



PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL  
**PANTHER POST**

Week of March 4, 2024

“All students will learn and grow academically, socially, emotionally and physically!”

*“I raise up my voice—not so that I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard.... We cannot all succeed when half of us are held back.”*

~ Malala Yousafzai



### Dates to Remember

- March is “E” is for Empathy Month
- March is Women’s History Month
- March 4: School Council & Friends of Pioneer Mtgs. 7:00PM
- March 7: Basketball Wrap-Up Assembly with RCMP
- March 8: PD Day (No School)
- March 10: Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 11: Ski Trip
- March 15: Report Cards Go Home
- March 15: Silent Shamrock Day
- March 15: Gr. 7-12 Winter Blue Jazz Concert (at WCHS)
- March 15: Gr. 6 Oil Kings Game
- March 18: Term 3 Begins
- March 20-21: Parent/Teacher Interviews (4-7:00PM)
- March 22: Term 2 Celebration Assembly
- March 23-April 1: Spring Break (No School)
- April is Panther P.R.I.D.E. Month
- April 2: Grade 6 Legislative Tour
- April 3-4: 7B Drumheller Trip
- April 4-5: 7S/7U Drumheller Trip
- April 8: School Council & Friends of Pioneer Mtgs. 7:00PM



### Items of Note

**Absentee rates** have been increasing in recent years. On any given day, 13% of Pioneer students are not in school. That’s an average of 40 students missing every day. Each day missed is a day of content missed. This means the child requires additional work to get & stay caught up. When a child misses 2 or more days of school per month, it is categorized as “chronic absenteeism.” Two days per month may not seem like much, but it adds up and results in decreased levels of achievement and increased levels of frustration for the child. While we do not want sick kids coming to school, we do encourage parents to consider the long term consequences of absenteeism.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

