Panther Press

September 2023



Welcome Back!

We are excited to WELCOME you back to the 2023-24 school year.

I hope you all had a wonderful summer and that your kids are ready to start another amazing year at Patrick Elementary.

School Start Dates:

- 1st-5th-September 5th @ 7:55 AM
- Kindergarten-September 11th @ 7:55 AM

It's a great time to restart routines, establish school "bed times", summon the learning spirit, and develop a game plan.

You may have noticed our new parking lot when cruising by. We now have more spaces/spots dedicated to visitor parking which we are very excited about! **Please do not use the parking spaces at the end of the day for parent pick up; please use the standard pick up lane.**

If you have questions or concerns, please make an appointment with the front office and I would be happy to meet with you.

See you all soon!

Warm Regards, Michelle Cook-Principal

Purposeful People

We are thankful for you being part of our school community! The world is changing quickly and we want to do everything we can to help students be successful in school and life.



We will continue using the PurposeFull People program this year. This program teaches skills that help students be successful in school and in life.

We believe that students should have safe, predictable places to learn where they feel included. Students should have healthy and helpful connections with teachers and classmates. They should also experience learning that will help them tackle challenges inside and outside of school. PurposeFullPeople is more than a set of lessons - it is a partnership between schools and families to create a place where students feel like they belong and learn skills that will help them be the best they can be!

Purposefull People has three main goals for students: **Be Kind, Be Strong, and Be Well**.

- Be Kind: Social skills like listening, friendship, solving conflicts, and leadership. These skills are taught alongside Empathy, Respect, & Cooperation
- Be Strong: Skills that help students focus, stay organized, and set goals. These skills are taught alongside Responsibility, Courage, & Perseverance
- Be Well: Skills that help students handle their emotions and deal with stress. These skills are taught alongside Gratitude, Honesty, & Creativity

This year, you'll be invited to join the fun! We will send monthly ParentSquare emails about the skills and strengths being taught each month. Each letter will include some ways to build these skills at home, discussion starters, and fun challenges you can try with your family.

The path forward is full of growth! We cannot wait to partner with you in this work...

- To teach students how to build strong friendships
- To work together to solve problems, big and small
- To grow skills for life
- To become PurposeFull People

With Gratitude, Michelle Cook

PTO

We would love to have you join our PTO.



If you are interested in joining our PTO and taking part in our wonderful school community, please reach out to Laura Hudson: laura5875@aol.com



Save the Date!

September:

- 4th-Labor Day (No School)
- 28th-Open House 5:00-6:30 PM

October:

- 13th-State In-service (No school)
- 19th & 20th-Fall Conferences (No School)

2023-24 School Year Details



School hours & Information

School hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

- Kinder-3rd grade 7:55
 AM-2:20 PM
- 4th-5th grade 7:55 AM-2:25 PM

Wednesday

- Kinder-3rd grade 7:55
 AM-1:20 PM
- 4th-5th grade 7:55 AM-1:25 PM

Contact Information:

- Office number: 541-494-6840
- Attendance #:541-494-6863
- Staff email: first.last <u>name@district6.org</u>

Meals:

 Breakfast & Lunch provided free to all Patrick Students

Attendance:

- If your student will be out for any reason, please call the <u>attendance line</u> prior to 8:30 AM.
- Please leave the following information in your message: Date, Child's Name, & Reason for the absence.



Staff

Classroom placement:

 Classroom teacher assignments are available. If you missed supply drop off, you can access that in your ParentVue account.

Kindergarten Information:

- Parents of our 2023-24
 Kinder students will receive a call from their teacher to schedule meet & greets during the week of September 5th.
- Kindergarten starts September 11th at 7:55 AM.

2023-24 Teachers

- Jennifer Sanders-Kindergarten
- Blake Field-1st
- Haley Cascarina-2nd
- Michael Bjorge-1st/2nd
- Heather Laeger-3rd
- Rebecca Hunter-3rd/4th
- Clara Petetit-4th
- Dawn Wiley-5th
- Jenelle Miracle-5th
- Elysia Gabaldon-Speech
- Tomorrow Nelson-Resource
- Jennifer Finney-MAPS



Student Drop off & Dismissal

Drop off:

- No student drop off prior to 7:30 AM as there is <u>no supervision.</u>
- If you need to pick your student up early, calls need to be made to the office <u>PRIOR to 12:00</u> <u>PM</u>.

Dismissal:

- Teachers MUST know your child's dismissal plan prior to school starting. Ex. Bussing or Pick-Up plans.
- Any changes to your student's pick up plans must go through the front office prior to <u>noon</u>. Please call 541-494-6840.
- Students will not be released to vehicles without a car tag or assigned number and only to authorized contacts.
- If you need a car tag, please contact the office prior to the first day of school. Last year's numbers are still valid.
- Individuals that don't have their number or

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need contact verification must check in with the office.

Transportation

Transportation/Bus Routes:

- Transportation routes are posted in ParentVue. Bus routes and pick up/drop off times are subject to change as students are added or dropped.
- Please note that students living within a half mile of school will not be routed.
- Families should always be at the bus stop 5-10 minutes early, in the morning, the first few weeks of school. Expect up to 15 minute delays, in the afternoon, as we get back into the routine.
- Please note that bus pick up and drop off times will adjust frequently as students are added and/or dropped.
- If you need to make any changes to your child's transportation needs, please call the main office at 541-494--6840. Any changes will take 5 days for routing.
- You are encouraged to sign up for the Ride 360 app.

You can access your bussing information by:

- Logging into ParentVue at vue.district6.org
- Scroll to the bottom left of the screen and click on "Student Info" and you will find transportation at the bottom of that page.

Legal Notice

Under EPA regulations, we are required to notify you that we do have asbestos in our schools. For your information, please know that we do have an independent contractor inspect each of our schools twice annually. Our schools are all in good condition. Jackson County School District #6, 300 Ash Street, Central Point, Oregon 97502 has a copy of the Asbestos AHERA Management Plan available. This document is also available for review each Monday between the hours of 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm in the principal's office in each of the following schools: Crater Academy of Health & Public Service - 655 N 3rd Street, Central Point, OR Crater School of Business, Innovation & Service - 655 N 3rd Street, Central Point, OR Crater Renaissance Academy - 655 N 3rd Street, Central Point, OR Scenic Middle School – 1955 Scenic Ave., Central Point, OR Jewett Elementary - 1001 Manzanita St., Central Point, OR Mae Richardson Elementary - 200 W Pine St., Central Point, OR Hanby Middle School - 806 Sixth Ave., Gold Hill, OR Patrick Elementary - 1500 Second Ave., Gold Hill, OR Sams Valley Elementary - 14235 Table Rock Rd., Central Point, OR If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact: Dale Giovannetti Asbestos Coordinator Jackson County School District #6 Central Point, OR 97502 dale.giovannetti@district6.org

