



# Pine Island MS/HS

Daily Announcements

## ● Announcements for April 9, 2024

MCA Testing Starts Today: (Middle school will follow a late-start schedule on 4/9 and 4/10).

- April 8th-12th MCA Reading Grades 3-8, 10
- Middle School students will follow a late-start schedule on Tuesday and Wednesday
- Sophomores will test 2nd block on Tuesday and 1st block on Wednesday in the Forum Room (Students should go directly to the Forum Room on both days).

### Daily Schedule

- Middle school will run a 2-hour delayed schedule on Tuesday and Wednesday of test week
- High school will run their normal block schedule during all testing days

#### Grades 5-6 (2-hour delay)

10:15 – 10:42 Period 1  
10:45-11:12 Period 2  
11:15-11:45 Lunch  
11:45-12:15 Support  
12:18-12:45 Period 3  
12:48-1:15 Period 4  
1:18-1:45 Period 5  
1:48-2:15 Period 6  
2:18-2:45 Period 7  
2:48-3:15 Period 8

#### Grades 7-8 (2-hour delay)

10:15 – 10:42 Period 1  
10:45 – 11:12 Period 2  
11:15-11:45 Period 3  
11:45-12:15 Period 4  
12:15-12:30 Advisory  
12:30-1:00 Lunch  
1:00-1:15 Advisory  
1:18-1:45 Period 5  
1:48-2:15 Period 6  
2:18-2:45 Period 7  
2:48-3:15 Period 8

- *Post prom tickets (\$20) are separate from prom tickets, both are on sale NOW!! {Prom Ticket sales end at 11:59 PM on Monday April 15th! Post Prom tickets will end at 11:59 PM on May 1st!} Again, this year we are using an online ticketing system. Buy Post Prom tickets here - [PIHS Post Prom 2024 \(zeffy.com\)](https://zeffy.com)*

You do not have to attend Prom to attend Post Prom.

Post Prom is from 11:30p (May 4th) - 4:00a (May 5th). Students will NOT be allowed to leave early without direct communication with a parent.

[2024 Post Prom Itinerary](#) (grand march time is not solidified yet)

- [PROM REGISTRATION OPEN UNTIL APRIL 15th:](#)

Prom and Post Prom are working together to have all of your information in one central location  
- We are now The Prom Experience!

We are still separate groups, but we are collaborating to update you in real time! Our website is  
LIVE NOW! Scan the QR code to get all the updates for PROM 2024!



<https://sites.google.com/pineisland.k12.mn.us/the-prom-experience/>

**PRIOR Announcements:**

- **WHAT: Elementary Track and Field Camp**  
**WHEN:** May 29-31  
**WHERE:** Pine Island Track and Field/Soccer Complex (located at the K4)  
**COST:** \$30  
Click [this](#) link to register and find out more info!  
Email Amy Northrop with any questions: [anorthro@pineisland.k12.mn.us](mailto:anorthro@pineisland.k12.mn.us)
- **WHAT: Pine Island Cross Country Camp**  
**WHO:** Next year's grades 7-12  
**WHEN:** July 22-26  
**TIME:** 8 am - 10:00 am for JH Camp or 10:30 am for Varsity Camp  
**COST:** \$50  
Click [THIS](#) link to register and find out more information.  
Email Coach Amy Northrop with questions: [anorthro@pineisland.k12.mn.us](mailto:anorthro@pineisland.k12.mn.us)
- **WHAT: Panther Pole Vault Camp**  
**WHO:** Boys and Girls going into grades 7-12 (2024-2025)  
**WHEN:** Tuesday, June 11 - Friday, June 14th  
**TIME:** 10-12 am Grades 7-8, 1-3 pm grades 9-12  
**WHERE:** Pine Island Track at the K4 Site  
**COACH:** Jarod White, MN State and NDSU Indoor and Outdoor PV Record Holder  
along with other alumni and Panther coaches will be teaching athletes the fundamentals  
of the pole vault. All skill levels are welcome.  
**COST:** \$50 cash or checks payable to PICCTF on the first day of camp  
Click [THIS](#) link to register and to find out more information.

Email Coach Amy Northrop with questions: [anorthro@pineisland.k12.mn.us](mailto:anorthro@pineisland.k12.mn.us)

- Congratulations to the girls track and field team for earning a team tie for first place with GMLOKS at the 9 team Hayfield Invitational on Friday night. Earning team points were:

100 m - Reighley Sorum - 2nd, Zoe Njus - 6th  
200 m - Lyndee Northrop - 3rd, Zoe Njus - 4th  
400 m - Reese Koenen - 5th, River Weissgerber - 6th, Elena Hartung - 7th  
800 m - Audrie Simpson - 4th, Alivia Levi - 6th  
1600 m - Paxyn Rendahl - 4th  
3200 m - Ashley Pederson - 1st, Salome Osterhaus - 2nd, Ayana Osterhaus - 7th  
100 m hurdles - Elena Hartung - 3rd, Eliza Fletcher - 7th  
300 m hurdles - Eliza Fletcher - 7th, McKinley Sorum - 4th, Claire Hayden - 7th  
4x100 - McKinley Sorum, Evie Lujero, Claire Hayden, Evy Skierka - 4th  
4x200 - Elena Hartung, Zoe Njus, Lyndee Northrop, Reese Koenen - 2nd  
4x400 - June Lizarralde, Eliza Fletcher, Reese Koenen, Alivia Levi - 3rd  
4x800 - Paxyn Rendahl, Elena Kabat, Audrie Simpson, River Weissgerber - 1st  
Shot Put - Abby Wissink - 6th  
Discus - Lyndee Northrop - 3rd  
High Jump - Ella Schmoll - 4th, Jade Severson - 7th  
Long Jump - Lyndee Northrop - 4th, Zoe Njus - 5th

Congratulations to the boys track and field team for earning second place at the 9 team Hayfield Invitational on Friday night. Earning team points were:

100 m - Bentley Lujero - 3rd, Abe Ferber - 4th, Peyton Loftus - 8th  
200 m - Bentley Lujero - 3rd, Owen Harstad - 4th, Peyton Loftus - 5th  
400 m - Ryder Schmidt - 2nd, Jamison Rosane - (T) - 3rd, Ty Gibson - 5th  
800 m - Bo Rosane - 2nd, Ben Edwards - 4th, Zeke Marquardt - 7th  
1600 m - Talon Schutz - 4th, Henry Morgan - 5th, Adam Johnson - 6th  
3200 m - Vaughn Anderson - 2nd, Talon Schutz - 3rd, Adam Johnson - 8th  
110 hurdles - CJ Tree - 4th, Sam Taddy - 8th  
300 hurdles - CJ Tree - 2nd, Sam Taddy - 9th  
4x100 - Abe Ferber, Ty Gibson, Owen Harstad, Peyton Loftus - 1st  
4x200 - Abe Ferber, Ty Gibson, Bentley Lujero, Cooper Rutten - 1st  
4x400 - Jacob Carter, Cooper Rutten, Ben Edwards, Ryder Schmidt - 2nd  
4x800 - Jamison Rosane, Bo Rosane, Jacob Carter, Eli Bartholomew - 2nd  
Shot Put - Ben Northrop - 2nd, Andrew Edwards - 8th  
Discus - Ben Northrop - 1st, Andrew Edwards - 3rd  
High Jump - Sam Taddy - 3rd, Ben Edwards - 5th, Owen Harstad - 8th  
Pole Vault - CJ Tree - 2nd, Jacob Carter - 5th, Austin Luckey - 6th  
Long Jump - Ryder Schmidt - 8th

Complete Results can be found at the link below:

<https://www.athletic.net/TrackAndField/meet/550909/results/all>

- **Pine Island Trap-** Congratulations to the Week 2 TOP GUNS - Carter Kramer 23+21 = 44, Seth Schroeder 23+21= 44
- **Panther Track and Field Pasta Fundraiser:**

**When:** Sunday, April 28th 6:00 p.m.

**Where:** Pine Island High School cafeteria

Register [HERE](#)



- **CONGRATULATIONS HS BAND STUDENTS ON A SUCCESSFUL SOLO/ENSEMBLE CONTEST!**

Excellent ratings: 30

Superior ratings: 19

Best in Site Solos:

- Morgan Grogg, flute
- Annabelle Norstad, clarinet
- Nick Norstad, trumpet

Best in Site Solos:

Senior Brass Quintet: Aiden McDaniel (trumpet), Jamie Simpson (trumpet), William Johnson (horn), JoJo Noll (trombone), Liam Harney (tuba)

Junior Clarinet Quartet: Elena Hartung, Sophia Wachowiak, Eve Pfannkuch, Zoë Zosel

- **The Lady Panthers opened up against the Kasson Komets. The Komets got off to a quick 2-0 lead in the first inning and added 2 more in the 3rd, 1 in the 5th, and 3 in the 6th. The Panthers threatened in the 4th with bases loaded without scoring. In the 6th with 2 outs,**

Kiley “Clutch” Passow walked and stole 2nd, and was plated by Jaedyn “Jack of All Trades” Voeltz’s RBI single. In the 7th with 2 outs, Sophia “Powerhouse” Polzer walked and Ruby “Rock and Roll” Severson put the ball in play to advance Polzer. Jenna “Jackhammer” Schleusner hit a 2 RBI double to plate Polzer and Severson. A single by Caitlyn “K”rusher” Lerum plated Mallory “Motor’in” Mohlke (courtesy runner for Schleusner) in a close play at the plate. Kiley “Clutch” Passow crushed a ball to dead center but was caught by a great run and get by the centerfielder (Fitch) to end the game. Passow’s plays at first made the highlight reel more than once.



## Registration is open!

Join us June 1st at 8:30am for the 2024 Pine Island Ribbon Run! Registration can be completed on [EventBrite](#) by clicking the button below.

Here are some important details about this year's event:

- **Early bird registration closes May 18th.** Register before then for the lowest price and to guarantee your t-shirt size.
- **Register with a team!** The top 3 largest team get to pick a cancer-related non-profit organization to donate proceeds to.
- If preferred, a paper registration form can be found for printing on the [website](#).

Register Now

## [Ribbon Run Registration](#)

## **[NEW\\* SPRING PANTHER GEAR!](#)**

Click on the link below for the link to order spirit wear. The order is open until April 15th.

## [Pine Island PTO – SPIRIT WEAR](#)



Wear blue during the month of April to support all of our friends and family who are on the autism spectrum.

1. Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) impacts every 1 in 44 children. Boys are five times more likely to get diagnosed with it than girls.
2. Autism is among the fastest-growing disorders in the United States.
3. The term comes from the Greek word autós or self. Autism, in general, means being alone.
4. Autism affects all nationalities, creeds, religions, races, and sexes. It does not impact or differentiate any single group, though it is 4x more common in boys than girls.
5. Autism spectrum disorder is a developmental disability with symptoms that generally appear before the age of 3.
6. Individuals with autism spectrum disorder present symptoms in different ways. Social and communication delays and repetitive and restricted patterns of behavior are general symptom categories of autism.
7. Autism can be genetic.
8. Children with autism may be creative and find passions for music, dance, art, theater, etc.
9. Researchers hypothesize that autism symptom presentation in males and females may differ, leading to the latter not getting diagnosed promptly. This may be the result of females being prone to hide their difficulties due to social norm expectations.
10. Females with autism have been an understudied group within research.

### Causes

1. There is no specific cause of autism.
2. Genetics are a determining factor involved in most cases of autism spectrum disorder.
3. Children who have siblings with autism are at a higher risk of receiving the same diagnosis.
4. Extensive studies have found no links between autism and childhood vaccinations.
5. The behaviors parents engage in do not cause autism spectrum disorder in children, whether before, during, or after pregnancy.

- **Grades 8-11: Applications for student council 24-25 are open. Click on the link to apply: [Student Council Application](#)**

- **PIZM Gymnastics Fundraiser:**

### **PIZM Gymnastics Fundraiser**

The Pine Island/Zumbrota-Mazeppa Gymnastics Team is selling **water softener salt** as a fundraiser.



Diamond Crystal product  
in  
40 pound bags

**Where:** Main Street City Parking Lot, Pine Island

**When:** **Fri 4/19/24 3:30pm-6:00pm** and **Sat 4/20/24 9:00am-1:00pm**

For pre-orders and deliveries, please contact:

Angie Loomis at 507-202-7894  
Brad Swanson 507-951-8416  
Email [pizmgymnastics@gmail.com](mailto:pizmgymnastics@gmail.com)

OR if you know a gymnast family, all gymnasts will have a pre-order form.

Pick-up orders can be picked up on Friday or Saturday of the sale.

Item	Cost
Crystals - 40 lb. bag (blue bag)	\$8.00
Pellets - 40 lb. bag (yellow bag)	\$9.00
Iron-Out - 40 lb. bag (green bag)	\$10.00

Checks can be made payable to **PIZM Gymnastics Booster Club**.

Thank You for your support!  
PIZM Gymnastics Team

- **Spring Football**

Pine Island Football will be hosting a Spring Football Camp for students in grades 3-8. Camp will be run by high school coaches and players on the varsity football field. Players will learn a number of skills, drills and games to help improve their football skills and knowledge. Camp will be on April 24th and May 1st, from 6:00 to 7:30. Cost for the camp is \$30, and each participant will receive some Panther Football swag.

- April 24th - Time 6-7:30pm
- May 1st - Time 6-7:30pm

**Required Equipment:**

- A football your child can grip or throw (put name on the ball)
- Cleats (non-metal)

**Recommended Equipment:**

- Water bottle

**Camp Location: High School Varsity Football Field**

**We are looking forward to seeing you!!**

**Link: <https://pineislandsports.sportngin.com/register/form/809317111>**

- **Boys & Girls Basketball (Grades current grades 6-11) check out the off-season club on the link below:**

**[300 Hour Off-Season Club](#)**

- **Attention class of 2025- If you are interested in being a yearbook editor for next year's (2024-2025) book please see or email Mr. Smith.**

- **Parking Notice:** The City Center Apartments located on 1st Ave SE and 4th St SE near the 5-12 school is currently having renovations and construction work done. This requires space for work to be completed as well as parking for the workers. They are requesting residents and students to please park in another location to help with this project.

- **Student Support Update:**

Mrs. Hoepfner and Cait Earle will continue to be available for individual check-ins whenever you need.

Please use the form below to connect with one of us by scanning the code, or by following this [link](#).

We are always here to support you.

**PINE ISLAND STUDENT SUPPORT**





Cait Earle  
(District Social Worker)



Brittany Kowalewski  
(Middle School Counselor & Social Worker)



Chellyne Hoepfner  
(High School Counselor)

**Scan Here to Connect**



Ashley McKittrick  
(Zumbro Valley Health Therapist)





Tom Horner (District Mental Health & Wellness Coordinator)

- **SENIORS:** You have your own Senior Page for announcements. You can find it on the Pine Island website under the 5-12 School Tab and then “Senior Year Information - Class of 2024.” [Senior Year Information - Class of 2024](#)
- **When is the Fitness Center available?** Click here: [Weight Room Hours/Supervision](#)
- Lisa Daak and Kerry Rosane will be the advisors for the Middle School Yearbook this year. We are looking for YOUR photos to add. Please email us any photos from your classroom, clubs, sports, or after-school activities. Be on the lookout for additional ways you can contribute soon.

## Lunch Menu

# April Lunch Menu

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:

- [5/9/24](#) - Staff Appreciation Lunch provided by PTO:MSHS School - Thurs, May 9<sup>th</sup> (approx 11a-1p)
- [5/23/24](#) - Senior Lunch provided by PTO (@MSHS) - Thurs, May 23<sup>rd</sup> (approx 11a)

#### Music Event Schedule:

Click here for the full schedule:[Music Event Schedule](#)

All events are held in the Performing Arts Center unless otherwise noted:

- [4/14](#) - Orchestra Solo/Ensemble Honors Recital (9-12) at 2 p.m. in Performing Arts Center
- [4/25](#) - Grade 5 Concert at 6:30 p.m.
- [5/6](#) - Band Fest 9-12 at 7 p.m.
- [5/9](#) - Spring Band Concert 6-8 at 6:30 p.m.
- [5/11](#) - Jazz Concert (band & strings) at 7 p.m.
- [5/13](#) - Spring Choir Concert at 7 p.m.
- [5/14](#) - MS Spring Choir Concert 6-8 at 6:30 p.m.
- [5/17](#) - Spring String Fling Thing Concert 8-12 (Orchestra) at 7 p.m.
- [5/20](#) - Special Education Activity Day (HS Band & Choir) during the morning
- [5/20](#) - Spring Orchestra Concert 6-7 at 6:30 p.m.
- [5/27](#) - Memorial Day Program (grades 9-12) at 10:30 a.m. - City of Pine Island

#### College/Military Visits:

- [4/24](#) - The Marines will be in the cafeteria during lunch

#### Field Trips:

- [4/7/24-4/9/24](#) - Overnight field trip for FCCLA State Conference in Minneapolis
- [4/11/24](#) - Trip to Rochester Woodlake Conference Center for SPED/Transition from 8:35 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- [4/13/24](#) - Trip to Albert Lea High School for Orchestra from 7:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
- [4/17/24](#)- Trip to Quarry Hill for 5th Grade from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- [4/18/24](#)- 5th grade MathMasters competition at Wood Lake Learning Center from 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- [4/19/24](#)- Trip to RCTC Fieldhouse for Engineering Club from 8:10 a.m. - 5:45 p.m.
- [5/1/24](#) - Trip to PI Sharing Shelves for Intro to Marketing 202/1 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- [5/16/24](#) - Trip to Minnesota Zoo for SPED- High school and Transition from 8:30 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.
- [5/17/24](#) - Trip to Valleyfair for MS Student Council and School Patrol from 8:15 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

#### College Signings (Congratulations)!

- Nate Klusmann - U-W Stout - Football
- Paxyn Rendahl - St. Scholastica - Basketball
- Brandon Week - South Dakota State University - Baseball
- Garrett Sperber - Luther College - Golf

**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 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! Thanks to your donations, we will be donating \$132.00 to the Pine Island Sharing Shelves. Donations for the 4th quarter will go to the Pine Haven Nursing Home. 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).

<b>PASS SCHEDULE</b>				
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
		*Gr 7-12 7:05-8:05 am Ms. Kaul's Room	*Gr 7-12 7:05-8:05 am Ms. Kaul's Room	*Gr 7-12 7:05-8:05 am Ms. Kaul's Room
<i>SCHOOL DAY</i>	<i>SCHOOL DAY</i>	<i>SCHOOL DAY</i>	<i>SCHOOL DAY</i>	<i>SCHOOL DAY</i>
*Gr 7-12 3:15-4:15 pm Mrs. Schimek's Room 240	Gr 5-8 3:15-4:15 pm Mrs. Zincke's Room 221	*Gr 7-12 3:15-4:15 pm Mrs. Schimek's Room 240	Gr 5-8 3:15-4:15 pm Mrs. Zincke's Room 221	
<small>*Designated PASS Room used to support academic eligibility for athletics and activities</small>				

**Early Dismissals:**

- JV and V Baseball dismisses at 2:30 p.m. for a 2:45 p.m. bus.
- JV and V Softball dismisses at 2:45 p.m. for a 3:00 p.m. bus.

**Did you Know?**

- 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.

**Subs:**

**5-12**

**Unfilled:**

**External Subs:**

Emily Kaul, all day, Katie Dudley  
Michael Jeffrey, all day, James McCauley  
Angela Koster, all day, David Luther

**Internal Subs:**

Cait Earle, all day, no sub needed  
Megan Schimek, 7:45-9:45, Angela Organ  
Krista Affeldt, 9:45-11:15, Diane Banach  
Josh Ganz, 7:30-9:30, no sub needed  
Tera Rezac, all day, Students will go to the library, (Tara Rezac's 2nd period)  
Michelle Trelstad-Grenier, all day, Jadin Suk to cover until 12:30  
Josh Ganz, 2:30-EoD, Clark Jones  
Grace Bruening, 12:00-12:45, Clark Jones  
Emily Kaul, 1:18-1:45, Clark Jones  
Madisyn Tjepkes, 9:15-9:45 & 1:48-2:15, Clark Jones (1:48-2:15)  
Haley Moe, all day, Katie Dudley (until 10:15)







