

January 7, 2019

Panther Cub Press



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Our Character Trait for January is Citizenship

Be yourself. Be honest. Do your best. Take care of your family. Treat people with respect.



Dear Families and Students,

Welcome back to one and all, and Happy New Year! It was great to see students and staff last week for our short week, with everyone refreshed from break and ready to go. We're not quite half way through the school year, and this time of year is a really good time for teachers and students to build strong momentum for learning. I'm looking forward to seeing how our students learn and grow through our winter season.

Thanks to everyone who attended our Winter Concert in December. It was a very special evening to celebrate the season with our families and community. So far we've gotten positive feedback on the new format—combining with the jr/sr high for the evening's entertainment. I hope you enjoyed seeing our older students perform.

We're sending home this special Monday edition of the Panther Press with a special family survey about our school culture. We're working hard to build a positive, caring culture at school, and families are a huge part of that success. This survey is just to see how familiar our families are with some of the key parts of our work.

Thanks in advance for your thoughtful answers! We'll use this information to help guide our efforts and help benefit our school. We're sending home one survey per family, so if you have more than one kiddo enrolled here, you only need to take the survey once. Please return the completed survey to your child's teacher, or Miss Christy in the front office, by Wednesday. Thanks again!

Finally, here's a hint for the survey: our school's 3 main behavior expectations are to be respectful, be responsible, and be safe!

Kind regards,

Nathan Coutsoubos

Principal, White Pass Elementary School

(360) 497-7300



Winter Bus Routes & School Delay Information

To: White Pass School District Parents and Guardians

From: Shane Dotson, Transportation Supervisor

Subject: Winter Routes/ Emergency School Closure

In order to clarify questions about school buses and routes when weather is a problem, we are sending this notice home with students and including it on our District Website.

Our intent is to hold school whenever it is possible to do so. If we miss a day, we must make that time up. However, safety is our utmost concern and if the drivers and I agree that it is not safe, we will not run the buses.

Local radio and television stations will be notified of closures and late starts. Additionally, the District's Emergency Calling System will be utilized and notices will be posted on the school district website. You may also call the main school number (360) 497-3791 and press "1" for school closure information.

If you do not hear or see a White Pass School District closure or late start posted or broadcast by any of those methods, assume we will be having school at a normal time with buses on normal routes.

We will run WINTER ROUTES only when necessary. Students will meet the buses according to the following schedule when that happens.

WINTER ROUTES

- RT # 2 Students living on Snyder Road will catch the bus at the Tatoosh Food Mart/Shell
- RT # 1 Students living on Skyline will catch the bus at Skate Creek Road
- RT # 7 Students living on Meade Hill will catch the bus at the intersection of Meade Hill and Anderson Road. If the bus cannot travel to Anderson Road, Students will be picked up at the intersection of Meade Hill Road and HWY 12 or at the Glenoma Bus Garage.
- RT # 1 Students living at Skate Creek Terrace will catch the bus at the intersection of Cannon Road and Skate Creek Road.
- RT # 3 Students living on Cline Road will catch the bus at the intersection of Cline Road and the 23 Road or the intersection of Cline Road and Bennett.
- RT # 8 Students living on Sands Creek Lane will catch the bus at the intersection of Kosmos Road West and Kosmos Road.
- RT #4 Students living in the Cispus Valley will catch the bus at the intersection of Spears Road and the 23 road.

Please contact the transportation department at (360) 497-2298, if you have any questions.

THURSDAY FRIDAY **TUESDAY WEDNESDAY** MONDAY 3 Main Entrees Main Entrees New Year's Day - No School Holiday Break - No School Chicken Nuggets Cheese Pizza Classic Pepperoni Pizza Brown Rice Sides for All Meals Sides for All Meals Garbanzo Beans Seasoned Peas Extra Extra Extra Extra · Fresh Whole Fruit · Fresh Whole Fruit Fresh Celery Sticks Fresh Carrots Milk & Condiments Milk & Condiments 11 10 8 Main Entrees Main Entrees Main Entrees **Main Entrees** Main Entrees · Crispy Fish Sticks Classic Hamburger · Cheese Lasagna Rollup Tender Pulled Chicken Cheese Pizza Whole Grain Dinner Roll Classic Pepperoni Pizza Sides for All Meals Sides for All Meals Penne Pasta Homemade Tartar Sauce Creamy Alfredo Sauce Sides for All Meals Boston Baked Beans Seasoned Corn Cheese Quesadilla Sides for All Meals Confetti Coleslaw Extra Extra Extra Extra Fresh Whole Fruit Salsa · Fresh Whole Fruit Steamed Broccoli Florets Extra Extra Sides for All Meals Extra Extra Fresh Whole Fruit Fresh Carrots Fresh Carrots Seasoned Corn Fresh Whole Fruit Milk & Condiments Fresh Carrots Milk & Condiments Extra Extra Milk & Condiments Fresh Carrots Fresh Whole Fruit Milk & Condiments Fresh Carrots Milk & Condiments 18 17 15 16 14 Main Entrees Main Entrees Main Entrees Main Entrees Main Entrees · Chicken Nuggets . Italian Beef Meatballs · Breaded Chicken Drumstick Teriyaki Beef Cheese Pizza Brown Rice Classic Pepperoni Pizza Brown Rice Whole Grain Dinner Roll Brown Rice Sweet & Sour Sauce Sides for All Meals Sides for All Meals Sides for All Meals Chocolate Chip Cookie Boston Baked Beans · Steamed Broccoli Florets Confetti Coleslaw Sides for All Meals Sides for All Meals Extra Extra Seasoned Corn Extra Extra Seasoned Peas Extra Extra · Fresh Whole Fruit · Fresh Whole Fruit Extra Extra Fresh Whole Fruit Extra Extra Fresh Whole Fruit · Fresh Celery Sticks Fresh Carrots Sliced Cucumbers · Fresh Whole Fruit Milk & Condiments Fresh Carrots Milk & Condiments Fresh Celery Sticks Milk & Condiments Milk & Condiments Milk & Condiments 25 24 23 21 22 Main Entrees Main Entrees Main Entrees MLK Day - No School **Main Entrees** Crispy Fish Sticks Classic Hamburger Chicken Nuagets Cheese Pizza Classic Pepperoni Pizza Sides for All Meals Whole Grain Dinner Roll **Brown Rice** Homemade Tartar Sauce Sides for All Meals **Boston Baked Beans** Sides for All Meals Cheese Quesadilla Confetti Coleslaw Extra Extra Seasoned Peas · Fresh Whole Fruit Salsa Extra Extra Extra Extra Sides for All Meals Fresh Whole Fruit Fresh Whole Fruit Fresh Carrots Milk & Condiments Steamed Broccoli Florets Fresh Carrots Fresh Celery Sticks Extra Extra Milk & Condiments Milk & Condiments Fresh Whole Fruit Fresh Cauliflower Florets Milk & Condiments

28

Main Entrees

- Cheese Lasagna Rollup Sides for All Meals
- · Seasoned Corn Extra Extra
- · Fresh Whole Fruit
- Fresh Carrots

Milk & Condiments

29

Main Entrees

- · Tender Pulled Chicken
- Penne Pasta
- Creamy Alfredo Sauce
- Sides for All Meals
- Steamed Broccoli Florets Extra Extra
- Fresh Carrots

Fresh Whole Fruit

Milk & Condiments

30

Main Entrees

- Cheese Pizza
- Classic Pepperoni Pizza
- Sides for All Meals
- Confetti Coleslaw
- Extra Extra
- Fresh Whole Fruit Fresh Carrots
- Milk & Condiments

31

Main Entrees

- Chicken Nuggets
- **Brown Rice**

- Fresh Whole Fruit
- Fresh Celery Sticks Milk & Condiments

Sides for All Meals

Seasoned Peas

Extra Extra



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CITIZENSHIP

TO BE A GOOD CITIZEN O Volunteer to be active in your community. O Be honest and trustworthy. O follow rules and laws. O Respect the rights of others. O Be informed about the world around you. O Respect the property of others. O Be compassionate. O Take responsibility for your actions. O Be a good neighbor.



Dear Families and Students,

Thanks to everyone who has returned the school culture family survey! Your response rate has been great—we're getting more surveys returned than I expected. I appreciate your thoughtful answers. There's still time to return yours if you haven't yet: it can go to Miss Christy or your child's teacher.

Over the next couple of weeks, staff members and I will go over the surveys, record the answers, look for trends, and crunch the numbers. We'll use your responses to plan how we can better involve families in the continued growth of our positive school culture. Thanks again for your help!

On the academic side of things, next week students will be doing our second round of DIBELS testing. DIBELS stands for Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills, and it's pronounced to rhyme with 'nibbles.' As the name suggests, it's a way for us to measure how our students our doing in literacy. It's a pretty quick assessment, where students go one at a time to read a selected passage to an adult, who records the results. DIBELS tells us some pretty useful information which allows teachers to better plan their instruction to meet student needs. We do 3 rounds of DIBELS in a year—October, January, and May.

That's all for this week. Thanks again for sending your children to us at White Pass Elementary—helping students is why we do what we do!

Kind regards,

Nathan Coutsoubos

Principal, White Pass Elementary School

Congratulations to the November and December Students of the Month

for showing Optimism!

David Hall, Julianna Guy, Jayla Sams, Harmony Collette, Laith Pelletier,
Owen Loucks, Rana Abbas, Summer Baysinger, Paige Toal, Eli Richardson,
Piper Reed, Clara McMahan, Mia Morgan, Jennifer Willeford, Logan Swigart,
Trinity Turvey, Joshua Holland, Gemma Jakubowski, Jade Reed-Docken,
and Desmond Carver.

