

PINOLE MIDDLE SCHOOL KNIGHT NEWS



September 24, 2023

IMPORTANT SAFETY & ELECTRONICS UPDATES: PRESENTATION TO STUDENTS ON 9/25/23

Phone Policy:

The WCCUSD Parent/student handbook states, in the student responsibilities:

"To refrain from using electronic devices including CD players, cell phones, games, etc., at school, except before and after school and during lunch. And to comply with the WCCUSD rule that the use of electronic equipment during class time and passing times is strictly prohibited."

Updates to Pinole Middle Policies

Phones should be off and away during school hours 8:20 am - 2:35 pm (1:35 Wed).

AirPods and headphones are included, unless they are connected to a Chromebook to listen to audio required for a class.

This includes passing periods.

The only exception is lunch. 11:33 - 12:13 PM or 11:05 - 11:35 AM Wed

Students who use their phones to record video of fights or conflict, or to spread threatening messages can be suspended for inciting violence.

If a student's phone is seen or heard, they will be asked to surrender their phone to a staff member. The phone will be held in the office for the remainder of the day. If a student violates the policy a second time a parent or other adult will be asked to pick up the phone from the office.

If violations continue, students will be required to leave their phone at home or surrender it in the office in the morning.

If a student refuses to comply with the request of a staff member to surrender their phone, their adult will be contacted to retrieve the phone from the student in the main office.

Students are expected to be:

Hallways - Highlights - Keep it calm

Be Safe

- Being Safe means keeping hands, feet, and objects to yourself
- Walk calmly and stay on the right side of the hallway
- Keep space between you and others and don't loiter
- Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself

Be Respectful

- Being Respectful means speak politely, and cooperate with others
- Use appropriate language and voice volume
- Go directly where you need to be
- Be considerate of classes in session

Be Responsible

- Being Responsible means doing the right thing, even when no one is looking
- Follow all staff directions
- Report problems to staff
- Keep food away in hall
- Pick up trash even if it is not yours
- Get to your next class or other destination quickly

Bathrooms

Be Safe

- Being Safe means keeping hands, feet, and objects to yourself
- Walk
- Go, flush, wash, dry, leave
- Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself

Be Respectful

- Being Respectful means speak politely, and cooperate with others
- Use appropriate language and
- Low/No voice volume
- Go directly where you need to be
- Be considerate of others
- Knock on stall before entering

Student expectations continued...

Bathrooms (cont.)

Be Responsible

- Being Responsible means doing the right thing, even when no one is looking
- Enter and exit quietly
- Report problems to staff
- Clean up after yourself
- Go, flush, wash, dry, leave

Quad/Field

Be Safe

- Being Safe means keeping hands, feet, and objects to yourself
- Keep your shoes on (on the field and everywhere at school)
- Stay in assigned area unless you have permission
- Use equipment as intended
- Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself
- Report problems to staff

Be Respectful

- Being Respectful means speak politely, and cooperate with others
- Use appropriate language and voice volume
- Be polite: say please, thank you, and excuse me
- Be considerate of others

Be Responsible

- Being Responsible means doing the right thing, even when no one is looking
- Follow all staff directions
- Play by game rules
- Report problems to staff
- Pick up trash even if it is not yours
- Put equipment away in correct area when finished

Cafeteria

Be Safe

- Being Safe means keeping hands, feet, and objects to yourself
- Always walk in the lunchroom
- Keep space between you and others
- Stay in assigned area unless you have permission
- Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself
- Report spills to staff/keep floor dry

Be Respectful

- Being Respectful means speak politely, and cooperate with others
- Use appropriate language and voice volume
- Be polite: say please, thank you, and excuse me
- Be considerate of others

Be Responsible

- Being Responsible means doing the right thing, even when no one is looking
- Follow all staff directions
- Enter and exit lunchroom quietly
- Pick up trash even if it is not yours
- Keep lunchroom clean
- Stay seated

Other Items

- Students, please use respectful language. Do not use the n-word (in any form) or other racial slurs at school. Don't spread rumors.
- Students can ask adults for a space to have a conversation if they are having some strong feelings about something and need to have a private conversation.
- Be careful with your use of social media. Don't follow/friend/communicate with people if you are not sure of who they are. Don't share information unless you want the whole world to see it for the next 100 years.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 9/26: 1st Quarter Progress Reports Distribution
- 9/27 - 8th Grade Hearing Screening
- 9/28 - 1st Lockdown DRILL of the year
- 9/29 - Back to School Dance, 6 - 8:30 pm
- 10/2 - Faculty Meeting
- 10/6 - Lifetouch Fall Pictures during PE

PTSA NEWS & UPDATES

PTSA Membership Drive Sept 1st - Oct 1st: click to join for \$11/member:

<https://jointotem.com/ca/pinole/pinole-middle-ptsa>

PTSA is asking parents to attending special meeting 09/18/23 at 6:30pm in a library for our special election.

Knight Back to School Dance will be 9/29 6pm-8:30pm tickets will go on sale 9/8 at the Knight Snack Shack \$10

ATTENTION



**THESE ELECTRONIC DEVICES
ARE NOT ALLOWED AT SCHOOL!**

If seen, they will be **TAKEN** and returned at the end of
the school day.

PARENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED PROMPTLY!



YES

**ONLY GOOGLE CHROMEBOOKS ARE
ALLOWED OUT DURING SCHOOL HOURS!**



**SIGN UP
TODAY**

Pinole Middle School's after-school program is now accepting applications. Please consider signing up your student using this Google Form: <https://forms.gle/jeQqfwy9GnPxwhoi7>.

Currently, we are offering the following programs:

- Anime: Thursdays 2:45 - 3:45 PM
- Black Student Union: Alternating Wednesdays 2:00 - 3:00 PM
- Cheer: Tuesdays 3:00 - 4:30 PM (audition required)
- Crochet: Tuesdays 2:45 - 3:45 PM
- Dungeons & Dragons: Fridays 2:45 - 4:30 PM
- English/Literacy Tutoring: Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:45 - 3:45 PM
- Math Tutoring: Tuesdays 2:45 - 4:30 PM, Thursdays 7:30 - 8:15 AM

Lifetouch.

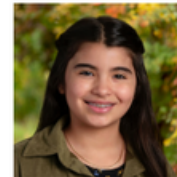
PICTURE DAY IS COMING!

¡YA LLEGA EL DÍA DE LA FOTO!

**Friday, October 06, 2023
Pinole Middle School**



Scan to order!
(Echa un vistazo para encargarte)



How it Works:



Pre-order today on
mylifetouch.com
using your Student ID or
Picture Day ID:
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Students are
photographed on
Picture Day



Orders will be sent home
with your student after
Picture Day

Cómo funciona: Encarga de manera anticipada en mylifetouch.com usando tu ID de estudiante o la ID del Día de la Foto. Los estudiantes son fotografiados el Día de la Foto. Los pedidos serán enviados a tu casa con tu estudiante después del Día de la Foto.

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¿Preguntas? Comuníquese con nuestro Centro de Ayuda en lifetouch.com/support-us. Seleccione Fotografía Escolar K-12 para recibir asistencia.

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ATTENDANCE NEWS

I. Parents/Guardians if your student is or will be absent from school please contact Ms. Ross.

She can be reached by phone: (510) 231 - 1436, extension 26302 or email: jennifer.ross@wccusd.net.

Note: Only a parent/guardian can call in a student's absence

II. Parents/Guardians if you are picking up your student early, you must come into the main office and sign your student out. We will call your student to the office once you are here. Be sure to have your drivers' license or passport.

*Note: Students can not be released to anyone under 18 years of age, anyone not listed under contacts and rideshare companies (i.e. Uber, Lyft, etc) during school hours.