



Principal's Message

I hope you all had a relaxing and fun snow days followed by Spring Break! Our staff enjoyed talking with those who had a parent-teacher conferences before the break. As always, if you have questions or concerns about your child's progress, please reach out to your child's classroom teacher. They are always happy to speak with you!

On April 8, a partial solar eclipse will be viewable in Denver roughly between 11:30 and 1:30. PGE has purchased approved solar eclipse glasses for students to share when each class goes outside to take a look. When students are outside other times during the eclipse, we will continue to remind them to not look directly at the sun.

Our staff is in the process of making class placement decisions for the 2024-2025 school year. Much time, thought, and consideration is given to this process. As has been our policy in past years, we do not take specific teacher requests. There are many reasons for this policy. First, with 400 plus families, we would be unable to honor everyone's request. In addition, we cannot guarantee that a teacher will be teaching a specific grade level as staffing changes can still occur throughout late spring and into the summer. Thank you for your understanding of this important policy. Teacher placements for 24-25 will be communicated in July.

Proud to be a Panther!
~Mrs. Coonts



NEHS

Congratulations to our newest inductees of the National Elementary Honor Society!



Outdoor Education

6th graders enjoyed their overnight trip to Outdoor Ed at Stone Canyon.



Young Ameritown

5th graders put their financial literacy skills to good use at Young Ameritown.

PGE Lightning Dismissal

Douglas County School District encourages individual schools to use the Weather Bug app to monitor severe weather. **Pine Grove follows the District guidelines that state if lightning is within a 6-mile radius from our building at dismissal, we are to hold students in their classrooms until a parent or an adult listed as an emergency contact either picks them up or until the lightning has passed. If the lightning is beyond the 6 mile radius and it is prior to 3:30 pm, we will return to a regular dismissal procedure at that time.**

When a red flag day is called, we make a school wide announcement, and if time allows, we post it on the marquee, raise red flags outside and send an email to parents. Oftentimes, we call a red flag dismissal right at 3:10 pm and we are unable to send the emails right away.

Per DCSD policy, siblings younger than 18 are not authorized to pick up younger siblings from a building during inclement weather.

Red flags located at these locations indicate a LIGHTNING DISMISSAL:

- On the flagpole by the main entrance.
- By the kindergarten playground northwest of the building.
- By the third/fourth grade entrance northeast of the building.



Thank You!

As we reflect on this past year, we are so grateful for the home-school connection. Whether you participated in one of our parent groups of PGEA or SAC, donated to a fundraiser, attended a restaurant night, or gave of your time as a classroom, library, or community event volunteer - our school is better because of our parent community! Thank you for your partnership and for sharing your children with us!



PGE Mental Health Team News

Help keep your child safe! If you haven't already created parental controls on your child's device(s), please check out these helpful tutorials:

[Setting Parental Controls on Apple-tutorial](#)

[Parental Control Apps List](#)



Panther Pride Award!

Congratulations to our March recipients of our first ever, **PANTHER PRIDE AWARD!**

As part of our school-wide Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS), each month students will be selected because PGE staff has seen them consistently modeling our Panther Pride Expectations:

~RESPECT YOURSELF, RESPECT OTHERS, RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT~

This is a huge honor at Pine Grove and we are so happy to celebrate this great behavior!

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