

What's Happening?

Drop Off and Pick Up Safety Reminders

Now that we have settled into the school year, we have noticed a few things that we can work on to mkae our carloop process safer and more efficient. If you drop off or pick up your child please keep the following in mind:



- Morning drop off begins at 8:40 a.m.
- Only have your child exit or enter the vehicle on the curbside of the car
- Your child should be ready to exit the vehicle when they arrive at school (backpack zipped, shoes on, etc.)
- Pull your vehicle all the way up in the car line. This helps us to load and unload as many cars as possible at the same time.
- Wait for the car in front of you to load before you pull out, unless directed to do something differently by a staff member.



Thank You!! Thank You!!

Thank you to all of our families who participated in the Color Run Funrdaiser this year! We nearly hit our \$25,000 dollar goal. It was great to see our Roadrunners having so much fun at the event. A big thank you to our many sponsors who made this event a success. To our teachers for joining in on the fun and to our parent volunteers who gave their time to support this event! Also, thank

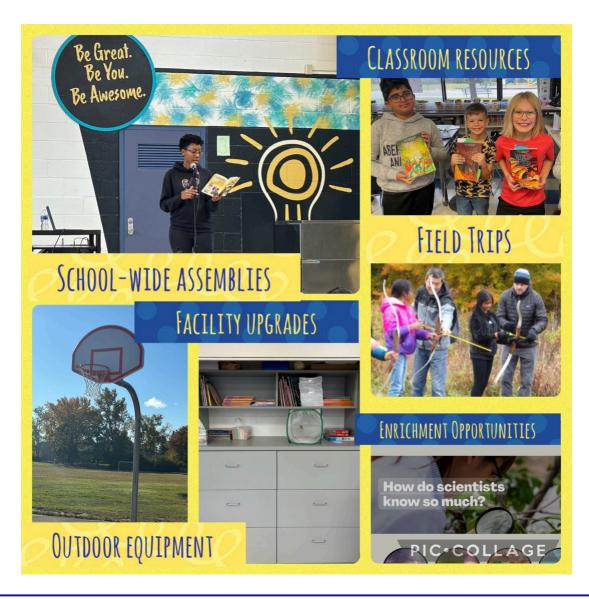
you to our PFO Board members for making this a memorable event. They worked hard to create the obstacles that were added to the course and coordinated so many incentives to keep the kids

excited about this event. The top incentive was students voting on what costumes Dr. Gennaoui and I would wear during the event!

While this event was centered around fundraising, this year's Color Run really felt like a community celebration. It was a beautiful day, and we had over 140 families visit the school to observe or volunteer! Thank you for all that you do to support your children each day!

The funds from this fundraiser will directly impact your child's school experience in many ways! Some recent examples of ways your generosity supports our school:

- Purchase and installation of 2 new basketball systems for our playground
- Remodel of classroom closets to add functionality to the space
- Purchase of Mystery Science membership to support hands on extension of science concepts
- Purchase of books to add to classroom libraries and our school library
- Three Cedars Farm Family Event-purchase of additional items to add to the fun
- Support of Upcoming 5th Grade Field Trip to Camp Ohiyesa
- Purchase of items to create Calming Spaces in each of our classrooms





As a part of our continued focus on belonging, we have added 12 picture frames to the wall in the media center. Our goal is to fill these frames with pictures of students in places where they feel the most acceptance and inclusion. We know that students feel included when they see themselves in the fabric of the school. Please help us to fill these frames! You can submit a digital picture of a place where your child feels like they belong to this Google folder. Label your child's photo with the first letter of their first name, their whole last name, and their grade. (Example:

JSmith4thgrade)

Ideas to consider as you think about the photo you might submit:

- a picture of your child doing something that they love
- a picture of your child in a location that is a favorite (park, treehouse, special vacation place)
- a picture of your child participating in a cultural event with family and friends

An important part of belonging is celebrating one another and creating a space where our students and staff can be their authentic selves.



Your school memories from cover to cover

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Yearbook ID Code:

April 18, 2025 13312625

Contact our Help Center for assistance at lifetouch.com/support-us. Select Yearbook Orders for assistance.

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Dates for Your Calendar

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

October:

- Oct 24th: Bus Evacuation drills for elementary students-these drills are conducted in the morning when students arrive at school
- . 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 13th and 14th: Half days of school for Parent Teacher Conferences
 - Nov 13th: PFO Sponsored Dine to Donate: Panda Express
- Nov 15th: Skatin' Station Night 5 to 7 p.m.
- Nov 27th-29th: Thanksgiving Break

December:

- Dec 5th: PFO Meeting in the Media Center at 6:00 p.m.
- Dec 23rd through January 3rd: Winter Break

Click here for the entire P-CCS 2024-2025 School Calendar







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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!

WALKING CLUB

— Gallierone Elementary

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.**



Updates from PCCS



A Family Guide to Middle School Work at Home

On November 5, 2024, voters in Wayne County will decide on the renewal of the Wayne County Regional Enhancement Millage. This

renewal is essential to continuing the support and progress achieved by Wayne County schools since the millage originally passed in 2016.

The millage provides critical funding for career technical education, special education, reducing class sizes, and improving school safety in Wayne County. It ensures that 100% of the funds are distributed equitably among all 33 school districts and over 90 public school academies.

If approved, the millage renewal will generate approximately \$360 per student for every district and eligible public school academy in Wayne County, including P-CCS. For a homeowner with a property valued at \$100,000, this millage will continue to cost around \$8 per month. This is a renewal, not a new tax, so Wayne County residents can continue supporting their schools without any tax increase.

Polls will be open from 7 am to 8 pm. If you are in line by 8 p.m., you have the right to vote. For more information, please click on <u>Wayne County Regional Millage Renewal</u>

Learn More About Human Trafficking

Learn more about human trafficking at this informative presentation with Homeland Security Investigations. Special Agents Sarah



Pettey, Robert "Kyle" Galbreath and Valentina Seeley will define human trafficking, provide indicators to look out for, resources for victims, and how to report human trafficking.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 23 from 6 to 7 p.m.

WHERE: Canton High School- DuBois Little Theatre, 8415 N. Canton Center Rd, Canton 48187

WHO: Parents/Guardians and High School Students (with a Parent/Guardian).

Register Here For Session On Human Trafficking

Questions? Contact sierra.marschall@pccsk12.com or 734-582-5723



Halal Options in Lunch Manu

P-CCS has a variety of Halal options integrated into its weekly menus. Halal chicken shawarma, beef burgers, deli turkey, turkey taco meat, chicken patties, chicken nuggets, and a variety of vegetarian options are available. Each P-CCS level has different menu offerings based on the age and taste preferences of its students. Please visit our P-CCS Food & Nutrition Page to find menus and select your school for availability or reach out to healthy.meals@pccsk12.com with any questions or feedback.

Principal Appreciation Month

October is Principal Appreciation Month, and P-CCS would like to recognize the fine work of our great principals. These building leaders usually come to school before everyone arrives and leave well after students and staff leave. They are charged with leading a large group of teachers and support staff, making sure that



students are learning and parents are informed. This is a huge job, but our principals do it all effectively and efficiently with a smile. We encourage you to join us by thanking all of our principals this month





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

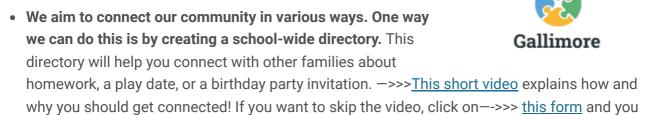
opportunities are available and can be viewed by clicking on this link: Jobs at P-CCS

Information Previously Shared

Let's Get Connected-Gallimore School Directory and PFO Website

can add your student to the school directory.

Let's Get Connected!





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.

Gallimore SEL (Social Emotional Learning) Book Resources for Families

Gallimore has a <u>picture book collection</u> 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, <u>fill out this</u>



<u>form</u> 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.



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 <u>Student Vacation</u> Form should be completed and submitted to the office. The form can be sent digitally to Melissa Lomibao, our office paraprofessional, at <u>melissa.lomibao@pccsk12.com</u> 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 <u>P-CCS Student Handbook</u>. 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



AT GALLIMORE, WE ARE WORKING TOGETHER EVERY DAY TO ACHIEVE OUR GREATEST POTENTIAL.

GALLIMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Stay Connected and Contact Us

Our Office Staff (email us by clicking on our name)

Mrs. Aimee Bell, Principal

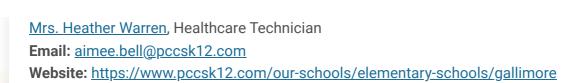
Ms. Zaina Gennaoui, Student Support Coordinator

Mrs. Maria Beltran-Barrientos, Administrative Secretary

Mrs. Melissa Lomibao, Office Paraprofessional

Mrs. Shamalata Raman, Office Paraprofessional

Mrs. Cheryl Wiseman, School Nurse



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