



The Franklin Flash

Franklin Elementary School

WORK, RESPECT, BELONG, AND BE SAFE

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Office Hours 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Upcoming Events

Sept 13th School Board Meeting 5:00PM

Sept 23rd Picture Day

Sept 16th PTO family Night 5:00PM-7:00PM

Oct 12th - Nov 18th G2M Session 1

Oct 27th - 29th No School



Picture Day

Sept 23rd

RECEIVE DENTAL CARE RIGHT AT SCHOOL!

Oral Screening
Dental Cleaning
Fluoride Varnish
Sealants

Silver Diamine Fluoride
Referral Assistance



Services are provided during the day and visits are held throughout the school year by Bridging Brighter Smiles.

Enroll Now for This Fall!

<https://enrollment.bbsmiles.org/>

Bridging Brighter Smiles, Inc. accepts Forward Health/BadgerCare Insurance Only.

Charitable care is offered for those students who do not have the financial resources to access dental care.

Any Questions Please Call Bridging Brighter Smiles at (262)896-9891 or visit www.bbsmiles.org

Back to School

PTO Family Night

Thursday, September 16, 2021

5:00 - 7:00PM

Free Walking Tacos 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Free BINGO w/prizes 5:30 - 6:30PM

Basket and 50/50 Raffle Tickets for Sale

Drawing starts at 6:35PM



Attention Hmong Parents: If you have questions or need explanation, please call Franklin Elementary School, 715-261-0000 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Yognejmuajlusnoogtxogdaimntawv no, Franklin Elementary School. Xovtoojyog 715-261-0000.

Attention Spanish Parents: If you have questions or need explanation, please call Franklin Elementary School. 715-261-0000 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Atención Padres: Si tiene una duda, pregunta o necesita una explicación, por favor llame a la escuela Franklin Elementary 715-261-0000 de 8:30am- 3:00pm.

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Good Luck, Ms. Merkel!

You may have noticed that the wonderful Mrs. Heidi Merkel is no longer working at Franklin. Mrs. Merkel was recruited to teach math full-time at Lincoln Elementary. Franklin doesn't have a comparable position so we had to let Mrs. Merkel spread her wings and fly across the river. She will be greatly missed here at Franklin.

Welcome New Franklin Staff

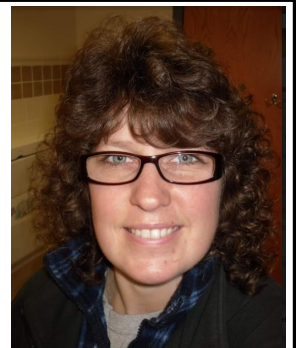


My name is Cristin Czerwonka and I am the new social worker at Franklin. I have years of experience partnering with children and families to help them overcome challenges and reach their goals. I feel very lucky for being chosen to serve the school and am excited to get to know you and your children throughout the year! When I'm not working, I enjoy reading, crafting, and exploring with my husband, daughter, and our three dogs.



Hi Franklin Falcons, it's Mrs. Zarins and I'm back. Some of you may remember me as a 2nd grade teacher. Last year I was teaching science at Maine and South Mountains schools, but am happy to return to Franklin as your science teacher! I will serve Hewitt-Texas school as well this year. You may remember that Franklin has always held a special place in my heart because I attended this school when I was in Kindergarten through 6th grade (yes, we did have 6th grade here long ago!). When I'm not looking at stars, rocks and studying the weather, I like hanging out with my family. We are busy this year with Joey playing in the Wausau East band and soccer team, and Jackson is playing football at Horace Mann. I'm so glad to see all your smiling faces again. We are going to do amazing science together!

My name is Jackie Wenzelow Art Teacher at Franklin Elementary. I went to UWGB for my BA. I worked at Tomahawk School District for 7 years as a Substitute Teacher/Paraprofessional. I did my student teaching at Rhinelander. I also taught summer school for four summers. I went to Montana and Utah this year to the National Parks. I love to travel. I have two children and five grandchildren. Becoming an Art Teacher has been a long time goal for me and I am excited to get to know and work with all of you.



Families,

Hello. I hope your child(ren) had a terrific start to the school year. It is wonderful to see the students having fun with their friends and getting adjusted to their new classrooms.

Our first newsletter will be published next Friday, 9/9/21. I am sending a few 21-22 snack updates below.



Students may bring an individual healthy snack to eat during the school day. Classroom teachers will schedule snack-time and it will vary according to each grade level's schedule. Please send healthy, nut-free items that do not include soda, candy, or sweets (no donuts, cupcakes, etc). [Click here for suggestions](#)

Peanut butter, nut-granola bars, and other nut items can be eaten during lunchtime (in the lunchroom) but NOT in the classroom during snack time. (We will help you remember these details)



Sending a Birthday Day treat for your child's classroom is allowed this year but not required. It is a personal choice for each family. Since the treat is intended to be shared with other children, there are strict guidelines to follow. Shared treats must be:

1. Store-bought (no homemade items)
2. Wrapped and individually sealed from the store. (no bakery box full of cupcakes, please)
3. Nut-free [Click here for suggestions but still check the label](#)
4. A clear, readable ingredient label

Check with your child's teacher for any other restrictions that may pertain to your child's classroom.

We will republish this a few times and you can always call or email for clarification. 715-261-0000 ewhite@wausauschools.org

Have a safe and relaxing weekend. School resumes on Tuesday, 9/7.

Sincerely,

Ms. Libby White





WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Karen Fochs, Director of School Nutrition Services

August 10, 2021

Dear Wausau School District Families,

Wausau School District is participating in the USDA Seamless Summer Option (SSO) for the entirety of the 2021-22 school year. **This means that our school is providing *free* meals (breakfast and lunch) to all students!** This program provides additional support and flexibility for our district to continue serving meals to children while maintaining safety measures and managing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Even though receipt of free meals does not depend on an approved free and reduced-price meal application, we are still distributing and processing them so Wausau School District families may qualify for P-EBT benefits as well as other school funding.

When your child participates in our healthy and delicious school meals program it will save your family time and money. At breakfast, all children are offered at least four food items from three food components (grain, fruit, and fluid milk) and at lunch are offered five food components (grain, protein, fruit, vegetable, and fluid milk). For your child's breakfast to be free, they must take at least three food items, one of which is ½ cup fruit or vegetable. For your child's lunch meal to be free, they must take at least three different food components, one of which is ½ cup fruit or vegetable. At the secondary school levels only: Purchases such as second entrees, milk only, or other food items that do not meet the requirements described above will be charged. These ala carte purchases will require a positive meal account balance in PayPams.

To create a PayPams account or check on your account balance you may click here: www.paypams.com .

Our breakfast and lunch menus can be found on the following link <https://wausau.nutrislice.com/menu/menus-eula>. All nutrition information regarding the menus can be found on this link as well.

We are required to notify all households of the District's Low Balance Policy which can be found here [Policy 8500](#).

Please contact me with any questions at 715-261-0805 or email me at kfochs@wausauschools.org.

Sincerely,

Karen Fochs, MS, RDN,CD
Director of School Nutrition Services
Wausau School District

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Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
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