



PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL  
**PANTHER POST**

Week of November 25, 2024

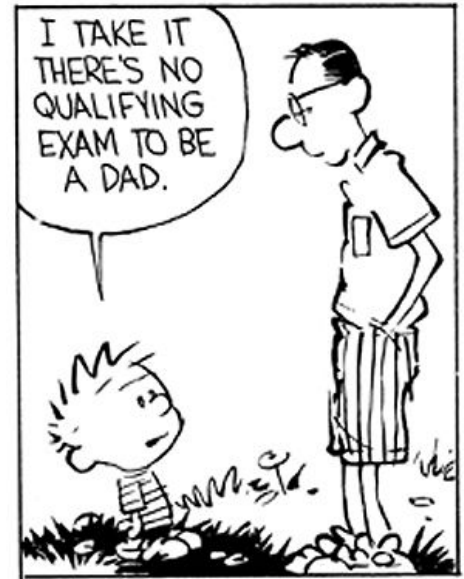
"All students will learn and grow academically, socially, emotionally and physically!"

*"Everyone should be respected as an individual, but no one idolized."*

*~Albert Einstein*

### Dates to Remember

- November is "R" is for "Respect" Month
- November is Veterans' Month
- November 25: AHS Immunization Catch-Up Day
- November 26: Phys. Ed. Swimming
- November 26 & 27: Social Media Awareness Presentations
- November 29: PD Day - No School for Students
- November 29 & 30: Basketball Skills Camp
- December is Panther P.R.I.D.E. Month
- December 2: Term 2 Begins
- December 2: School Council & Friends of Pioneer meet at 7:00PM
- December 6: Report Cards Go Home
- December 6: Friends of Pioneer Movie Night at 6:00PM
- December 11 & 12: Parent Teacher Interviews 4:00-7:00PM
- December 17: Band Winter Concert 6-8:00PM
- December 21 - January 5: Christmas Break
- January 6: Classes Resume
- January 6: School Council & Friends of Pioneer meet at 7:00PM




### Items of Note

You may have noticed we are not using the **Remind app** as much as we have in previous years. Unfortunately, there appears to be a technical glitch preventing new parents from signing up. Which means we are missing a large percentage of our parents. We are looking for solutions and will update you when we have one. Until then, we continue to use Facebook and parents' primary email addresses for communication with families.


Students are **swimming on Tuesday**. Those with their permission slips already submitted should arrive with the swim gear and ready to walk to the pool.

Friends of Pioneer would like to invite you to a



**Grinch Movie**  
**Night on Dec. 6th**

in the Pioneer School gymnasium!  
Doors open at 5:30pm  
Movie will start at 6:00pm  
Doors will close at 6:15pm  
Movie admission and Popcorn will be \$5  
Cash concession will also be available  
Feel free to bring a blanket, etc  
Volunteers needed! Sign up by the [link](#) provided.



*\*If younger siblings are attending an adult will need to supervise them during the movie night.*

### STAFF PROFILE

Genevieve Schmalz  
Teacher

I am Genevieve Schmalz. I was born and raised just outside of Calgary in the town of Cochrane. I attended the University of Lethbridge where I earned my B.A. in General Social Science focusing on Indigenous Studies. My teaching degree is in First Nations Education. I began my teaching career in Calgary with the Calgary Catholic School Board.

Eventually my husband and I got tired of the city and our demanding jobs there so we made the move to Rocky, which reminded us of the small towns we grew up in.

I have been married to my wonderful bus driver husband for 17 years. We love nothing more than taking our trailer and following the road less traveled. For the past few summers we have towed our trailer to the USA and toured around Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming. Last summer I was lucky enough to spend a month hiking and exploring South Dakota and North Dakota. While at home I love to read and use my telescope to stargaze.

I have been teaching at Pioneer for the last 10 years and for 25 years in total. I have spent most of my teaching career teaching Grade 7 and 8. My favorite subjects to teach are math and science, especially dinosaurs and geology.

