



# THE POLO R-VII SCHOOL DISTRICT PANTHER PRIDE

September 2012

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## Polo R-VII School District to Run "No Tax Rate Increase" Bond Issue in November Election

The Polo R-VII Board of Education voted unanimously (7-0), at their Monday, August 20th regular Board of Education meeting, to run a "No Tax Rate Increase" 1.475 million dollar bond issue at the November 6th, 2012 general election for the purpose of rolling the current \$1.475 million lease purchase operating expense (Fund 1&4) into debt service (Fund 3). This requires a 57% voter approval rate for passage for the movement of the funds and expense to debt service (Fund 3), but would not increase the current district total tax rate of \$4.6071 (Operating Rate of \$3.9519 + Debt Service Rate of \$0.6552 = \$4.6071 Total) which has been in place for the last several years.

The lease purchase operating expense which currently exists was established by voter approval in the 2004 November general election for the facility building projects and other improvements at the time which consisted of roof replacement, heating and air conditioning, window replacement, new agricultural building, gym renovation, and safety traffic renovations.

Due to the current economic conditions and less state funding over the last several years, the school budget has become tighter and tighter. As costs and expenses have increased, from Repairs and Maintenance, Food Service, Diesel for Bus Transportation, and unfunded educational mandates and requirements, the district has continued to maintain and work to improve programs. Since the 2007-08 school year, the school district has seen a decline in state revenue from the State Foundation Formula (-\$138,927), Missouri Pre School Project

(-\$22,500), Parents as Teachers Program (-\$12,897), State Health Grant (-\$10,595), State Transportation Aid (-\$41,667), State MORENet Technology Program (-\$6000). All for a total of (-\$232,179).

It become apparent by the Polo R-VII Board of Education to be prudent and proactive in running the "No Tax Rate Increase" bond issue to allow capacity in the operating budget due to state revenue shortfall in order to maintain and continually to improve the district's programs, staff, and the quality of education and opportunities for the students of the school district. According to Allen Henry, School Board President, "It was an easy decision to make to try and do something now rather than wait until later and being forced to make potential cuts in programs especially with a voter approved transfer of the lease purchase expense to debt service without having to ask the public for a tax rate increase". Other board members echoed this sentiment and felt it was the best decision to make at the right time as the district moves into preparing for the future demands and accountability mandates under the Missouri School Improvement Plan Five (MSIP5) and the Missouri No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Federal Waiver established by the State Board of Education in June and July of 2012 for school districts across the state to continue academic accreditation and performance.

The district's current annual lease purchase operating expense, from the 2004 voter approved issue, has over the next eight years a minimum expense in 2012-13 of \$175,000 to a maximum expense of \$240,638 through 2019-20. With voter approval and passage of the bond issue in November this lease purchase expense would be moved out of the operating fund (Fund 1&4) to the debt service fund (Fund 3), where the debt service fund now has the bonding capacity to handle the amount, unlike in 2004.

According to Superintendent Robert Newhart, "It will be important to pass this issue in November for the district to have the ability to free up the operating budget expense of the lease

purchase due to the state revenue shortfall the district has been experiencing over the last several years. This lease purchase expense and decline in state revenue is restricting the operating budget."

Mr. Newhart continued, "Ultimately, if something does not change this year, whether locally or at the state level, a deficit budget will result, and harder decisions will have to be made by the board in whether to maintain current programs. This is a practical and proactive solution, at the right time, at the local level, for district patrons to step up and take action rather than sit back and wait for the state to do something, all without any rate increase to tax payers!"

Last, Superintendent Newhart concluded, "Plus, it would allow the district to continue to maintain and improve all programs for students, as well as begin moving forward in preparation for MSIP5, and even the potential to compete for an A+ Program status - which would benefit all students and families immensely in helping with post secondary educational expenses."

In the next several months, leading up to the election, further information will be communicated and become available.

Mark your calendar for October 8th for Families in Tune (F.I.T.) night! The Parent Involvement Committee is hosting an evening of healthy fun for all students and their families. There will be a walk, snacks, and other activities. More information will be sent home soon, but mark your calendars now!

If you did not purchase a 2011-2012 yearbook, we have a limited supply of them left. They are \$50. If you would like to purchase a 2012-2013 yearbook now, it is only \$35. We have a surplus supply of previous yearbooks as well, if anyone is interested. Please see a staff member or Mrs. Arth for purchase or email [artha@polo.k12.mo.us](mailto:artha@polo.k12.mo.us) for further details. Thanks for your continued support.

## Check It Out!

Mrs. Arway has her own website now! Be sure to check out the Counselor's Corner webpage. Just go to the Polo R-VII School webpage and click on Elementary School. Then, find the tab for Counselor's Corner. Here you will find information about the Character Words of the Month, what a school counselor does, and lots of other important, fun, and interesting information about the Counseling Center at Polo!

### Character Words of the Month in the Community

Be sure to check out the Character Words of the Month on the marquee at Bank Northwest! Thank you to the bank for agreeing to display the words of the month!

## Why we use formative and summative assessments?

by: Kyle Ross

HS Principal

With all of the changes in education taking place I thought that a quick note to help parents and students understand why we are now using more frequent formative assessments in order to get our students ready for summative assessments (MAP/EOC's) given by the State.

The following is taken from a webinar that was presented by Jacqueline Loiacono titled: "Mastery of Common Core Assessments".

The difference between a doctor's appointment and an autopsy is the way that Mrs. Loiacono described the differences between formative and summative assessments. An autopsy, while helpful in some cases to determine what happened, is often too late to be truly useful in improving one's health, or condition. What's done is done-here's what happened, don't do it next time. A doctor's appointment on the other hand is a look at what's happening as you go. It gives you time to see how you're doing, and look at what you need to change-maybe drink less soda, or cut back on the sweets.

The same can be said for assessments. Loiacono makes a strong distinction between the two. She notes that formative assessments occur during learning, whereas summative assessments are events that occur after learning. Therefore, as loiacono puts it, formative assessments are assessments for learning, and summative assessments are of what you have learned. There is a big difference.

Much like an autopsy, a summative assessment can only help improve a student's understanding by so much; it's too late to make changes. Formative assessments are a means of checking, and seeing who gets what before moving on. Formative assessments promote improvement and growth. Summative assessments document what you learned, or scored. Both types are important, but it's the combination of the two, not one or the other, that helps students understand the targeted standard, or skills being learned.

In a classroom, it makes sense to have a "check-up appointment" (formative assessment). It sure beats examining and autopsy of student scores that leave you wondering what you could have done better, before it was too late.

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\$50.00 - individuals OR  
\$100.00 - family  
Purchase your activity  
pass in the high school  
office.

## Elementary Counseling News

By: Becky Arway

Welcome back, Panthers! The school year has gotten off to a wonderful start and I have started making visits to the classrooms in the elementary school. This year, I will also be visiting monthly with our 7th graders. Beginning in September, Polo R-VII School District is going to learn about the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens and the 7 Habits of Happy Kids. I will be teaching one habit a month in addition to our regular character words of the month. Our goal this year is to foster leadership skills that will help us to be successful throughout school and our future!

The Character Word of the Month for August was Self-Control. Students learned that this words means to be in control of our words and actions. Having self-control helps us to stay safe, to follow the rule, listen to directions, and to be successful in our classrooms, our homes, and in the community.

Students in grades K-2 listened to the story, Howard B. Wigglebottom Learns to Listen by Howard Binkow. The students shared examples of time when they need to show self-control and ways that they can show others that they are in control of their words and actions. Students in the upper grades had to practice self-control by playing a game which required them to "freeze" when the music stopped. Students also brainstormed what they thought the definition of self-control was and ways that they can have self-control in the classrooms, at home, and in the community. Students were encouraged to always remain in control of their words and actions in order to have a successful school year!

### From the Elementary Office

by Beverly Deis  
Elem. Principal

It has been such a smooth start to the new school year at Polo R-VII Elementary. We have several new student faces in the elementary building this year as well as a few new teachers and staff members. Open House was a fun evening and it was a success with over 95% of the parents in attendance. Thank you for your support!

The school day begins at 8:20. Elementary students who are eating breakfast need to arrive at school in plenty of time to eat and get to class on time. Elementary students may begin eating at 7:45, but if they are not eating breakfast, we ask they arrive no earlier than 8:00 because we have no one on supervision in the Multi Purpose Room until 8:00.

Students in the elementary have been busy with classroom assignments as well as other activities. The elementary students have already participated in the annual Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) fundraiser and the Spirit and Pride Tee Shirt offers. The Kindergarten students will have a bus safety assembly and the K-6 students will participate in an electrical safety assembly in October. We will soon have our first fire drill and will also practice our tornado drill in September or October. Several classes celebrated Grandparent's Day on September 7 or the 10. Other upcoming celebrations will include Patriot Day, Constitution Day, and Parent/Family Involvement Week. Students and staff will be observing Custodial Appreciation Week beginning October 1, Fire Prevention Week will begin October 8, National School Lunch Week and School Bus Safety Week will be held the next week, October 15, with Character Education Week and National Red Ribbon Week following the week of October 22.

### From the Elementary Office (cont)

The Character Word of the month for September is "Responsibility." Responsibility needs to be displayed by all students. Other words for responsibility include dependable and accountable. A few examples of responsibility which could be shown on a daily basis include: students who complete their work on time; students showing respect to other students and adults; and students taking care of school property. For the most part, our motto at school is, "Respect yourself, respect others, and respect the property." All three of these fall under the category of responsibility.

If you see a note in your child's planner that says, "See Mrs. Deis," it just means your child gets the opportunity to come to the office and visit with me a bit and he/she will receive a surprise (usually a book mark, pencil, etc). This gives me an excellent opportunity to visit with each child in grades K-4. Recently I have seen some "good notes" in the planners of a few fifth and sixth grade students and I must admit I like seeing these notes for the older students!

The end of the first quarter will be October 12 with Parent-Teacher Conferences being held on October 18. Mark your calendars for Parent Teacher Conferences! Teachers will send home notices about the conferences in a few weeks. Communication between home and school is a vital part of a successful education, and it is my hope that all teachers and parents strive for open communication. Communication is offered with the daily planners (agendas), emails, letters, phone calls, and the parent portal via the internet. I cannot stress how important it is for parents to look at and sign the planners every night. It is also important for your child(ren) to see you are interested in what is going on at school in regard to their classroom assignments.

We will soon begin our tutoring sessions for students who need some assistance with reading under the No Child Left Behind Act. Tutoring will also be available for students needing assistance with math. Tutoring is determined by the Spring MAP and Stanford test scores, classroom grades, and teacher recommendations. I will be contacting parents on an individual basis in regard to tutoring. If you would like more information on the No Child Left Behind Act, please call me at the school.

Students in grades 1-6 have taken the fall version of the Gates McGinitie Reading Assessment. The results from these tests, along with the STAR assessments, give us a better idea of the reading level of our students. For more information on these tests, please talk with your child's classroom teacher.

As we finish out the first quarter, I hope we all stay focused on education for our students. The students need support from home and from school. If we all work together, we will have a successful school year.

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[polo.k12.mo.us](http://polo.k12.mo.us)

## 2013 Yearbook Staff

It is my pleasure to introduce the Mass Media staff of 2011-2012. These individuals are responsible for writing articles for the Panther Pride newspaper, covering and capturing the happenings at Polo School District and creating the school's yearbook. The returners to the Mass Media staff are Megan Knutter and Ashley Allen. New to the staff this year are Corinne Attebery, Linda Mynatt, Savannah Cline and Rhea Rardon. Mrs. Ashley Arth is the advisor for the yearbook and newspaper again for the 5th year.

We are anxious and ready to cover all the excitement going on here at Polo. Please help us out by sending any information about great happenings here in Polo for us to cover them in the newspaper and yearbook. If you have questions or comments, please email artha@polo.k12.mo.us or call 660-354-2524 ext. 131.



My name is Megan Knutter. I am a senior in high school. I have 5 brothers, and 4 sisters. I am a family person. I love to spend time with my brothers, sisters, and nephew. I mainly like spending time with my nephew, Andrew the most. He is three years old, and a blast to be around. I am a very athletic individual. I am a varsity football cheerleader. I also play basketball and am a member of the varsity track team. During my basketball experience, we have been to the district championship two years in a row, unfortunately getting second place both years. I have participated in track for two years now, have gone to State both years in the 4X100 relay. I really enjoy track its one of my favorite sports to do. Besides sports, I have been involved in FBLA, and Mass Media. This is my second year in mass media and I really enjoy it. I'm hoping to have a great Senior year!



Hi my name is Ashley Allen. I am a senior this year and I've been attending Polo school since I was in 2nd grade. My dad is Danny Allen. He attended Polo High School. I have an older brother and a younger sister. My sister is a sophomore this year. This is my second year on the mass media staff. In school, I've been involved band, flags, SADD, FFA, softball, track and basketball manager. My junior year I was homecoming royalty and a barnwarming candidate. I'm excited to start this year and get stuff done!



My name is Corinne Kaitlyn Attebery. I am 17 years old. My parents are Christine Attebery - Pulley and Paul Pulley. I am involved in Band, Choir, and yearbook. I enjoy painting and listening to music. I look forward to my senior year because it is the year I will get to spend the most time with my class. I enjoy my class, we are more of a family than any other classes. I plan on being a criminal analyst and psychologist.



My name is Savannah Cline. I am a senior at Polo R-7 High School. I am seventeen years old and one of the younger kids in my class. My parents are Dawn and Robert Cline. I have two siblings, a brother Buck, and a sister Abby. I love to read and write and when I go to college I plan on majoring in English Writing and becoming a journal-



I'm Rhea Rardon. My parents are Leslie Rardon and Cynthia Rardon. I have one brother and his name is Nickolas. He has two children named Trinity and Wyatt. I like spending time with my niece and nephew. This will be my first year being on the Mass Media Staff. I've went to Polo for 13 years. I've been active in track in high school for 3 years, going to be 4 in the spring. I'm currently in FFA, FBLA, FCCLA, and National Honor Society. During my years of being in NHS, I've participated in the Cancer Auctions at the Community Building. I'm currently enrolled in 3 college courses. I've taken other college classes in the past.



Hi my name is Linda Mynatt I am 17 years old and I'm a senior at Polo High School. My parent's are Stephen and Chrisina Mynatt. I have 4 dogs. My golden retriever Buddy is just 4 years old and is a very loving dog. My black lab Nicki is 4 years old as well. My mutt Tyson is a stray who ended up on our porch a little over a year ago. I have a mini dachshund named Max he is 4 months old and was born on April 7, 2012. Max was a miracle puppy. He died after he was born and the owner brought him back after a few minutes of rubbing and patting his back. I enjoy scrapbooking, reading, playing with my puppy, and watching movies with my family. I love hanging out with my friends because I don't know where I would be without them.

### Polo Falls short to Van Horn

(Submitted Article)

The much anticipated football season has finally started up for all of the Polo fans. To kick off the football season Polo hosted 3A Van Horn last Friday night. Van Horn beat the Panthers 28-14. Senior Zach Freeman had

23 carries for 213 yards while sophomore, Jacob Hicks had 10 carries, 38 total yards, 2 touchdowns and one 2 point conversion. Jacob Hicks also led his team with 10 tackles. Head Coach Kyle Ross stated, "We played extremely hard against a good opponent. Our effort and physical level of play helped keep us in the game against a much faster ball club. We did not execute well enough to win against Van Horn. We will continue to work to correct our mistakes in order to become as good a team as we have the potential to be."



Left: Jessica Farmer and Adriana Segar are both ready for the hit.



Right: Cati Boruch pitching and Danielle Allen ready at third.



Sammie Jo Copeland in her pitching wind up and Brooke Jones as catcher calls the next pitch.

### Polo Softball wins Season Opener

(Submitted Article)

The Polo Lady Panthers played their season opener at home last Wednesday evening against the Lathrop Lady Mules. Polo came out on top with a final score of 4-1 in 7 innings. The winning pitcher was sophomore Cati Boruch with catcher, sophomore Brook Jones. Adriana Segar and Sammie Copeland were 2 for 3 at bat. Polo finished the game with 4 runs off of 7 hits, 1 error and 6 left on base. The Panthers traveled to Cameron and competed in the Cameron Tournament on Saturday, August 25. In pool play they lost to Cameron 13-1, beat Lafayette 9-8. In tournament bracket play they lost to Bishop LeBlond 15-0, beat Jefferson 6-2 and ended up with the 3rd place trophy for their efforts.

### Polo Softball fell short against two Conference teams this week

(Submitted Article)

Despite their efforts and hard work the Polo Lady Panthers fell short against Stanberry and King City this week in Conference play. Monday the Lady Panthers hosted Jamesport, Tri County and beat them 15 - 0 in 3 innings. Jessica Farmer was winning pitcher and gave up 0 hits and 3 strike outs facing 6 batters. Sammie Jo Copeland started the game going 1 inning with 3 K's, giving up zero hits, facing 3 batters. Polo traveled to Stanberry for conference play Tuesday and fell short to them 0-3 in 7 innings. The losing pitcher was Cati Boruch who pitched 4 innings giving up 3 hits, 2 runs, one earned run, 3 base on balls and 2 strike outs. Sammie Copeland pitched 2 innings giving up 1 hit, 1 run and had 3 base on balls. The winning pitcher was Riley Bremer of Stanberry who gave up 3 hits and no runs. Thursday evening the Lady Panthers hosted King City who knocked the Panthers out of sectional play last fall. There was much anticipation for this match up for all Panther fans. Polo started out strong and was tied up 5 to 5 in the top of the 3rd. King City added 2 more runs in the top of the 4th. Polo left runners on in the bottom of the 4th. The momentum changed with pitchers for Polo after 7 batters were walked. The Panthers added 2 more runs making it 7-17 for a final score. Coach Ross, stated, "Base running errors killed us tonight." Brigitte Bryson was the winning pitcher for King City. Sidney Copeland is the losing pitcher for Polo with a little over 5 innings pitched, giving up 11 runs, 5 earned, 4 walks and 4 strike outs. Sammie Copeland went 3 for 3, one of which was a triple and includes 3 RBIs. Adriana Segar went 2-3 at the plate and Cati Boruch and Sidney Copeland both had doubles.

# Polo Educational Foundation

## “Free Will”

### Community Breakfast

#### In the Polo School District Cafeteria

#### 7AM – 10AM

#### Saturday – September 29<sup>th</sup>

#### Polo R-VII Homecoming Weekend!



The Athletic Boosters would like to thank those who participated in our annual Crooked River Golf Tournament. The profits are

used for scholarships and to support our athletic and school activities. Hope to see you again next summer!



The Polo Athletic Boosters invite you to purchase a family membership for \$10, which also makes you eligible for our Panther

Den drawing at home Varsity games (food and seating). The Boosters support Panther athletics and activities in a variety of ways, and provide scholarships for seniors. We are currently looking for adult volunteers to help with concessions at home football games (Varsity & Middle School). If you can help a little or a lot, please contact Lesa Stottlemyre, Kim Snodgrass, or Jill Rardon. Thank you!

### Homecoming Activities Theme: Panthers Go For Gold Week of September 24-29

Spirit Week Days:

Monday - Pajama Day

Tuesday - Dress as your favorite village person

Wednesday - To be announced....

Thursday - Crazy fan from your country

Friday - Spirit Day

Parade 9/28 2:15 pm  
Pep Rally/Bonfire 9/28 7:30 pm  
Football Game 9/29 1 pm

## Polo football comes up short against Lathrop

(Submitted Article)

Polo traveled to Lathrop last Friday night and was prepared to take on the Lathrop Mules even with two starting players on the injured list, senior Daniel Boruch #24 and Junior Houston Stone #64. The rain never let up and neither did the Panthers. The fact Polo was missing two starters and the rainy playing conditions did indeed hamper the Polo team from getting on the scoreboard and Lathrop beat Polo 14 - 0. Polo came up with a total of 110 yards total on offense while Lathrop had 134. Senior Justin Hicks finished with 6 solo tackles, 5 assisted tackles and 6 tackles for a



loss. Coach Ross stated, "I think we improved on some of our blocking assignments on the offense line. We had trouble picking up their defensive ends with our backs, however when we did manage to hold onto the ball we moved it right down the field. Some inexperience in a few spots really hampered us in not so ideal conditions."

## Polo takes 2nd at the Polo Softball Classic

(Submitted Article)

The Polo softball team was on their game this week. Polo won their conference game against Grant City (Worth County) on Tuesday evening at Grant City. The final score was 8-2 in 7 innings. Sophomore Cati Boruch started the game off on the mound while sophomore Brook Jones caught. Cati pitched 3 innings facing 16 batters giving up 4 hits, 2 runs unearned, walked 4 and captured 3 strike outs. Sammie Copeland was the winning pitcher. She pitched 4 innings giving up 2 hits, no runs, 2 walks and 3 strike outs. Copeland's record moves to 3-0. Offensively Sammie Copeland went 2-3 with one triple and Senior Avery Snodgrass went 1-2 with 2 walks.

Thursday night the Panthers hosted Southwest Livingston tromping them with an 8-0 final score. Sidney Copeland was the winning pitcher throwing a no hitter. She faced 26 batters, had no hits, no runs, 2 walks, 3 hit batters and 14 strikeouts. Offensively Brooke Jones went 2-3, Sidney Copeland went 2-3 with 2 RBI's, Sammie Copeland went 1-2 with a double and 2 RBI's and Cati Boruch added a double.

Saturday, September 8, the Polo Panthers hosted their Annual Softball Classic. Polo started out playing in pool play against Tina-Avalon beating them 10-0. Polo played the Stewartsville Cardinals next and had a tougher game on their hands, but pulled off the win in the 7th inning 5-4. That win guaranteed Polo a spot in the Championship. Polo played the Archie Whirlwinds in a well-matched contest. The clean up hitter for Archie hit a homerun giving them a 2 - 0 lead. Next at bat Polo's Sidney Copeland hit a homerun over the left field fence bringing in one runner and tying the score. Polo managed to bring in 2 more runs and it was now 4-2. Archie's clean up hitter answered again hitting another homer at her second at bat and tied the score 4 up. Polo scored one more run making it 5-4 going into the 7th inning. Sophomore Sidney Copeland pitched an excellent game, but Archie's offense mustered up 2 runs to capture the Championship title in the bottom of the 7th inning winning 6-5. Polo took home the 2nd place plaque for their efforts and hard work. Polo will host Albany in conference play Monday, host Winston Tuesday and then travel to Princeton on Thursday.

## Polo beats Gallatin in Conference game

(Submitted article)

After two disappointing losses and a couple starters injured during the previous weeks, the Polo football team came out ready for their Conference match up against the Gallatin Bulldogs. Gallatin and Polo seemed to be well matched in the first quarter with neither team scoring. Polo got on the board in the second quarter with a rushing touchdown and an interception return by senior Zach Freeman. This was one of 3 interceptions by Freeman in the game. Gallatin would not score until late in the 4th quarter with less than 4 minutes left on the clock. Offensively Freeman led the Panthers with 25 carries, 91 yards total and 1 touchdown. Junior Jonathan Shelton had 9 carries for 29 yards total. Senior Daniel Boruch, back from an injury in the season opener against 4A Van Horn had 7 carries and 16 yards. Defensively the Panthers fought hard to keep the Bulldogs off of the scoreboard. Gallatin's scoring drive came late in the game by throwing 3 successful passes. Gallatin scored the extra point making it 7-12. The Panthers did not score the second half making the final score 12-7. Defensively, Sophomore Jacob Hicks led the Panthers with 13 tackles, Justin Hicks with 10 tackles and Freeman with 3 tackles & 1 recovered fumble. Junior Alex Johnson punted 8 times for an average of 34.4 yards. Coach Ross stated, "This was a hard fought game versus a high caliber conference opponent. Our boys played extremely hard and we were able to capitalize on a few Gallatin miscues. We are still trying to get some continuity on offense due to some injuries and inexperience, however with each passing week our younger players are beginning to step up and be able to play at the higher level that will be necessary for us to be able to make an end of the season push towards the playoffs."



Above: Zach Freeman is up and over the line of Bulldogs for the touchdown.

Left: Sidney Copeland with great pitching during the Polo Classic Softball Tournament.

# I N F O R M A T I O N

## September 2012 Activities Calendar

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Menu is subject to change.  
Each meal includes one milk.  
Lemonade and orange juice are available for 30¢.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 No School – Labor Day	4 No Breakfast – Late Start Nachos, Refried Beans, Fruit	5 Cereal, Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Corn dog Nuggets, Baked Beans, Fruit	6 French Toast, Sausage, Fruit Chicken Nuggets, Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce, Fruit	7 Biscuit, Sausage Gravy, Fruit Tenderloin on Bun, Green Beans, Fruit
10 Cereal, Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Chicken Fajita, Spanish Rice, Fruit	11 Pop Tart, Ham, Fruit Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Fruit	12 Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Chicken Pattie on Bun, Glazed Carrots, Fruit	13 French Toast, Sausage, Fruit Beef Sticks, Mashed Potatoes, Fruit	14 Donut, Ham, Fruit Hamburger on Bun, French Fries, Fruit
17 Cereal, Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Corn dog or Burrito, Pinto Beans, Fruit	18 Pop Tart, Ham, Fruit Pizza, Green Beans, Fruit	19 Breakfast Pizza, Fruit BBQ Riblet, Scalloped Potatoes, Fruit	20 French Toast, Sausage, Fruit Chicken Nuggets, Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce, Fruit	21 Biscuit, Sausage Gravy, Fruit Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Fruit
24 Cereal, Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Sweet & Sour Chicken, Oriental Vegetables, Fruit	25 Pop Tart, Ham, Fruit Creamy Chicken over Biscuit, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit	26 Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Hotdog on Bun, Baked Beans, Fruit	27 French Toast, Sausage, Fruit Meatball Sub, Green Beans, Fruit	28 Donut, Ham, Fruit Wolverine Pattie, Touchdown Taters, Victory Fruit

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