, 3rd Grade teacher
- Asia Trout, 7-12 Counselor
- Payden Woodruff, 7-12 Ag/Shop teacher
- Heath McClellan, 7-12 Math/Science teacher
- Whitney Hubbard, PreKindergarten teacher
- Becky Mottl, paraprofessional



We're looking forward to another great school year with U.S.A.!

Sincerely,


Dr. Bohlken

A Community that prides itself on Commitment, Growth, & Achievement!



Welcome back to school! Hopefully, when you are reading this a few of your routines are going back to their school setting. I know it is a challenge to get back to set early bedtimes, especially when the sun is still up! However, this is one of the biggest payoffs for your student as they get back into the school's busy schedule. School days being long as well as the full 5 days per week is a lot for the students. I encourage you to back up those bedtimes, possibly slowly but it makes a huge difference!

This year, one of the largest changes will be a new reading curriculum. Our staff is excited to implement Amplify CKLA! We know there will be learning on both ends for students/staff as we familiarize ourselves with the curriculum and connect it to our state standards.

We have an upgrade to our playground blacktop. Hopefully, with the new surface we will have a few less scraped knees and help parents/guardians from repairing the knees in jeans! This will give our playground a fresh look for the 2022-23 school year.

Back to school supply lists are available on our website www.palmer.tigers.org under parents-supply list. If there are items on the list that you cannot acquire please contact the school office. You can also reach out to us at Palmer Pride Night, August 11th. We hope that you will all be able to make it that night!

This year the elementary will have their own counselor to assist in meeting the needs of elementary students' social/emotional needs. Mrs. Valasek has moved to the role of counselor as well as taking over the Title I program. You can reach her by calling the school or emailing cvalasek@palmer.esu7.org.

I look forward to working with you to make the 2022-23 school year the best yet!

Sincerely,

Sherise Loeffelbein

PK-6 Principal/Special Education Director



We want to welcome everyone back to another school year. The maintenance crew has been hard at work getting the building ready to go and everything is shining!!

The Secondary side of the building will have three new staff members. First, we welcome Asia Trout to Palmer Schools as she is our new Counselor. She comes to us from Elba High School where she was their Counselor this past year. She replaces Emi (Wolfe) Brugger who accepted a position in private practice. Second, we want to welcome Payden Woodruff as our new Agriculture teacher. She replaces Mrs. Juliana Kroeger who accepted a teaching position at Deshler High School. Ms. Woodruff will be a first year teacher and she comes to us from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. We welcome Ms. Woodruff to Palmer. Finally, Heath McClellan will be a new Math teacher here at Palmer Schools. Heath is a 2014 Palmer High School graduate who has been teaching at Grand Island Schools for the last few years. Heath will also be the Junior High Boys Track Coach and Assistant Boys Basketball Coach. We welcome Heath back to Palmer Schools!!

One big change throughout the building will be the implementation of a new English Curriculum. The English teachers spent a large chunk of last school year working on selection of new textbooks. We are excited to implement the new curriculum and to see how students adapt to the new textbooks.

School starts on August 16th and our first activity will be the Palmer Volleyball Jamboree here at the school on August 18th. Come join the excitement!!

Greg Morris
Secondary Principal/Activities Director



NOTES FROM THE OFFICE



*When informing the school that your child will be absent, it is important that you call the office and let us know the reason for your child being gone -> even if you have already informed their teacher.

*If there is a bus change for your child in the morning/afternoon, it is important that you call/email the office 30 min before their pickup time and before 2:30PM and let us know.

*High School students are not allowed to call themselves out as tardy/absent!

NOTICE - THE FEDERAL COVID RELIEF ACT THAT PROVIDED SCHOOL MEALS THE LAST TWO YEARS HAS EXPIRED

Breakfast

PK-6 \$1.80

7-12 \$2.00

Adult \$2.50

Lunch

PK-6 \$2.75

Seconds \$1.10

7-12 \$2.95

Seconds \$1.30

Extra Milk \$.80

Adult \$3.80

Salad Bar \$2.80

Salad Bar Item \$1.30

(Bowl of Fruit/Lettuce)

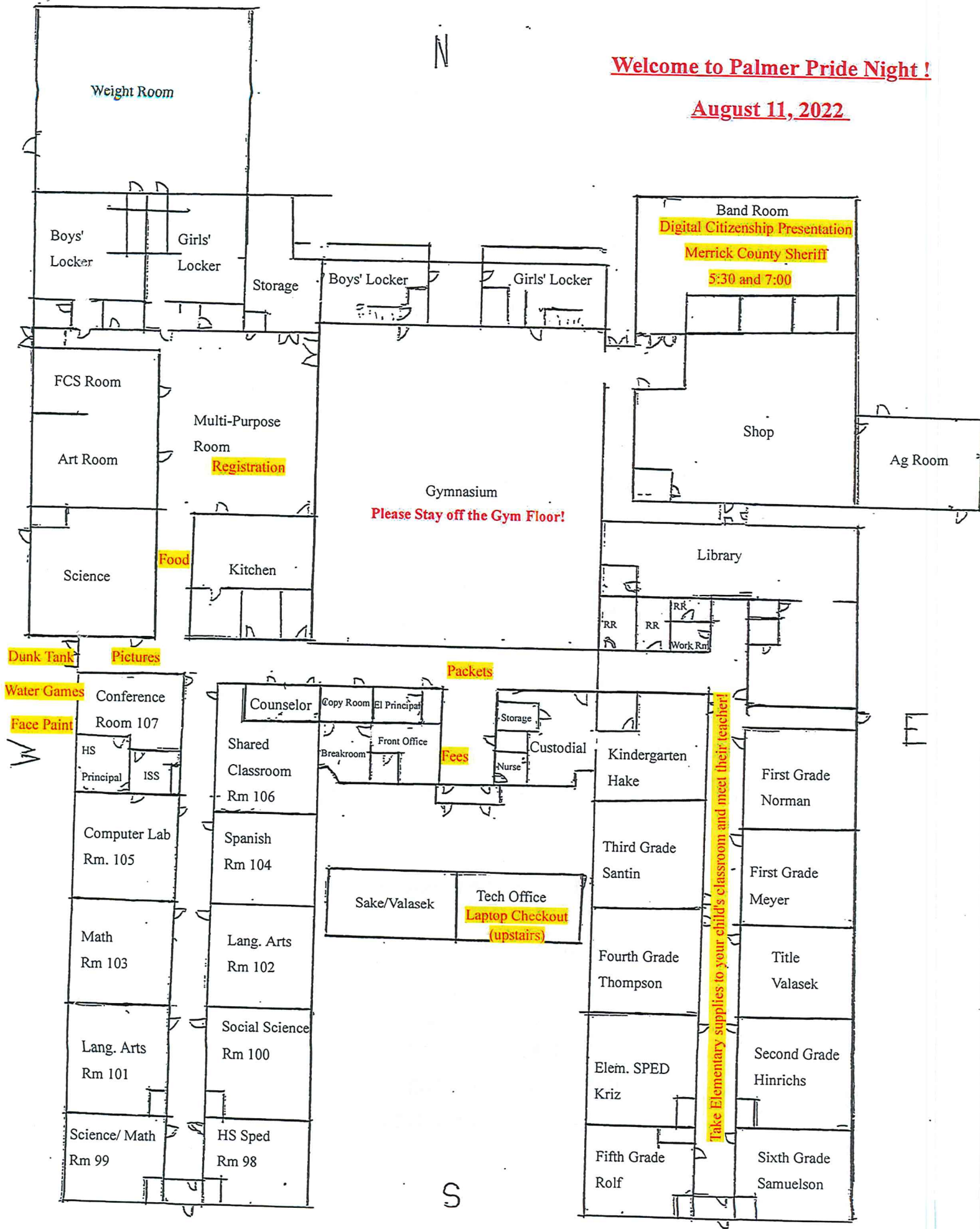
To deposit money in your child's account, please stop by the office or use your E/FUNDS account. You will need your child's student number to use E/FUNDS. Please contact the office if you are interested in using E/FUNDS.

Thank you thank you!!! ♥ Mrs. Forbes / Mrs. Lane

office@palmer.esu7.org - 308-894-3065

Welcome to Palmer Pride Night !

August 11, 2022



HI!

I'm Mrs. Valasek!

I'm back but in a new role that I am so excited about. I will be the new Title and Elementary Counselor. This is something I am so passionate about and feel it is so needed in the world that we live in today.

For those of you that don't know me, I am Mrs. Valasek and I came to Palmer three years ago. I married my husband, Josh, and have two beautiful children, Jameson and Leighton. We love spending time with family and going anywhere with water or the farm.

This will be my sixth year in education and I am so passionate about helping adolescents in all areas. I love being able to see them grow emotionally, physically, and socially. My favorite part is assisting them in making healthy choices and informed decisions for themselves. Students at Palmer Public Schools are my number 1 priority and my door will always be open.

MY FAVORITES!

Color: Navy Blue

Season: Spring

Food: Steak

Drink: Dr. Pepper

Book: The Giving Tree

Sport: Basketball

COUNSELOR'S CORNER



Meet The Counselor: Mrs. Trout



I hope you and your families are doing well!

My name is Mrs. Trout and I am the 7-12 School Counselor at Palmer Public Schools. I am so excited and honored to be joining this amazing PHS family! I am committed to encouraging, supporting, and empowering our students to become their best selves. My primary task is to help ALL students encourage their academic achievement, assist in career/post-secondary planning and build student's social and emotional skills. This is done through individual meetings, classroom instruction, and small groups. I am excited for the school year to begin and I can't wait to meet each and everyone of you.

About Me:



- I am originally from Creighton, NE
- I graduated from Wayne State College
- I love to go fishing, hunting, and camping
- I have two high energy dogs Charlie and Finn

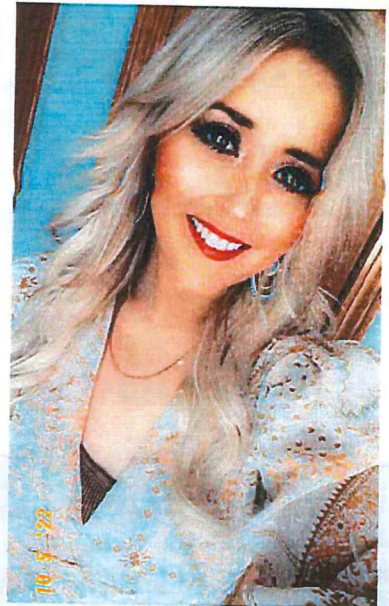


How to reach Mrs. Trout:



Email: atROUT@palmer.esu7.org
Phone: 308-894-3065

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★ **TEACHER** ★
★ *Ms. Hubbard* ★



HELLO preschool!



Welcome back to school! My name is Whitney Hubbard, and I'm so excited to be your child's preschool teacher this year! I have planned exciting and fun learning activities for this school year. Our first day of the school year is August 22nd. See you soon!

ABOUT ME:

I'm 28 years old and I recently moved to St. Libory from Kearney. I have a son named Beckham & a dog named Leroy! I love reading, spending time with my family and friends and helping around our farm! I am so excited to meet you all and learn more about each other. It's going to be a wonderful school year!



MY FAVORITES:

- ♥ **BOOK:** THE NIGHT BEFORE PRESCHOOL
- ♥ **FOOD:** PIZZA
- ♥ **MOVIE:** TOY STORY
- ♥ **ANIMAL:** TIGER
- ♥ **COLOR:** RED
- ♥ **MUSIC:** COUNTRY
- ♥ **DRINK:** ICED COFFEE
- ♥ **SPORT:** VOLLEYBALL
- ♥ **STORE:** TARGET
- ♥ **SCENT:** MAHOGANY TEAKWOOD

EDUCATION BACKGROUND:

I graduated from the University of Nebraska at Kearney With a degree in Elementary Education and Special Education. I have worked as a preschool teacher in Kearney for 2 years prior to my start at Palmer Preschool.

CONTACT ME!

Please feel free to contact me anytime at school at (308)894-3065 or whubbard@palmer.esu7.org



ANNUAL NOTIFICATION OF ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN AVAILABILITY

Federal regulation requires all schools to inventory asbestos containing materials and develop Management Plans to identify and control asbestos containing materials in their building. The District's Facilities were re-inspected and the Asbestos Management Plan was updated on January 5, 2022. The report is available for inspection (without cost) to the general public and employees. Independent copies will be made available upon request within five working days by contacting custodian: Vicki Fellers, Palmer Public School, Asbestos Coordinator, Phone 308-894-3065. (The school may charge for photocopies of the plan)

BIRTH CERTIFICATES

State law requires that a certified copy of a student's birth certificate be used when enrolling a new student in school. If your child is registering with Palmer School for the first time, you may obtain this document from the Bureau of Vital Statistics in the state in which your child was born. Assistance in obtaining birth certificates may be obtained from Health Records Management, P.O. Box 95065, Lincoln, NE 68509-5065. There is a fee per certificate. Please note: The document parents receive from the hospital looks like a birth certificate, but it is not a certified copy. A certified copy has the raised seal of the state of Nebraska on it and is signed by the director of vital statistics. If a birth certificate is unavailable, other reliable proof of a student's identity may be used. These documents would include naturalization or immigration documents showing the date of a birth certificate from another country. The documents must be accompanied by an affidavit explaining the inability to produce a copy of the birth certificate.



NEBRASKA CHILDFIND

The Palmer School district is looking for unidentified children with special needs as it participates in "Nebraska Childfind". This is an ongoing statewide search for all unserved handicapped children, age's birth through 21. Children who would benefit from special education services may not be receiving them because parents may not know of available programs or because they do not recognize the handicapping condition(s) of their children. Special programs are available through public school for handicapped children whose impairments pose restrictions on learning.

These impairments include:

Speech/Language disorders; Hearing/Visual impairments; Specific Learning disabilities; Behavioral disorders; Physical handicaps and severe or multiple handicaps. Nebraska law guarantees a free appropriate public education to all children.

Parents who feel their children should be receiving special education services are asked to contact the Palmer School District. Nebraska Childfind provides information also through their toll free number, 888-806-6287.



SCHOOLS ARE DRUG FREE ZONES

It shall be the policy of Merrick County School District No. 49, to absolutely prohibit the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs or alcohol on school premises or as a part of any of the school's activities. This shall include such unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by any student of the District on District property, during regular school hours, during after school hours, and at school-sponsored activities. Palmer Public School declares all of our school buildings to be smoke-free, including electronic cigarettes or vapor devices. We would appreciate your help in meeting the goal of a smoke and tobacco free environment for our children.



NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

Students, their parents and employees of School District #49 are hereby notified that this school district does not discriminate on the basis of sex, handicap or race and is required by Title IX, Section 504 and Title VI not to discriminate on the basis of sex or handicap in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities. Any person having inquiries concerning School District #49's compliance with title IX and Section 504 and Title VI is directed to contact Superintendent Dr. Joel Bohlken, 201 Commercial St., Palmer Public School, 202 Commercial St. Palmer, NE 68864, phone 308-894-9053. Superintendent Dr. Joel Bohlken has been designated by School District #49 to coordinate the school district's efforts to comply with Title IX, Section 504 and Title VI.

PHONE CALLS

Students at Palmer Public School are expected to be respectful, responsible and resourceful. However, on occasion, students will forget things such as band instruments, laptops, permission slips, ect. Use of the office phone will be allowed for such calls but repeated occurrences will result in administrative intervention to discourage further occurrence. A telephone/intercom system is in each classroom. Students are prohibited from using this system unless permission is given by the teacher or in case of an emergency (dial 911). Students will not be called to the telephone during class periods except in case of emergency. When students are sick they will go to the office and school personnel will call their parents. Calls concerning doctor's appointments, work, etc. will be done before school, after school or during lunch. Administrative discretion will be used to allow students the use of the phone during the school day. Teachers will not allow students to use a school phone unless directed by the teacher to do so.

PARENT ACCESS TO POWERSCHOOL

If you are interested in being able to see your child's grades, attendance, lunch balance and the daily school bulletin through your web browser from home or any computer with internet access, contact Naomi Forbes or Veronica Lane, Office Secretaries at Palmer Public School: office@palmer.esu7.org or call 308-894-3065 for the URL, ID and password. You do not need a new ID and Password every year. If you have previously been a PowerSchool user, please continue to use your ID and Password from the previous year. If you have forgotten your ID and Password or are a new Power School User, please contact Naomi or Veronica and they will happily set it up for you.

TITLE I

Title I is a federally funded program that targets student achievement. During the 2022-2023 school year Palmer Public School will participate in a school wide Title I program. This means that any student who is showing academic need throughout the year qualifies for extra help. In previous years certain students were targeted based on their skills from the preceding grade. Students will no longer be targeted at the beginning of the year. Instead, when they reach a topic that proves tough for them they will receive support through Title I.

Support through Title I include:

- Co-teaching: having two teachers in the classroom.
- Class size reduction through breaking a lesson into two groups
- Pull out skill pre-teaching or re-teaching
- Extra assistance on worksheets

We believe with this extra help and your support at home your child will perform to the best of her/his ability.

VISITING SCHOOL

Parents and Grandparents are invited to visit school at any time. A door-lock and security system has been installed for the safety of our students. For entrance during school hours, please push the button to the immediate left of the front (center) entrance. This button will activate one-way audio communication with front office personnel. All visitors will be required to wear a visitor's badge. If you do not have a badge on, staff will stop you and ask you to report to the main office. This is for the protection of students and staff.

VISITOR	
Name: _____	
Destination: _____	
Date: _____	Time In: _____



All students in grades 7-12 planning to participate in any NSAA sanctioned activity are **required** to have a physical on file with the school before they will be allowed to participate in that activity. Physical forms are available on the school website, or in the school office. **August 5th** is the first day for the following fall activities: Softball, Football, Cross Country, and Volleyball.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

REQUIRED FOR:

KINDERGARTNERS, SEVENTH & ATHLETICS

Nebraska State Law requires evidence of a visual evaluation by a physician, a physician assistant, an advanced practice registered nurse or an optometrist, within six months prior to the entrance of the child into the beginner grade or, in the case of a transfer from out of state, to any other grade, must be furnished to the school unless the parent or legal guardian submits a written statement objecting to a visual evaluation. The visual evaluation consists of testing for amblyopic, strabismus, and internal and external eye health, with testing sufficient to determine visual acuity.

A physical examination by a doctor or a licensed physician's assistant is required for all students at "grade of entrance", upon entrance to seventh grade and students new to school in Nebraska. Statute does not define "grade of entrance" and this may mean either Kindergarten or Preschool. Law requires that this physical must be completed before a student may enroll in school. Parents may sign a waiver to exempt students from this physical requirement for admission to school.

Low-income families who qualify should contact Kids Connection at 800-632-5437 to receive information regarding fee or reduced-cost visual and physical evaluations.

Any student planning to compete in athletics in grades 7-12 is required to have a physical exam before the student can practice with the team. The physical for athletics cannot be waived. One physical will meet the requirements for both admission and athletic competitions. Forms are available at the Palmer Public school main office for examinations.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Palmer Public School does *not* provide any type of health insurance or accident insurance for injuries incurred by your child at school.

We encourage all families to have accident coverage on their child/children prior to participation in any sports or school sponsored activity. Families may purchase Student Accident Insurance to supplement their own primary health insurance. Students out for football or volleyball will receive Student Accident application forms at the first day of practice. All other Students will receive them in their packets on Palmer Pride Night. Football coverage, grades 9-12 is \$250.00. The Athletic department will pay half the premium (\$125.) as they have in the past.



RULES & REGULATIONS

The Board of Education, in compliance with Nebraska law, requires each student be protected against measles, mumps, rubella, poliomyelitis, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, Hepatitis B and varicella by immunization prior to enrollment. Any student not in compliance shall not be permitted to continue in school until this requirement is met (79-444.01). Students shall be provisionally enrolled if the immunization procedure has commenced and continues as rapidly as possible (79-444.07). Families shall be notified of this requirement prior to the date of registration (70-444.01). Immunization shall *not* be required for enrollment if: **(1)** The school is provided with a written statement signed by a licensed physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner that the immunization would be injurious to the health and well-being of the student or any member of that student's family; or **(2)** The school is provided with a written affidavit signed by the student, or, if a minor, by the legal representative of the student, that the immunization conflicts with the tenets and practices of a recognized religious denomination and that the student is a practicing member of that religion (79-444.08).

The cost of such immunization shall be borne by the student's parent or guardian or by the Department of Health in situations where such cost would prohibit immunization (79-444.01).

SUMMARY OF THE SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Student Age Group Required Vaccines 2022-2023

Ages 2 through 5 years enrolled in a school based program not licensed as a child care provider

- 4 doses of DTaP, DTP, or DT vaccine
- 3 doses of Polio vaccine
- 3 doses of Hib vaccine or 1 dose of Hib given at or after 15 months of age
- 3 doses of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine
- 1 dose of MMR or MMRV given on or after 12 months of age
- 1 dose of varicella (chickenpox) or MMRV given on or after 12 months of age. Written documentation (including year) of varicella disease from parent, guardian, or health care provider will be accepted.
- 4 doses of pneumococcal or 1 dose of pneumococcal given on or after 15 months of age

Students entering school (Kindergarten or 1st Grade depending on the school district's entering grade)

- 3 doses of DTaP, DTP, DT, or Td vaccine, one given on or after the 4th birthday
- 3 doses of Polio vaccine
- 3 doses of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine or 2 doses of adolescent vaccine if student is 11-15 years of age
- 2 doses of MMR or MMRV vaccine, given on or after 12 months of age and separated by at least one month
- 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) or MMRV given on or after 12 months of age. Written documentation (including year) of varicella disease from parent, guardian, or health care provider will be accepted. If the child has had varicella disease, they do not need any varicella shots.

Students entering 7th grade

- Must be current with the above vaccinations AND receive
- 1 dose of Tdap (contain Pertussis booster)

Students transferring from outside the state at any grade **MUST** be immunized appropriately according to the grade entered.

Source: Nebraska Immunization Program, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. . For additional information, call 402-471-6423. The School Rules & Regulations are available on the internet: http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/reg_t173.aspx (Title 173: Control of Communicable Diseases - Chapter 3; revised and implemented 2011)

MEDICATIONS

Whenever possible, parents should arrange medication schedules to eliminate the need for giving medication during school hours. When necessary, it shall be the policy of the Palmer Public Schools to adhere to the following guidelines regarding the administration of prescription and non-prescription medication to students:

- 1) The school will not provide non-prescription medication for students.
- 2) Any prescription or non-prescription (over-the-counter) medication sent to school by a parent/guardian should be sent in the original container, along with a note signed by the parent/guardian with complete instructions as to dosage, time, etc.
- 3) An authorization form must be completed and placed on file in the Administration office for those students who require a routine (daily), long-term (more than fourteen days) medication (i.e. insulin, Ritalin, inhalers, etc.) during school hours. This form is to be renewed annually. (See Attachment A)
- 4) The school will maintain a record of the administration of medication to students during school hours that includes the student's name, name of medication with dosage and date and time of administration. The medication record is initiated via the school secretary or the designated school personnel administering the medication. All medication logs will be filed and retained for a minimum of five years.
- 5) In the absence of the school secretary, the school administrator in collaboration with the school secretary will designate other school personnel who may assist the student with medication. Designated school personnel will receive in-service from the county nurse prior to providing such assistance. The in-service will include:
 - a. Method of administration.
 - b. Possible signs and symptoms of adverse side effects, omissions, or overdose.
 - c. Proper handling and storage.

NOTE: The Palmer Rescue Squad wants the community to be aware of the locations of several heart defibrillators located in Palmer. They are at the Palmer School, baseball concession stand, DXI, the Palmer fire barn, Trotters and Palmer Service Center. These defibrillators are very user friendly and could save someone's life in the case of a cardiac arrest.

FREE/REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS

Palmer Public Schools has agreed to participate in the National School Lunch Program and accepts responsibility for providing free and reduced price meals to eligible children in the schools under its jurisdiction. The school food authority assures the State Department of Education that the school system will uniformly implement state and federal guidelines to determine children's eligibility for free and reduced price meals in all National School Lunch Programs.

In accordance with Federal law and U S Department of Agriculture policy, Palmer Public Schools is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20520-9410, or call (800) 795-3272 (voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TTY). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Palmer offers a Breakfast Program, Hot Lunch Program and milk break each day. All meals and extra milk must be paid in advance in the office. No student will be allowed to charge at any time. Applications for Free and Reduced Priced Meals are available in the office.

The applications for the Free & Reduced Lunch Program will be available at Palmer Pride Night, August 11th. **We ask all families to fill out the form, even if they believe they won't qualify.** The information is strictly confidential and will not be shared. The larger percentage of families that fill out the application, the larger the savings for the school. The school greatly appreciates your time and effort to save money!

2022-2023 MEAL PRICES

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SCHOOL BUS RULES AND SAFETY



Transportation is a very important function in a district such as Palmer, and it takes the cooperation of everyone in it to perform safely and efficiently. In order for safety to prevail in the program, it is important that student behavior on the bus follows very closely to student behavior in the classroom. It is our opinion that riding the bus is a privilege rather than a right; therefore, students who cannot follow rules will be removed from the bus and will have to use other means of transportation to and from school.

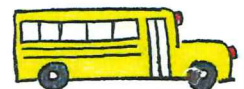
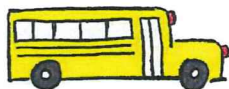
Listed below are the basic rules of conduct expected of students riding the bus, and it will be appreciated if all students and parents will help to see that they are followed.

- Under the direction of the driver, students may be assigned seats, if the driver feels this is necessary.
- Students must be on time; the bus cannot wait for those who are tardy.
- Outside of ordinary conversation, classroom conduct is to be observed by students. Any pupil guilty of unbecoming conduct or using inappropriate language will forfeit the privilege to ride on the bus. No gum, candy, or other food or drink is allowed without the driver's permission.
- Unnecessary conversation with the driver is prohibited.
- Students must not throw waste paper or rubbish on the floor of the bus, or put anything in the aisles.
- No students will, at any time, extend arms, head, or other parts of the body out the bus windows.
- Students must not get on or off or move about within the bus while it is in motion.
- When leaving the bus, students should cross the road ten feet in front of the bus, look both ways and make sure it is safe. **DO NOT CROSS BEHIND THE BUS.**
- The driver is in full charge of the bus and students. Students are to comply promptly, cheerfully, and fully with his/her requests.
- If monitors or patrols are on duty, students must obey and respect their orders.
- Any damage to the bus is to be reported at once to the driver.
- Students will be especially quiet when the bus is stopped at a railroad crossing so the driver can hear oncoming trains.
- No student will leave the bus other than at the assigned stop or at his/her school without the permission of the driver.

PENALTY: Violation of the above rules will render the student immediately liable for temporary or permanent debarment from riding the bus.

ExtraCurricular/School Activity Trips

School buses with adult sponsors will be permitted to leave for extracurricular/school activity trips. School bus drivers are instructed not to leave unless an adult supervisor is present in the bus. The sponsor needs to leave a complete list of passengers in the office before departure. While transporting students on the Interstate, the maximum speed limit will be 65 mph.



ACTIVITY PASSES

2022-2023

Enjoy watching the Palmer Tigers compete? Want to save a little money? Why not buy an activity pass?!?! Activity passes for the 2022-2023 school year are now available. Passes may be purchased at the Palmer Pride Night, as well as throughout the school year at the main office. Passes will be required to be shown at each event. Please call the main office with any questions, 308-894-3065.

VARSIY ADULT	\$5
VARSIY STUDENT	\$5
JV ONLY ADULT	\$4
JV ONLY STUDENT	\$3
JH ONLY ADULT	\$2
JH ONLY STUDENT	\$2
ADULT ALL SEASON PASS	\$80
SENIOR CITIZEN ALL SEASON PASS	\$40
STUDENT ALL SEASON PASS	\$40



Palmer Public School
Calendar Events August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1 Cym Closed for Refinishing	2	3	4	5 FFA Officer Retreat	6 FFA Officer Retreat
7 FFA Officer Retreat	8 Start of Fall Practice	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 USVB Amborce @ Palmer 5:30 PM	19	20
21	22	23 School Sport Pictures 7:00 am - 1:00 pm	24	25 USXC @ St. Paul Invite 9:30 am USVB @ Heartland Triangular 5:00 pm	26 VFB vs. Silver Lake 7:00 pm	27
28	29	30	31 HS Band @ State Fair 10:00 am			

Calendar Events September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
FEA Nebraska State Fair	FEA Nebraska State Fair	FEA Meeting 7:15 am	FEA - St. Paul Range Judging 9:00 am	HSXC @ Centura Invite 3:00 pm JVVB @ East Butler 5:00 pm HSVB @ East Butler 6:00 pm IHXC @ Centura Invite 4:30 pm	VFB vs. CWC 7:00 pm	JVVB @ St. Paul Tourney 9:00 am HSVB @ Osceola Invite 10:30 am
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	JVVB vs. Central Valley 5:30 pm JHVB vs. Central Valley 4:00 pm JVVB vs. Central Valley 5:30 pm JHVB vs. Central Valley 4:00 pm	JHVB @ Trinity Lutheran 4:15 pm HSVB @ Riverside Triangular 5:00 pm	FEA - Husker Harvest Days @ Grand Island	JVVB vs. Giltner 5:30 pm HSVB vs. Giltner 6:30 pm IHXC @ Ravenna Invite 4:00 pm HSXC @ Ravenna Invite 4:00 pm HIVB vs. Giltner 4:30 pm	VFB @ Osceola 6:30 pm	JVVB Palmer Invite 9:00 am
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	JHVB @ Nebraska Christian 6:00 pm JHVB @ Nebraska Christian 4:30 pm JVVB @ Nebraska Christian 5:30 pm JHVB @ Nebraska Christian 4:30 pm	HSXC Palmer Invite 4:30 pm HSVB @ Heartland Lutheran Triangular 5:00 pm IHXC Palmer Invite 4:30 pm	FEA - Area 1 Range Judging @ Broken Bow	HIVB @ Harvard 4:00 pm JVVB @ Harvard 6:00 pm HSVB @ Harvard 7:00 pm	HSXC @ Boone Central 4:30 pm VFB vs. Fullerton 7:00 pm Homocoming IHXC @ Boone Central 4:30 pm	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	JHVB vs. Burwell 4:00 pm JVVB vs. Burwell 5:30 pm	HSVB @ Riverside Triangular 5:00 pm	FEA - State Range Judging @ Chadron JHVB @ St. Edward 2:30 pm	FEA Officer Meeting 7:15 am FEA - State Range Judging @ Chadron JVVB @ Shelby-Rising City 5:30 pm HSVB @ Shelby-Rising City 6:30 pm	VFB @ High Plains 7:00 pm	

Calendar Events August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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Calendar Events September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	B- Cereal L- Hamburger, Strawberry Cup, Fries	B- Cereal L- Hot Ham & Cheese Croissant, Pink Applesauce, Scalloped Potatoes	B- Donut L- Spaghetti, Peas, Green beans, Garlic Bread	B- Cereal L- Mini Cornucops, Changes, Peas, Cookie	B- Panakes L- Pork Patty on a Bun, Pink Applesauce, Baked Beans, Chips	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	B- Fruit Turnover L- Beef Pizza Quesadilla, Peas, Baked Beans, Fruit Snacks	B- Cereal L- Strawberry, Strawberry Cup, Green Beans, Sherbet	B- French Toast L- Chicken Fried Steak, Peaches, Whipped Potatoes, Dinner Roll	L- Sloppy Joe, Pineapple, Potato Triangles B- Scrambled Eggs	B- Biscuits & Gravy L- PB & J, Pink Applesauce, Carrots, Cheetos	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	B- Donut L- Cream Chicken on a Biscuit, Peaches, Peas	B- Soft Pretzel L- Meal in a Bowl, Pink Applesauce, Dinner Roll	B- Panakes L- Super Noodles, Pineapple, Corn	B- Cheese Omelet L- Chicken Sandwich, Changes, Baked Beans, Refrigerator Dessert	B- Breakfast Pizza L- Sandwich Bar, Grapes, Carrots, Chips/Cookie	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	L- Chicken Tenders, Peas, Scalloped Potatoes, Rice Krispie-bar B- French Toast	L- Chicken Alfredo, Pink Applesauce, Green Beans, Breadstick B- Breakfast Burrito	NO BREAKFAST L- BBQ Rib sandwich, Strawberry Cup, Potato Triangle	B- Fruit Turnover L- Crisitos, Spanish Rice, Pineapple, Corn	L- Macaroni & Cheese w/ Ham, Peas, Peas B- Breakfast Sandwich	

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