

Thoughts of a Superintendent...

From the desk of Vicki Adams



Be Yourself and Make a Difference!

An author once wrote, "The earth is a giant airship. What happens on any part of the ship has an effect on the rest." Even in Palacios, we are all witnesses to and a part of an ever shrinking world and global economy. Stock markets are tied together (and we've seen how that works recently). We buy goods from and sell them to nearly every nation on this earth. If there is war on one part of the globe, the affect can be seen thousands of

miles away. It is true - we are all dependent upon one another and with technology being what it is today, even the smallest of tremors on one continent are soon felt in another.

**"Be Yourself!
Everyone Else
is Taken!"**

For a baby, the dependence on others is clearly evident. A baby must be fed, bathed, clothed, sheltered and nurtured by others each day. His or her life depends on the support of others. As we grow older, we become less dependent, but we are never completely independent. Many people lose sight of this truth. As they become more financially secure and climb their respective professional ladders, they begin thinking they are self-made; however, any American who visits the banks of the Potomac, where the graves of George Marshall, John Pershing and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier are found, he or she will quickly be reminded that our lives are very dependent upon others, both present and past. Where would any of us be without the sacrifice of our Founding Fathers and the brave soldiers who fought to secure our future and freedom? Where would we be without the support of family, friends, teachers and others who have touched our lives?

The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money or the most awards. They simply are the ones who care the most. We may not win any awards, make a notable invention or discover a new element, but we can all be a positive role model for our children, students, friends and others with whom our lives directly or indirectly touch. This is the greatest legacy we can leave on this shrinking earth. Make the most of your day, today! As Charlie Brown would say, "Be Yourself! Everyone Else is Taken!"

- parts taken from Fred Helmink

AUGUST 23 - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Teachers and staff have time before school begins to receive training and prepare for the upcoming school year. On Wednesday and Thursday, August 11-12, new Palacios ISD staff will meet for orientation.

All PISD employees will gather on August 17 at 8:00 a.m., at the secondary school cafeteria to enjoy a district-wide continental breakfast provided by Palacios ISD cafeteria staff. Superintendent Adams will welcome the staff and principals will introduce their new personnel. The remainder of the week will be spent doing staff training.

**Attention
Parents**

FREE BREAKFAST

Palacios ISD will continue to provide a free nutritious breakfast to every student enrolled. Central Elementary will continue its breakfast program in the classroom for students in grades 1-3 and in the cafeteria for Pre-K and Kindergarten students. East Side Intermediate, Palacios Junior High and Palacios High School will be served breakfast upon arriving at school. Students will swipe ID cards before going through the line. All students then have a choice of a hot entrée or may choose cereal and toast. With each breakfast, fruit or juice and milk is served.

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Principal's Corner

Central Elementary School

Buddy Kelley

We are over half way through with our summer break. It is amazing how fast time goes by. I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Buddy Kelley, and I will be the new Central Elementary Campus principal beginning this year. I am incredibly excited to take on this role, and I hope that you and your students will have a great year. If there is ever anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

The 2010 – 2011 year will begin on Monday August 23. If you have not taken the opportunity to register your student please do so as soon as possible. We will have your child's class assignment posted by 1:00 on August 19th. This is also the day of our "Meet the Teacher Night". From 5:00 – 6:00 pm you will be able to go by and meet his/her teacher. If your child has not been registered before August 17th we will be unable to have his/her name listed on a class roster.

The Pre-K-Kindergarten class is for students who will be 3 or 4 years old on or before September 1st. Students will have to be tested prior to registration being completed for the Pre-K program. Students who are 4 years old on or before September 1st are eligible for the open 4 year old program. This program is limited to the number of students we will be able to accept. When the classes are full, your child will be placed on a waiting list. Students registering for the 4 year old program will need to bring the same requirements as the 3 year old students.

School supply lists can be found on the Central Elementary Campus web site or can be picked up at the Administration Building.

Thank you in advance for the wonderful year I know we are going to have. I challenge you to take a pro-active role in your child's education. You can start by taking advantage of the opportunity to meet your teacher on August 17th.

East Side Intermediate

Carolyn Kubecka

It is hard to believe school will begin in just a few more weeks. It is with great excitement that I welcome students and parents to East Side Intermediate for the 2010-2011 school year. I have met with each of the grade level teams of teachers and together we have planned a year filled with many exciting activities. Our theme this year is "We Are Wild About Learning". Success at school comes from the enthusiasm students, parents, and teachers share for learning.

Please refer to the East Side Dress Code as you are making school clothes selections for your children. Belts must be worn at all times. Students should consider keeping an extra belt in their locker for emergencies. Shorts and skirts must be finger-tip length. Keep in mind outfits that are finger length when you purchase them may shrink when they are washed. All shirts must have sleeves and no flip flops may be worn. Holes in jeans and shoes with wheels will not be allowed.

All sixth grade students in band, art, or choir need to be sure of their elective choices before school starts and notify the office if a change needs to be made. Students will have until September 7th to make schedule changes.

I know the students are anxious to know who their teachers will be. Class rosters will be posted on the windows outside the office on Thursday August 19th at 1:00 p.m. Our "Meet the Teacher Night" will be held Thursday August 19th from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. I encourage all parents to meet the staff at East Side and visit their child's classroom. The first day of school is Monday, August 23rd.

I am very excited about the upcoming school year. We look forward to seeing you at the "Family Nights" we have scheduled throughout the year and encourage all parents to be actively involved in their child's education.

Palacios Junior High School

Joe Adams

Preparations are under way at Palacios Junior High to ensure each student receives the best possible foundation for future success. The administration and staff of Palacios Junior High are eagerly awaiting the return of students to our campus. We are looking forward to a tremendous school year and would like to

extend an invitation to all parents to be involved at our campus and in your child's education. Exciting things will be happening this school year and your involvement only makes them more memorable. Hopefully you are having a peaceful and relaxing summer. I am very excited and proud for the opportunity to again work with the great staff I have at Palacios Junior High School because they care about your students. We will be working very hard to have another tremendously successful school year and promote the desire for education in your child.

Classes will start on Monday August 23rd. Our school day begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 3:40 p.m. We will have homeroom on the 1st day of school and schedules will be handed out during that class. Students initially report to their homeroom. As soon as homeroom is over, students will report to their 1st period classes.

There will be a few new faces on campus this fall, I hope you will come meet our new staff members when we host our "Meet the Teachers Night" on Tuesday September 7th. Parents are encouraged to attend this as it will give you the opportunity to meet all teachers and visit your child's classrooms. This will also be a chance for administration to get to know you. Your support of PJHS is greatly appreciated.

The thought of new experiences, new opportunities and new challenges has me very excited about PJHS for the 2010-2011 school year, especially when I consider the excellent team of teachers and staff I work beside every day. Together we will accomplish great things for the Sandsharks. Enjoy the rest of your summer and I am looking forward to seeing all of you soon!

Palacios High School

Scott Norris

Welcome Back PHS Students! We would like to take this time to share with you some of our recent past accomplishments as well as our thoughts and ideas for the upcoming school year. The 2009-2010 school-year ended on a high note with our PHS students scoring well on the state TAKS tests. Through the hard work and dedication of our staff and students PHS improved in six of the ten mandated tests. Of the remaining four tests our students maintained Exemplary level scores in three of them with one score being in the Recognized level. Utilizing these raw scores our academic state ranking continues to be Recognized!

With the advent of our recent U.I.L. realignment, Palacios ISD has been moved into competition with a whole new group of school districts. This year we will be competing against Columbia-Brazoria, Sweeny, Needville, and Wharton ISDs. It will be interesting to see how their student competitors will stack up against ours when we meet head-to-head this coming fall. All I can say is they had better get prepared for our Sharks and Sharkettes because I guarantee you we are coming after them!

Once again our students and staff performed well in our athletic extra-curricular activities. Our football team did much better than was predicted at the beginning of the 2009-10 season. With the returning lettermen and upcoming freshmen and JV teams we have there is no doubt we will be even more competitive in our new district. The same can be said for the boys and girls tennis, power-lifting, basketball, track, soccer, baseball and softball teams. Their spirit and winning attitude, coupled with the quality coaching we have on our secondary campuses, should continue with all of them being serious contenders in each of their sports for the upcoming 2010-2011 school year.

Our U.I.L. academic students made some serious impacts in the competitions they entered in this past year. Our One Act Play advanced to Regional. Our choir and band had a number of their students qualify at the State levels. Our student entries in the District U.I.L. Academic Meet brought home a large number of medals in their respective categories and several students qualified for the Regional Academic Meet. None of these successes could have happened without having dedicated teachers willing to coach our students and students willing to go the extra mile in their efforts to be successful and win.

Yes, there is no doubt we had a very successful year at PHS in 2009-10 due in no small part to the dedicated staff, excellent students, and quality facilities we have. There is equally no doubt PHS will have an even more successful year in 2010-2011 and we are looking forward to it with enthusiasm, pride, and great expectations. I say again, "Welcome Back!"

Palacios ISD strives to build a family of continuity amongst all of its employees. Each year personnel come and go for many reasons such as retirement, spouse's career, move closer to family and other personal reasons. Each year PISD diligently works to ensure that its students receive the best education possible by selecting top quality educators. In doing so, this year we have had the privilege of hiring three teachers who before acquiring their teaching certificates, graduated from Palacios High School and one teacher who formerly taught for PISD and will be returning to Central Elementary.

ADMINISTRATION

Lynne Mumme . . . Definitely not a stranger to Palacios ISD, Lynne is joining the central administration team after being the principal at Central Elementary for the past five years. She has been assigned as the Testing Coordinator for the district. Lynne has been in education for over 30 years and has held positions as a teacher, assistant principal, principal and has worked for the Region III Education Service Center. Through the University of Houston-Victoria she has obtained a Master of Education degree in both Curriculum & Instruction and Administration & Supervision.

PALACIOS HIGH SCHOOL

Shawn Adkins . . . Is a graduate from Angelo State University where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology. After teaching in Azle ISD for several years, Shawn will be teaching math at the high school and will also be assigned coaching duties for the Sharks and Sharkettes.

Hudson Bates . . . A 2002 graduate of Palacios ISD, Hudson has returned to PISD from Cuero ISD where he was a teacher and coach for several years. He will be teaching TAKS Prep courses at the high school and is also assigned coaching duties. Hudson is a graduate of Texas A&M University in Corpus Christi, Texas where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology.

Nellie Claybourn . . . Is a 2000 graduate of Palacios ISD and has returned to be an English teacher at the high school. Nellie has been teaching at Cy-Fair ISD for the past five years and is returning to PISD. She is a graduate of Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas where she received her Bachelor of Environmental Design and she then received her teaching certification through the Region IV Alternative Certification Program. Nellie has also completed her Master of Education degree in Educational Leadership from Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches, Texas.

Mark Grimes . . . Comes to PISD from Lexington ISD where he taught history and was also a coach. He will be assigned to teach World History at the high school and will be assigned coaching duties for the Sharks. Mark is a former graduate from the University of South Alabama in Mobile, AL where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education and History.

PALACIOS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Keri Launius . . . Keri has been assigned the position as the new assistant principal for the PISD Junior High School. With over 10 years in education, she comes to Palacios ISD from Trinity Valley Community College where she was the College Readiness Coordinator. Keri graduated from Sam Houston State in Huntsville, Texas where she received both her Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications and her Master of Education degree in Curriculum & Instruction.

Shawna Ritcher . . . A 1990 Palacios ISD graduate, Shawna is coming back to Palacios ISD from Alief ISD where she has been teaching the past 11 years in the Houston area. She will be teaching Reading and English Language Arts at the junior high school. Shawna attended the University of Houston-Victoria where she received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Literature.

Koby Gerberman . . . While Koby is not new to the district, he will be new to the junior high school campus. Koby will be teaching history at the junior high school. Last year, the JHS students were very fortunate to have Koby as their coach and this year he will fill both rolls on at the JHS as teacher and coach.

EAST SIDE INTERMEDIATE

Janet Wallace . . . Janet has been with Palacios ISD for 11 years and has been teaching at Central Elementary for the past 7 years. Janet was a 3rd grade teacher for Central, but when the new school year begins, she will be at East Side Intermediate as one of the 4th Grade teachers. She graduated from the University of Houston-Victoria with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology.

CENTRAL ELEMENTARY

Buddy Kelley . . . Coming to Palacios ISD from Bay City ISD and being an assistant principal for PISD over the past three years, Buddy Kelley will begin this next school year as the principal for Central Elementary. He attended Baylor University where he received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Accounting Information Systems. He then received his Master of Education in Administration and Supervision from the University of Houston-Victoria with a principal certification.

Veronica Kacer . . . Veronica has been with PISD for the past 4 years as a high school English teacher. Beginning this year, Veronica will be the counselor at Central Elementary. She has been in education for over 10 years and received her Bachelor of Arts degree in History and English from University of Houston-Victoria.

Judith Calhoun . . . For the past 21 years, Judith has been teaching for Palacios ISD. Last year, she taught 4th grade at East Side Intermediate, but for the new school year she will be teaching music at Central Elementary. She attended the University of Houston-Victoria and received her Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education.

Marquelle Adkins . . . Marquelle will begin this school year as a 2nd grade teacher for Central Elementary after teaching several years in Azle ISD. She is a graduate from Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas where she received her Bachelor of Science degree in Reading.

Elisa Aguilera . . . Elisa will be teaching 2nd grade at Central Elementary after returning to Palacios ISD from Tidehaven ISD. She attended the University of Houston-Victoria where she received her Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies.

MAINTENANCE

Santos Perez . . . Santos is definitely not new to the district. He has been with PISD for the past 21 years. He graduated high school from H.M. King in Kingsville, Texas and continued on into the United States Air Force. After working construction for a few years, Santos began working for Palacios ISD in 1988. Since then, he has worked in several different areas of the maintenance department and is now the Maintenance Coordinator for Palacios ISD.

Stephen Rutledge . . . Stephen comes to Palacios ISD from Tidehaven ISD where he worked successfully as a maintenance supervisor. After graduating from Tidehaven ISD, Stephen attended Wharton County Junior College where he received an Associate in Applied Science in Drafting Technology. He is working in the PISD maintenance department assigned to general maintenance, specializing in the electrical and HVAC areas.

REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS



A student must be fully immunized against certain diseases or must present a certificate or statement that, for medical reasons or reasons of conscience, including a religious belief, the student will not be immunized. For exemptions based on reasons of conscience, only official forms issued by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Immunization Branch,

can be honored by the district. This form may be obtained by writing the DSHS Immunization Branch (MC 1946), P.O. Box 149347, Austin, Texas 78714-9347; or online at <http://webds.dshs.state.tx.us/immco/affidavit.shtm>. The form must be notarized and submitted to the principal or school nurse within 90 days of notarization. If the parent is seeking an exemption for more than one student in the family, a separate form must be provided for each student.

The district must maintain a personal immunization record on each student showing the dates (month, day, year) and kinds of immunizations received, as follows:

1. Diphtheria/ Pertussis/ Tetanus (DTaP): Kindergarten entry, students required to have five doses- one of which must have been received on or after the fourth birthday. However, four doses meet the requirement if the fourth dose was administered on or after the fourth birthday. For students seven years of age or older are required to have at least three doses, provided at least one received on or after the fourth birthday.
2. Tetanus (Tdap) Booster: For students in seventh grade, one dose if at least five years have passed since the last dose of a tetanus-containing vaccine. If the last dose of a tetanus-containing vaccine was given less than five years previous, this dose will be due when five years has passed. For students in grades 8-12, one dose received 10 years after the last DTP/DTaP/Tdap dose.
3. Polio (IPV): Kindergarten entry, students are required to have four doses, one of which must have been received on or after the fourth birthday. However, three doses meet the requirement if the third dose was administered on or after the fourth birthday.
4. Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR): Kindergarten entry, students are required to have two doses with the first dose received on or after the first birthday; second dose required upon entry into kindergarten.
5. Hepatitis B (Hep B): Students are required to have three doses no later than entry into kindergarten.
6. Varicella (chicken pox): All students entering kindergarten and 7th grade will be required to have two doses of varicella vaccine. For all other grades, one dose of the varicella vaccine given on or after the first birthday is required. A written statement from a parent/guardian or physician attesting to a child's positive history of varicella disease (chickenpox) is acceptable in lieu of either dose of varicella vaccine.

7. Meningococcal Vaccine (MCV): Students in seventh grade are required to have one dose of the meningococcal vaccine.
8. Hepatitis A (Hep A): Kindergarten students are required to have two doses with the first dose received on or after the first birthday.
9. TB skin test with documented results (District requirement) – must be given after 2nd birthday and repeated if moving here from another state or country.

Exemptions

The law allows (a) physicians to write a statement stating that the vaccine(s) required is medically contraindicated or poses a significant risk to the health and well-being of the child or any member of the child's household, and (b) parents/guardian to choose an exemption from immunization requirements for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief. Schools and child-care facilities should maintain an up-to-date list of students with exemptions, so they can be excluded from attending school if an outbreak occurs.

Instructions for the affidavit to be signed by parents/guardians choosing the exemption for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief can be found at www.immunizeTexas.com.

For children needing medical exemptions, a written statement by the physician should be submitted to the school or child-care facility.

Provisional Enrollment

All immunizations should be completed by the first date of attendance. The law requires that students be fully vaccinated against the specified diseases. A student may be enrolled provisionally if the student has an immunization record that indicates the student has received at least one dose of each specified age-appropriate vaccine required by this rule. To remain enrolled, the student must complete the required subsequent doses in each vaccine series on schedule and as rapidly as is medically feasible and provide acceptable evidence of vaccination to the school. A school nurse or school administrator shall review the immunization status of a provisionally enrolled student every 30 days to ensure continued compliance in completing the required doses of vaccination. If, at the end of the 30-day period, a student has not received a subsequent dose of vaccine, the student is not in compliance and the school shall exclude the student from school attendance until the required dose is administered.

Documentation

Since many types of personal immunization records are in use, any document will be acceptable, provided it has been validated by a physician or public health personnel. The month, day, and year that the vaccination was received must be recorded on all school immunization records created or updated after September 1, 1991.

2010-11 SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Pre-Kindergarten

- 1 box puff/kleenex tissues
 - 10 small elmer's glue sticks
 - 1 9 x 12 (50 count) asst. construction paper
 - 1 16 ct. crayola crayons
 - 1 4 color pack of playdough
 - 1 12 ct. Crayola colored pencils
 - 1 spiral notebook
 - 2 plastic folders w/brads & pockets
 - 1 clorox wipes
 - 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
 - 1 box ziploc baggies - gallon size
 - 2 expo/dry erase markers (any color)
- **Please do not put student's name on school supplies****
- Please do not send a backpack to school with your child.
- Teachers will let you know the first day of school, if backpacks are needed.

Kindergarten

- 1 blunt 5" fiskar scissors
- 2 4 oz. elmer's school glue
- 10 elmer's glue sticks - small
- 4 pink bevel eraser - large
- 1 plastic school box - small 5 x 8
- 4 24 count crayola crayons - small
- 1 crayola 12 count twistables colored pencils
- 4 pkgs. yellow, pre-sharpened, no. 2 pencils
- 2 box of kleenex tissue
- 1 8 count washable water colors
- 1 construction paper assorted colors
- 1 simple back pack - NO WHEELS PLEASE
- 1 cotton balls
- 1 gallon size zip-loc bags
- 1 package dry erase markers
- 1 10 count classic color washable markers
- 1 GIRLS ONLY - quart size zip-loc bags
- 1 GIRLS ONLY - play dough brand playdough
- 1 BOYS ONLY - clorox wipes
- 1 BOYS ONLY - cheap white paper plates

First Grade

- 24 #2 wood pencil
- 4 pink bevel eraser
- 1 reg. pencil sharpener w/receptacle
- 1 plastic school box
- 2 120 ct. kleenex tissue
- 3 4 oz. elmer's glue
- 8 small-6 gram elmer's glue stick
- 1 blunt 5" fiskar scissors
- 2 24 count crayola crayons
- 6 70 count spiral comp. book-wide ruled
- 2 7" 12 count crayola colored pencils
- 1 crayola washable 16 ct. watercolors
- 1 green pocket & brad folder
- 1 red pocket & brad folder
- 1 blue pocket & brad folder
- 1 purple pocket & brad folder
- 1 small clorox wipes
- 1 bottle hand sanitizer
- 1 ruler
- 1 notebook paper - wide ruled
- 1 GIRLS ONLY - gallon zip-loc bags
- 1 BOYS ONLY - quart zip-loc bags

Second Grade

- 1 200 count wide rule filler paper
- 24 no. 2 wooden pencil
- 1 nylon pencil bag, clear top with grommet 7 1/4 x 10 1/4
- 4 pink bevel eraser
- 1 plastic school box (standard size: 8 1/2 x 5 3/4 x 2 1/2)
- 2 200 count kleenex tissue
- 1 clorox wipes
- 1 7 5/8 oz. Bottle of elmer's glue-all
- 4 1.41 oz/40 grams elmer's glue stick (large)
- 1 sharp 5" fiskar scissors
- 2 16 count crayola crayons
- 4 red medium stick pen
- 2 70 count spiral comp. book wide rule
- 2 fluorescent yellow highlighter
- 1 green pocket & brad folder
- 1 red pocket & brad folder
- 1 blue pocket & brad folder
- 1 purple pocket & brad folder

Third Grade

- 1 200 count wide ruled notebook paper
- 3 pink pearl beveled erasers
- 3 100 count facial tissues
- 1 10 1/2 x 5 1/2 pencil bag for notebook/3 ring binder
- 10 small (6 gram) elmer's glue sticks
- 1 70 count spiral composition book - wide ruled
- 36 #2 wood pencils (NO MECHANICAL PENCILS)
- 3 7" 12 count Crayola colored pencils
- 1 8 1/2 x 11 1/2 3rd grade writing tablet
- 2 plastic blue folders with pockets & brads
- 2 plastic red folders with pockets & brads
- 2 plastic green folders with pockets & brads
- 2 red checking pens/pencils
- 1 package of assorted colors construction paper
- 1 small bottle of germ-X

Fourth Grade

- 3 200 count wide rule filler paper
- 1 2" blue hardback vinyl binder
- 6 pink bevel erasers
- 12 No. 2 wood pencils, Oriole/American Brand
- 12 red pens or pencils
- 1 7" 12 count Crayola Colored Pencils
- 2 non-perforated, 100 count spiral composition
- 1 red vinyl pocket folder with brads
- 1 purple pocket folder with brads
- 1 blue pocket folder with brads
- 1 green pocket folder with brads
- 1 expand file with string closure (7 pocket, 6 tab)
- 2 fluorescent yellow highlighters
- 1 3x5 index cards (un-ruled - 100 count)
- 2 120 count Kleenex tissue
- 1 backpack - non rolling (optional)

Fifth Grade

- 2 1 1/2" hardback vinyl binder
- 1 8-tab assorted index dividers
- 1 8.25 x 10.25 pencil bag
- 1 package wide ruled filler paper (200 count) Replace as needed
- 1 orange vinyl pocket folders

- 3 red medium stick pens
- 1 12 count (7") Crayola Colored Pencils
- 2 medium pens black or blue
- 12 #2 wood pencils
- 1 regular pencil sharpener with receptacle
- 1 pink bevel erasers
- 2 boxes 120 count Kleenex tissues
- 3 70-80 count spiral composition books, wide rule
- 2 3 x 5 ruled index cards (100 count)

Sixth Grade

- 3 boxes facial tissues (100 count)
 - 1 1" red hardback vinyl binder (with inside pockets)
 - 1 1" white hardback vinyl binder
 - 1 2" hardback vinyl binder (NO ZIPPER BINDER)
 - 6 red medium stick pens
 - 24 #2 wood pencils Oriole/American Brand (NO MECHANICAL PENCILS)
 - 6 black medium stick pens
 - 2 pink bevel erasers
 - 1 highlighter
 - 1 12 count 7" Crayola Colored Pencils
 - 1 pencil bag
 - 4 packages wide rule filler paper (200 count)
 - 1 regular pencil sharpener with receptacle
 - 6 pocket folders with brads (LA-3; SS-1; Sci-1; Math-1) any color
- Backpacks not required

Seventh Grade

- 5 Pocket folders w/brads
 - Notebook paper
 - 1 Dividers
 - #2 pencils
 - Pens - blue, black, red
 - 2 Erasers
 - Map colors
 - Highlighters
 - Markers - package of 10
 - 3 Glue sticks
 - 1 Scissors
 - 2 Tissues
 - Red Shirt/Khaki pants (band students)
 - 3 One-subject spiral - wide ruled
 - 1 Five-subject spiral
 - 2 Poster Board
- Supplies for Elective classes are in the course syllabus or the teacher's website.

Eighth Grade

- 2 boxes of tissue
 - Map colors and/or crayons
 - 2 Highlighters
 - Pocket folder with brads
 - 2 #2 pencilS
 - 2 Red pens
 - Standard 3 whole ruled note book paper
 - Pen and Pencil
- Students are required to have paper and writing supplies everyday for every class.

Supplies for Elective classes are in the course syllabus or the teacher's website.

Campus Visitors

To ensure the safety of Palacios ISD students, parents and other visitors to district campuses will be required to sign in, provide a photo ID, and obtain visitors' badges at the schools' main offices. We appreciate your cooperation!

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten

For the 2010-2011 school year, Central Elementary will make available the 4-year-old Pre-Kindergarten program to all 4-year-olds. 3 year olds will continue to have to qualify for the program.

The strong Pre-K program currently being used is successfully preparing children for school by providing an opportunity for them to develop school readiness skills in an environment that encourages them to have fun while learning.

Students enrolled in the Pre-Kindergarten program will have morning transportation and free breakfast available to all students. Students enrolled in the PM classes who are not eligible for free and reduced meals will be able to buy lunch just as other students are currently able to do.

In order to register your child for Pre-K he or she must be 3 or 4 years old on or before September 1, 2010 and you must have the following documents with you before registration may begin. Please bring these documents to the office:

- Parents or legal guardians must supply their child's official birth certificate
- Social security card
- Proof of residence (such as a rent receipt, utility bill, or local tax statement)
- Current immunization records (including a TB test result)
- Verification of income (your last 4 pay check stubs), even if your child is applying for the open 4 year old program.
- Parent or legal guardian must present their Texas driver's license or other photo identification showing the parent or guardian's date of birth.

There will be a limit as to the number of 4 year old students eligible to attend. Please register early. If registration is full, you will be put on a waiting list. There will be one early registration on Tuesday, August 11th for Pre-K and Kindergarten students.

Registration will then be conducted on school days from 9:00–11:00 a.m. and from 1:00–2:00 p.m. at Central Elementary School beginning August 23rd at 10:00 a.m. No students will be registered before 10:00 a.m. on the first day of school. Please call Buddy Kelley at 972-2911 if you have any questions.

Palacios ISD
is a Recognized District

Football Season Tickets

Season tickets will cost \$25.00. You may renew your tickets in person at the administration building from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. Pre-game adult tickets for nondistrict cost \$5.00 and district cost is \$5.00. Pre-game student tickets cost \$3.00. All tickets purchased at the gate cost \$5.00. Unclaimed season tickets will go on sale to the public August 25th. If you have any questions, please call 972-5491.

Senior Athletic Pass - If you are a resident of Palacios ISD and age 65 or older you are entitled to a Senior Athletic Pass. This pass will allow one general admission seat to attend home athletic events. To receive your pass you must bring proof of age and residency to the Administration Office at 1209 Twelfth Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

STUDENTS NEW TO PALACIOS ISD

Students enrolling in Palacios ISD for the first time must register at the school they will attend. Students new to the district are required to provide immunization records, the last report card, and other records from the previous school. We request that a copy of the student's social security card also be presented.

All students new to the district must provide evidence of having received a negative tuberculosis (TB) skin test since the second birthday. All students entering the district for the first time, including pre-kindergarten and kindergarten children, must have a hearing and vision screening test.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

It is the policy of Palacios ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap in its vocational programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. District Contact: Larry Williams at 972-5491.

Substitute Teacher Training

Who: New Substitutes for 2010-2011
When: August 4, 2010
Where: Administration Building Board Room
Time: 8:00 - 4:30

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Come join us . . . Become a Mentor

The Mentor Program will continue its commitment to the youth of our school and community with high expectations for 2010-2011. Many thanks to all the mentors and the organizations who make this program possible.

Palacios ISD is looking for more people who want to make a difference in a child's life - one on one.

If you are interested in serving or would like more information about this program, please contact Kay Lawson at 972-2417.



CAFETERIA PRICES

STUDENT BREAKFAST	
All Campuses	FREE
LUNCH	
Elementary/Intermediate	\$ 1.25
Secondary	\$ 1.50
Reduced	\$ 0.40
Adult breakfast	\$ 1.00
Adult lunch	\$ 2.50



TRAFFIC CONTROL

Central Elementary:

Prekindergarten: Students in Rooms 402 and 404 should be picked up at the Sixth Street loading area. Students in Rooms 401 and 403 should be picked up in the loading zone in front of the school on Fifth Street.

Kindergarten: Students should be picked up in the loading zone in the north parking lot on Perryman Street.

First Grade: Students should be picked up in the loading zone in the north parking lot on Perryman Street.

Second Grade: Students should be picked up in the loading zone in front of the school on Fifth Street.

Third Grade: Students should be picked up in the loading zone in front of the school on Fifth Street.

Secondary Campuses - the following will be enforced:

Shark Drive - traffic flow one-way (north to south) between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on school days. During early release the times would be changed to 30 minutes before school and 30 minutes after school dismissal.

Hornet Drive - traffic flow one-way (south to north) from the south gate at the field house to Henderson Street between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on school days. Traffic will flow two-way from Perryman Street to the south gate. During early release, the times would be changed to 30 minutes before school and 30 minutes after school dismissal.

Palacios ISD Campus Directory

Palacios High School	972-2571
Scott Norris, Principal	
Sherri Seaman, Assistant Principal	
Mayra Garcia, Counselor	
100 Shark Drive	
Palacios Junior High School	972-2417
Joe Adams, Principal	
Keri Launius, Assistant Principal	
Rhonda Huitt, Counselor	
200 Shark Drive	
East Side Intermediate School	972-2544
Carolyn Kubecka, Principal	
Rebecca Crowell, Assistant Principal	
Diva Vazquez, Counselor	
901 Second Street	
Central Elementary School	972-2911
Buddy Kelley, Principal	
Selina Garcia, Assistant Principal	
Veronica Kacer, Counselor	
1001 Fifth Street	

Compulsory Attendance - State law governs the age of compulsory school attendance. Students who are at least six years of age, or who have been previously enrolled in first grade, and who have not yet reached their eighteenth birthday shall attend school for the entire period the program is offered. Students enrolled in prekindergarten or kindergarten shall attend school.

School Hours

Central Elementary

Pre-kindergarten (A.M.).....	7:45-10:45
Pre-kindergarten (P.M.).....	11:45-2:45
Kindergarten.....	8:00-2:45
First, Second, and Third Grade.....	8:00-3:30

Buses will run at 3:40 p.m.

East Side Intermediate	8:00-3:30
Junior High	8:00-3:40
High School	8:00-3:40

No Smoking



Palacios ISD is Tobacco-Free

(The use of tobacco products is prohibited at all school facilities, including the seating area at athletic events.)

We're on the web
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This publication focuses on information for parents and students, and will provide answers to many of your questions concerning the upcoming school year. For other questions, please call the campus your child(ren) will be attending.

**PALACIOS ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB
6th ANNUAL KICK-OFF BBQ & AUCTION**

When: Saturday, August 21, 2010
Where: Palacios Recreational Center
 Auction begins at 6:00 p.m.
What: BBQ Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m.

All BBQ tickets sold at the door, no advanced ticket sales. Tickets: \$7.00.
 Performances by: Band, Drill Team, Cheerleaders, introduction of volleyball, Cross Country and Football Teams. Come early and plan on having fun!!

2010 Football Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
August 14	Scrimmage-Hallettsville	Home
August 20	Scrimmage - Industrial	Home
August 27	Parent's Night - Boling	Home
September 3	Tidehaven	There
September 10	Brazos	Home
September 17	Hallettsville	There
September 24	Goliad	There
October 1	Homecoming - Ganado	Home
October 8	OPEN	
October 15	Sweeny	Home
October 22	Columbia	There
October 29	Needville	Home
November 5	Wharton	There

FALL PARENT ACADEMY

In coordination with MEHOP, Palacios ISD will be offering **FREE** immunizations to students on Thursday, August 19, 2010, at the Fall Parent Academy during the "Meet the Teacher Night" at Central Elementary and East Side Intermediate. Students must bring their immunization records with them in order to receive immunizations.

Central Elementary

Thursday, August 19, 2010

FREE immunizations from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
"Meet the Teacher Night" from 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

East Side Intermediate

Thursday, August 19, 2010

FREE immunizations from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30pm.
"Meet the Teacher Night" from 5:30 p.m. -6:30pm.

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