Pinewood Panther School News

"Better Together"

May 2026

Pinewood Office Hours
8:15 AM-4:15 PM

Pinewood Elementary
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Message from Principal

Hello Pinewood Families,

It's hard to believe the end of the school year is quickly approaching! As we move into these final weeks, our goal at Pinewood is to continue creating a positive, supportive, and respectful environment for all students.

This time of year can bring a lot of excitement and energy, which is why we are continuing to remind students about the importance of kindness, inclusion, and treating others with respect. One of the messages we have been discussing with students is that while we may not be best friends with everyone, we can still be kind to everyone.

Students are learning that:

- It's okay to have different friend groups and interests.
- We can disagree or spend time with different people while still being respectful.
- Small acts of kindness can make a big difference in someone's day.
- Everyone deserves to feel safe, welcomed, and valued at school.

We encourage families to continue these conversations at home by talking with your child about empathy, respectful communication, and including others whenever possible.

Multicultural Night

We are also excited for our upcoming Multicultural Night on Thursday, May 21st from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in our gym! This special event is an opportunity for our Pinewood community to come together and celebrate the many cultures, traditions, languages, and experiences that make our school so unique.

Students and families will have the chance to learn from one another, enjoy activities and displays, and celebrate the diversity that strengthens our community. We hope you will join us for an evening of connection, learning, and celebration.

Planning for Next Year

As we begin preparing for the 2025–2026 school year, we are working on class placements and staffing for next fall. To help us with this planning, please look for a survey from our school asking whether your child will be returning to Pinewood next year.

Your response is very important and helps us make thoughtful decisions as we prepare for another successful school year. Thank you in advance for taking a few moments to complete the survey when it arrives.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support throughout the school year. We are proud of the growth our students have shown and look forward to finishing the year strong together!

Go Panthers!

Rich Middaugh
Principal

Important Dates

PTSA Sponsored Events
See Calendar On Page 2

May
5/22/26 No School

5/25/26 Memorial Day
No School

June
6/12/26 Last Day Of School
Early Release 11:20 AM

Counselor Corner

From the School Counselor Ms. Davis

My name is Katie Davis, and I am excited to introduce myself as the school counselor at Pinewood Elementary.

Be Your Best

During the month of May our school is focusing on the character trait **Perserverence.** Perseverance means continuing to try even when something is difficult. It helps students stay focused, learn from mistakes, and keep working toward their goals without giving up. Children who practice perseverance build confidence, responsibility, and problem-solving skills.

How Families Can Support at Home

- Encourage your child to keep trying when tasks are challenging.
- Praise effort and progress, not just the final result.
- Help set small, achievable goals and celebrate successes.
- Model perseverance by sharing how you work through challenges.
- Remind children that mistakes are part of learning and growth.

Riding the Waves

Over the next several weeks, our 5th grade students will participate in a series of lessons called "Riding the Wave." These lessons are designed to help students understand the changes and challenges that can come with growing older and preparing for middle school.

Students will learn healthy ways to manage stress, build confidence, strengthen problem-solving skills, and practice positive coping strategies as they navigate new responsibilities and experiences.

Resources in our Community

Operation School Bell- They provide a free bag of clothes and pair of shoes to students.

Food for Thought-They provide bags of nonperishable food that go home every Friday from the Marysville Food bank.

Panther Pantry- If your student needs a backpack, clothes, winter coat, gloves, food or hygiene products fill out this form!

Haircut Vouchers- If you need support getting your student a haircut, we have vouchers to barbershops and salons in the area!

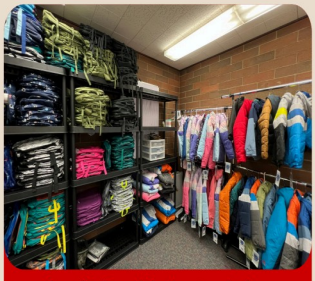
If you are interested in signing your student up for either of these programs or have questions please reach out to me at (360)965-1366 or katie_davis@msd25.org

Terrace Metrics

Our school is partnering with Terrace Metrics, Inc. to provide a resiliency assessment for students in grades 3–6. Resiliency refers to the personal strengths that help students overcome challenges and succeed both academically and socially. This system helps schools better understand and support the needs of the whole child.

Student information is kept confidential through the use of student ID numbers, and only designated school staff will have access to individual reports. The assessment is not diagnostic and will not become part of a student's educational record. Families also have the right to review assessment items and ask questions before providing consent.

PANTHER PANTRY



If your family needs food, coats, or hygiene supplies fill out the request form below and we will pack a backpack with what you need to be sent home with your student.

Panther Pantry Request Form
https://forms.gle/FEi4pMbJEF98q1Ln9



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www.msd25.org/students/families/español
Facebook.com/groups/MSD25Español

MSD25 DISTRITO Y ESPECIALISTLÍDER DEL AS DE FAMILIAS/ESTUDIANTES Y ENLACE DE PADRES
APOYAMOS:A LAS FAMILIAS

- Ayudar a los padres con información escolar, en su idioma nativo para comprender
- Apoyar en reuniones de padres y maestros como apoyo
- Visitas a domicilio, Defensor de las familias
- Ayudar a las familias a navegar por el sistema escolar
- Proveer información de recursos comunitarios y referencias.

AL PERSONAL

Información de Servicios disponibles para familias/staff:

- Coordinar eventos familiares con el apoyo del personal o PTA
- Entrenamientos culturales y escuelas/clases acogedoras
- Provee herramientas al personal para conectar con las familias
- Visitas a casa (temas de salud, asistencia y otros)

A LA COMUNIDAD

- Conocer y compartir recursos y servicios de organizaciones, para con familias y escuelas.
- Asista a las reuniones para obtener información útil para los padres.
- Defensores de la comunidad Hispana/Latina.

District Family Advocate (Spanish

- Assist parents with school information, in their native language to better understand.
- Attend Parent/teacher meetings as an advocate for resources.
- Home visits, with another school administrator.
- Help families navigate the school system.
- Provide information on community resources and referrals when needed.

STAFF

- Information on Services available for families/staff.
- Coordinate family events with the support of school staff and/or PTA.
- Cultural training and welcoming schools/classrooms.
- Provide tools to staff, to connect with your own families
- Home visits (health, attendance, etc)

COMMUNITY

- Network with Key leaders to know and share resources and services for our families.
- Attend meetings to get information helpful to parents.
- Advocate for our Hispanic/Latino community.

Pinewood PTSA News

2025-2026 Tentative Calendar of Events

Event dates and time subject to change based upon volunteer availability.

August
28 - First Day of School 1st-6th grade

September
1 - NO SCHOOL
3- Kinder 1st day, & FREE Popcorn
9 - Skate Night 6-8pm
11 - PTSA Meeting 6pm
17 - Picture Day
24 - FUN RUN

October
1 - Popcorn Day
3 - Movie Night 6pm
8 - Popcorn Day
13 - NO SCHOOL
20 - Fall Fundraiser starts
22 - Popcorn Day
24 - Photo Retakes & Trunk or Treat 5-6:30

November
3-7 - Conferences & Book Fair
11 - No School & Skate Night 6-8pm
13 - PTSA Meeting 4 pm
19 - Popcorn Day
26 - Early Release
27-28 - No School

December
3 - Popcorn Day
TBD- Fundraiser Pickup
17 - Popcorn Day
19 - Early Release & Winter Movie Night
22 - Winter Break Begins

January
5 - Back to School
7 - Popcorn Day
8 - PTSA Meeting 6pm
13 - Skate Night 6-8pm
19 - No School
21 -23 Early Release
26 -NO SCHOOL

February
4 - Popcorn Day
6 - Movie Night 6pm
13 - No school
16 - No School
18 - Popcorn Day

March
4 - Popcorn Day
17 - Skate Night 6-8pm
18 - Class Photos
25 - Popcorn Day
28 - Auction
30-3 - Conferences

April
6-10 - Spring Break
15 - Popcorn Day
24 - Movie Night
29 - Popcorn Day

May
12 - Skate Night 6-8pm
13 - Popcorn Day
25 - No School
27 - Popcorn Day

June
3 - Popcorn Day
5- Carnival
10-11 - Early Release
12- Last Day

After school events require children to be accompanied by an adult.

Follow us for more info at
Pinewood PTSA Facebook page
www.facebook.comPinewoodElementaryPTSA

TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

Thank you, Pinewood PTSA!

We appreciate everything you do for our school.



Just a friendly reminder…….
-Watch for more students walking to and from school.
-do not block driveways
- do not drive on wrong side of the road to enter school parking lot.
- be mindful of crosswalks and speed in the school zone.

Family
Access in Skyward (http//family.marysville.wa-k12.net)
Family Access is a great way for parents and guardians to access your child's grades, view attendance, discipline, meal account activity, and update your personal information such as phone numbers or emergency contacts. In some cases, the district will post forms in Family Access that require viewing and/or a signature. Family Access is part of our student data system. Each account is private and viewable only to those who have approved credentials and a login and password. For the protection of our students, this cannot be done over the phone

- **Setting up a Family Access Account:** In order to set up an account for Family Access, you will need to have an email in your child (rens) records in the data system. This is typically added when you enrolled your child(ren) in school but can become outdated over time. Follow these steps to get connected:
- If you have not provided an email, please contact your child(rens) school office and provide them with parent/guardian email addresses.
- If you have an email but do not have your login information or you need to create an account, go to https://www.msd25.org/o/district/page/skyward-family-access--38 and choose Family/Student login under the resource column.
- Click on the "forgot username or password" link and follow the steps.
- You can also connect to the Family Access App once you have an established account. Search "Family Access" on your smart phone App store.

Pinewood Attendance

H E R O
HERE EVERYDAY READY ON TIME



Morning Drop-Off Procedures

- Students should not arrive on campus before **9:10 a.m.**, as we do not have adult supervision available prior to that time.
- When dropping off students, please pull **all the way forward** in the drop-off line. This helps ease traffic congestion and allows us to be respectful of our neighbors who are also heading to work.

Afternoon Pick-Up

- In the **north parking lot pick-up area**, please park your car and walk to the undercover area to meet your child. This ensures students are walking with an adult when cars are present and helps us prioritize student safety.
- Pick-up should occur as close to **3:45 p.m.** as possible. This is when our school day ends, and we do not have supervision beyond that time.

PAY ONLINE
Marysville School District's Point of Sale system has made it easy for families to pay for fines etc. without a transaction fee. This system is called Touch-Base and utilizes the same login as assigned to you for Skyward Family Access.
The login page may be found at: http://payments.msd25.org/
If you need help with your login, please feel free to contact our office.

safeSCHOOLS **Report It!**
SafeSchools Alert reporting system lets students, staff & parents confidentially report safety concerns, including bullying, weapons & threats of violence.
Email: 1248@alert1.us
Text or Phone: 360 799-5414
Online: http://1248.alert1.us

For Emergencies call 911

ABSENCES and TARDIES
Please call the ATTENDANCE LINE at 360.965.1301

If your student will be absent or late arriving to school for any reason, please call the attendance line. If not answered this line goes directly to voice mail, which makes it available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. When you know in advance that your child has a medical or dental appointment that will keep them out of school or arrive to school late, leave a message at this line. We are able to take the information in advance. If you do not leave a message and your child is not at school, an automated call will go out to attempt contacting you to ensure that your child is safe. Your child will be marked unexcused if contact is not made..

Please help us by calling in by 9:00 am. When your child is absent, please call or send a note with your child to excuse the absence within 3 days. Pre-arranged absences for family reasons need prior approval by the principal, provided that the absence will not adversely affect your child's progress in school. Absence approval forms are available in the school office. If you child arrives at 9:25 or later, please check in at the office for a tardy slip to minimize disturbance in the classroom.

How Does Your Child Go Home?

There may be days when your child is uncertain of the manner by which they are expected to leave school. Some days a child may be picked up by a parent or other adult and other days they may ride the bus or walk. This may cause some confusion especially as we see the change of weather . Please help your child know in advance what is expected of them at the end of the school day. It may be a good idea to create a plan with your child, reinforcing each morning how they are to get home. Of course, emergencies do happen. When the plan changes during the day, the office is happy to send a parent message to the student by 3:00 PM. Our goal is to ensure that your child returns home safely and as quickly as possible.

Student Messages

We are receiving many messages for students concerning end of the day plans. In order to avoid interruption of instructional time, we ask that plans for after school be discussed before school each day. Please keep end of the day messages for emergency changes only!

Health Room News and Information

The health room is in desperate need of children's pants and sweatshirts. If you have any used clothing you would like to donate, please drop them off at the office.

If your child has borrowed clothing, please have them return them .

Thank you kindly,

Mrs. Nemra





DO YOU WANT TO VOLUNTEER?

Volunteers must complete their volunteer packet, including criminal background check (every 2 years).
Volunteer applications are available online - https://www.msd25.org/forms/volunteer-application

There is an email set up for volunteers to send in their application (volunteer@msd25.org).

Student Conduct

The Marysville School District acknowledges that conduct and behavior is closely associated to learning. An effective instructional program requires a wholesome and orderly school environment. The district requires that each student adhere to the rules of conduct and submit to corrective action taken as a result of conduct violations. The rules of conduct are applicable during the school day as well as during any school activity conducted on or off campus. Special rules are also applicable while riding on a school bus.

A copy of Policy 3240 "Student Conduct Expectations and Reasonable Sanctions" is available online at www.msd25.org or at the District Office: 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA, 360-965-0000.

Lost And Found

Lost and found items can be found in the gym.

All items not claimed by the end of the year, will be donated.



Pinewood's Values:

- Kindness
- Learning
- Passion
- Respect
- Teamwork

Pinewood's Vision Statement:

Pinewood embraces having a growth mindset and taking risks to learn from our successes, challenges, and mistakes. We believe anything is possible and look for solutions with an adventurous spirit through strong teamwork.

Pinewood's Mission Statement:

The Pinewood Elementary staff guides and inspires each student to grow into knowledgeable, responsible, compassionate, and resilient individuals.

Quality Service Standards:

Pinewood has adopted and adheres to our District's

Quality Service Standards.

Weapon-Free, Drug-Free, and Tobacco-Free

The Marysville School District is a Weapon-Free, Drug-Free, and Tobacco-Free environment. You can find the standards and procedures set forth in Policy 4210 - "Regulation of Dangerous Weapons on School Premises" on the District's web-site at www.msd25.org. The document describes the regulation for which corrective action or punishment (i.e., discipline, suspension, and expulsion) may be imposed. Paper copies may be requested in the office of your child's school or at the receptionist's desk in the School District's Service Center, 4220 80th Street NE.

Nondiscrimination Statement

The Marysville School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator
Name and/or Title: Executive Director of Human Resources
Address: 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA 98271
Telephone Number: 360-965-0098
Email: nick_perigo@msvl.k12.wa.us

Section 504/ADA Coordinator
Name and/or Title: Executive Director of Special Education
Address: 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA 98271
Telephone Number: 360-965-0008
Email: robert_hascall@msvl.k12.wa.us

Title IX Coordinator
Name and/or Title: Executive Director of Human Resources
Address: 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA 98271
Telephone Number: 360-965-0098
Email: nick_perigo@msvl.k12.wa.us

Title IX inquiries may also be directed toward the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR) : https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/index.html