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# PANTHER Pride



August 28th, 2023 is the first day of school. The school doors will open at 7:30 a.m. Please note that elementary, middle and high school starts at 7:55 a.m. and will be released at 2:55 p.m. The busses will be using the bus loop and will be unloading at 7:30 a.m. Busses will exit the bus loop by 7:40 a.m. Elementary parents dropping off may use the bus loop at 7:40 a.m. after the busses leave. Families picking up at the end of the day will need to use small loop in front of the high school entrance.



## ONLINE REGISTRATION

The online registration link is  
<https://addisonmi.infinitecampus.org/campus/OLRLogin/addison?configGroupID=2>

In order to complete the enrollment process, the student's parent/guardian must also provide these required documents:

- Certified birth certificate (with raised seal from the State)
- Parent's Photo identification (Driver's License)
- 2 Current Proof of residency (utility bill, phone bill, cable bill, lease, mortgage documents).
- Current Immunization Record

### Enrollment Age Requirements

- The Michigan law amended the Revised School Code (MCL 380.1147). Children must turn 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2023, in order to register for kindergarten or Young 5's or December 1st, 2023 with a signed waiver.



## Meet the Teacher Night Back to School Bash



Thursday, August 24, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., students can meet their teacher and join us in the high school parking lot for our pre-game tailgate. Bring a football to toss around with your friends before our first home football game at 7:00. Let's go Panthers!

# Message from the Interim Superintendent

Hello Addison Community School District! Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! My name is Dr. Julie Helber and I am honored to be serving as your Interim Superintendent. Dr. Patterson's last day in the district was July 31, 2023 and the Board of Education hired me as your Interim Superintendent while they conduct a search for your next district leader.



I have served the field of education for the past 34 years in the roles of elementary teacher, curriculum coordinator, middle school principal, high school principal, assistant superintendent and superintendent across school districts in Washtenaw County. I am currently an Assistant Professor at Michigan State University and teach students in our Masters and Doctoral programs who are seeking advanced degrees in educational administration. My husband and I live in Chelsea, MI and have three adult children, a son-in-law, and a four month old grandbaby. While my position with Addison is temporary, I will commit to doing my very best during my time here to get the school year started smoothly for our students, staff and families.

The Board of Education posted the position of Superintendent with an application deadline of August 31. A series of interviews will be conducted during the month of September with a projected start date of October 1, 2023. I will continue to serve in the role as Interim Superintendent throughout this process and work with the new permanent Superintendent to transition him/her to the district.

In my short time here so far, I can see how important the schools are to this community and I look forward to getting to know the staff, students and families of Addison Community Schools as we work together to provide the best education possible for our students.

With Panther Pride,  
Dr. Julie Helber  
Interim Superintendent

## Addison PTO 2023-24 Calendar of Events

August 24	Back to School Bash	January 20	Daddy Daughter Dance (E)
September 13	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm	February 7	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm
September 15	Popcorn Friday (E)	February 9	Valentine Dance (MS)
September 25-29	Fall Bookfair (E)	February 23	Popcorn Friday (E)
October 1-31	Month Long Calendar Raffle	March 6	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm
October 9 -12	Fall Bookfair (MS/HS)	March 7	Book Bingo (E)
October 11	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm	March 15	Popcorn Friday (E)
October 20	Popcorn Friday (E)	March 16	Mother Son Night (E)
October 25	Donuts w/ Dad (A-M) (E)	April 10	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm
October 26	Donuts w/ Dad (N-Z) (E)	April 19	Popcorn Friday (E)
October 29	Trunk or Treat	April 19	Spring Dance (MS)
November 3	Fall Dance (MS)	April 22-26	Spring Bookfair (E)
November 8	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm	May 7	Teacher Appreciation Day
November 17	Popcorn Friday (E)	May 8	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm
December 6	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm	May 8	Mornings w/Mom (A- M) (E)
December 11-15	Holiday Shop (E)	May 9	Mornings w/Mom (N-Z) (E)
January 10	PTO Meeting 5:30 pm	May 17	Popcorn Friday (E)
January 19	Popcorn Friday (E)		

# Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)

Addison Community Schools will continue the implementation of MTSS.  
Here are some of the key principles of MTSS

- Multi-tiered System of Support (MTSS) is a process that provides high-quality, research-based instruction targeted to learner needs.
- Needs are identified by monitoring students' progress. Adjustments to instruction and interventions are based on students' performance and rate of success.
- Provides at-risk students with support earlier rather than later
- Continuous monitoring student performance to ensure students are being successful.

## Tiers of academic and behavioral instruction and supports:

<p><b>Tier 1</b> Core Instruction and Supports General academic and behavioral support, differentiated for all students in a general education setting.</p>	<p><b>Tier 2</b> Targeted Supplemental Instruction and Intervention More focused, targeted instruction, interventions, and supplemental supports, provided in a general education setting (in addition to Tier 1).</p>	<p><b>Tier 3</b> Intensive Individualized Instruction and Intervention The most intense instruction and intervention that is made available and provided in a small group general education setting.</p>
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**S**HOW RESPECT



To support our behavioral system, all students in Young 5's through 12th grade are expected to learn and exhibit their "PAWS" qualities, both in and out of the school setting. Students who are observed demonstrating these characteristics are recognized through our points system. This program was implemented in the 2022-2023 school year and received positive feedback from students.



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## Transportation

Dean Transportation is offering a new bus tracking app for parents called, Here Comes the Bus!

- Shows real time location of your child's bus on a map.
- Give schedules and actual arrival times at home & school.
- Provides notifications when the bus is near.

All bus runs should be completed by mid-August.

All students who are scheduled to ride the bus should receive a call from the transportation department prior to the start of school with bus stop information and approximate pick up and drop off times. Further instructions to sign up for Here Comes the Bus will be available in August at Meet the Teacher night.

If you do not receive a notification, or you have a question, please contact Becky Daniels at (517) 547-3768.



## SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Both elementary and secondary students are fortunate to have access to group and individual support for emotional needs. Lessons address anti-bullying, self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationships skills and responsible decision-making. Research suggests that social emotional learning opportunities improve classroom behaviors, increase self-confidence, increases test scores, improves attitudes about school and interactions with others.

## Food Service

For the school year 2023-2024 breakfast and lunch will be free for all students. Parents must still complete the Education Benefits Form (EBF), in place of the Free and Reduced Meal Application. Filling out the EBF is very important for our school district and critical in determining the amount of money that our school receives from a variety of State and Federal supplemental programs. You can find the EBF on our school website and in each school office, or you can fill one out online at [addison.familyportal.cloud](https://addison.familyportal.cloud). You may turn them in at the office or you can email them to [jodean.barker@addisonschool.us](mailto:jodean.barker@addisonschool.us).

You may also add money to your child's account for extra food items using, [addison.familyportal.cloud](https://addison.familyportal.cloud), this site has replaced [sendmoneytoschool.com](https://sendmoneytoschool.com). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jodean Barker at 517-547-6908 or email her at [jodean.barker@addisonschools.us](mailto:jodean.barker@addisonschools.us).



## Student Safety

Addison Community Schools will continue to use the Raptor Visitor Management System to ensure the safety of students and staff. This system allows schools to screen and track every individual who enters the building, including contractors, vendors, guardians and volunteers. Approved visitors will receive a printed badge with their name, photo and reason for visit. Please be prepared to provide a license or state identification for a one-time scan.

Deputy Zack Clifton is currently serving as a School Resource Deputy for the Lenawee County Sheriff's Office assigned to Addison Community Schools and the Village of Addison. Deputy Clifton is present in all buildings, daily. He will also be available at large school events. We are fortunate to have Deputy Clifton on the Addison team.





# From the Desk of Principal Julie Yeider



Dear Panther Families,

It's just about that time: the start of another school year. Are you ready for the 2023-2024 school year? I know that I am ready, and I would like to extend a warm welcome to all the new parents and students joining our Panther Family this year. I look forward to working with you to ensure a fulfilling and rewarding educational experience for your child.

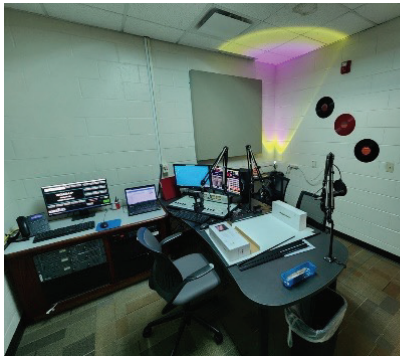
This year there have been a few changes to the daily schedule:

- Classes will begin at 7:55 am and school will be dismissed at 2:55 pm. It is very important that students arrive on time to school because first period will be a core class.
- Seminar has moved to third hour. Students that are dual enrolled in the morning and students that attend the Tech Center will not have a seminar in their schedule. It is important that these students work with their teachers before and after school if they need extra help.

Being an Addison Panther is something to be proud of. At Addison Community Schools students have the opportunity to participate in courses that are unique to our district:



**Horticulture** – This course provides an introduction to the classification, relationships, structure, and function of plants. Topics include reproduction and development of seed and non-seed plants, levels of organization, form and function of systems, and a survey of major taxa. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate comprehension of plant form and function, including selected taxa of both seed and non-seed plants. The laboratory exercises are coordinated with lecture topics and may include field exercises. Students will be working in the greenhouse.



**Radio broadcast** is an elective class that teaches students how to operate and broadcast live on air at Addison's radio station WQAR, 95.7. Students will learn the operations of the mixing board, microphones and playlists of the station. They will also be instructed in disc jockey and live on-air techniques, which they will demonstrate during broadcasts. Students will be expected to go live on-air during class times and will also be required to broadcast a minimum of 4 hours per semester after school hours. Students taking the course more than one semester can learn advanced broadcasting techniques. Radio broadcasting is a unique experience for Addison students as we are currently the only radio station operating in Lenawee County schools.

**Firefighter Academy** – The Addison High School firefighting class covers many aspects of the fire service including fire suppression, fire prevention, and EMS responsibilities. In addition, this course covers the Firefighter I and II standards established by the State of Michigan Office of Firefighter Training.

Once again, welcome back! Here's to a fantastic academic year filled with growth, learning, and wonderful memories. GO PANTHERS!

Respectfully,  
Ms. Julie Yeider,  
Secondary Principal  
julie.yeider@addisonschools.us



## *From the Desk of Principal Angela Huston*



Dear Addison Families,

Here we go again, and I can't wait! A new school year is always exciting but can also be intimidating as students prepare for a new classroom. Please be reassured that we recognize these concerns and put forth effort to comfort both students and parents as we begin the new school year. Staff always greets students outside every morning as well as the end of the day for both our bus riders and pick up kids. At our Back to School Bash, kindergarten through 4th grade students, will receive a colored bracelet to wear on the first day. This will identify every student's grade and teacher. We strive to make all students feel safe and comfortable.

Addison Elementary staff is collaborating with the Lenawee Intermediate School District to begin the process of improving and strengthening our literacy curriculum and intervention system. This is an exciting opportunity, and we are looking forward to the positive outcomes for our students.

Parents play a critical role in supporting what their children are learning in school. Research has demonstrated that the more parents are involved in student learning, the higher the student achievement. Parents can be involved in the process by communicating any concerns to the child's teacher, providing insight into their child's learning and development, and assisting with identified interventions at home.

We are continuing to ask parents not to enter the building upon dropping your child off in the morning. This system allows our staff to provide the smoothest and safest transition for students before and after school. We welcome and appreciate scheduled volunteers, following a background check. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact your child's teacher or the office for opportunities.

We are looking forward to an amazing school year filled with love, growth, and friendships! GO PANTHERS!

With Gratitude,  
Angela Huston  
Elementary Principal  
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*Elementary Field Trips*



*Elementary Performances*



*P.A.W.S. Assemblies*

## From the Desk of the Athletic Director



Here at Addison High School, the athletic program offers 12 sports for our students. These programs play an essential role in teaching our young men and women to conduct themselves with honesty and integrity, strive for excellence, persevere through adversity, make sacrifices and compete with dignity and pride while developing a commitment to teamwork and service to our school and community.

Our athletic administration, staff and coaches are committed to providing a challenging, supportive and caring environment where our student-athletes can reach their academic, athletic and personal potential. We expect our coaches, athletes and spectators to conduct themselves in a manner that shows respect and sportsmanship when we interact with opposing teams, coaches, fans and contest officials.

The Addison Booster Club continues to play a pivotal role in providing support, energy and enthusiasm for our athletes and coaches. We thank them, along with the many families and alum, for all they have done and continue to do for our athletic programs.

We are excited for the coming school year and look forward to the wonderful individual and team moments that await our Panthers. Athletic schedules are available on our webpage [www.addisonschools.us](http://www.addisonschools.us)

Be Blessed,  
Joshua Lindeman  
Director of Athletics  
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### Fall Sports

Cheer (Sideline)	MS/HS
Cross Country	MS/HS
Girl's Golf	MS/HS
Football	MS/HS
Volleyball	MS/HS

### Winter Sports

Basketball	MS/HS
Bowling	HS
Cheer (Competitive)	MS/HS
Wrestling	MS/HS

### Spring Sports

Baseball	MS/HS
Softball	MS/HS
Track	MS/HS
Boy's Golf	MS/HS

### Sports Offered

Baseball  
Softball  
Cheerleading  
Volleyball  
Basketball  
Wrestling  
Football



### Addison Panther Youth Sports Principles

- P**assion – Thrive with the power and excitement of what you love
- A**ttitude – Always positive toward getting better
- N**ever – Give up, back down, or quit
- T**eam – *T*ogether *E*veryone *A*chieves *M*ore
- H**umility – Not thinking less of yourself, thinking of yourself less
- E**xcellence – Strive to be better each day
- R**oots – Honor *R*ules, *O*pponents, *O*fficials, *T*eam, and *S*elf
- S**ervice – Sacrificing for the glory of others



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## 2023-2024 Addison Community Calendar

August 23	Teacher PD	Dec. 21-Jan. 1	Christmas Break
August 24	Teacher PD	January 2	School resumes
August 24	Meet the teacher/Back to school bash 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	January 12	End of first semester
August 28	First day of school	January 15	No School – Teacher Professional Development
September 1	No school	January 16	Beginning of second semester
September 4	No school	February 16	Teacher PD (no school)
October 12	½ Day – Students released at 12:00 – Conferences 1:00 – 4:00, 5:00 – 8:00	February 19	No School
October 13	No school	March 22	End of marking period
October 23	Teacher PD (no school)	March 22	½ Day – Students & staff released at 12:00
October 27	End of marking period	March 25-29	Spring Break
November 22	½ Day – Students & staff released at 12:00	April 1	School resumes
Nov.23-24	Thanksgiving Break	May 27	No School
December 20	½ Day – Students & staff released at 12:00	May 30	Graduation
		June 5	½ day – students & staff released at 12:00

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