

Welcome back, Cardinals! The first day brought so much energy to the building, and our community set the perfect tone with a fantastic **Chalk the Walk**—thank you to everyone who helped fill the sidewalks with bright colors and uplifting messages.

There's a lot happening in the weeks ahead, from events to important updates. Be sure to read through this newsletter to stay connected and informed.

Music Lessons | Early Bird Registration until Aug 31

We are excited to be partnering with Musically Creative to offer fall piano, guitar, electric guitar, and voice lessons for beginner through intermediate level students. Classes are engaging, confidence-building, and taught by experienced instructors who help kids learn at their own pace. [Register today](#) to take advantage of **early-bird rates through August 31**, making this the perfect time to sign up and secure a spot for the new season of music-making. [Learn more and register today!](#)

Carnival Night Pre-Sale Event Open, Now through Sep 8

Our second annual PTO Carnival Night is coming up on Friday, September 11, and it's shaping up to be an evening packed with games, attractions, music, treats, and more.

Every guest needs a wristband to enter. Wristbands serve as your all-access pass to enjoy the carnival fun. Wristband **pre-sales are open now through September 8 at 5:00 PM**, giving families the chance to **save \$5 per person** on unlimited activities. Purchasing ahead makes arrival easy and ensures your family can dive right into the excitement.

[Grab your wristbands today](#) and get ready for one of Piney Branch's newest and most popular back-to-school traditions. Visit our [Carnival Night event page](#) for all the details.

2026 Fall PTO Calendar of Events & Moments*

Check out what's new and save the date for our marquee fall events.

SEPTEMBER

- **2ND ANNUAL PTO Carnival Night | Sep 11 from 5-8 PM**
[Get your wristbands and save \\$5 per person](#) during our pre-sale event, now through September 8th. Rain date: Sep 18

- **PTO Meeting | Sep 16 from 7–8 PM @ PBES Library**
*We will have **free child care** provided by our NHS Students from Gainesville High School to make it easier for parents to attend.*

OCTOBER

- **IT'S BACK! Movie Night + 50/50 Raffle | Oct 9**
Admission is free. Concessions will be available for purchase. Proceeds from the 50/50 Raffle will support PBES initiatives.
- **PTO Meeting | Oct 21 from 7–8 PM @ PBES Library**
Free child care will be provided.
- **Color Craze Run | Oct 30**
Keep an eye out for our fundraising kick-off! Rain date: Nov 6

DECEMBER

- **NEW! PTO Event TBA | Dec 11**
Stay tuned... more details will be announced shortly.

More exciting events will be announced later in the year. [Bookmark our events](#) page to get updates in real time. **Events and dates are subject to change.*

PTO Sponsored Initiatives

In addition to PTO events, we sponsor initiatives that support our students, teachers, staff, and community. Check out some of our upcoming initiatives for the 2026–2027 school year and see what's new this year.

- [Sprout School Supply Kits](#)
The PTO Board is busy delivering orders to each class room so our students' supplies are ready when they arrive Aug 24.
- [Fall Music Lessons](#)
Now enrolling beginner and intermediate level students for piano, guitar, electric guitar, and voice lessons. Early bird pricing ends Aug 31st.
- [Piney Branch Elementary School Spirit Wear](#)
NEW! *Designs for the 2026–2027 school year will be dropping soon. Be sure to keep an eye out for our online store opening.*
- [Teacher Appreciation Events & Moments](#)
We sponsor monthly teacher appreciation events to ensure our teachers, administrators, and staff know how grateful we are for all they do.
- [2026–2027 Yearbook](#)
Enjoy photography, design, storytelling, or simply want to help celebrate

our school community? We welcome you to join the PTO Yearbook Committee. Email the committee to learn more or express interest at yearbookpbs@gmail.com.

- [Square 1 Art Fundraiser](#)
More information coming soon.

Support the PTO!

There are many ways to [support the PTO](#) – choose the option(s) that fit your schedule and commitment level.

- [Become a member](#) for as little as \$10! Attending meetings or participating in events is appreciated, but NOT required!
- [Volunteer](#) at one of our marquee events or chair a committee!
- Make a financial contribution to support our events and initiatives! The PTO is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. We appreciate your contributions. All donations can be sent to the PTO via Venmo [@PineyBranch-ElementaryPTO](#).

Click here to learn more about how to [support the PTO](#).

Stay Informed!

Follow the [Piney Branch Elementary School PTO Facebook page](#). Get event updates, connect with fellow members, and catch all the latest news. Join our social community!

Thank you for supporting the PTO,