



August 2024

The Cottonwood Chronicle

Working Together - Learning Together



A Note From the Principal

Welcome back Cottonwood Families! The beginning of the school is always an exhilarating time.

Our goal is to create a family oriented, student centered and positive environment in our school. We value your child and your support as we work together on this educational journey.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I will be happy to meet with you.

Sincerely,

Kyle Griffitts, Principal

Upcoming

Events

- Sep 2- No School/Labor Day
- Sep 3- CW Fundraiser Kickoff
- Sep 11- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Sep 12- No School/Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Sep 13- No School
- Sep 25- CW Fall Pictures
- Oct 3- Family University
- Oct 11- No School/Inservice
- Oct 24- Bingo Night

WELCOME BACK TO
SCHOOL!

Steps to Success: Communicating with Your Child's School

We strive to be the best place to learn. The only way we can improve is to know about concerns so we are able to address them. Here are some tips for communicating with your child's school when concerns arise.

The fastest way to a positive result is to start with the people closest to the situation in the school. Talk with the teacher or coach about your questions and concerns before going to the principal.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to reach out to teachers and school staff by:

- Calling the school's phone number. Because they are teaching, you often will need to leave a message for your child's teacher or coach.
- Emailing the teacher or coach directly. All teacher emails are available on our school website.

We want to be responsive to parents' questions and requests for information. Our staff will respond to your call or email as soon as possible, in most cases within 2 school days.

If you have had a conversation with your child's teacher and the principal and are still needing assistance, the director of elementary or secondary programs will be able to provide additional support.

We are excited for this new school year and look forward to partnering with you to support a great school experience for your student.

Directory Information

In accordance with Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), USD 305 has designated certain information as directory information. This information is considered public information which may be released from the school district without your prior consent. Please inform your school building in writing that any or all of the directory information should not be released without your prior consent (by August 29, 2024 to ensure it is not included in a parent directory). The following information is considered directory information:

a)The student's name and age

b)Parent's name, address and telephone number

c)The student's major field of study and class designation (i.e. first grade, tenth grade)

d)The student's participation in officially recognized activities or sports

e)The weight and height of members of athletic teams

f)Dates of attendance (period of time during which a student was enrolled in an educational agency or institution, i.e. academic year, spring semester)

Screen Your Student for Symptoms of Illness

It is important to screen your student for illness every day before coming to school. Keep your student at home if sick with any illness. By making sure students are healthy when they come to school, we all can help prevent illnesses that disrupt learning. Thank you for your support!

Elementary Schools: Title I Schools Annual Notice

As part of our commitment to transparency and providing the best education for your children, we want to remind you of your rights under Title I. You can request information about the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher and any instructional aides who work with your child. This includes their certification, college degrees, and other qualifications. We aim to keep open communication and ensure you feel confident in the education your child receives. If you have any questions or would like to request this information, please contact our office.





PICTURE DAY

September 25th



August 2024

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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Aug 8- Meet the Teacher Night (Grades 1-5) Aug 13- All Grades (Pre-K-5) attend
Aug 9- First day of school (Grades 1-5)

Contact Us

Kyle Griffitts - Principal
Cody Stockwell - Lead Teacher
Debra Shirack - Secretary
Main Office Phone Number: 785-309-4600



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 School Website

 District Website

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