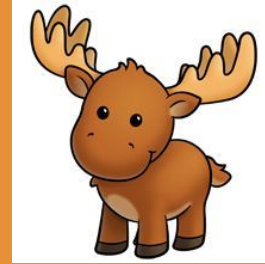


Parent Moose Message 1

September 4, 2024



Welcome Back!

We are so excited for the 2024-2025 school year at Twin Lakes Elementary. The staff and I are excited for the new year ahead. It was wonderful to see so many of our families at our Open House last week! Here is some important information for the year.

NEW THIS YEAR

Deputy Roach from the Kootenai County Sheriff's Department has joined our staff as our new School Resource Officer. He has been with the Sheriff's Department for six years and is excited to be a part of the Lakeland School District.

Here is the bell schedule for this year

Breakfast 8:40

First Bell - 8:55 am

Tardy Bell - 9:00 am

1st Recess

K - 2nd 10:15-10:30

3rd-4th 10:20-10:35

Grade	Lunch	Recess	Return to class
K	11:30	11:50	12:10
1	11:40	12:00	12:20
2	11:55	12:15	12:35
3	12:05	12:25	12:45
4	12:20	12:40	1:00

5	12:40	1:00	1:20
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Last Recess

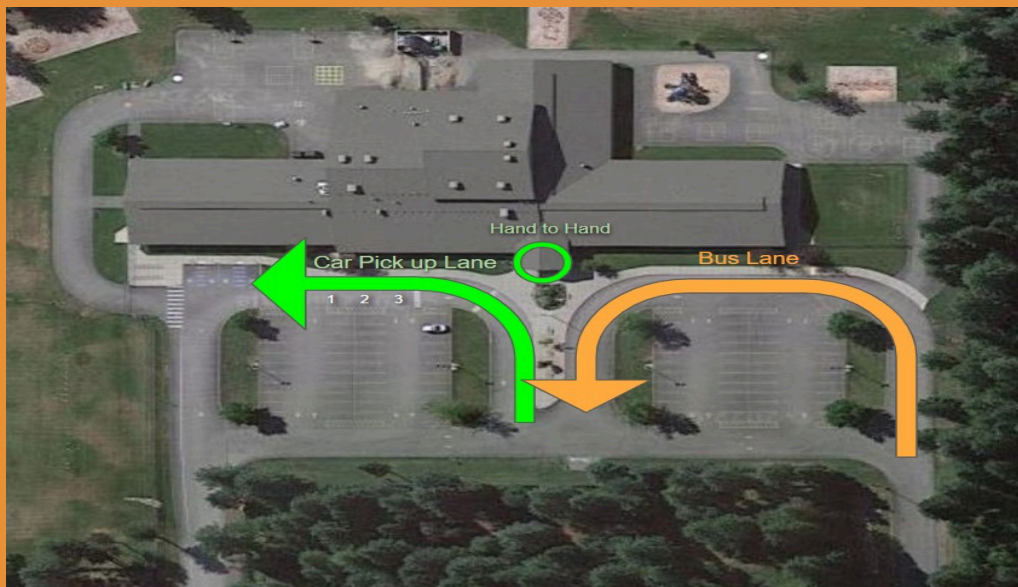
K-3rd 2:00-2:15

5th 2:15-2:30

Dismissal - 3:15

Pick up & Drop off procedures

MAP



DROP OFF BEFORE SCHOOL

Drop off time is 8:40. THERE IS NO SUPERVISION ON PLAYGROUND UNTIL 8:40.

Students arriving by car may:

a) be dropped off curbside in the "Drop Off Lane"

b) walked to the sidewalk after a parent has parked in the parking lot

At no time can cars be left unattended in either drive through lane

Students will then go either to breakfast or straight to the playground.

Students arriving by bus will disembark the bus and go to either breakfast or straight to their playground.

Students walking or riding their bicycles use the sidewalks and appropriate bike racks. Students will then go to breakfast or straight to their playground.

We have two crosswalks to our parking lot. For the safety of all students please **ONLY** use the crosswalk to go from the lot to the school.

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP

School is dismissed at 3:15 Monday - Friday

Students leaving by car will be loaded into their car at the designated loading area. This will be one central loading location to ensure student safety. Students will not be allowed to load into cars in the "Drop Off Lane" anywhere but the loading point. They may **never** be loaded into cars in the "Drive Through Lane".

Students waiting for a parent to walk them to a parked car. Parents may request students to wait in the "Hand to Hand" pick up area. Students will wait until their grown-up comes to walk them to their car parked in the parking lot. **PLEASE ONLY USE THE CROSSWALKS TO GO TO THE PARKING LOT.**

At no time can cars be left unattended in either lane

***Students will never be allowed to cross the "Drop Off Lane" or "Drive Through Lane" without a parent/guardian.**

Students leaving by bus will exit the building and walk on the sidewalk straight to their designated bus.

Students walking or riding their bicycles will use the sidewalks and appropriate lanes to leave the school.

Bus Information

ALL STUDENTS RIDING THE BUS MUST REGISTER WITH TRANSPORTATION.

Please call transportation for routes at 208-687-5870

Spirit Wear



We have a new way to order Moose Gear this year. We have a "store" open with Apparel Now. You can order whatever and whenever you would like. The orders come directly to you. 12% of the proceeds come back to TLE to help with our recess equipment. Use the QR code to directly access the "store".



Chromebook Damage Replacement Program

If you opted in for the Chromebook Damage Replacement Program for 2024/2025, please send your payment to the office. The cost is \$20 per student and significantly reduces the cost to you should your child's chromebook get damaged.

There is a one time fee that covers a student through their elementary years with our school district. This is a voluntary program.

Typical Repair/Replacement Costs

Item	Without Coverage	With Coverage (1st incident)
Chromebook (Complete)	\$370	\$111
Screen	\$200	\$60
Keyboard	\$40	\$12
Touchpad	\$40	\$12
Top/Bottom Plastics	\$80	\$24
Motherboard	\$200	\$60
Charger	\$40	\$12
Palm Rest	\$50	\$15
Ports (Including but not limited to USB, USB-C, HDMI, Audio)	\$85	\$25
Hinges	\$35	\$10
Intentional Damage & Defacement Not covered under coverage plan	Cost of damaged part + \$20	Cost of damaged part + \$20 Not covered under coverage plan
Wifi Hotspot (loss only) This includes service cost	\$240	\$72

1st Incident: 30% of full cost - 2nd Incident: 50% of full cost - 3rd Incident: 80% of full cost

Classroom Volunteers

We are looking forward to having parent volunteers this year. For the safety and security of our students all volunteers **MUST** attend orientation. We will have several Volunteer Orientation meetings in October. There will be a Skylert notifying you of the date and time in a few weeks.

If you wish to volunteer for ANY event in the classrooms (class parties, field trips, classroom assistance, etc) you must attend the Volunteer Orientation. There will be other times in Dec/Jan. **ALL adults wishing to volunteer must attend one of the orientations before they can participate in the classroom.**

Cross Country



- Permission slips for Cross Country will be coming home this week.
- Practices begin September 23rd and will be held in the gym
- Practices is from 3:15-4:00 pm
- District Meet is October 9th @ Timberlake High School Football Stadium

PTA Membership - Join Today

Do you know what the PTA does? Become a member today so you can help make decisions about how the PTA spends the money they raise. Membership forms are available in the school office.

Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 pm in the school Library.

Counselor's Corner

Hello families! Welcome to a new school year!

My name is Justine Litzko, and I am starting my 10th year as the counselor at Twin Lakes Elementary. My main job at TLE is to be a support to the students, families, and staff. A couple things about the counseling program at TLE:

- *Classroom Lessons:* These lessons happen throughout the year in the classrooms. We cover life skills topics ranging from learning skills to problem solving. Before students can participate in these lessons, a district permission form needs to be signed and returned. These were given out at Open House with the other teacher forms. If you have any questions about the lessons, please reach out.
- *Lunch Bunches:* Students throughout the school may sign up to have lunch with me. Rather than eating in the cafeteria, they choose to eat in my

office with friends. We eat, talk, might play a game if there is time, and then students go to recess as usual.

During the first weeks of school, I also welcome all new students to TLE by having lunch with them. New students can choose to eat with me or pass on the invitation. We eat, get to know each other, and they can get to know TLE better and start building connections.

- **Group Counseling:** Later in the year I will start holding group counseling sessions. Group counseling can be accessed after written consent is given by the family. I will send out more information in the upcoming months.
- **Individual Counseling:** I can meet with students on an individual basis. Referrals can come from families, staff, or students themselves. I can work with students on a short term basis, build skills, problem solve situations, and more. Discussions always occur with the family before any ongoing counseling occurs.

If I can be of any support to your child or your family, or if you have any questions, please reach out. My email is justine.litzko@lakeland272.org, or you can call the front office at 208-687-5870.

Have a wonderful year,
Mrs. Litzko, M.A., NCC
School Counselor

Important Dates

September 10 PTA Meeting 6 pm

October 9 District Cross Country Meet

