

MARCH 2025

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PEET JUNIOR HIGH

BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS. MAXIMIZING LEARNING.

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SCHOOL DRIVING PERMIT?

Would you like more information about the Minor School License? Please visit our website for all information.

[MSL Information](#)

Once your student is eligible for the MSL, you will need to request an appointment to meet with a Peet Principal to have all forms signed and go over important rules and information. Request an appointment [HERE](#).

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Monday, March 10- 4:00-8:00pm
(CFHS only)

Tuesday, March 11 - 4:00-8:00pm
(Peet/Holmes)

Thursday, March 13 - 12:30-7:00pm
(Peet/Holmes/CFHS)

Friday, March 14 - No School

We will have an 11:15am dismissal on Thursday, March 13th.

More information was emailed to families on Friday, February 28.

PM PICK-UP

When picking students up at 3:00pm, it is important to keep traffic moving on Seerley Blvd. We have recently had a few cars park on the side of Seerley which causes safety issues. It is ok to wait at the stop sign if your student is walking toward you. Otherwise, to keep traffic moving, please pull into the lot and wait for your student there.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Meister.

Thank you for following the expectations to keep our pickup time safe for all of our students.

GUEST SPEAKER: TIMMY "THE DREAMER" BISHOP

Contact: andrew.meister@cfschools.org

On Monday, March 3, Peet Junior High will welcome Timmy "The Dreamer" Bishop, youth keynote speaker and founder of Dreamer State University, to talk with all of our Peet students. Our 9th grade students will hear a message from Timmy in the morning and our 7th and 8th grade students will have a joint assembly in the afternoon.

*9th grade students who have high school classes periods 1-3 or 9th grade Orchestra period 1 at Holmes, will not report to those classes on Monday, they will report to the cafeteria at 9:30am and then partake in the assembly. 9th grade students will report to high school classes periods 4-7.

*8th grade students who have high school classes periods 5-7 will not travel to those classes on Monday, they will stay at Peet to partake in the assembly.

Following the assemblies, at 6:00pm in the evening of March 3, all Peet families will be welcome to come to the Peet Back Gym to hear a message from Timmy along with time for questions and answers. If you plan to attend the night of March 3, [RSVP HERE](#).

[Your PERSONAL INVITE to Community Night Monday at 6:00pm!](#)

We are very excited about this opportunity for our Peet students as Timmy is currently on his Dreamology tour, delivering powerful speeches across the country!

ISASP TESTING 2025

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Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress

– formally known as: Iowa Assessments or ITBS

This year will be the fifth year of state wide assessments through the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP) – formally known as: Iowa Assessments or ITBS. The testing will all be done on student Chromebooks. Iowa Assessments will tentatively be the week of March 31st.

All tests will be untimed, so any student who needs more time to finish each test will be allowed to do so. You will also not need to bring a calculator as that will be available on the Chromebook. Teachers have and will continue to prepare students for these tests, as we are doing our best to set all students up for success.

On these test days, student will need to bring:

- Chromebooks FULLY charged! All testing will be done on the student Chromebook, so make sure it is charged the night before.
- A book to read if finished early from testing. No phones, watches, or electronics of any kind will be allowed during the testing time, and students will not be allowed to be on Chromebooks when not testing.
- Each students best effort! These tests are important for future success and to help us schedule students in the correct classes for next year. Don't be nervous, just do your best!

CHARGING CHROMEBOOKS

Contact: leah.cahill@cfschools.org

Just a friendly reminder that students should be charging their chromebooks each night at home. A charged chromebook should last all day. While there are some chargers available at PJH for emergencies, the number of students coming to school daily with uncharged devices is growing.



STUDENT DANCES

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9th Grade Dance:

The 9th grade dance will be held at Peet Jr High on Saturday, April 12 from 7:30-9:30pm. This dance is for Peet 9th grade students only. More information to come on this event!

*Students must be in good standing to attend this event.

7th & 8th Grade Dance: (please note updated date!!)

We will hold a 7th & 8th grade Peet students only dance on **Friday, May 9** from 5:00-7:00pm. Our Student Council will be working with Peet administration to make this a fun evening for our 7th & 8th graders!

*Students must be in good standing to attend this event.

ATHLETICS

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[Master Athletics Calendar - CFHS](#)

[Master Athletics Calendar - Peet](#)

**Peet Event Costs without
Booster Club/Activity Pass:**

7-9 Grade Sporting Events -

\$5.00 for adults (cash)

\$3.00 for K-12 students (cash)

As always, please be respectful of the officials and coaches as they want the best possible experience for our student-athletes!

ACTIVITY BUS

Students who travel to Holmes or CFHS for after school activities /athletics will ride bus #20, activity bus. This bus will leave immediately after school.

BOUND

All 7-12 grade athletes will be required to sign-up for their activities using the Bound program. Register your student-athlete online then click on registration.

Bound is a web platform used by all high schools and most junior high schools in Iowa to house team schedules, state required stats, event locations, event tickets (and passes), and much more. Cedar Falls will be using many more Bound features starting this school year.

1. Register for [Bound](#) and use mobile apps.

2. Purchase digital [student activity pass](#).

3. Purchase [individual event tickets](#). (HS events only)

4. Register your student-athlete online.

[Peet](#) Registration (7-8 grade)

[CFHS](#) Registration (9-12 grade)

5. Join the [CF Tiger Booster Club](#) and [purchase membership or sponsorships online](#).



A/B DAY ROTATION & WEATHER DELAYS

If there is a snow day, we will make up the day we missed the following day. Example: If there is a snow day on Monday, February 10, a scheduled A day, when we return to school on Tuesday, February 11, that will be an A day.

If there is a weather related delay, we will run a Monday school day schedule, with classes starting at 9:30am (90-minutes late).

Buses will be run 90-minutes later than a Tuesday-Friday bus schedule. *Not a Monday 90-minute late start bus schedule.*

SOCIAL MEDIA CONCERNS

Protecting your child from technology issues

Many of our students spend hours every day on social media. While there may be some benefits to these platforms, there are many downsides that impact our students in a negative way. Counselors and administrators routinely help students who have issues with social media after the school day ends. Here are some things you can do to help your children.

Monitor Chromebook use.

Students are unable to erase the history on school-issued Chromebooks.

Monitor cell phone use.

Know your students' passwords so you can check their phone if needed.

Block students who are causing stress.

If people are bullying or upsetting your children online, have them block those students.

Set reasonable time limits.

Talk to your teen about not letting social media or games interfere with sleep, homework, and meals. Have an end time for all screens and a consistent time to go to bed. Set a good example by following these rules yourself.

Keep phones and Chromebooks away from students at night.

Phones and Chromebooks should be charged somewhere other than the student's bedroom. Removing the phones and Chromebooks from the bedroom will help your student get more sleep and prevent the student from interacting with others during the night.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Start Trimester 3
Parent-Teacher Conferences: 4-8:00pm
11:15am Early Dismissal
Parent-Teacher Conferences: 12:30-7:00pm
Conference Compensation Day - No School
Spring Break - No School
Peet Jr High ISASP Testing
PM Professional Development - 11:15am Dismissal
Memorial Day - No School
Last Day of School (pending weather cancelations)

March 3
March 11
March 13
March 13
March 14
March 17-21
Week of March 31
April 18
May 26
June 2

[2024-25 A/B Day Calendar](#)

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Contact:

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[CFCSD Attendance Policy 2024-25](#)

Please click on the link above to learn about our school district's updated attendance procedures following the new State of Iowa legislation (Senate File 2435).

Key Points from:

[Keep Your Child On Track in Middle and High School: Pay Attention to Attendance](#)

Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students access learning opportunities and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and on the job.

Did you know?

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to graduation
- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school
- By 9th grade, attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8th grade test scores

What You Can Do

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day
- Try not to schedule dental and medical appointments during the school day
- Help your teen stay engaged by encouraging them to join meaningful after-school activities, including sports and clubs
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not adding up
- Seek help from school staff, other parents or community agencies if you need support

Let's make it a great school year at Peet Junior High!