

West Point Weekly News for July 27, 2026

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SCHOOL NEWS

WEST POINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Week of July 27, 2026

Hello West Point Wildcats!

Welcome to this week's edition of the Wildcat Weekly News! We're excited to share the latest happenings and updates from our school community to keep you informed and engaged.





School News and Updates- FAQ Edition

This week, we are sharing answers to frequently asked questions regarding the beginning of the school year.

Question: Where can I find my child's schedule?

Answer: Student schedules will be available on August 3, 2026, on the ParentSquare homepage or through the Parent Portal.

Question: Can I walk my child to class on the first day?

Answer: On the first day, kindergarten parents can walk their child to class and drop them off at the classroom door. All other students will walk to class on their own. We'll have staff stationed throughout campus to assist new students in locating their classrooms. Our parking lot does not have the capacity for all students to be walked to class. Thank you for your understanding!

Question: Where can I find information on bus routes?

Answer: West Point does not have general education busing. However, students who qualify for busing through special education will receive a ParentSquare notification about their child's bus route information.

Question: Can my child ride a motorized or electronic scooter to school?

Answer: Electric bicycles and scooters are allowed; however, students who ride any bike or scooter must walk them while on campus and while crossing crosswalks. Electric bicycles must have a pedal feature and not be gas-powered.

Question: How can I avoid the traffic congestion at the front parking lot during arrival and dismissal?

Answer: West Point has three gates around the back of the school leading into the West Point neighborhood that are open and monitored by staff at arrival and dismissal times. Specific locations are posted on our [website](#).

Question: Will West Point offer free breakfast and lunch for students this year?

Answer: Yes, West Point was selected through a grant to offer free breakfast and lunch for all students.

Question: Since West Point is offering free lunches for all students, do families still need to complete the Free and Reduced Lunch application?

Answer: All families are requested to complete the Alternative Income Form on [schoolcafe.com](https://www.schoolcafe.com). This will ensure that other benefits aren't missed. This form also supports our school's Title 1 Funding.

Question: Are students allowed to have cell phones at school?

Answer: Students may have a cell phones and other personal electronic devices with them at school; however, it must be off and stored in their backpack. State law prohibits students from using cell phones during the school day.

Question: Does West Point have a before or after-school care program?

Answer: Yes, the Dysart Community Ed department hosts the before and after-school Den's Club at West Point. Families can find out more information [here](#).

26/27 School Supply Lists

Arrival & Dismissal Procedures

Want to avoid the parent pick-up lanes?

West Point has many options for student drop-off and pick-up locations.

Check out the [**West Point Website**](#) for arrival and dismissal procedures, as well as alternate satellite drop-off and pick-up location options.



Upcoming Events

- Meet the Teacher (PreK- 8th-grade):
August 4, 2026, 5:00-7:00 PM
- First Day of School K-8: Thursday,
August 6, 2026
- First Day of Preschool: Monday,
August 10, 2026



Never Miss an Important School Date!

Keeping up with school events just got easier!

This year, West Point is using **Agenda Hero** to help families add important school dates directly to their personal electronic calendars. Simply click the Agenda Hero link, enter your email address, and you'll receive calendar invitations for school holidays, breaks, early release days, and other important events.

With just a few clicks, all of our key dates can be added to your calendar—no need to manually enter each one! Even better, if updates are made to the school calendar, you'll receive the latest information automatically.

Save time, stay organized, and never miss an important West Point event! Be sure to click the Agenda Hero link and sync your calendar today.

Use the link below:

K-8th Grade Calendar: <https://agendahero.com/page/xm80ui25>

Preschool Calendar: <https://agendahero.com/page/dzslo4de>



Annual Student Update

Get a jump start on the year!

Log in now to the **Parent Portal** and complete your **Annual Student Update**; updating your emergency contact information, acknowledging our policies, and ensuring your student has access to their technology on the first day!

Due Date: August 31st



Arizona Healthy Schools Act

A.R.S. 15-242.01

What does the law say?

Beginning in the 2026–2027 school year, the **Arizona Healthy Schools Act** prohibits public schools from serving, selling, or allowing third parties to sell ultra-processed foods on campus during the regular school day. Where does this apply?

This requirement impacts food and beverage items across

the entire campus, including:

- School breakfast and lunch programs
- Seamless Summer Option & Catering
- School stores, vending machines, and snack bars
- Birthday parties and student celebrations
- Classroom snack lists and rewards
- Fundraisers (Student Activities & Parent Support Groups)

Prohibited Ingredients:

Foods containing any of the following 11 additives or synthetic dyes cannot be served or distributed on campus during the school day:

- Potassium bromate
- Propylparaben
- Titanium dioxide
- Brominated vegetable oil
- Yellow Dye 5 or 6
- Blue Dye 1 or 2
- Green Dye 3
- Red Dye 3 or 40

Note for Families: You are always welcome to pack any lunch or snack items specifically for your individual child. However, **food shared with other students** must comply with state guidelines.

How does this impact school celebrations?

All school celebrations—including birthdays and holidays—are subject to this law. If you would like to send something for your child's birthday or a class event, please select items from our approved snack list or consider non-food treats such as pencils, stickers, or small favors.

Thank you for your partnership and cooperation as we work together to keep our school compliant and healthy!

AZ HEALTHY SCHOOLS ACT: EXAMPLES OF INGREDIENT COMPLIANT PRODUCTS

SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027



These treats may be served during the school day for **birthday celebrations, classroom rewards, or special occasions.**
They cannot be sold during the school day.

COOKIES & SNACK PACKS



Oreo Original
Snack Packs



Chips Ahoy!
Snack Packs



Pillsbury Soft Baked
Chocolate Chip Cookies



Little Bites
Fudge Brownies



Rice Krispies
Treats Bars

CANDY & SWEET TREATS



Hershey's Bars



Kit Kats



Twix



3 Musketeers



Tootsie Rolls

FRUIT SNACKS



Welch's Mixed Fruit
Fruit Snacks

FROZEN TREATS



Klondike Original Bars



FatBoy Vanilla Ice
Cream Sandwiches



Nestlé Toll House Ice
Cream Sandwiches



Outshine Fruit Bars

REMEMBER: The above products meet the Arizona Healthy Schools Act requirements for serving students. If a food or beverage will be sold to students on campus during the school day, it must also comply with the USDA smart snacks in school nutrition standards. For additional questions, please contact Dysart Nutrition Services.

QUESTIONS?

Email us at nutrition@dysart.org or call 623-876-7075 for assistance.



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Fall Sports Season

Fall Sports Season Information

Softball & Baseball (6th-8th Grades)

Tryouts Aug. 31-Sept 4

Regular Season Sept. 8-Oct 30

Tournaments: Nov. 2-6



Cross Country (3rd-8th Grades)

Regular Season: Sept. 8- December 12

Monday Quad Meets are held four times during the season

Saturday HS Invitational are held three times during the season

Championship- Saturday, December 12

Chess (3rd-8th Grades)

Regular Season- Sept. 8- Nov 14

Monday Quad Meets are held four times during the season

Championship-Saturday, November 14

All Athletes must register through [registtermysports.com](https://www.registtermysports.com) to participate during tryouts.



PTSA News

- Membership- Join today! **[HERE](#)**
- Purchase Spirit Shirts **[HERE](#)**

If you have any questions, please let them know. Questions? Email **westpointptsa@gmail.com**



[Parent Portal](#)

[Online Lunch Accounts](#)

[Student Lunch Menu](#)

[Student Handbook](#)

[School Calendar](#)

[Preschool Calendar](#)

[registermyathlete.com](#)

Student Dress Code

2026/2027 School Goals



At West Point, we are committed to continuous improvement through our Integrated Action Plan. Our school has established goals focused on three key areas: student achievement, instructional excellence, and family engagement.

Goal 1: Student Achievement

By the end of the academic year, West Point will increase student proficiency in Math, English Language Arts, and Science by at least 3% as measured by State Testing and Acadience end-of-year assessments.

Goal 2: Instructional Excellence

By the end of the academic year, all West Point teachers will strengthen instructional effectiveness by implementing gradual release lesson design, increasing student engagement, and delivering standards-aligned instruction. Success will be measured at 80% or higher through formal and informal classroom observations using the Dysart Instructional Protocol.

Goal 3: Family Engagement

By the end of the academic year, West Point will strengthen family engagement by maintaining or increasing both the number of school-sponsored family events and family participation rates.

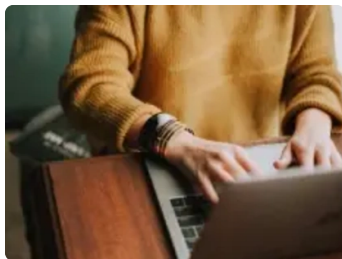
Our Integrated Action Plan includes specific action steps and ongoing progress monitoring to ensure we stay focused on achieving these goals.

How Can Families Help?

Families play a vital role in our success. You can support these goals by:

- Encouraging positive attendance habits
- Setting academic goals with your child
- Supporting learning at home
- Participating in family engagement events throughout the year

Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment to the success of our students. Together, we can help every Wildcat learn, grow, and thrive!



Contact info

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. You can reach out via the following ways:

- 623-876-7750
- westpoint@dysart.org
- www.dysart.org/westpoint
- Direct Message Principal Amy Mikos through ParentSquare

School Hours

Monday- 9:00 - 1:45 PM

Tuesday-Friday- 9:00 AM - 3:45 PM