



ROADRUNNER REMINDERS

WEEK OF OCTOBER 7TH, 2024

No School Wednesday, October 9th: Teacher Professional Development

What's Happening?



Color Run Fundraiser-We Need Your Support!

Our Color Run is on Friday, October 18th. This will be a fun event for our school community and is a great way for us to fundraise so that we can add additional things to our classroom and our school. There are a few important steps that your child needs to take to participate in this fundraiser and the Color Run event! [-->Click](#)

[here to follow progress or donate.](#)

- **Register** for this fundraiser on the Pledge star website (<https://pledgestar.com/gallimore/>)
- **Raise Money/Donate:** Send at least one email to someone requesting that this person support our school (this email could go directly to you or to other people who may be interested in supporting your child)
- **Sign and return the [Color Run Waiver](#).** This gives your child permission to participate in this event.

Families are invited to watch the event as it will take place on the school playground. **All visitors to the school are required to sign it at the front office before joining the event.** The times below reflect when each grade level will participate in the event.

- 4th Grade will run at 1:25 p.m.
- 5th Grade will run at 2:10 p.m.
- 3rd Grade will run at 2:55 p.m.

It is suggested that students wear clothes, under their color run shirt, that can be stained. Sometimes the color can bleed through to the clothing under the color run shirt, so please We want students to participate in a way that they feel comfortable. Students have the choice to not run, to run on a path that has no color being sprayed on students, or to run on a path that has color being sprayed on students.



Chromebook Take Home Program-Deadline October 14th

The iPad/Chromebook Take Home Program **starts Thursday, October 17th** for Gallimore Elementary School. **The program is voluntary and does not impact your student's daily use of a Chromebook in the classroom.**

*****Registration deadline is Monday, October 14, 2024*****

To sign up for this program, please follow these steps: **Select Participate in Take-Home Program** in Parent Connection

1. **Login to [Mistar Parent Connection](#)**
2. Choose **Back to School Check In** then click on your student's photo (if you have multiple students in the district).
3. Select **Chromebook/iPad Take-Home Participation** from the options on the left, scroll down to the bottom, select **Participate in Take-Home Program** from the dropdown menu, and **SUBMIT**. If the submit button is not active, toggle back and forth between Not Participate and Participate a few times.
4. **Purchase Insurance.** You can purchase insurance using this link: [Pay Insurance Premium Here](#) or following the links on the page. **Families who have applied and qualified for Reduced Lunch** can click here to pay \$5 for the first student and \$2.50 for the second. *While ALL students receive free breakfast and lunch, you must submit an application and be approved if you want to receive discounted fees for Technology, field trips, or sports.

ALL of these steps need to be completed before the Monday, October 14th deadline so that your child can participate in the Take Home Program.

If you have questions, please email gallimore.techology@pccsk12.com

Halloween Parade Scheduled and Alternate Activity

Halloween Parade Thursday, October 31st @ 10: 45 a.m.

We will have an outdoor Halloween parade at 10:45 a.m. on Thursday, October 31st. Families are invited to join us outdoors on the blacktop located behind our school for a short parade of costumes. **Please note that if the weather does not cooperate the parade will be canceled.**

Please support your child at home by helping them to find a costume that is appropriate for school. Costumes should not include a lot of blood and gore, students cannot wear a mask as a part of

their costume, and absolutely no "look-alike" weapons can be brought to school. If a student has a question about their costume they can take a picture and send it to Mrs. Bell via email at aimee.bell@pccsk12.com

Finally, if your child will not be participating in the parade or classroom activities please notify the classroom teacher. We will have some alternate fun activities available for students to enjoy on this day either during the classroom party or the parade.



October is National Bullying Prevention Month

To bring awareness to the ways that bullying can impact others and the steps that we can all take to prevent bullying, students will engage in a focused lesson titled, "Every Step You Take." The lesson was created by PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center. Students will discuss how they can work to prevent bullying and make a commitment to taking a step toward creating a world without bullying. Each student's "step" will be hung up around the school in the form of a foot with a commitment written

on it.

We will continue this focus by celebrating World Unity Day on Wednesday, October 16th by wearing orange to support Unity! Students are encouraged to wear anything orange! Shirts are also available for purchase [here](#) or on Amazon (just type in Unity Day shirt) and Instagram.



Gallimore SEL (Social Emotional Learning) Book Resources for Families

Gallimore has a [picture book collection](#) that includes books related to common social-emotional needs that we see in students. Reading a story with your child is a great way to discuss struggles with friendships, anxiety, emotional regulation, and more. If you are interested in checking out a book from our collection, [fill out this](#)

[form](#) and someone will contact you about getting the books. Note that some of them are virtual videos. If your child has a specific social-emotional need that is not listed, contact Dr. Gennaoui and she can support you in finding a book that meets your child's needs.

Gallimore Has Spirit!

Let's Show Our Gallimore Spirit



OCTOBER 4TH

Gallimore Pride Day

Celebrate Gallimore and wear your Gallimore Gear (or school colors blue and yellow)



OCTOBER 16TH

World Unity Day: "Orange Out"

Wear Orange to show that We STAND UNITED in our quest for inclusion, acceptance, and kindness



OCTOBER 25TH

Team Spirit Day

Celebrate your favorite tea. Wear Gallimore, MSU, or U of M colors/spirit gear.



Dates for Your Calendar

Panorama SEL Survey Window begins September 30th and continues through October 18th

October:

- Oct 8th: Gallimore Skate Night at Skatin' Station
- Oct 9th: No School (Teacher Professional Development)
- Oct 11th:
 - Walking Club
 - M-Step Family Reports will be sent home with 4th and 5th grade students
- Oct 14th: Deadline to Participate in Chromebook Take Home Program
- Oct 16th: World Unity Day, wear orange
- Oct 18th:
 - PFO sponsored Color Run
 - [Festival of Lights sponsored by Canton Township](#)
- Oct 25th: Team Spirit Day: Celebrate by wearing MSU, U of M, or Gallimore spirit gear
- Oct 31st:
 - Half day of school K-5 with dismissal at 12:10 p.m
 - Halloween Parade at 10:45 a.m. on the playground

November:

- Nov 5th: No School (Teacher Professional Development)
- Nov 7th: School Picture Retake Day

- Nov 7th: PFO Meeting in the Media Center at 6:00 p.m.
- Nov 27th-29th: Thanksgiving Break

[Click here for the entire P-CCS 2024-2025 School Calendar](#)

PFO (Parent Faculty Organization)

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All families are a member of the PFO (Parent Faculty Group). The PFO is a group that works collaboratively with the school to generate resources for classrooms and to create family and student focused activities that enrich learning and bring families together. We encourage you to find a way, BIG or small, to contribute your ideas and time to our PFO. We can do amazing things when everyone makes a small contribution. [Click here to view our PFO Calendar](#) for the year. (Additional dates will be added as more details are available.)

Walking Club Volunteers Needed

The rest of the Fall 2024 Walking Club dates have been set!

Friday, 10/11

Thursday, 10/17

Tuesday, 10/22

Monday, 10/28



*This optional activity takes place during lunch recess. Students walk or run laps on the playground and are awarded tokens for the miles they complete. **To volunteer, sign up [here](#) for the dates that work for you.** Come from 11:45-1:00 to support and have fun with the kids. ****All volunteers should check in at the school office before heading to the playground.*****

Spirit Wear is now on sale. New designs coming soon!

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ORDER ONLINE NOW!





Welcome new families to Gallimore! You'll soon see that Roadrunners have an abundance of school spirit and it's never too soon to show off yours with our official t-shirts, hoodies and hats. Follow the QR code to order!

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Updates from PCCS



A Family Guide to Middle School Work at Home

Join us for Homework 101, A Family Guide to Middle School Work at Home.

This P-CCS Family Academy focuses on creating effective tools for your child's homework confidence and success. Participants will walk away with tutoring resources, at-home strategies, and the latest homework research. This session is intended for upper elementary and middle school parents and guardians, and will not have activities geared toward children.

**Please note the different dates for each session. [Register Here For Homework 101](#)

Session A

Monday, Oct. 7 from 6 -7:30 p.m.
Tonda Elementary - Media Center
46501 Warren Rd., Canton, MI 48187

Session B:

Tuesday, Oct. 15 from 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Canton Public Library

1200 Canton Ctr Rd., Canton, MI 48188

Questions? Contact eric.stamper@pccsk12.com or 734-582-5699

P-CCS Policy 5517.01 - Safe and Nurturing Educational Environment for all of its Students

P-CCS policy 5517.01, addresses a safe and nurturing educational environment for all of its students. This policy applies to all activities on school property and to all school sponsored activities whether on or off school property. This policy protects all students from bullying/aggressive behavior regardless of the subject matter or motivation for such impermissible behavior.

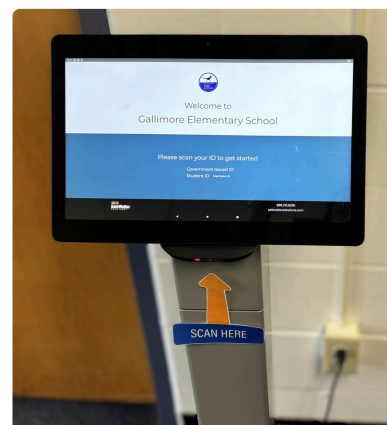


This policy applies to all "at school" activities in the District, including activities on school property, in a school vehicle, and those occurring off school property, if the student or employee is at any school-sponsored, school-approved or school-related activity or function, such as field trips or athletic events where students are under the school's control, or where an employee is engaged in school business. Misconduct occurring outside of school may also be disciplined if it interferes with the school environment.

All staff are responsible for assuring support for hate and bias incidents being addressed and for providing support for students and families impacted by an incident. You may access the Hate and Bias reporting form by clicking in this link: [Hate & Bias reporting form](#). You also can obtain a hard copy of the form in your school's main office.

Student and Visitor Management System

Keeping students and staff safe at school continues to be a top priority at P-CCS. To further enhance safety, we have implemented a district-wide student and visitor management system through our partnership with Safe Visitor Solutions. This system is now fully operational and actively screening and checking in/out all visitors. It also provides an option for parents to check in and check out students.



The system is accessed via a kiosk located in each building's secure vestibule, adjacent to the main office. Upon arrival, parents and visitors are required to sign in at the kiosk, where the system will screen them against multiple databases to determine building access.

To complete the process, parents and visitors must present a government-issued identification card (a Michigan Driver's License is acceptable, among other options). The system will scan the barcode on the ID. Parents are encouraged to ensure the information on their identification matches what is entered into MiStar to avoid any potential issues.

Please note that the system is completely confidential, and no information will be shared. School and security officials will only be notified if there is a concern with the scan results. For more information about this system, please click on this [LINK](#).



P-CCS is Hiring

P-CCS is hiring! Support your local schools and community by filling one of our many open positions. The district is in need of teachers, paraprofessionals, security officers, food and nutrition services workers, crossing guards and more. Full and part-time opportunities are available and can be viewed by clicking on this link: [Jobs at P-CCS](#)

Information Previously Shared



Extra Clothes Needed

Spills and accidents can occur at school. Gallimore's office is looking for a some extra clothes for when our Roadrunners need them.

Please sign up if you are able to support by donating clothes and send these to the office by Oct 4th.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C49AFA822A5FFC07-51664208-extra#/>



School Pictures Are Ready

To order, log in to your account on mylifetouch.com or create an account using your student's student ID number.

All families can also log on and order a FREE Digital SmileSafe card. More about the Smilesafe program [here](#).

***Picture Re-Take Day has been reschedule to Thursday, November 7th.**



Panorama SEL Survey Window

The Panorama student survey window starts next week and will be open **Monday, September 30th, through Friday, October 18th.**

Follow the link for more information:

[Elementary Panorama Student SEL Survey Parent Letter 2024-25](#)

New Lunch Choices and Menus This Year

P-CCS is no longer using Nutrislice for our school lunch menus. You can now find the weekly lunch menu on our district website. There are many new options this school year. **School lunch and breakfast continue to be free for all students this school year!**



This link will take you directly to the menus:

<https://nutrition.menulogic-k12.com/#/plymouth-canton-community-schools/calendar>



Smart Watches at School

This week we noticed many students using Smart Watches at school. While students are at school Smart Watches should be off and in their backpack. Any contact home during the school day should be going through the main office or the classroom teacher.

We recognize that many of these watches are being used to communicate with family members and care takers before and after school. When students arrive at school they can certainly send a message sharing that they have arrived; however during school hours (8:55 a.m. to 4:01 p.m.) all Smart Watches should be off and in backpacks/lockers. Please contact Mrs. Bell directly with additional questions regarding this P-CCS expectation.

Please review the P-CCS Cellphone/Electronic Device language below:

- Students may have cellphones or smart technology (for example a smart watch) at school as long as it is powered off and not in use. Cellphones should remain in back packs or lockers. **All home contacts during the school day should be initiated from the school office.**

The entire student handbook can be reviewed on the P-CCS website or by clicking on [this link](#).

Vacation Form Reminder and Homework Expectations

If your family is planning to take your child out of school for 3 or more days a [Student Vacation Form](#) should be completed and submitted to the office. The form can be sent digitally to Melissa Lomibao, our office paraprofessional, at melissa.lomibao@pccsk12.com or it can be printed and sent to school with your child. Forms should be submitted 5 days before the start of the vacation.

When students are away from school it is difficult for the teacher to know the exact topics that will be covered each day during the absence. This is because classroom learning is fluid and based on student understanding of the topics and classroom discussions. For more details regarding

absences related to vacation please refer to the [P-CCS Student Handbook](#). Page 36 outlines the guidelines for elementary students.



Click Here to Meet Our Specials Teachers and Support Team



Click Here to Read More About Our 3rd-5th Grade Classroom Teachers



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GALLIMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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