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TOP STORY

Meta Agrees To Pay Big Settlement Over Kids' Apps

OAKLAND, CALIF. — Meta will pay billions of dollars. This ends a big lawsuit. States said its apps hurt kids. A trial started in California this month. The company did not go to trial. People hope apps get safer for kids. Many kids and parents use these apps.

Why it matters: *This could help make apps safer for children.*

NATION & WORLD

Singer Dolly Parton Remembered By Fans

NASHVILLE, TENN. — Dolly Parton died this week. She was 80 years old. She wrote many famous songs. Dolly loved helping kids read. She gave millions of free books to children. Fans and friends are sharing kind memories. People say she brought joy to many.

Why it matters: *She gave books to kids for many years.*

Health Officials Report Measles Deaths

HARRISBURG, PA. — Health officials shared sad news this week. Two people in Pennsylvania died from measles. Both had not been vaccinated. These are the first measles deaths this year. Doctors say vaccines help keep people safe. Getting a measles shot can prevent this illness.

Why it matters: *Vaccines can help stop measles from spreading.*

SCIENCE & TECH

New Space Telescope Photo Shows Lion's Head Nebula

GREENBELT, MD. — NASA's space telescope took a new picture. It shows a nebula called the Lion's Head. A nebula is gas and dust in space. New stars can form inside nebulas. Scientists study the picture to learn about space. The photo shows bright colors and shapes.

Why it matters: *Pictures like this help us learn about stars.*

SPORTS

Yankees Win Big, Giants Fall Short

NEW YORK — The Yankees beat the Astros 9 to 3. New York's batters hit well all game. The Giants lost a close game. Cincinnati beat San Francisco 10 to 9. Both teams keep playing this week. Fans are watching the standings closely.

OUR TEAMS

New York Yankees Defeated the Houston Astros, 9-3
Yankees improved their record with a strong offensive showing on August 26.

San Francisco Giants Lost to the Cincinnati Reds, 10-9
Giants fell short despite a late rally on August 26.

SOUTHERN MAINE

School Year Begins In Lewiston

LEWISTON, MAINE — School started this week in Lewiston, Maine. Kids went back to classrooms and saw friends. Teachers welcomed students with fun activities. The state also shared a helpful back-to-school guide online. Families can use it to get ready for the year. Everyone is excited for a new school year.

Why it matters: *Going back to school is exciting for many kids.*

Read this with a grown-up if you want to. Ask them anything! | Sources: PBS NewsHour, <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/august-26-2026-pbs-news-hour-full-episode>; NPR, <https://www.npr.org/sections/news/>; PBS NewsHour, <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/august-26-2026-pbs-news-hour-full-episode>; Just Security Early Edition, <https://www.justsecurity.org/155288/early-edition-august-26-2026/>; NASA Science, <https://science.nasa.gov/image-article/apod-2026-august-26-jwst-images-the-lions-head-nebula/>; ESPN, https://www.espn.com/mlb/game/_/gameId/401816682/astros-yankees; ESPN, https://www.espn.com/mlb/game/_/gameId/401816690/reds-giants; WGME, <https://wgme.com/news/local/new-school-year-begins-in-lewiston>; Maine DOE Newsroom, <https://mainedoenews.net/2026/08/19/2026-2027-maine-doe-back-to-school-backpack-resource-available-online/>