

BUILDING WORLD CLASS THINKERS

PIONEER PATH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL, Mr. Dan Nyalka

August 29, 2024

SCHOOL WEBSITE ADDRESS: www.csd17.org
ABSENCE HOTLINE NUMBER: 521-2191

- Aug. 26-30 - DRILL WEEK
- Sept. 2 - NO SCHOOL Labor Day
- Sept. 3-6 - MAP TESTING
- Sept. 10 - PICTURE DAY
- Sept. 18 - EARLY DISMISSAL "School Improvement Day" PP/NBG dismiss @ 11:30 am
- Sept. 23 - SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM ~ Pioneer Path School

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

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



Picture Day at Pioneer Path School
will be [Tuesday, September 10th!!](#)
"Wear Your BEST Smile!!"

Technology News



Tech Safety Lessons Have Begun!

Ms. Hauert, our Instructional Technology Resource Teacher, has started meeting with students 3rd-8th grade in their classrooms to begin the ongoing discussion of Tech Safety. During these lessons, students will deepen their understanding of common terms and skills that responsible digital citizens consider when using technology. This Trimester, students at Pioneer Path learned about their Rings of Responsibility, what choices they can make to keep themselves safe and healthy, and how these choices cause a ripple effect to those in their community and around the world. They were able to select ways they can be responsible digital citizens by filling out this [Form](#). At Three Rivers, the [discussion](#) led students to analyze ClickBait titles and messages to identify "Red Flags" to avoid before clicking on potentially unsafe videos or websites. They clarified the difference between Private and Personal information and examined the risks associated with sharing private information online such as Identity Theft and Phishing. At CJH, students took [inventory](#) of their media consumption, paying special attention to how they felt before and after they spent time on their devices considering both positive and negative experiences. They analyzed this information to create a personalized [Media Balance Strategy](#) to be proactive and intentional with how they engage with technology and an action plan for when things start to feel unbalanced.

Students were able to give ample insight to these discussions, showing that they already have such a great foundation to practicing Tech Safety, and for that, we say Thank YOU! So much of our student's safety comes from the conversations we have at home. Continue to ask questions and model healthy choices with Technology! You're doing amazing!



NURSE SHOTS

10 Things to know about your Child's sleep

It's not just to keep her from getting cranky! Little bodies need slumber to grow and stay healthy. Her muscles, including the heart, repair themselves during sleep.

Sleep also controls the signals that tell your kid if she's hungry or full, which helps keep her at a good weight.

Sleep Boosts the Brain

While your kid's in dreamland, her brain stores memories from the day so she can recall them later. That's a key part of learning.

Your child also needs sleep to help her pay attention in school. If she gets her shut-eye she'll get her work done faster and with fewer mistakes.

How Much Sleep Does My Child Need?

Kids need more snooze-time than you do. Got a toddler? He should get 11 to 14 hours of total sleep in a day. Three- to 5-year-olds need a little less -- about 11 to 13 hours. If your child is 6 to 13, he should get 9 to 11 hours of ZZZs. Teens need 8 to 10 hours, but how much sleep they actually get is another story

Does My Child Need a Nap?

How much your kid snoozes during the day depends on how much she sleeps at night. Your toddler may get most of her 13 hours after the sun goes down, or she may get 8 after dark and make up the rest with naps.

Most kids stop their daytime napping by age 5. If your child still does it at that age she might need an earlier bedtime.

If your teen takes an afternoon siesta, it's a sure sign she's not getting enough sleep at night.

How Do I Get My Kid to Bed?

Bedtime doesn't have to be a battle! Stick to a routine, even on the weekends. It can include a soothing bath, brushing teeth, and going to the bathroom, but it should always end in the bedroom. Plan an enjoyable wind-down activity before sleep, such as reading by dim light. Make sure the bedroom is dark, cool, quiet, and screen-free.

For problem sleepers, reserve the bed for shut-eye only -- no reading, homework, or playing games.

Can My Teen Get to Sleep on Time?

It's not "mission impossible," but let's face it, it's not easy either. Your teen's inner clock pushes her to go to bed late at night and sleep in the next morning.

Dim the lights at night, whether she's ready for bed or not. Keep the bedroom cool. And though it sounds like a no-brainer, tell your teen to unplug -- turn off the TV, cell phone, and computer.

On weekends, tell her not to sleep later than 2 hours past her weekday wake-up time

Should School Start Later?

It's a controversial issue for schools and parents, and there's no easy solution. Many high school bells ring before 8 a.m. That makes it tough for teens to get enough sleep, since most don't hit the pillow before 11 p.m.

A later start time might give kids an academic boost. Studies show teens who get the slumber they need have better grades and higher standardized test scores.

Does My Kid Sleep Enough?

You'll know your child gets regular rest if he can nod off 15 to 30 minutes after he goes to bed at night. In the mornings, he'll wake up easily when it's time to get up. You won't have to go back to his room over and over to make sure he's out of bed.

More signs he probably gets enough sleep: He doesn't snooze in school and doesn't need naps

Could It Be a Sleep Disorder?

Most of the time your kid's shut-eye woes are just part of growing up. But sometimes there's a medical condition that's behind the trouble. Watch for snoring, long pauses between breaths, or trouble breathing while he's asleep. He might need to be checked for sleep apnea.

Sleepwalking, nightmares, or bed-wetting could also be signs of a sleep disorder. Check with your pediatrician to find out what you can do.

Is It ADHD or Not Enough Sleep?

Grown-ups and kids don't act the same when they miss out on sleep. You may slow down, but your child could start bouncing off the walls. This behavior may make it look like he's got ADHD. Your pediatrician can help you figure out what's going on.

If your child does have ADHD, studies show getting the right amount of sleep can help him pay better attention and act less hyper.

♪ Choir Note ♪ From Mrs. Featherly:

Dear Pioneer Path Singers...

4th-Grade Choir Begins Tuesday, October 1st!



Choir will meet on Tuesday's after school until 4:15 PM.

It is a free activity and is available to all 4th-Grade students.

We will have two performances this year, starting with a Caroling Night (tentatively scheduled for Thursday, 12/12) and a Spring concert closer to the end of the year!

If you...

- Love to sing
- Want to improve your singing technique
- Are preparing for an audition
- Enjoy making music as a team
- Want to gain experience performing in front of an audience
- Are dedicated to practicing music both in rehearsals and on your own

...then choir is the place for you!

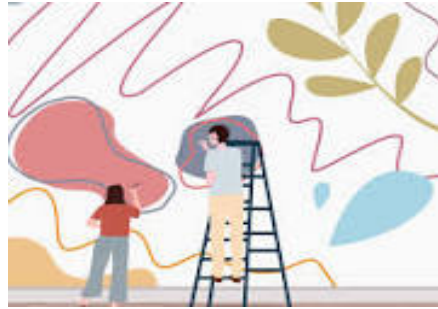
If interested, please fill out the form ASAP, enrollment is limited and based on a first-come, first-serve basis! To sign-up, click on any available slot and enter your student's name, parent email, and parent phone numbers.

[Choir Sign-Up](#)

I look forward to a great year of singing together!

-Mrs. Featherly
rclarke@csd17.org

ART News



Mrs. Verbic has another exciting Art opportunity for **4th grade artists only!** She is looking for **4th grade students** to help create murals on the Pioneer Path bus barn on Saturday, 9/7 & Sunday 9/8. Please use the following link to sign-up for **ONE** 1 hour time slot on Saturday **OR** Sunday. Please be sure to read all of the information before signing up.

**If you do not get a chance to help out this time, more opportunities will occur later in the year.*

[MURAL SIGN-UP](#)

Please email with any questions: mverbic@csd17.org



**Pioneer Path
3rd & 4th Grade**

ART SHOW

Thursday, April 24, 2025

5:00pm-7:00pm



Please join us for our PTO meeting and **FUN, FREE, FAMILY BINGO** night on September 9th at 6:30pm.

We're excited to see familiar faces and hope to meet some new ones as well. Please sign up with the link or the QR code below so we can save you a seat.

[Sign up here](#)

BINGO WITH THE CHANNAHON

PTO!



Bring your best bingo call and bright ideas...join us for our first PTO meeting of the 2024/2025 school year and special BINGO night!

Win prizes, meet fellow CSD parents, and learn more about all of the fun things the PTO has in store for students and staff this year. No childcare? No problem! All are welcome so bring kiddos, grandparents, and fellow Channahon School District parents. All CSD staff and their families are welcome, too. We look forward to seeing you there!

Event is FREE! A special thank you to our event partner the Channahon Lions Club. To save your spot visit the Google form link via the QR code below!

PRIZES | REFRESHMENTS | FUN



Monday,
September 9
at 6:30pm



Channahon
Junior High





2024-25 PRESCHOOL SCREENINGS

Southern Will County Cooperative for Special Education (SOWIC) will be conducting preschool screenings on the dates listed below. The screenings are open to any 3-5 year-old-child, not yet eligible for kindergarten, residing within the following school district boundaries: Channahon 17, Troy 30c, Laraway 70c, Union 81, Rockdale 84, Beecher 200U, Elwood 203, Peotone 207U, Wilmington 209U and Reed-Custer 255U. The purpose of the preschool screening is to assess development in the areas of vision, hearing, motor, speech, language, cognition and social-functioning. The preschool screening is designed to assess a child's development and assist in identifying children who may require further evaluation to determine eligibility for special education services or those who may be eligible for a state-funded preschool program. The screenings are by appointment and are provided at no cost to families.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call the SOWIC office at 815-741-7777

| Date | Location | Date | Location |
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| Friday, 8/9/2024 | Laraway School 1715 Rowell Avenue Joliet, IL 60433 THIS WILL BE FOR LARAWAY RESIDENTS ONLY | Friday 12/13/2024 | Laraway School 1715 Rowell Avenue Joliet, IL 60433 THIS WILL BE FOR LARAWAY RESIDENTS ONLY |
| Friday, 9/6/2024 | Laraway School 1715 Rowell Avenue Joliet, IL 60433 THIS WILL BE FOR LARAWAY RESIDENTS ONLY | Friday, 1/24/2025 | Bruning School 1910 Bruning Drive Wilmington, IL 60481 |
| Tuesday, 9/10/2024 | Beecher Elementary 629 Penfield Beecher, IL 60401 | Tuesday, 2/4/2025 | Reed-Custer Elementary School 162 School Street Braidwood, IL 60408 |
| Friday, 9/13/2024 | Arrowhead Community Center 24856 W. Eames Street Channahon, IL 60410 | Friday, 3/14/2025 | Bruning School 1910 Bruning Drive Wilmington, IL 60481 |
| Friday, 9/27/2024 | Bruning School 1910 Bruning Drive Wilmington, IL 60481 | Friday, 4/11/2025 | Arrowhead Community Center 24856 W. Eames Street Channahon, IL 60410 |
| Tuesday, 10/1/2024 | Reed-Custer Elementary School 162 School Street Braidwood, IL 60408 | Tuesday, 4/15/2025 | Reed-Custer Elementary School 162 School Street Braidwood, IL 60408 |
| Wednesday, 10/9/2024 | Rockdale School 715 Meadow Rockdale, IL 60446 | Tuesday, 5/6/2025 | Beecher Elementary 629 Penfield Beecher, IL 60401 |
| Tuesday, 10/15/2024 | Elwood School 409 N. Chicago Avenue Elwood, IL 60421 | Friday, 5/16/2025 | Bruning School 1910 Bruning Drive Wilmington, IL 60481 |
| Friday, 10/25/2024 | Laraway School 1715 Rowell Avenue Joliet, IL 60433 THIS WILL BE FOR LARAWAY RESIDENTS ONLY | Friday, 5/23/2025 | Laraway School 1715 Rowell Avenue Joliet, IL 60433 THIS WILL BE FOR LARAWAY RESIDENTS ONLY |
| Friday, 11/15/2024 | Arrowhead Community Center 24856 W. Eames Street Channahon, IL 60410 | Friday, 9/27/2024 Friday, 11/15/2024 Friday, 3/14/2025 Friday, 4/4/2025 | PEOTONE SCREENINGS All appointments to be scheduled by Peotone. Contact Melinda White at: 708-258-0991 ext. 3105 |
| Tuesday, 11/19/2024 | Beecher Elementary 629 Penfield Beecher, IL 60401 | September 20, 2024 October 31, 2024 December 6, 2024 February 14, 2025 March 21, 2025 April 25, 2025 May 16, 2025 | TROY 30C SCREENINGS Screenings are for 3-5 year-olds but also have a birth to 3 option through the ASQ. Call 815-577-7315 for more information or to schedule an appointment. |



PROYECCIONES PREESCOLAR 2024-25

La Cooperativa de Educación Especial del Condado de Will del Sur (SOWIC) llevará a cabo evaluaciones preescolares en las fechas que se indican a continuación. Las proyecciones están abiertas a cualquier niño de 3 a 5 años, que aún no sea elegible para el jardín de infantes, que resida dentro de los siguientes límites del distrito escolar: Channahon 17, Troy 30c, Laraway 70c, Union 81, Rockdale 84, Beecher 200U, Elwood 203, Peotone 207U, Wilmington 209U y Reed-Custer 255U. El propósito de la evaluación preescolar es evaluar el desarrollo en las áreas de visión, audición, motricidad, habla, lenguaje, cognición y funcionamiento social. La evaluación preescolar es diseñado para evaluar el desarrollo de un niño y ayudar a identificar a los niños que pueden requerir una evaluación adicional para determinar la elegibilidad para servicios de educación especial o aquellos que pueden ser elegibles para un programa preescolar financiado por el estado. Las evaluaciones se realizan con cita previa y se brindan sin costo para las familias.

Para obtener más información o programar una cita, llame a la oficina de SOWIC al 815-741-7777

| Fecha | Ubicación | Date | Location |
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| viernes, 8/9/2024 | Escuela Laraway 1715 Avenida Rowell Joliet, Illinois 60433 <i>Esto será solo para residentes de Laraway.</i> | viernes 13/12/2024 | Escuela Laraway 1715 Avenida Rowell Joliet, Illinois 60433 <i>Esto será solo para residentes de Laraway.</i> |
| viernes, 9/6/2024 | Escuela Laraway 1715 Avenida Rowell Joliet, Illinois 60433 <i>Esto será solo para residentes de Laraway.</i> | viernes, 24/01/2025 | Escuela Bruning 1910 Unidad Bruning Wilmington, Illinois 60481 |
| martes, 10/09/2024 | Escuela Primaria Beecher 629 Penfield Beecher, IL 60401 | martes, 4/02/2025 | Escuela primaria Reed-Custer Calle de la escuela 162 Trenza, IL 60408 |
| viernes, 13/09/2024 | Centro comunitario de punta de fleche 24856 W. Calle Eames Channahon, IL 60410 | viernes, 3/14/2025 | Escuela Bruning 1910 Unidad Bruning Wilmington, Illinois 60481 |
| viernes, 27/09/2024 | Escuela Bruning 1910 Unidad Bruning Wilmington, Illinois 60481 | viernes, 4/11/2025 | Centro comunitario de punta de fleche 24856 W. Calle Eames Channahon, IL 60410 |
| martes, 1/10/2024 | Escuela primaria Reed-Custer Calle de la escuela 162 Trenza, IL 60408 | martes, 15/04/2025 | Escuela primaria Reed-Custer Calle de la escuela 162 Trenza, IL 60408 |
| miércoles, 9/10/2024 | Escuela Rockdale 715 Prado Rockdale, IL 60446 | martes, 06/05/2025 | Escuela Primaria Beecher 629 Penfield Beecher, IL 60401 |
| martes, 15/10/2024 | Escuela Elwood 409 N. Avenida Chicago Elwood, IL 60421 | viernes, 16/05/2025 | Escuela Bruning 1910 Unidad Bruning Wilmington, Illinois 60481 |
| viernes, 25/10/2024 | Escuela Laraway 1715 Avenida Rowell Joliet, Illinois 60433 <i>Esto será solo para residentes de Laraway.</i> | viernes, 23/05/2025 | Escuela Laraway 1715 Avenida Rowell Joliet, Illinois 60433 <i>Esto será solo para residentes de Laraway.</i> |
| viernes, 15/11/2024 | Centro comunitario de punta de fleche 24856 W. Calle Eames Channahon, IL 60410 | viernes, 27/09/2024 viernes, 15/11/2024 viernes, 14/03/2025 viernes, 4/4/2025 | PROYECCIONES DE PEOTONE Todas las citas serán programadas por Peotone. Comuníquese con Melinda White en: 708-258-0991 extensión. 3105 |
| martes, 19/11/2024 | Escuela Primaria Beecher 629 Penfield Beecher, IL 60401 | 20 de septiembre de 2024 31 de octubre de 2024 6 de diciembre de 2024 14 de febrero de 2025 21 de marzo de 2025 25 de abril de 2025 16 de mayo de 2025 | Proyecciones Troy 30c <i>Los exámenes son para niños de 3 a 5 años, pero también tienen una opción desde el nacimiento hasta los 3 años a través del ASQ. Llame al 815-577-7315 para obtener más información o programar una cita.</i> |