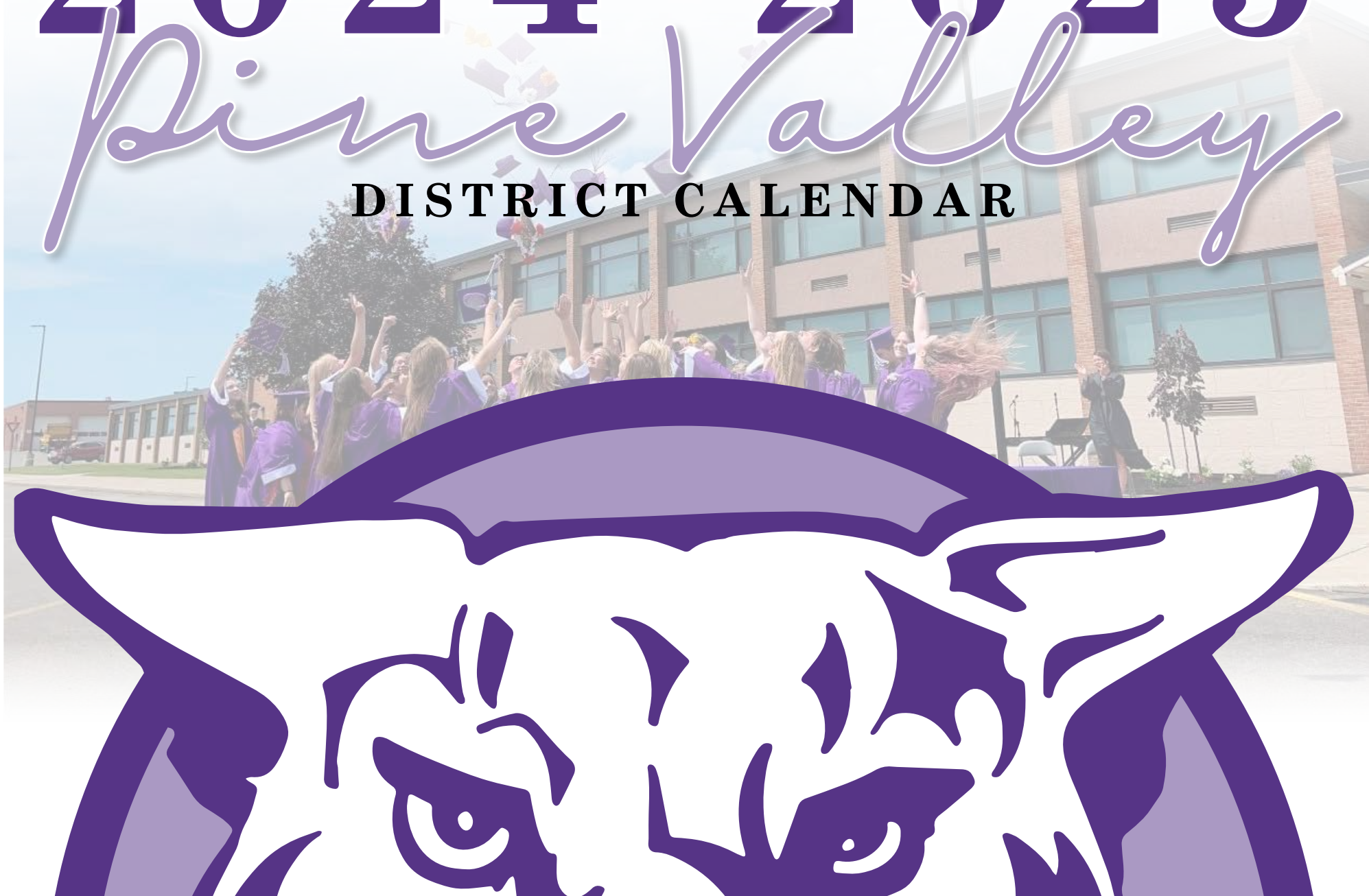


2024 - 2025

Pine Valley

DISTRICT CALENDAR



Pine Valley Central School



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Pine Valley Panthers and Friends of the Pine Valley

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year. This calendar lists dates for meetings, events and activities that have been planned and scheduled for this school year. It also includes pertinent district information regarding our Board of Education, staff, and district plans, procedures and policies. Please read/review.

The Board of Education, administrators and staff have been working throughout this summer preparing for an exciting school year. The entire staff is committed to providing a comprehensive challenging education for all students. We realize this cannot be accomplished without your help and support. Please join us in helping reach this goal by actively involving yourself in your child's education.

School Hours

Elementary School Student Day 7:50 am – 3:00 pm
Jr./Sr. High School Student Day 7:40 am – 2:50 pm

The high school door is unlocked at 7:25 am

Breakfast is served at 7:35 am in the High School and 7:50 am in the Elementary School

***All students enrolled at Pine Valley Central School District are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at no charge to your household each day of the 2024-2025 school year. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit an application.*

Important Numbers

Elementary Main Office.....988-3291 ext. 3306
High School Main Office988-3276 ext. 4307
Special Education Office988-3291 ext. 3403
Superintendent's Office/District Clerk988-3293 ext. 3307
Business Office988-3293 ext. 3300

Office Hours

If you wish to speak with or make an appointment with school personnel, call the Junior/Senior High School at 988-3276 ext. 4307 between 7:15 am and 3:30 pm, or the Elementary School at 988-3291 ext. 3306 between 7:30 am and 4:00 pm.

Student Arrival & Dismissal:

Elementary

For grades 4PK-6, the school day will run from 7:50 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The PVES Family Lane doors to the elementary school open at 7:30 a.m. Students must go directly to the cafeteria. We encourage students entering at 7:30 a.m. to bring a quiet activity or book. All students are expected to be in school by 8:05 am.

Students arriving by bus will enter from the front of the building. Students being dropped off must enter through the PVES Family Lane by the Receiving Room doors. Parents/Guardians of our students entering 3-year-old prekindergarten (3PK) should plan to drop off older siblings at our Receiving Room doors through the PVES Family Lane and then bring 3PK students to the Administration doors. Prekindergarten and kindergarten parents/guardians may choose to park in a visitor parking spot and walk students to the Receiving Room doors. Please do not park in the drop-off lane. For 3PK, our teachers and/or aides will be happy to greet you and your 3-year-old at the Administration doors to make the start of the day a calm, happy one. 3PK arrival is at 7:30 a.m. Please note that parents/guardians should not pull around our parked buses when lights are flashing. Our buses are parked from 7:45 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

Dismissal will begin by 3:00 p.m. Parents/Guardians should pick up students using their family number through the PVES Family Lane. Please remain in your car and the car lane for the dismissal process. Always pull to the furthest forward spot in our PVES Family Lane (4 cars pull up together to the spots indicated by the cones) to assist with timely dismissal. We encourage students to enter cars on the passenger side to avoid students walking into the parking lot. Do not pull out of the PVES Family Lane, as this endangers students entering other cars in the lane. 3PK dismissal will be at our Administration doors using your family number at 2:30 p.m. Please do not drive around our buses. Please visit our District's website (www.pval.org) for more details regarding parent pick-up and drop-off.

JR./SR. High School

For grades 7-12, all students are expected to be in the homeroom/advisorship by 7:40 a.m. Students may enter the building starting at 7:25 a.m. if dropped off by a guardian or driving. Buses unload at 7:35 a.m

****Please remember it is illegal to pass a stopped school bus when the red lights are flashing!! DO NOT park in front of the school when buses are arriving at school or loading at dismissal.**

Early Dismissal

When picking up students during the school day, parents should report to the school's main office and present photo identification, if requested. Students must report to the office to sign out before being excused. It is requested that parents do not park in the bus load area of the school during bus pick-up and drop-off times.

PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Pine Valley



**PLEASE REMEMBER:
A BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
IS A MEETING IN PUBLIC, NOT A
PUBLIC MEETING**

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Mission Statement:

To prepare all students to be college and career ready as lifelong learners, instilled with the intrinsic values of: integrity, perseverance, responsibility, curiosity, and civility.

Vision Statement:

To provide an education that grows tomorrow's leaders who are fully aware of and able to act upon any and all opportunities.

District Administrators & Supervisors:

- Shanda DuClon, *Superintendent*
.....988-3293 ext. 3307
- Nicole VerHagen, *Business Executive*
.....988-3293 ext. 3304
- Kourtney Almeida, Jr./Sr. *High School Principal*
.....988-3276 ext. 4308
- Dir. of Special Education & Curriculum*
.....988-3276 ext. 4335
- Brandi Meacham, *Elementary Principal*
.....988-3291 ext. 3305
- Kristin Sercu, *Transportation Supervisor*
.....988-3254 ext. 4307
- Leslie Milliman, *Cook Manager*
.....988-3291 ext. 3321
- David Vanzile, *Dir. of Facilities*
.....988-3293 ext. 3333

Board of Education 2024-25:

The Board of Education comprises nine members elected by district residents at the annual election and budget vote held each spring. Board members serve without pay for staggered three-year terms. Under the Education Law of New York State, the School Board is responsible for establishing policies, which govern the education of all children attending district schools, for preparing the annual budget, and for ensuring district adherence to state laws and regulations. As chief executive officer, the Superintendent of Schools is charged with seeing that school board policies are carried out. Regular meetings of the Pine Valley Board of Education are generally held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm unless otherwise announced. Additional Board meetings are held as needed. Residents are encouraged to attend these meetings. Please refer to our website for the list of meeting dates and times.

Member Term Ends

- Jeffrey Chase, President 2026
- Joshua Howard, Vice-President 2025
- Ang Astry 2026
- Raymond Hadley 2027
- Terry Howe 2027
- Rose Kruszka 2027
- Christie Lokietek 2026
- William Pekrul 2025
- Lawrence Zollinger 2025

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August 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	16	17
18	19 Regents Exams	20 Regents Exams	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 No School Staff Development Day	29 No School Staff Development Day 7th Grade Family Orientation - 5:00 p.m.	30	31



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Lunch Program:

Replacement electronic cards will be issued at a cost of \$2.00 each.

The Pine Valley Central School District offers an online payment processing system, My School Bucks, to allow parents to have easy and convenient online access to purchase and pay for school meals 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Parents can make payments on the school’s web site, www.pval.org, with an e-check or credit card. To ensure your security, My School Bucks does not store personal bank or credit card information.

Nicole VerHagen (988-3293 ext. 3300) is available to walk you through the process or answer your questions.

Information and an application for Free and Reduced Meals may be found in the Fall Newsletter and on the school’s website: www.pval.org – Departments – Cafeteria Services – Forms for Free and Reduced Lunch.

We strongly recommend the use of My School Bucks for all transactions.

Homework:

Homework provides excellent opportunities for developing good study habits, providing for individual differences and abilities, and encouraging self-initiative on the part of the student.

Parents and the school share the responsibility for student learning. Parents can assist their children with homework by:

- Providing a study area free of distractions and with good lighting;
- Checking the agenda nightly
- Giving requested assistance, but letting the student do his or her own work;
- Avoid undue pressure; and
- Helping create a “homework habit” at the same time each night.

Pine Valley Central School District believes that parental involvement in students’ homework is essential to making homework an integral part of the educational program. Parents should encourage and monitor homework assignments. It is recommended that every student read at least twenty minutes per night.

Each teacher will have their own late homework policy.

Pine Valley Elementary PANTHERS Classroom Expectations

POSITIVE ATTITUDE

- Keep a growth mindset
- Participate! Try your best!
- Accept Feedback

ACT RESPONSIBLY

- Listen & follow directions quickly
- Be on time
- Complete daily tasks
- Take care of belongings

WE RESPECT EVERYONE

- Be kind and helpful
- Use polite words
- Work cooperatively with others

SAFETY FIRST

- Keep hands, feet, & objects to yourself
- Walk
- Ask permission to leave
- Demonstrate self-control

PANTHER MANTRA

BUILD YOURSELF UP EVERY DAY!

I am present.
I have goals.
I am strong.

I am creative.
I am responsible.
I am kind.

I am unique.
I am the future.
I am a panther.

REPEAT OUR MANTRA WHENEVER YOU NEED A REMINDER!

September 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 <i>No School Labor Day</i>	3 1st Day of School	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Outside Open House 5 p.m.	18	19 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	20	21
22	23	24	25 Outside Open House Rain Date 5 p.m. College Consortium	26 ES and HS Fall Picture Day	27	28
29	30					

JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL PANTHER PAW EXPECTATIONS

<i>Expectation</i>	<i>Auditorium</i>	<i>Bathrooms</i>	<i>Bus</i>	<i>Cafeteria</i>	<i>Classroom</i>	<i>After School Activities</i>	<i>Hallway/ Lockers</i>	<i>Safety Drills</i>	<i>Technology</i>
Prioritizing Safety P	Enter and Exit Orderly Know the Fire Exits Keep Aisles Clear Know Emergency Procedures	Wash Hands Thoroughly Keep Floor Dry Know Safety Procedures	Be Mindful of Voice Volume Keep Aisle Clear Carry Belongings Appropriately Know Emergency Procedures	Stay in Your Seat Unless Directed by the Lunch Monitor Be Mindful of Voice Volume Know Emergency Procedures	Follow Directions Promptly Maintain Self-Control Know Emergency Procedures	Be at the Assigned Location Follow Expectations of Event/Activity Know Emergency Procedures	Maintain Personal Space Walk from Location to Location Know Emergency Procedures	Go to Your Location Efficiently Maintain Appropriate Spacing Communicate Your Needs	Communicate Any Concerning Use to an Adult Be Aware of Sharing Personal Information
Acting Responsible A	Be Prompt Follow Directions Take Care of Personal Needs when Appropriate	Keep Bathroom Clean Immediately Notify an Adult if the Space is Unsanitary or Damaged Use When Necessary	Pay Attention to Where Your Stop Is Take All Your Belongings Off the Bus Get a Bus Pass when Needed	Make Lunch Monitor Aware Before Exiting Sign Out and Sign In if You Leave the Gym Clean Your Area and Recycle	Follow Classroom Expectations Use Materials Appropriately Come Prepared	Be On Time and at Assigned Location Bring Necessary Materials Communicate with Adult	Keep Space Organized Have All Your Belongings and Travel to Your Location Efficiently	Follow Directions Immediately Know Your Designated Area	Use School Appropriate Websites Be Prepared to Access the Technology Needed Have Devices Charged
With Respect W	Be Mindful of Others Be Attentive	Give Others Privacy Use During Passing Time	Always Use Appropriate Language Stay in Your Designated Space	Handle Only Your Own Food Appropriately Use Table Manners	Be Attentive Follow the Cell Phone Procedure Respect Others	Be On Task Respect Others Follow Adult Expectations Be a Good Panther	Remain in Your Locker Space Be Mindful of Your Voice Volume	Remain Quiet for Duration of the Drill Remain Calm and Aware of Others Around You	Take Care of the Device Be Kind on Communication Platforms Use the Device As Directed



October 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 Fall Sports Picture Day Financial Aid Night 6 p.m.	3	4	5
6	7 <i>Fire Prevention Week</i>	8 Senior Formal Picture Day	9	10	11	12 Homecoming Dance
13	14 <i>No School</i> <i>Indigenous People Day</i>	15	16 PSAT	17 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	18	19
20	21 <i>National School Bus</i>	22 6th Grade Family Lunch <i>Safety Week</i>	23	24 SAT	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Student Dress Code:

All students are expected to dress appropriately for school and school functions. Students and their parents/guardians have the primary responsibility for acceptable student dress and appearance. Teachers and other District personnel should exemplify and reinforce acceptable student dress and help students develop an understanding of appropriate appearance in the school setting. A student's dress shall:

- Be safe, appropriate, and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process.
- Students may be asked to wear appropriate protective gear in certain classes (i.e., FACS, science lab, physical education).
- Avoid extremely brief, tight-fitting tops, including those with plunging necklines, bare midriffs/back, see-through garments, and other inappropriate garments.
- Skirts and shorts should provide appropriate coverage.
- Ensure that underwear/undergarments are completely covered with outer clothing.
- Ensure proper footwear.
- Not include items that are vulgar, obscene,



derogatory, or are criticizing to others on account of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.

- Not promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco, or drugs, and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities.
- Not include hats and hoods in the elementary school during instructional hours.

The Administration reserves the right to make judgments on the appropriateness of the article of clothing. Student dress will be judged on a case-by-case basis. Students who violate the student dress code will be required to modify their appearance by covering or removing the offending item and, if necessary or practical, replacing it with an acceptable item. Any student who refuses to do so will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including In-School Suspension for the day. Any student who repeatedly fails to comply with the dress code shall be subject to further discipline, up to and including out-of-school suspension.

Each Principal, or their designee, shall be responsible for informing all students and their parents of the student dress code at the beginning of the school year and any revisions to the dress code made during the school year.



Attendance Expectations:

The District believes that classroom participation is related to and affects a student's performance and grasp of the subject matter and, as such, is properly reflected in a student's final grade. Therefore, students are expected to be in class and prepared to work. Perfect attendance means that your child is in school all day, every day. Excellence in attendance means the student is absent, tardy, or excused early less than three times during the school year.

Any student with more than 28 absences in a full-year course, or 14 in a half-year or half-credit course, may not receive credit for the course. A student must be in class for half the class period (currently 20 minutes) to receive credit for attendance at the high school. A student who is absent from class, regardless of the reason, must make arrangements with their teacher to make up any work missed in a timely manner. Notices will be sent home to those students with excessive absences, and a meeting with the Principal will be set up. Once a student has reached the maximum number of absences (excused or unexcused), notification of credit loss will be mailed home, and the respective teachers will be notified not to enter grades for the student. The student is required to continue to attend class.

Bus Safety Expectations:

1. Sit properly in your assigned seat.
2. Use quiet voices.
3. Stay in your own space.
4. Save snacks for later.
5. Listen to driver directions.



November 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 <i>No School Staff Development Day</i>	2
3	4	5	6	7 ASVAB - Career Exploration Exam	8 End of 1st Quarter ES Veteran's Day Assembly - 2:00 p.m.	9
10	11 <i>No School Veteran's Day</i>	12	13	14 ASVAB - Career Exploration Workshop	15	16
17	18	19 5th Grade Family Lunch	20	21 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	22	23
24	25 Parent Teacher Conferences ES/HS 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. & 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Early Release: HS - 10:50 a.m.; ES - 11:00 a.m.	26 Early Release: ES/HS Students and Faculty HS - 10:50 a.m.; ES - 11:00 a.m.	27 <i>No School Thanksgiving Recess</i>	28 <i>No School Thanksgiving Recess</i>	29 <i>No School Thanksgiving Recess</i>	30



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Discipline Policy:

The Board of Education expects all students to conduct themselves in an appropriate and civil manner, with proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students, district personnel and other members of the school community, and for the care of school facilities and equipment.

The best discipline is self-imposed, and students must learn to assume and accept responsibility for their own behavior, as well as the consequences of their misbehavior. District personnel who interact with students are expected to use disciplinary action only when necessary and to place emphasis on the students' ability to grow in self-discipline.

The Board recognizes the need to make its expectations for student conduct while on school property or engaged in a school function specific and clear. The rules of conduct listed below are intended to do that and focus on safety and respect for the rights and property of others. Students who will not accept responsibility for their own behavior and who violate these school rules will be required to accept the penalties for their conduct.

Each teacher will set their own classroom rules. They will post them in the room and will review them

with students so that students know what is expected. In addition, a copy of the rules must be submitted to the Main Office. (Rules will indicate disciplinary steps to be taken).

Behavior that the teacher will have authority and control over: students unprepared for class, students late to class, profanity, disruption, insubordination, cheating, harassment, student travel, public display of affection (PDA).

- 1) Verbal warning;
- 2) Recommendation of after school detention;
- 3) Contact parents by phone or letter;
- 4) Assignment devised in conjunction with the offense;
- 5) Teacher-arranged conference with parents and student (principal optional); and
- 6) Referral to the office after steps.

When a student is not in class the teacher will: 1) Check attendance; 2) Mark student absent; and 3) Notify the attendance officer.

Possible punishments depending on severity and number of occurrences may include - not in any particular

order but progressive in nature:

- **After School Detention: (3:45 pm)** - assigned by the principal. No talking, eating, music, etc., will be allowed.
- **Suspension** - If an out-of-school suspension is warranted, it will be determined by the principal and/or superintendent in accordance with school policy.
- **No privilege-** means no participation in **ANY** after-school activity (such as sports – home or away, dances, concerts, drama productions, academic club or activity).
- **Loss of privileges-** no privileges within school building. “No Computer Lab Privileges” means no access to any computers in the building due to inappropriate behavior either in the Computer Lab or when using a computer elsewhere in the building.
- **No Parking** - Students who do not drive responsibly, violate the attendance policy habitually, or violate the parking regulations will lose parking privileges. Students leaving school without authorization, taking other students off the premises without principal’s permission or failing to register their vehicle will be subject to “no parking” penalties.

Please refer to the complete Pine Valley Central School Code of Conduct for information on prohibited student conduct and disciplinary penalties, procedures and referrals. It is posted on our website: www.pval.org – For Parents – District Policies. If you would like a copy mailed, please contact a school secretary at: 988-3276 ext. 4307 (Jr./Sr. High School) or 988-3291 ext. 3306 (Elementary School).



December 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Project Know Grades 5,6, & 8	3 Project Know Grades 5,6, & 8	4 ES, HS, and Senior Formal Picture Retakes Project Know Grades 5,6, & 8	5 Project Know Grades 5,6, & 8	6	7
8	9	10	11 HS Chorus/Band Concert - 7:00 p.m.	12	13	14
15	16	17 4th Grade Family Lunch	18	19 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	20 Emergency Go Home Early Drill	21
22	23 <i>No School</i> <i>Winter Recess</i>	24 <i>No School</i> <i>Winter Recess</i>	25 <i>No School</i> <i>Winter Recess</i>	26 <i>No School</i> <i>Winter Recess</i>	27 <i>No School</i> <i>Winter Recess</i>	28
29	30 <i>No School</i> <i>Winter Recess</i>	31 <i>No School</i> <i>Winter Recess</i>				

Asbestos Notice:

In accordance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) regulations, all buildings in the Pine Valley Central School District have been re-inspected for asbestos-containing building material. The management plan/inspection report is available to all interested parties. For further information, please contact Mr. David Vanzile, Director of Facilities, at 988-3293 ext. 3333.

Computer Use Policy:

Student access to the District's computer system will automatically be provided unless the parent has submitted written notification to the District that such access not be permitted. Each student who has or wants access to the district computer network and Internet must be inserviced.

The following list identifies specific violations of the Pine Valley Computer Network Access Policy and applies to all users of the Pine Valley Central School Computer Network.



- Revealing your password to others or attempting to learn passwords of other users or network administrators.
- Gaining unauthorized access to networked or stand alone systems or trespassing in another user's folder, work or files.
- Intentionally developing programs that cause damage to the system.
- Harassing, insulting, attacking or threatening others, or sending inappropriate messages, programs or mail to others.
- Copying or modifying server or network system files.
- Intentional physical abuse of system hardware (i.e. laptop, desktop, monitor, mouse, keyboard, etc.).
- Use of the school's network to obtain, view, download, or gain access to materials that are unlawful, obscene, abusive, or otherwise objectionable.
- Making copies of licensed software and/or storing copies of networked software in personal folders.
- Violating copyright laws.
- Installing non-school owned software on any school owned networked or stand alone computer system without prior written permission from the technology department.
- Employing the network for commercial purposes, product advertising or lobbying.

VIOLATIONS WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF ACCESS AS WELL AS OTHER DISCIPLINARY OR LEGAL ACTION

Consequences for violations can include, but are not limited to the following depending on severity of violation:

- Students/parents may be required to provide remuneration for any damages that occur.
- Students will receive a warning and suspension of computer use.
- Suspension may result in a specified time frame, remainder of year or permanent suspension.

(Please refer to the Student Handbook for complete information on the PVCS Computer Use Policy)

Corporal Punishment:

Corporal punishment is any act of physical force upon a student for the purpose of punishing that student. Corporal punishment of any student by any district employee is strictly forbidden.

However, in situations where alternative procedures and methods that do not involve the use of physical force cannot reasonably be used, reasonable physical force may be used to:

- Protect oneself, another student, teacher or any person from physical injury.
- Protect the property of the school or others.



January 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 <i>No School Winter Recess</i>	2 <i>No School Winter Recess</i>	3 <i>No School Winter Recess</i>	4
5	6	7 RAD Panel	8	9 Winter Sports Picture Day	10	11
12	13	14 3rd Grade Family Lunch	15	16 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	17	18
19	20 <i>No School Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	21 Regents Exams	22 Regents Exams	23 Regents Exams	24 Regents Exams End of 2nd Quarter / End of 1st Semester	25
26	27	28 Elective Fair	29 <i>No School Lunar New Year</i>	30	31	

- Restrain or remove a student whose behavior interferes with the orderly exercise and performance of school district functions, powers and duties, if that student has refused to refrain from further disruptive acts.

The district will file all complaints about the use of corporal punishment with the Commissioner of Education in accordance with Commissioner’s regulations.

- Elementary School Office Secretary:
Brianna Colburn: 716-988-3291
- Jr./Sr. High School Office Secretary:
Victoria Howard: 716-988-3276

Emergency Closures:

Emergency closures could include a two-hour delay, full-day closure, early dismissal, and/or cancellation of after-school activities. Students should know their arrival/dismissal plans for each of these scenarios. If you hear that PVCS is closed, this includes all evening activities and the Fitness Center. When necessary, emergency closings will be announced as soon as possible via the District’s website, X, Facebook, the local radio and television station websites, and the telephone broadcast system. Pine Valley participates in the telephone broadcast system, which will be utilized for school closings and activity announcements. It is very important that you keep the school informed as to changes in your phone numbers. In emergency situations, all numbers are called. In non-emergency situations, only the primary number is called. In the event of an emergency closing during the school day, the students will follow their normal drop-off procedures unless the School Secretary is notified of a change in plans by the parent/guardian.

Graduation Requirements:

Information on New York State Pathways to Graduation can be found by visiting:

www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/multiple-pathways.

Hard copies of this information may be obtained from the Jr./Sr. High School Guidance Office.



Pesticide Use Notification:

The Pine Valley Central School District is following Integrated Pest Management (IPM) as an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management. IPM uses common sense practices to control pests by taking advantage of various management options including the judicious use of pesticides. New York State Education Law requires school districts to inform staff and persons in parental relations of pesticide use in district buildings and on district grounds. The pesticide notification process consists of three parts:

- 1. Initial Annual Notification** – At the beginning of each school year all staff and persons in parental relations will be informed that there is potential pesticide use at school facilities (buildings and grounds); that the school district will maintain a list of individuals wishing to receive notification 48 hours prior to actual pesticide use; Dave Vanzile, Director of Facilities, is the school district Integrated Pest Management contact.
- 2. 48-Hour Prior Notification** – Staff and persons in parental relations may ask to be notified 48 hours in advance of pesticide use in facilities where they regularly work or have children attending classes. Schools must keep a list of these individuals and provide them with written notification at least 48 hours before pesticide use giving date, location and name of pesticide used.
- 3. Interim (Summary) Notification** – Within two days of the end of winter and spring recess, and within 10 days of the end of the school year, all staff and persons in parental relations must be notified of pesticide use since the last notification.

This article is to inform you that during the school year it may be necessary to use pesticides at Pine Valley Central School facilities to meet pest management goals. School districts are required to keep a list of individuals wishing to be notified at least 48 hours before pesticide use at the facilities in which they work or have a child attending classes. If you wish to have your name placed on the 48-hour pesticide notification list or if you have any questions about the Integrated Pest Management Program or pesticide use at Pine Valley, contact David Vanzile, Director of Facilities, at 988-3293 ext. 3333.



February 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 CCMTA Solo Festival
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 CCMTA Winter All County
9	10	11 2nd Grade Family Lunch	12 Freshmen Orientation - Family Night 6 p.m.	13	14 P.S. I Love You Day Valentine's Day	15
16	17 <i>No School Presidents' Day</i>	18 <i>No School Mid-Winter Recess</i>	19 <i>No School Mid-Winter Recess</i>	20 <i>No School Mid-Winter Recess</i>	21 <i>No School Mid-Winter Recess</i>	22
23	24	25	26	27 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	28	



Staying After School:

3:50 pm bus runs will be provided Mondays-Thursdays. Only students who will be staying with a teacher for academic assistance or participating in an organized study hall, club, activity or athletic team are permitted to stay after school. **All students must be supervised at all times**, and their supervisor will provide them with a valid bus pass.

Note: Students who remain after school without prior arrangements with a supervising teacher/advisor/coach will be asked to call home for a ride and not allowed to ride the 3:50 pm bus.

Medication at School:

Medications administered to or taken by students, must only be those medications that must be administered or taken during school hours- inclusive of district transportation, or at school sponsored events. Medications that can be given at other times of the day should not be administered or taken at school.

The school nurse will give no medications during school hours without a written Medication Order from a Physician, Nurse Practitioner or Physician's Assistant. Prescription and non-prescription (over the counter) medications require a written medication order from a licensed prescriber. Do not send Over-the-counter medications: Tylenol (Acetaminophen), Advil (Ibuprofen), cold medicine (tablets or liquid), allergy medicine, eye drops or other medications to school unless a written medication order is included. Prescription medications: inhalers, antibiotics, ADD or ADHD meds and other prescription medications will not be given without a written medication order. Medications will not be sent on the bus. Parents must bring the medication to the Health Office.

Title IX/Section 504/ADA:

The Pine Valley Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex in the educational programs or activities which it operates, and it is required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 not to discriminate in such a manner. This policy of non-discrimination includes the following areas: recruitment and appointment of employees; employment pay and benefits; counseling services for students; and complaints or grievances aired by employees or students. Occupational programs, course offerings, and/or student activities shall be readily accessible to students with disabilities. The Title IX Coordinators are the Elementary School Principal and the Jr./Sr. High School Principal and the Director of Special Education and Curriculum. The Section 504 and ADA Officer is the Director of Special Education and Curriculum. Contact the Title IX Coordinators at Pine Valley Central School, 7755 Rt. 83, South Dayton, NY 14138. email: OCR.NewYork@ed.gov.

March 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3 Read Across America Day	4	5	6	7 No School Staff Development Day	8
9	10	11 ES Spring Picture day, UPK & Kindergarten Cap & Gown	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 1st Grade Family Lunch	19	20 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m	21 Honors Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. HS Musical - 7:00 p.m.	22 HS Musical - 7:00 p.m.
23 <hr/> 30	24 <hr/> 31	25	26 ES- Creativity Night Junior Honor Society Induction - 6:00 p.m., National Honor Society Induction - 6:30 p.m.	27	28 End of 3rd Quarter	29 March Madness - Alumni Event



April 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Non-Public Transportation Requests Due	2	3 SAT	4	5
6	7	8 Grades 3-8 ELA State Assessments	9 Grades 3-8 ELA State Assessments	10 Early Release - ES Only at 11:00 am. ES - Parent Teacher Conferences 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. & 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.	11 Early Release - ES Students and Faculty - 11:00 a.m.	12
13	14 <i>No School Spring Recess</i>	15 <i>No School Spring Recess</i>	16 <i>No School Spring Recess</i>	17 <i>No School Spring Recess</i>	18 <i>No School Spring Recess</i>	19
20	21 <i>No School Spring Recess</i>	22 Spring Sports Picture Day	23	24 Kindergarten Family Lunch Tentative Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m	25	26
27	28	29 Grades 3-8 Math State Assessments	30 Grades 3-8 Math State Assessments			

Dignity for all students:

The School District complies with the “Dignity for All Students Act.” The Pine Valley Board of Education is committed to providing an environment for all students that is free of bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, and discrimination. “Bullying,” “Cyberbullying,” “Harassment,” and “Discrimination” also encompass, but are not limited to, unwanted harm towards a student or employee in regard to their real or perceived: sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age, disability (physical, mental, or educational), marital status, socio-economic background, ancestry, ethnicity, gender, gender identity or expression, linguistic preference, political beliefs, sexual orientation, or social/family background. Dignity Act Coordinators Officers are Mrs. Brandi Meacham, Mrs. Amanda Miller, and Mrs. Kourtney Almeida.

Transportation:

Should parents/guardians find it necessary to send their child somewhere other than their usual bus stop, the main office must have notice from the parent/guardian before 2:00 p.m. When giving notice, please be specific, listing the full name and address of where your child is to go. Notes for bus passes should be taken to the main office. A request is required even if no actual bus change is required. When presented with notice, the main office will issue a bus pass. A copy of this bus pass

will be kept on file until the next school day. Long-term bus passes are also permissible, but this must be stated when giving notice.

In an emergency only, a request can be made after 2:00 p.m. Please be sure to speak with someone directly. Do not leave a message if calling after 2:00 p.m.

Transportation is a privilege. School rules apply, and students who do not comply with these rules will receive disciplinary action, including but not limited to detention, suspension, or loss of bus-riding privileges.

Students who wish to ride their bicycles or walk to and from school must have a signed and completed form found online or in the Main office. The completed form must be returned to the main office before students ride or walk to school. This also applies to students wishing to ride snowmobiles to school.



Universal Pre-Kindergarten:

Pine Valley is pleased to offer a full-day Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) class. District children are eligible to attend UPK during the year in which they turn 4 by December 1st (e.g. a child who turns 4 by December 1, 2024 is eligible to begin the 2024-2025 school year at the start of school in September 2024.) We now offer a 3-Year-Old Pre-Kindergarten (3PK) program as well. Students are eligible for our 3PK program when they turn 3 by December 1st. Children may be enrolled in these programs at any time during the school year, if space is available.

Pre-Kindergarten Round-Up is scheduled for May 20th & 21st. If you are interested in having your son/daughter attend Pre-Kindergarten, or to find out more information about the program, please contact the Elementary School Main Office at 988-3291 extension 3306.

Visitors:

Please contact building principals to make an appointment. All visitors must receive permission from building principals and sign in at the main office.

Federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act:

LEGAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the Federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, the Freedom of Information Law, Public Officers Law section 84-90 (Sunshine Law) and the Education Law, that Pine Valley Central School shall make available qualified documents for public inspection to any eligible qualified voter, parent or student during normal business hours. Pine Valley Central School shall follow the above referenced statutes in determining qualification and eligibility for review and/or release of information.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that parents and eligible students (those over 18 years of age) have the right to: inspect and review a student’s education record within 45 days of the day the District receives a request for access, request the amendment of a student’s education record that the student or parent believes are inaccurate or misleading and, consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in a student’s education record except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. Disclosure without consent shall be made to the following parties or under the following conditions (34 CFR § 99.31):

- School officials with legitimate educational interest (teachers, administrators, board members, support or clerical staff, attorney, nurses and health staff, counselors, information systems specialists, substitute teachers and volunteers);



May 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Grades 3-8 Math State Assessments	2 School Lunch Hero Day Top 10 Luncheon 11:30 am	3
4	5 <i>Staff Appreciation</i>	6 Grade 8 Science State Assessment <i>Week</i>	7 ES Spring Band and Chorus Concert - 6 pm	8 Budget/Public Hearing/Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m	9	10
11 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip	12 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip <i>Mental Health</i>	13 Grade 5 Science State Assessments 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip <i>Awareness Week</i>	14 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip	15	16	17 Prom
18	19	20 Budget Vote/ BOE Election 12:00 - 9:00 p.m. District Art Show 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Jr./Sr. HS Chorus & Band Concert 7:00 p.m. UPK Round Up	21 UPK Roundup	22	23	24
25	26 <i>No School Memorial Day</i>	27	28	29	30	31



- Other schools to which a student is transferring;
- Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
- Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student;
- Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school;
- Accrediting organizations;
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena;
- Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and
- State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific state law.

The District is also authorized to disclose directory information without consent to local news media for articles, announcements or programs about school activities, in public displays sponsored by the school, in school sponsored promotional information including brochure, flyers, newsletters, videotapes, etc., and via the World Wide Web in school sponsored web-sites or related internet activities. The following has been designated as directory information: name and

address of student, telephone listing, e-mail address, photograph, date and place of birth, major field of study, dates of attendance, grade level, enrollment status, participation in officially recognized activities, weight and height of members of athletic teams, degrees, honors and awards received and most recent previously attended educational institution.

Under the No Child Left Behind Act §9528 (20 U.S.C. § 7908), the School District is required to provide access to secondary school students' names, addresses and telephone listings upon request by military recruiters. A secondary school student or a parent/guardian of the student may request that such information not be released without prior written consent. The School District is required to provide this notification of the option to make such a request and is required to comply with any such request. Both provisions require that military recruiters be afforded the same access to secondary students as is provided generally to post-secondary educational institutions or to prospective employers of those students. The NCLBA, unlike the General Military Law, also requires that institutions of higher education have access to students' names, addresses and telephone listings.



Parents or eligible students have the right to refuse to allow the District to designate any or all of the above information as directory information. If a parent or eligible student wishes to exercise their option to withhold their consent to release any or all of the above information as directory information, then they must notify the Superintendent of Schools in writing by September 15th of each year or within 15 days of enrolling in the district. If the District receives no objection by this date, then such information may be disclosed without consent.

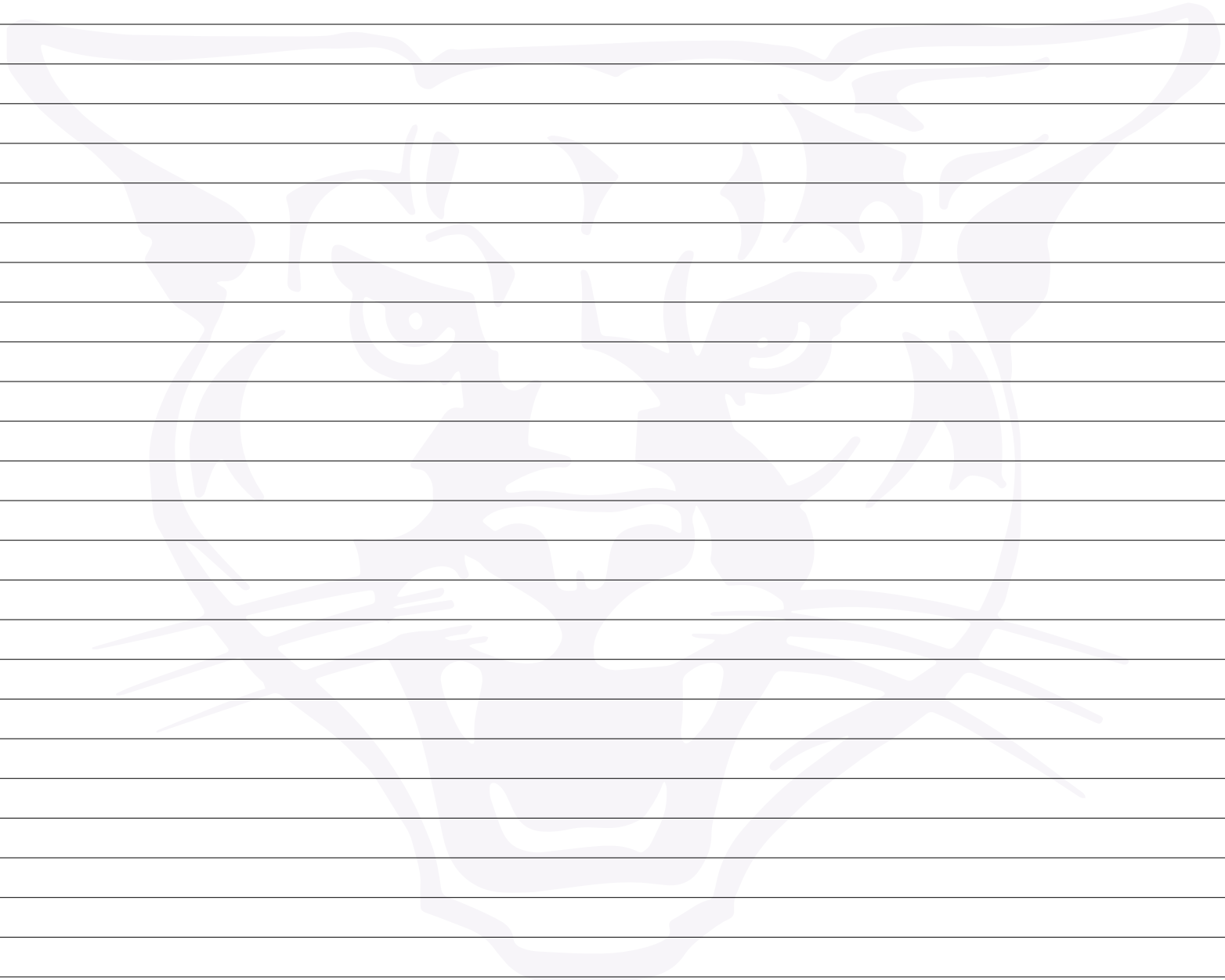
NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that parents and eligible students have the right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the District to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202-5920.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that custodial parents are required to notify the District of any and or all student information that they don't wish released to non-custodial parents.

June 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6 Tractor Day AP Art Show 3:30-5:30 pm	7 CCMTA Spring All-County Festival
8	9	10 Regents Exams Class Night - 6:00 p.m.	11 Regents Exams	12 Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m	13 ES - Field Day	14
15	16 End of 4th Quarter HS - Last Day of Classes ES - Field Day Rain Date	17 Regents Exams Kindergarten Program - 6:00 p.m.	18 Regents Exams 6th Grade Recognition - 6:30 p.m.	19 <i>No School Juneteenth</i>	20 Regents Exams UPK Program and Picnic - 9:30 a.m.	21
22	23 Regents Exams	24 Regents Exams Early Release - ES at 11:00 am	25 Regents Exams Last day - ES Classes Early Release - ES at 11:00 am, Report Cards Issued Gr. K - 6	26 Rating Day Graduation Rehearsal - 8:00 a.m.	27 Rating Day	28
29 Graduation - 2:00 p.m.	30					

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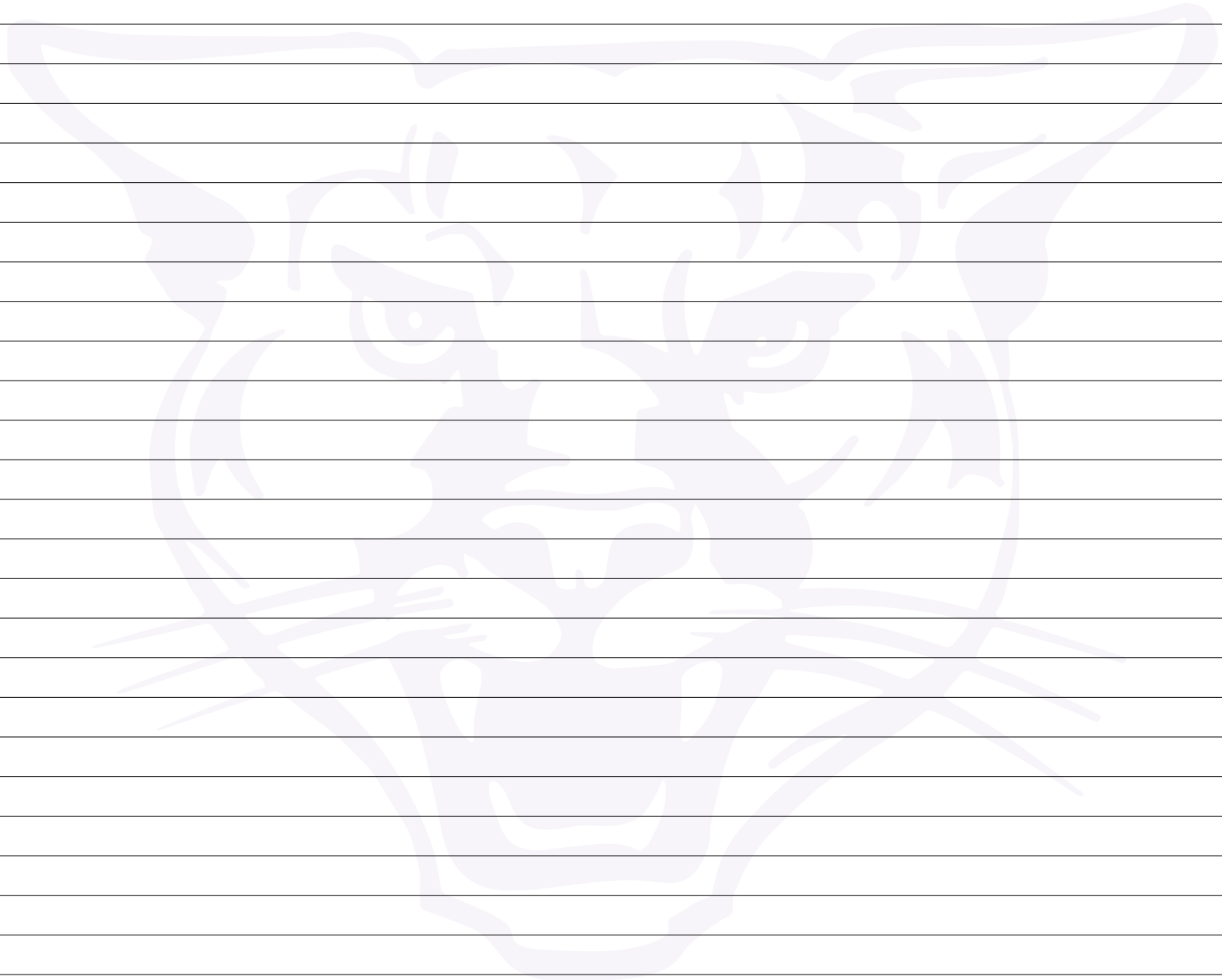
July 2025

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August 2025

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