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# PEET JUNIOR HIGH

**BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS. MAXIMIZING LEARNING.**

## Monthly Newsletter

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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](#).

### END OF Q1 & T1

The end of Quarter 1 will be on Monday, October 28th. Up-to-date grades will be emailed to parents before Parent-Teacher Conferences.

The end of Trimester 1 is Monday, November 18th. You will be able to view up-to-date grades on Monday, November 25th.

Login to [PowerSchool](#) to view student grades.

Academic Concerns should first be directed to the [classroom teacher](#).

### SCHOOL HOURS DROP-OFF TIMES

**Tuesday-Friday: 8:00am-3:00pm**  
Please do not drop students off before 7:50am unless they plan to eat breakfast at 7:35am

**Monday: 9:30am-3:00pm**  
Please do not drop students off before 9:20am unless they plan to eat breakfast at 9:05am

[School Day Schedule](#)

Bus pick-up times for Mondays can be found [HERE](#).

## PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Contact: [andrew.meister@cfschools.org](mailto:andrew.meister@cfschools.org)

Parents and Guardians: You are invited to attend Parent-Teacher Conferences on October 22 & 24. No school on October 25.

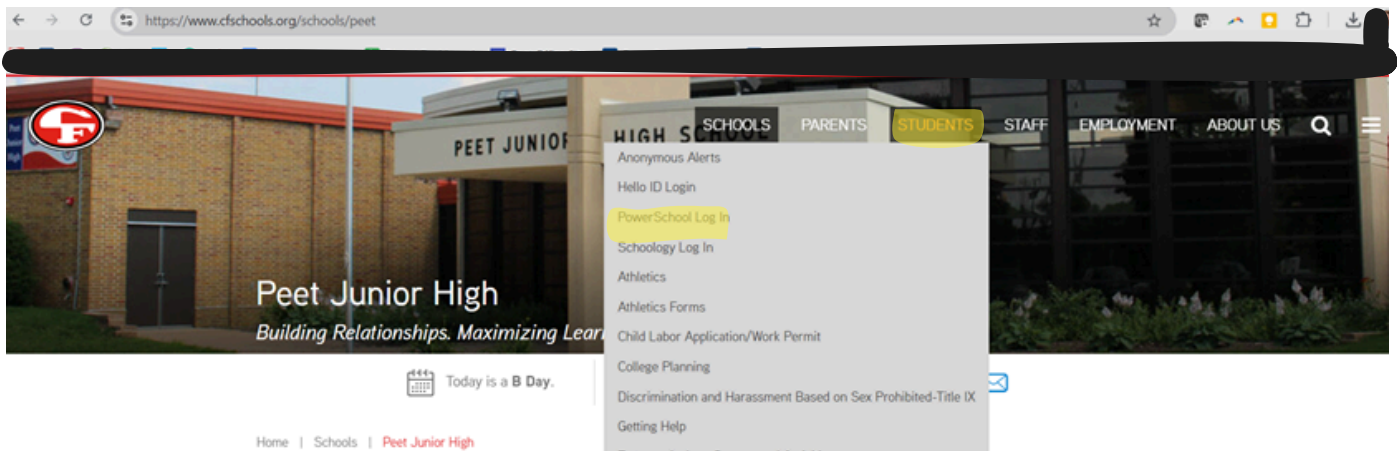
*More information regarding the Parent-Teacher Conference format will be coming.*

The schedule for conferences is as follows:  
Tuesday, October 22 - 4:00-8:00PM  
Thursday, October 24 - 12:30-7:00PM (early dismissal 11:15am)  
Friday, October 25 - No School

Report cards will be emailed to families on Tuesday, October 22.

We look forward to your attendance at conferences!





# POWERSCHOOL NAVIGATION & GRADING INFORMATION

*Contact:*

*Andrew Meister, Peet Principal  
andrew.meister@cfschools.org*

This [short video](#) will assist parents/guardians in navigating our student management system, PowerSchool, to ensure that you are able to track student performance academically and behaviorally throughout the school year.

## Academic Performance (Priority Standards)

Please know that any letter grades (A, B, C, D, or F) that appear in PowerSchool currently are based on very limited data and will change frequently throughout the course of the 1st Semester as additional data is collected. If at any time during the school year you have questions regarding your student's performance we recommend that you have a conversation with your student first. Your student should be able to identify the priority standards being studied in each class as well as their individual strengths and/or areas that are in need of growth relative to those standards. If questions persist please include your student's teacher(s) in the conversation.

Our grading practices are designed to clearly communicate what students need to know and be able to do throughout the learning process. Our goal is to provide specific feedback to students on their current level of performance using proficiency levels while providing multiple opportunities for students to demonstrate their learning on each standard.

## Behavior Performance (Life Skill Competencies)

In addition to performance on academic standards, you will also see feedback in PowerSchool regarding your student's performance behaviorally in all classes. We refer to these standards as Life Skill Competencies (LSC) at the junior highs (see attachment). Although scores on these standards do not impact a student's letter grade our teachers will provide an update on student behavior in each class every four weeks. Receiving a score of a 4 indicates that a student is demonstrating the success criteria of a LSC "consistently," a 3 indicates a student is "sometimes" demonstrating the success criteria, a 2 indicates that the student has demonstrated the success criteria on a "limited" basis, and a 1 indicates that the student has no evidence in this area due to inconsistent attendance.

All teachers have updated student scores in each Life Skill Competency for the first four weeks of the school year as of today, Monday, September 23. If a student has demonstrated "limited" evidence in any LSC comments have been added to indicate which success criteria can be improved upon.

## [Life Skill Competencies](#)

\*Parents who need their Parent PowerSchool password reset can email [Megan.Ruane@cfschools.org](mailto:Megan.Ruane@cfschools.org) to request a password reset.



## SCHOOL PICTURE RE-TAKES

Contact:  
HR Imaging  
custserv@hrimaging.com  
(815)433-1766

Tuesday, October 8  
from 7:30am-10:00am in the Peet Library.

If your student would like to have their pictures re-taken or need their picture taken for the first time this year because they missed school pictures on August 27-28, please sign-up on the following form:

### [Picture Retake Sign-Up](#)

\*\*If your student is having their pictures retaken, they will need to return the original pictures to the HR Imaging employee at the time of them getting their picture re-taken.

\*\*If your student is having their picture taken for the first time and you would like to order pictures, you can order them at the following link:

### [Picture Retake Order Form](#)

To view school pictures that were taken on August 27 and 28, log into your HR Imaging account [HERE](#).

If you have questions for HR Imaging, email: [custserv@hrimaging.com](mailto:custserv@hrimaging.com) or call: (815)433-1766.

Original picture packets were delivered to students on Tuesday, October 1. If you did not receive your students pictures, please check with your student to make sure they received a packet and if they did not, please contact HR Imaging.

## ATHLETICS

Contact:  
[shane.williams@cfschools.org](mailto:shane.williams@cfschools.org)

[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](#).



# AFTER SCHOOL- ALT/LEARNING LABS

Contact: [andrew.meister@cfschools.org](mailto:andrew.meister@cfschools.org)

At Peet, we put an emphasis on academics with our students. We will be assigning students 30 minutes Alternative Learning Time after school if they have not completed assigned work. Students would be expected to stay in the classroom of the assigning teacher from 3:00 - 3:30 to get help from the teacher to complete the work. If that teacher is not available after school, we will assign them to another room with another teacher.

Teachers will notify parents if their student is assigned. Parents will be responsible to pick the student up at 3:30, or the students can stay for ECHOES which runs until 4:30 Tuesday - Thursday. A bus is provided for students that choose to stay for ECHOES.

If a student is involved in athletics, they will be sent to practice at 3:30.

Our intention is to teach students responsibility and the importance of completing assigned tasks on time, as well as helping them learn what they need to be successful. In the past, parents have been very supportive of this intervention to help their students. If you have any questions regarding Alternative Learning Time, please call the school and ask for Mr. Meister.

## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Professional Development - No School  
Parent-Teacher Conferences: 4-8:00PM  
11:15am Dismissal for PT Conferences  
Parent-Teacher Conferences: 12:30-7:00PM  
Conference Compensation Day - No School  
Fall Mid-Term  
End of Trimester 1  
Thanksgiving - No School  
Winter Break - No School  
Professional Development - No School  
School Reconvenes  
End of Semester 1  
Teacher Workday - No School  
MLK Jr Day - No School

October 11  
October 22  
October 24  
October 24  
October 25  
October 28  
November 18  
November 27-29  
December 23-Jan 1  
January 2  
January 3  
January 3  
January 16  
January 17  
January 20

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

# STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Contact:  
[shane.williams@cfschools.org](mailto:shane.williams@cfschools.org)

[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!*