



Plainfield Central Middle School

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Happy Fall!

The school year is in full swing at PCMS with exciting learning happening in classrooms, strong athletic competition, enriching after school clubs, and an active and new PTO. Here are some details:

Upcoming PCMS events:

October 10 and 12, **After School Clubs** and late buses begin
October 17, PHS Theater's **Dance Clinic** for PCMS students
October 20, **No school** for students, Professional development for staff
October 25, **Half day** for students, Professional development for staff
October 27, **School dance**, PCMS cafe, 6-8
October 30- November 3, **Scholastic Book fair**
November 1, Parent/Guardian **Conferences** Noon-7:00PM

After School Clubs

Our after school clubs began on Tuesday, October 10th for all those who are interested and registered. Permission slips will be going home for various clubs. Students must have a signed permission form for both the [After School Club](#) and the [Late Bus Form](#) in order to stay after school and participate.

PHS Theater and PCMS Students

Plainfield High School Theater is hosting an open dance clinic on October 17 from 3:00-4:30 at PHS. [Please fill out and return this form to take part in this great opportunity.](#) The clinic is in anticipation of our students having roles in the upcoming PHS production of *The Little Mermaid*. Don't miss it.

School Conferences, Wednesday, November 1, 12PM (Noon)-7:00 PM

PCMS team teachers will be reaching out in the coming days to offer you opportunities to schedule a Parent/Guardian Conference. While you can book a time with the team, our applied academics teachers would love to connect with you as well. [Please reach out to them via these emails to formally schedule a time,](#) or drop in around the time of your student's conference.

Halloween School Dance, Friday, October 27, 6:00-8:00PM, PCMS Cafe

The PCMS PTO presents *The Spookiest Night of the Year* costume dance at PCMS. [Please see this flier or check your student's backpack as they are being handed out at school this week.](#) It should be a great time.

Scholastic Book Fair

We're excited to announce PCMS will have a Scholastic Book Fair running October 30 to November 3. More details can be found on this webpage: [please click here to see the details.](#)

NEW PTO

Our PTO is organized with the purpose of strengthening, enhancing, and encouraging the educational and social environment of children at Plainfield Central Middle School by fostering relationships among the school, families, and teachers.

What if we offered you a simple, no-strings-attached way to be more involved with your child, get more connected to the school, and contribute to a "we're all in this together" environment in your school community? As you'll see from the included interest survey, we're happy to help you get involved in any way that works for your schedule and interests. What would you like to do? When would you like to do it? We'll gladly work with you to find a way that you can help—involvement is for everyone. [Please take a minute to fill out this interest inventory.](#)

School Engagement and Daily Attendance

Daily attendance is crucial to the success of our students. Please help us ensure that your child comes to school each day that they are well. We know that there are many reasons that students do have to miss days and it is very important to inform the school when this happens. We are always here to help if there are any concerns about getting our students to school.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but absences add up!

When a student misses 2 days a month..	When a student misses 4 days a month..
They will miss 20 DAYS a year.	They will miss 40 DAYS a year.
They will miss 30 HOURS of math over the school year.	They will miss 60 HOURS of math over the school year.
They will miss 60 HOURS of reading & writing over the school year.	They will miss 120 HOURS of reading & writing over the school year.
They will miss over 1 YEAR of school by graduation.	They will miss over 2 YEARS of school by graduation.