



Palmer Public School



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Superintendent's Newsletter, August/September 2023

Welcome back to another exciting school year! As we prepare to embark on a new academic journey, I am thrilled to share with you some updates and highlights that will shape the upcoming year.

Palmer Pride Night will be on Thursday, August 10. "Small Town, Big Pride" is the theme this year. The Palmer Pride Committee (2PC) has planned another fun-filled evening of activities. 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 school devices or wifi. All 4th - 12th grade students/parents must view one of the two presentations in the music room during Palmer Pride Night, either at 6:00 or at 6:30.

We're requesting all students wear a white shirt that can get stained on the first day of school, August 15. Information such as this is frequently posted on our Facebook page, so please consider liking "Palmer Public Schools, Nebraska" at www.facebook.com/tigernation68864.

As we review and update the District's Strategic Plan, we will be collecting input from all of our stakeholders. Parents, please keep an eye out for a survey in September via an email from Caden Frank from NASB. We appreciate your input as we continuously work to improve Palmer Public School.

Here are some important dates to mark on your calendar for the start of the school year:

Palmer Pride Night: Thursday, August 10

First Day of School K-12: Tuesday, August 15

First Day of School PK: Monday, August 21

Parent-Teacher Conferences: Wednesday, September 27

In conclusion, I am excited about the possibilities this school year holds for all our students. Should you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher, counselor, or administrator. Thank you for entrusting us with the education of your children.

Wishing you a wonderful start to the school year!

Sincerely,

Dr. Bohlken

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

FIRST DAY BACK TO SCHOOL

FROM DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW



The new school year is upon us. The teachers will be back to school on August 9th, with the students following on August 15th. My father used to say that the older you get, the faster time flies. Oh that is so right!! We have all of our teachers back this school year, so there are no new teachers to introduce.

We have no major changes to the Student Handbook this school year. Just like the Lincoln Public Schools, we are trying to find a workable policy on student cell phone use. The new policy is that the student will be allowed to have their cell phone on them but they must check them in when they enter the classroom. Time will tell whether this change will be beneficial to student learning.

August 7th will be the first day of official sport practices with the first athletic event being the High School Volleyball team at the East Butler Jamboree on August 17th. Football, X-Country and the Junior High events will follow shortly after that.

School and sport pictures will be on August 18th. Pre-K pictures will be on August 22nd. Informational packets will be available as we get closer to picture day.

Greg Morris - Secondary Principal, Activities Director



Another summer has flown by! I hope you were able to spend some time relaxing and having fun with your families. As we get closer to the actual start of the year, it is super important that students get back into their routine of getting to bed earlier and get up earlier to have a smoother transition at the start of the year. I promise it will be easier for you as parents in the long run!

We have a few changes for the upcoming year that I would like you to make note of. Celebration treats of any sort will need to be pre-packaged with nutritional information attached. This will enable us to keep all students safe. I appreciate your cooperation with this and feel free to inquire with staff or me about any questions that you may have in regards to this.. Along the lines of inquiry, if you have any questions about a situation that took place here at school or on the bus please contact the adult that was overseeing the situation first. If you do not feel that there was clarification or a resolution once contacting the direct adult, please contact me and we will all converse. I am not always aware of every situation that takes place so it will be more beneficial to you to start with the direct supervising adult. Please remind your student that if they are riding the bus that it is considered a classroom and the rules are intact there as well. We go over these at the start of the year with all students so the expectations are clear and known.

We were fortunate to have all teachers return! However, we have had some staff members change grade levels. Mrs. Sheryl Norman will be teaching the other section of second grade and Mrs. Whitney Mamot will be teaching the other section of PK3.

Please follow us on social media! Our facebook page (Palmer Public Schools, Nebraska) and website (<https://www.palmertigers.org/>) are frequently updated with needed information. Palmer Tigers PTO facebook page is also a great way to stay informed for you to show your support to all of our staff of what is happening at Palmer Public Schools! We look forward to partnering with you in this upcoming school year to make it the best year yet!

Sincerely,

Sherise Loeffelbein
PK-6 Principal
Special Education Director

Counselor's Corner

Hello all!

Welcome back for the 2023-2024 school year! This will be my 2nd year at Palmer as our K-6 school counselor and I am looking forward to everyone being back in the building and getting another year underway. Although the beginning of the school year is an exciting time of year, it can be a hectic time for parents, teachers, staff, and students! Below are some tips from teachers to help with your transition back into the swing of school and a new routine.



Start a sleep schedule - About a week before the first day of school, children should begin a bedtime and wake-up schedule that mirrors their impending weekday routine.

Don't skip breakfast - While mornings can be extremely hectic, it's crucial - particularly for youngsters - that breakfast should not be sacrificed due to the morning rush.

Set after school rules - Before school starts, sit down as a family and map out the after school rules, including: when and where homework will be done (your house should include a distraction-free area equipped with a desk and well-stocked with school supplies); the amount of time that's allowed for watching TV and playing games; and how many extracurricular activities - such as sports and scouts - can be juggled.

Create a family calendar - Stay on track as a family by posting a calendar in a central area, such as the kitchen, that lists each family member's appointments, activities, events, due dates and test dates.

Foster organizational skills - In addition to creating a family calendar, help your child develop a personal organizational system to stay on top of assignments, tests and important dates. Possibilities include a white board, a day planner or a smart phone's notes function.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at cvalasek@palmer.esu7.org or call 894-3065.

Mrs. Valasek

COUNSELOR'S CORNER



Meet The Counselor: Mrs. Trout



Welcome back for the 2023-2024 school year!

My name is Mrs. Trout and I am the 7-12 School Counselor at Palmer Public Schools. I am so excited to be starting my second year here at Palmer. 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 see everyone again!



Mark Your Calendar!



- August 22nd - Jostens will come and visit with seniors and freshman.
- Upcoming scholarship opportunities please see Mrs. Trout about:
 - Horatio Alger - due October 25
 - The Susan Thompson Buffett Scholarship - Opens November 1

How to reach Mrs. Trout:



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



Tiny Tigers Preschool-Mrs. Whitney Mamot

Hello Tiny Tigers! I am so excited to welcome 31 total preschool friends to our program this year! Here are a few helpful pieces of information about the Tiny Tigers Preschool program.



Location-All preschool classes will be located at our Tiny Tigers Early Learning Center, across the street from the K-12 building. This facility is equipped with classrooms for 3 preschool groups. It has its own cafeteria, indoor recess space, library, lunchroom, and a fenced outdoor play space.

Teachers-Ms. Dawn Tedmon & myself are the PreK 3 teachers. This year Mrs. Tayma Rasmussen will be teaching the PreK 4 class. We are all so excited to spend this year helping our community's littlest learners grow!

Classes-PreK 3 is for students who are age 3 prior to August 1st. There is a morning session that will run from 8:00-11:30. PreK 4 is for students who are age 4 prior to August 1st. PreK 4 has one session running preschool focus hours from 8:00-1:00 and supplemental activities until the end of the school day.

Transportation-All preschool students are welcome to ride the AM and PM public school bus routes. A midday route will run to and from eligible daycare centers for PreK 3 students.

Schedule-The preschool program will operate Monday through Thursday. There are no preschool classes on Fridays. We follow the same schedule as the K-12 students in terms of late starts, early outs, and days off. The first day of preschool is set for Monday August 21st. This is NOT the same date as the start for K-12 students.

Curriculum-We follow a play based curriculum...yes our students play most of the day! Learning through play is what is developmentally appropriate for preschoolers. As preschool teachers we provide hands-on play experiences that foster development in academic, emotional, social, physical, and language skills. These activities are themed based off of our students' interests - like dinosaurs, farming, and more!



At Tiny Tigers Preschool we are committed to teaching through play and student discovery. We believe that a caring mutually respectful atmosphere promotes the learning process. We feel families are a vital partner in the education of their child and strive to make those home connections strong. We cannot be more excited to get this school year underway, see you soon!

Notes from the office



*Please fill out ALL FORMS on PowerSchool, we need the most up to date address/phone numbers/emergency contact information in our system.

*When informing the school that your child will be absent, it is important that you call the office first 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 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!

*To deposit money in your child's account, please contact the office or use your E/FUNDS account.

Reminders

*If your child starts to feel ill, they will be sent to the office. We have children's over the counter medication(children's tylenol/ibuprofen/benadryl, etc)/ice packs/first aid on hand that we will disperse to your child in the event of a headache, stomach ache or allergy trouble. If you DO NOT want your child to receive medical attention from the office, please fill out the form/let the office know.

*If your child's temperature is taken and it is **100.0** or above, they will be sent home and need to be fever free for 24 hours before returning.

*If your child is examined for lice and either live lice or nits are found, they will be sent home to be treated. Students may return to school after verified treatment has been started and/or when a physician gives permission.

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

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, 2023. 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 CHILD FIND

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 2023-2024 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 (7999-444.01).

SUMMARY OF THE SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Student Age Group Required Vaccines 2023-2024

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.
 - d. Record keeping.
 - e. Emergency procedure.

The district reserves the right to review and decline requests to administer or provide medications that are not consistent with standard pharmacological references, are prescribed in doses that exceed those recommended in standard pharmacological references, or that could be taken in a manner that would eliminate the need for giving them during school hours. The district may request parental authorization to consult with the student's physician regarding any medication prescribed by such a physician.

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 10th. **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!

2023-2024 MEAL PRICES

Breakfast

PK-6 \$1.80

7-12 \$2.00

Adult \$2.50

Extra Milk \$.80

Lunch

PK-6 \$2.75

Seconds \$1.10

7-12 \$2.95

Seconds \$1.30

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.

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.

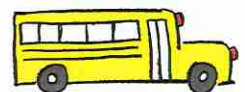
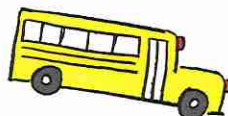
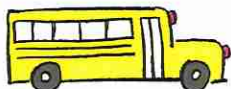
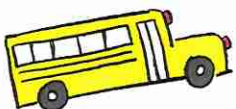
- Under the direction of the driver, students may be assigned seats, if the driver feels this is necessary.
- Students must be on time; the bus cannot wait for those who are tardy.
- Outside of ordinary conversation, classroom conduct is to be observed by students. Any pupil guilty of unbecoming conduct 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
2023-2024**

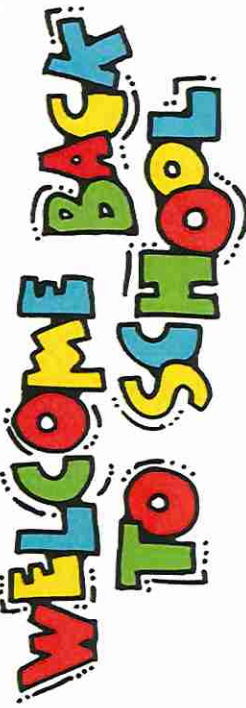
Enjoy watching the Palmer Tigers compete? Want to save a little money? Why not buy an activity pass?!?! Activity passes for the 2023-2024 school year are now available. Passes may be purchased at the Palmer Pride Night, as well as throughout the school year at the main office. Passes will be required 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



August Lunch Menu

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
		15 B: Cereal L: Sack Lunch 1:30 Out	16 B: Soft Pretzel L: Hamburger, Pink Applesauce, Smiley Fries	17 B: Pancakes L: Chicken Tenders, Pears, Scalloped Potatoes, Dinner	18 B: Cheese Omelet L: Pizza, Strawberry Cup, Green Beans, Ice Cream Cup	19
20	21 B: Donut L: Chicken Sandwich, Peaches, Corn, Fruit Snacks	22 B: French Toast L: Chicken Fried Steak, Pineapple, Whipped, Dinner Roll	23 B: Fruit Turnover L: Pork Patty on a Bun, Pink Applesauce, Baked Beans, Cheese Its	24 B: Cereal L: Mini Corndogs, Strawberry Cup, Green Beans, Rice Krispie Bar	25 B: Br Pizza L: Sandwich Bar, Grapes, Carrots, Chips/Cookie	26
27	28 B: Scrambled Eggs L: Fiestada, Pineapple, Corn, Bug Bites	29 B: Cinni Minis L: Popcorn Chicken, Pears, Whipped Potatoes, Dinner Roll	30 B: Soft Pretzel L: Hot Ham & Cheese Croissant, Peaches, Scalloped Potatoes	31 B: Cereal L: Cream Chicken on a Biscuit, Pink Applesauce		

