



# Pine Island MS/HS

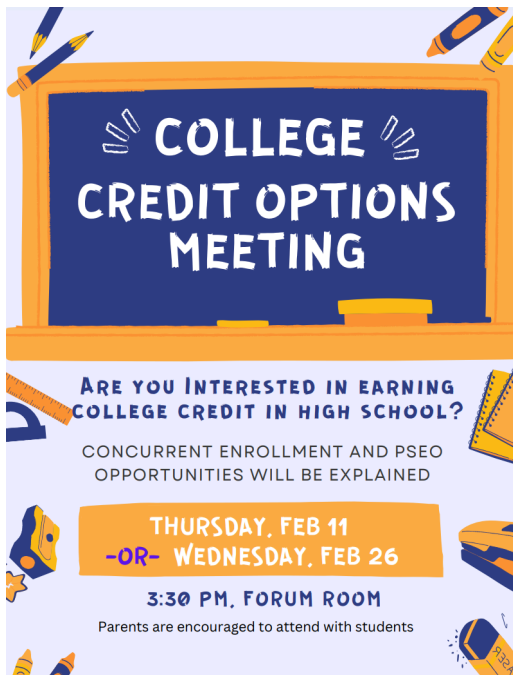
Daily Announcements

- **Announcements for February 3rd, 2025**

- **TODAY: HS State of the School Assembly - Prowl - Auditorium**

**PRIOR Announcements:**

- Berne is looking for additional interns willing to coordinate events on Fridays during "Coffee in the Country." These events take place every other Friday in June, July, and August from 8-11 AM. If interested, see Mrs. Organ.
- **College Credit Options Meeting:**



- Please see the dates for the ACT make-up sessions below. There was a change to two dates due to HVL concert band and choir events overlapping.

Wednesday, Jan. 29 - PROWL - Flex Room (next to Forum Room)

Thursday, Feb. 6 - PROWL - Forum Room

Thursday, Feb. 13 - PROWL - Forum Room

Friday, Feb. 14 (1/2 Day) - 12:30-2:30 PM - Cafeteria

Thursday, Feb. 20 - PROWL - Forum Room

- **High School Students** - Our 2025 Wellness Fair is happening on February 14th. This year's theme is all about stress and well-being, and we need your input!

Everyone who completes the survey will be entered into a drawing to win some amazing prizes, including:

- 🎫 Roca climbing passes
- 🎁 Kwik Trip gift cards
- 🍕 An all-inclusive lunch pizza party for you and 4 friends

Please take a few minutes to complete this quick survey and share your thoughts. Your answers will help us create a presentation tailored to YOU.

[Survey Link](#)

Thank you for your time and for helping us improve student wellness at Pine Island!

Mr. Horner

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
RPS/ZED CONSORTIUM  
PRESENTS:

**JUNE 10-13, 2025**

# Middle School Career Academy

For students in current grades 6 and 7  
400 seats available - Register today!

- half-day with one pathway or
- full-day with two pathways, lunch provided
- Interactive career exploration
- 25 students per session
- AM Session 8am - 11am
- PM Session 12pm - 3pm

**PATHWAYS:** Agriculture, Construction, Culinary, & Hospitality, Health Science "SCRUBS Camp", Information Technology, Manufacturing, Public Safety and Emergency Services, Transportation

**RCTC Heintz Center**  
1926 Collegeview  
Road East, Rochester, MN

**WATCH THE VIDEO!**

**SIGN UP HERE TODAY!**

**Rochester Public Schools** **Southeast Service Cooperative** **ROCHESTER/ZED** **ROCHESTER COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

- **9th Grade Students:** Next year as a sophomore, students may choose to take Honors English 10 online if they meet the following criteria: 3.5 GPA, ability to submit work by deadlines and work independently, trustworthiness, and solid use of technology (Schoology/Google Drive). Eligible students need to submit an application to Mrs. Organ no later than Friday, Jan. 24th. [The application and more information can be found here.](#) If you have any questions, see Mrs. Organ.
- **Students:** Please remember to charge your computer every night. Due to a limited supply, it is not guaranteed that there is a charger available to check out for use at school.

Pine Island FFA

# 1st Annual Mattress Fundraiser

**@ the High School**

Sunday, Mar. 2nd, 2025, 11:00AM - 5:00PM



**SCAN ME**  
To Learn More



## Savings on mattresses from top brands!

Twin Mattresses from \$199 | Full Mattresses from \$249  
Queen Mattresses from \$299 | King Mattresses from \$399

purple

Beautyrest



Adjustable Bases



Mattresses



Protectors



Pillows

## Benefits Pine Island FFA & Ag Dept.

- ✓ All sizes & firmness levels available
- ✓ 25+ styles on display
- ✓ Brand new with full factory warranties
- ✓ Adjustable bases available
- ✓ Mattress protectors, premium pillows & more!
- ✓ Home delivery available
- ✓ All forms of payment accepted
- ✓ Financing available

## Pine Island FFA Mattress Fundraiser

# 10% off any mattress over \$299

Special Discount for Faculty, Staff, Police/Fire/EMS & Military

Sunday, Mar. 2nd, 2025, 11:00AM - 5:00PM @ the High School | cfsbeds.com  
Questions? Contact: cfsstwinities@gmail.com

## • PINE ISLAND SKI CLUB GIANTS RIDGE TRIP 2025!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: February 9, 2025

Registration: <https://forms.gle/yRRWF2cnhLk54a2GA>

Please complete one (1) form for each participant

Dates: February 21-23, 2025

Loading: Panther Door at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 23

Returning: at approx. 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 25

Grades: 7-12 no parent required

Grades: 5-6 require a parent to participate

Skiing: Giant's Ridge near Biwabik, MN 1-800-688-7669

Lodging: Biwabik Park Pavilion- Emergency contact: 218-748-7510 or 507-279-1890

Cost: \$215

Includes:

- 2 days lift tickets
- Transportation via school bus
- Lodging
- Meals for: Saturday - Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner; Sunday - Breakfast Lunch (*Dinner will be on your own for Friday night and Sunday night*)

Contact for additional information

Christian Wernau

P: 507-398-8433

E: [cwernau@gmail.com](mailto:cwernau@gmail.com)

PAYMENT must be received by February 14, 2025

Learn more by clicking on the [REGISTRATION LINK!](#)



**Join us**  
for virtual financial aid events! Free for MN students and families. \$1,000 scholarship and interpreters\* available!

**Ready, Set, FAFSA!**

**SESSION DATES/TIMES:**

- 01/07/25 @ 7 p.m. | Apply for Financial Aid – FAFSA
- 01/14/25 @ 7 p.m. | Apply for Financial Aid – MN Dream Act
- 01/21/25 @ 7 p.m. | Search for Scholarships
- 01/28/25 @ 7 p.m. | Understand Your Aid Offer

\* Interpreters available in Hmong, Spanish and Somali.

**SIGN UP NOW!**

<https://bit.ly/MNFAFSA>

Space is limited; register now!

**mi** OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
**ECMC** The College Place  
**mi** DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- PI Accessories is selling Wristbands and Rally Towels. The Wristbands will be \$3 for one, \$5 for two, and \$7 for three. The towels will be \$4 for one. There is also a bundle option of a rally towel and a PI bracelet for \$5, and two bundles for \$10. Click Link [Here](#) for Pre-Orders. Go Panthers!





- [Snack Attack Book Club - 2nd Tuesday of each month, 3:30-4:30pm](#)

[Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 11th](#)

Join Van Horn Library's Choose-Your-Own-Adventure book club! Over the course of the school year, we will read 9 choose-you-own-adventure books during this after-school program. Enjoy snacks as Ms. Heidi reads a book aloud each month; participants who read all 9 books will receive a prize pack - including a free book!

You do not need to attend every month in order to earn a prize pack. Contact the library at [pipl@selco.info](mailto:pipl@selco.info) for details. Recommended for ages 8-12.

- [MIDDLE SCHOOL PASS:](#) Do you want a quiet space to get homework done and extra help if needed. You can go to PASS with Mrs. Zincke in Rm. 221 from 3:15 p.m. to 4:10 p.m.



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- Don't forget to order a yearbook!

[High School Yearbook](#)

[Middle School Yearbook](#)

You can also find the link on the HS homepage of our website.  
*\*Please choose the correct school when ordering.*

- Study Hall Students: If you have a study hall and need to see a teacher or have an arrangement to have a meeting in the office with admin, please bring a pass to your study hall from the staff member you have a meeting with.

# Lunch Menu

## MENUS

**HVL Calendar link:** [HVL Calendar](#)

A complete list of athletic events can be found at [www.hvlconference.org](http://www.hvlconference.org). The PI Athletic Department now has a web page with a variety of information on it for parents and athletes. There is a coach's directory, links to important websites, the extra-curricular handbook, PAC meeting dates, HVL Conference, athletic trainer and more...

### Upcoming Dates:

- 2/3 - State of the School Quarter 2 - Prowl - Auditorium
- 2/10-2/14 - HS Snow Week
- 2/14 - Early Release
- 3/4 - Career Fair in Cannon Falls

### Music Event Schedule:

Click here for the full schedule: [MUSIC EVENT SCHEDULE WEBSITE](#)

### College/Military Visits:

#### Field Trips:

- 2/5/25 - Trip to Welch Village Ski Resort for 6th Grade Class from 8:15 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- 2/5/25 - Trip to Goodhue High School for Wind Ensemble 10-12 from 8:10 a.m. - 1:10 p.m.
- 2/12/25 - Trip to Lake City for Choir: HVL Clinic from 8:20 a.m. - 2:30 a.m.
- 2/19/25 - Trip to St. Paul - Capitol and MHC for 6th Grade from 8:15 a.m - 2:30 p.m.
- 2/21/25 - Trip to MN Zoo for High School Roots and Shoots Environmental Club from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- 3/5/25 - Trip to Goodhue HS for Music: Large Group Contest on 3/5/2025 from 8:20 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- 3/19/25 - Trip to U of M - Winona College of Science & Engineering for Engineering Club from 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- 4/14/25 - Trip to Quarry Hill Nature Center for 5th Grade from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- 4/28/25 - Trip to Wood Lake Meeting Center, 210 Wood Lake Dr. SE, Rochester, MN, 55904 for Math Masters 5th Grade from 7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### College Signings (Congratulations)!



- Brandon Week - South Dakota State University - Baseball
- Zoe Njus - University of Dubuque - Basketball
- Blake Schiltz - North Dakota State University - Football

## **STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Honors English 10 students will meet with Mrs. Organ on either Monday or Tuesday each week second semester. [Here is the list of students and the day they should be released from PROWL.](#) If you have any questions, check with Mrs. Organ.

- High School Staff,

This is a reminder that TZD will be hosting a Wellness Fair at Pine Island High School on Friday, February 14th in the Gold Gym.

All high school students and staff will gather in the auditorium at 9:00 AM. An announcement will be made when it's time to be excused prior to 9:00 AM. The fair itself will run from 9:45 AM - 11:45 AM with the following grades visiting:

- Grade 12: 9:45-10:12 AM
- Grade 11: 10:15-10:42 AM
- Grade 10: 10:45-11:12 AM
- Grade 9: 11:15-11:42 AM

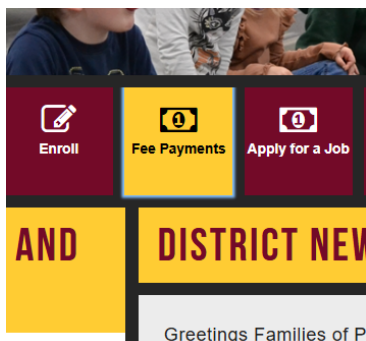
Please accompany your students to the fair to help supervise unless you have only a small number of students in a mixed grade class that are attending. Thank you!

Tom Horner & Angela Organ

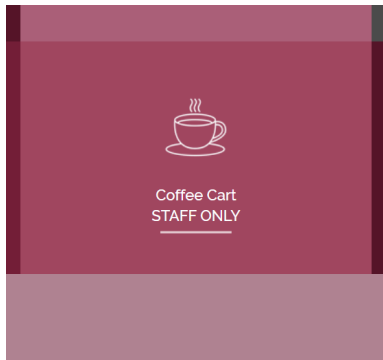
- You now can pay for coffee cart items online using a credit card.

Here are the instructions:

1. Go to [Pine Island Public School Homepage](#).
2. Click on the "Fee Payments" tile.



3. Click on the "Coffee Cart - Staff Only" tile. Choose your items and pay.



Thank you to the Coffee Cart crew for providing the Coffee Cart service!

- [Puzzle Library Link](#)
- We donated \$104 to PBIS and SOP through our Casual Wednesday donations! 3rd quarter donations will go to Pine Island Sharing Shelves. Thank you for your generosity.
- We will use Channel 4 for our walkie talkies at the 5-12.
- PLEASE PUT ALL ABSENCES, INCLUDING INTERNAL SUBS YOU FIND YOURSELF, INTO TOC. Also, please let Kerry in the 5-12 office know if you found your own internal sub and when they are covering for you. Thank you!
- **Please advise your subs that they CAN park in the numbered spots in the city lots, behind the legion and to the north of the school. (numbered 300 and higher) Please refrain from parking in the student lot on the east side of the building. Street parking is also available, but please check the signs.**
- Please make sure you contact the office if you are taking the class outside. Please share your cell phone number with the office if you have not already so that we have a way to contact you if needed.
- Casual for a Cause Wednesdays - Want to wear jeans mid-week? You can for a \$2 donation you can on Wednesdays! Donations for the 3rd quarter will go to the Pine Island Sharing Shelves. Stop by the office Wednesday morning before school to make your donation and grab a sticker.
- You can call the custodial staff directly for any maintenance needs? The extension is 3220. (After 2:30, call 3221).



## **PASS Schedule 2024-2025**

**Monday: 3:15-4:15 PM**

**Tuesday: 7:05-8:05 AM**

**Wednesday: 3:15-4:15 PM**

**Thursday: 7:05-8:05 AM**

**Friday: 7:05-8:05 AM**

All High School PASS will be held in Ms. Schimek's room 240 on Monday - Thursday and Ms. Kaul's room 260 on Friday.

\*Middle School students can go to High School PASS

\*Please note – If you are late to PASS you will need to make up your time at the next scheduled PASS

## **Middle School Pass 2024-2025**

**Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15 to 4:10 in Mrs. Zincke's Room 221**

### **Early Dismissals:**

- **7th/8th GBB dismisses at 3:00 p.m. for a 3:15 p.m. bus.**

### **Did you Know?**

- **Need to make an appointment with the High School Counselor?** To schedule an appointment please click here: <https://calendly.com/pihs-counselor/counselor-meeting> or email Mrs. Hoepfner at [chellyne.hoepfner@pineisland.k12.mn.us](mailto:chellyne.hoepfner@pineisland.k12.mn.us).
- **Student devices to check out-** If you have a student that forgot their device, we have a limited number of devices to check out from the 5-12 Library. These devices should be returned when not in use/ by the end of the day and are not to be taken home at night.
- **High School Students:** If you are going on vacation and will miss school, it is your responsibility to pick up a Vacation Form from the office. Once you pick up this form, you will take it to each of your teachers to get the assignments you will miss and then get a parent's signature. Once it is completed, bring it back to the office for final approval.

### **Vacation Form**

### **Subs:**

### **5-12**

### **Unfilled:**

### **External Subs:**

Kelli Williams, all day, Adriane Baird  
Andrew Boman, all day, Daniel Thompson  
Krista Affeldt, all day, Stella Banach  
Shawn Hunsford, 11:45-EoD, Katie Dudley

**Internal Subs:**

Michelle Ryan, 12:15-2:15, Stella Banach

Cait Carr, all day, no sub needed

Michelle Ryan, 12:15-2:15, Stella Banach

Rhonda Sommerfield, all day, no sub needed

Bob Dentz, all day, Brian Wissink until 1:30/Daniel Thompson (7th)

Madisyn Tjepkes, all day, Internal Subs

Ashley Quandt, 7:45-1:15, Jesse Hoeppner(Lunch), Becky Zincke (12:15-1:15)

Kristy Barnett, 11:45-EoD, Mark Passow (8th)













