



# 2025

# Panther Tales

## AUGUST EVENTS

**August 6** Orientation 9-11am  
**August 6** Kona Ice Fundraiser @ Orientation  
**August 11** First Day of School  
**August 12-September 12** Literati On-Line Sales  
**August 19** Volunteer Training 9 am & 2:15 pm  
**August 22- September 8** PTA Cookie Dough Fundraiser  
**August 23 & 30** PTA School Spirit Store

### SAVE THE DATES:

**September 1** Labor Day Holiday  
**September 8-12** Literati Book Fair  
**September 9** Family Night at the Book Fair 2:30-6:00 pm  
**September 9** Open House 5-6 pm  
**September 9** PTA General Assembly 4:30 pm  
**September 9** SAC Committee Meeting  
**September 9** Progress Reports  
**September 22** PTA Vallarta's Spirit Night  
**September 22- October 22** Parent Teacher Conferences  
**October 3** Fall Pictures  
**October 4** PTA Fall Carnival



## FORTIFYFL



## August 6<sup>th</sup> 9:00-11:00 am

- Meet the teacher/find your room
- Verify end of day transportation
- Pick up card rider tags
- Bring school supplies!
- Find the Bus Stop
- Fill out your volunteer application
- Bring Prescription/ OTC Medications and fill out forms.



## August 11<sup>th</sup>

Please be patient the first week of school as students learn dismissal routines. Expect delays and extended wait times for buses and car riders. Your grace is much appreciated!

# Media Center News

Mrs. Edmunds

Mrs. Stepherson



**September 8 - 12**

**Family Night**

**Tuesday, September 9th**

**2:30-6:00 pm**

Cash & Credit Cards Accepted / **No Checks**

**Online Sales Start August 12<sup>th</sup>**

<https://literati.com/store/?school=pine-meadow-elementary-school-pensacola-fl>

Literati uses gift cards as their cashless payment for students and others. Here is what you need to know!

Gift cards are an easy student payment method that won't get lost in a backpack. They also make great gifts for teachers and librarians! You can buy bookfair gift cards from our online fair, and they can be used for both online orders and in-person purchases. If you're sending a gift card to another recipient, they'll know who it came from. Gift card codes are delivered via email. To redeem gift card, simply present or enter your code at checkout.

## Gift Card Guide for Parents

- ❖ Go to [efairs.literati.com](https://efairs.literati.com).
- ❖ Select the "GIFT CARDS" tab at the top of the page.
- ❖ Choose a gift card amount. (For a custom amount, select "Choose Your Own Gift Card.")
- ❖ If it's a gift to a teacher or another student, check "Send as Gift?" and enter your recipient's email, your name, and an optional message.
- ❖ Click Add to Cart, then continue to checkout.

## REMINDERS

### CELL PHONE POLICY

Students have the right to carry a cell phone during the school day under the following conditions:

The cell phone must be on silent or vibrate and out of sight (**in back packs**) while the student is transported on the school bus and from the opening bell to the dismissal bell of the school day. The principal/ designee may take a student's cell phone and search its content including phone usage, texting, pictures, audio, video, and history when a reasonable suspicion exists that the student violated the district's acceptable usage policy. ***This includes smart watches and similar electronics.***



Make sure your child is dressed, shoes tied, wearing backpacks, and seat belt unbuckled before you reach the unloading area.

Say your good-byes, I love you, kisses/hugs and all the wonderful positives you want to send them off with before you reach the unloading zone.

Children must exit on the passenger side of the car for safety purposes.

Be sure to pull your vehicle all the way up leaving minimal gaps between cars.

**DO NOT** get out of your car.

### TIRED OF WAITING IN THE CAR RIDER LINE?

We have an abundance of school choice children who must be transported in the car rider line.

If you are zoned for this school, then there is a bus for transportation. We encourage all who can, to use this means of transportation.

Pine Meadow has limited access for entrance and exiting. If you choose the car rider line, be prepared, patient, gracious and follow the rules.



## Volunteer Training COME JOIN US!

August 19<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 am & 2:15 pm

This meeting is for anyone who would like to volunteer at school!

Volunteers are needed to assist teachers with copies, sorting, and various projects.

Volunteers are also needed to assist PTA in many activities throughout the school year!

*All volunteers must complete a volunteer application form and affidavit of Good Moral Character each year to be screened for approval to work on campus. This form can be found in the front office.*



## WATER BOTTLE REMINDER:

Please make sure your water bottles close completely to prevent spills and have no removable straws. We also ask that you only put water in the bottles.



## WE NEED YOU!



Join the PTA!

Let's make this a year to remember!

To sign-up online scan the QR code and follow the prompts.



August 22- September 8

Info coming home soon!



August 23 & 30

Students may purchase items from the store at their designated lunch time!



SAVE THE DATE!

OCTOBER 4

PTA GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm





**September 1**



**Tuesday, September 9**

**5:00-6:00 pm**

*Come and learn of classroom expectations,  
the curriculum, and programs that will  
benefit your students.*



**September 9<sup>th</sup> @ 4:45 pm**

**in room 52B**

**PARENT/TEACHER  
CONFERENCES**



Monday, September 22 - Benoit 5<sup>th</sup> & T. English 1<sup>st</sup>

Tuesday, September 23 - Potter 5<sup>th</sup> & Didier 1<sup>st</sup>

Wednesday, September 24 – Bennett 5<sup>th</sup> & Summerford 1<sup>st</sup>

Friday, September 26 – Schrock 5<sup>th</sup> & Jeremiah 1<sup>st</sup>

Monday, September 29 – Dupree 5<sup>th</sup> & J. English 1<sup>st</sup>

Tuesday, September 30 – Stroud 4<sup>th</sup> & Goodyear 1<sup>st</sup>

Wednesday, October 1 – McGee 4<sup>th</sup> & Gray K

Friday, October 3 - Broadwater 4<sup>th</sup> & Cotita K

Monday, October 6 – Harrison 4<sup>th</sup> & Huber K

Tuesday, October 7 – Williams 4<sup>th</sup> & Lassiter K

Wednesday, October 8 – Simmons 4<sup>th</sup> & Baker K

Friday, October 10 – Taylor 3<sup>rd</sup> & Vaughn K

Monday, October 13 – No School for Students

Tuesday, October 14 – Garic 3<sup>rd</sup> & Melville 2<sup>nd</sup>

Wednesday, October 15 – Whiddon 3<sup>rd</sup> & Crosby 2<sup>nd</sup>

Friday, October 17 – Mitchell 3<sup>rd</sup> & Duncan 2<sup>nd</sup>

Monday, October 20 – Chism 3<sup>rd</sup>

Tuesday, October 21 – McCraney 3<sup>rd</sup> & Gunter 2<sup>nd</sup>

Wednesday, October 22 – Greene 2<sup>nd</sup> & Harris 2<sup>nd</sup>

*"May your day be full of magic and  
may you not be too busy to see it."*

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