



## BUILDING WORLD CLASS THINKERS PIONEER PATH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL WEBSITE ADDRESS: [www.csd17.org](http://www.csd17.org)  
ABSENCE HOTLINE NUMBER: 521-2191

- Sept. 15 - EARLY DISMISSAL "School Improvement Day" PP/NBG dismiss @ 11:30 am
- Sept. 25 - School Board Meeting 7:00 pm @ Pioneer Path School in the Board Room
- Sept. 27 - Homework Club Starts
- Oct. 6 - NO SCHOOL Teachers Institute Day
- Oct. 9 - NO SCHOOL Columbus Day
- Oct. 31 - EARLY DISMISSAL "School Improvement Day" PP/NBG dismiss @ 11:30 am

CLICK ON THE LINK TO SEE COMMUNITY EVENTS THROUGH OUR [\(VIRTUAL BACKPACK\)](#).



***TOMORROW IS SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY! WEAR YOUR FAVORITE RED & WHITE.***



### School Social Worker Tips for Parents:

<http://web.alsde.edu/general/pta%20100%20ways.pdf>

School Social Workers assist the entire school community, including both students and staff, in having a positive and productive school year! There are many ways for parents to also ensure a positive and productive school year, too.

*Mrs. Kath's favorites from the above list of 100:*

**#2: Approach interactions with a positive attitude and an open mind.**

Modeling a positive attitude in front of your child is of utmost importance. Children are so impressionable and will often model what they see at home.

**#21: Meet your child's friends and get to know their parents.**

Socialization, both in and out of school, is so important for children's social/emotional development; take advantage of the many social opportunities available through our schools, park district, athletic clubs, and local agencies and churches.

### #35: Discuss your child's school day and homework daily.

Give your child(ren) individual time each evening to inquire about their day, from beginning to end. Perhaps at bedtime, you can ask about "a high and a low" from their day. Ten minutes of one-on-one time goes a long way, especially for your child!

### #39: Develop a consistent daily routine and time for studying and homework.

Children maintain a structured schedule during their school day, so why not maintain one at home in the evenings? Children thrive when they know what to expect and what comes next!

## Technology News.....



### Channahon School District 17 -- There's an App for That!

Did you know that Channahon School District 17 has its own app? Our app is the easiest way to keep track of all the important things happening in the district! Some of the things you can do with the app include

- Contact a school directly
- Email a teacher directly
- Access a calendar of events
- View teacher websites
- Read the Thursday note
- See the current month's lunch menu
- Receive push notifications for the school(s) you subscribe to -- the fastest way to get last minute, important information

Search the iTunes App Store or the Google Play Store for "Channahon School District 17" or access the links to the app below:

[Channahon School District 17 app in the iTunes App Store](#)

[Channahon School District 17 app in the Google Play Store](#)

- Important attendance and dismissal information. [\(click here\)](#)
- Important information on school treat policy. [\(click here\)](#)
- PTO News [\(click here\)](#)
- NURSE News [\(click here\)](#)
- Chanooka Wish COAT Drive [\(click here\)](#)
- Cub Scout News Blast into Scouting [\(click here\)](#)
- CHANNAHON MUSIC BOOSTERS News [\(click here\)](#)



## smART News:

Pioneer Path artists use [ARTSONIA](#) to digitally archive and display almost every artwork they create in class. These portfolios carry over year to year, allowing students, parents and art teacher to reflect on artistic growth and achievement.

This year, Artsonia is requiring students under the age of 13 to have parent permission to upload their own art. This is EXTREMELY valuable in art class. Permission slips have been sent home and are available [here](#). Please sign and return ASAP.

4th grade Art classes will be taking turns visiting the 4 Rivers Environmental Education Center for on-site nature photography. All photographs will be part of a larger art exhibit at the center in June. Ms. Williamson & Ms. Krueger's class will visit on 10/3 during Art- permission slips are going home this week, please sign & return ASAP.



## “NOTES” FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

Fourth graders will receive a fun homework assignment to get them thinking about the notes on the staff which will help prepare them for playing the recorder!

Third graders were busy reading musical notes and learning about a chorus and a verse!

### Musical Dates

Fourth Grade -- Thursday, December 14th at 6:30

Third Grade -- Thursday, April 26th at 6:30

Both Grades will perform at Minooka High School Central Campus



The Pioneer Path Choir has started and our Veteran's Day song are underway! We have 64 third graders and 63 fourth graders! Thanks so much to all the students that are willing to work hard every **Wednesday** during lunch recess. If your child is still interested in joining please click [Choir](#) to get the note that needs to be returned.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [cpettigrew@csd17.org](mailto:cpettigrew@csd17.org).

Happy singing-  
Mrs. Pettigrew



**LUNCH ACCOUNTS:** If you haven't replenished your child's lunch account yet, you may want to do so at this time. Please check your child's account on Power School. When sending in lunch money, please make sure you fill out a lunch deposit form. Please put your form and money in an envelope with your students name on it, marked **Lunch Money**.