

Elma Primary School  
711 Rice Rd \* PO Box 32  
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# Elma Primary

## Family Handbook

### 2024-2025



**“A Great Place to Learn and Grow”**

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# IROQUOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Elma Primary

Mr. Pete Dobmeier  
711 Rice Rd  
Elma, New York 14059  
716- 652-3000 ext. 2001

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September 2024

Dear Elma Primary Families,

Welcome Back to School! I hope that you and your family had a wonderful, safe summer, filled with many fun adventures. We are looking forward to a great year here at Elma Primary School. We have a truly wonderful teaching team and I feel so fortunate to be a part of the Elma Primary family. Our teachers have been busy getting their rooms ready and we are looking forward to welcoming our students in September.

The family handbook has been prepared as a source of information for parents and students. In it you will find important policies and procedures, free and reduced lunch information, the PTO-School event calendar, and a directory of staff extensions. I hope that you will find this information useful as you plan for the school year.

Please note that the District "Code of Conduct" is in the District Calendar and can also be found on the website [www.iroquoiscsd.org](http://www.iroquoiscsd.org). Please take time to review the Iroquois Code of Conduct.

At Elma Primary we strongly believe that parents are partners in the education process. There are many ways that you can take part in your child's educational program. PTO meetings are held monthly and everyone is welcome to attend.

As part of our commitment to continuous learning and quality educational experiences for your children, please note the early dismissal dates for parent-teacher conferences and staff development days.

I look forward to reconnecting with our returning families and students, and for our new families, getting to know each of you and your children. Please know that you can call me at any time with your questions or concerns. Elma is a special place, and I look forward to partnering with you to give our students an amazing experience this year!

Warmest regards,

Pete Dobmeier  
Elma Primary School Principal

## Iroquois Central School District Mission Statement

### **Our Vision...**

Iroquois: Building on tradition to support and encourage all to excel through innovation, inspiration, and inclusivity.

### **Our Mission...**

The Iroquois Central School District will provide academically challenging, relevant, and purposeful learning experiences in partnership with parents and the community. We are committed to an engaged and inclusive approach that encourages innovation and creativity, preparing students for success in an ever-changing world.

## Elma Primary Mission Statement

The mission of Elma Primary School is to provide a positive, nurturing environment which will enable all students to become independent, respectful, responsible, life-long learners. This mission will be shared by the family, community, staff administration and Board of Education.

## ***Elma Primary Student Pledge***

**Today I will act in such a way  
that I will be proud of myself  
and others will be proud of me.**

**I will never stop trying.**

**I will never give up.**

Elma Primary School

Board of Education

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## Elma Primary Guidelines for Success

At Elma Primary, we recognize that we are responsible for developing good students and good people. Our “Guidelines for Success” focus on the traits we have identified that are essential in helping our students become positive, responsible, and contributing members of our school community.



### **Be kind.**

*Treat others the way you want to be treated, even when no one is looking.*



### **Be respectful.**

*Show others they matter by listening and practicing good manners.*



### **Be responsible.**

*Take care of yourself, your things, your behavior, and your learning.*



### **Be a courageous learner.**

*Believe in yourself, try new things, and don't be afraid of making mistakes.*



### **Work hard.**

*Never stop trying, never give up.*

## STUDENT BEHAVIOR

Our goal in the area of student behavior is to help students learn and develop positive behaviors. The majority of the time the children conduct themselves appropriately and show respect for others. We celebrate and praise their good behavior.

When a student makes an irresponsible decision, is disrespectful, or chooses to not follow the building rules, it is important that there is a unified plan between home and school to help them learn the desired behaviors. The nurturing and guiding of good behavior will be the responsibility of all adults in the school building. Each classroom will develop a set of rules and expectations for behavior within the classroom.

Most discipline is handled in the classroom by the teacher. However, if a student exhibits aggressive behavior or is repeating inappropriate behavior, the principal will become involved. We understand that from time to time all children make poor decisions and the intent of this process is to help students learn to make good choices for appropriate behavior at school.

# ATTENDANCE

School hours are 8:50 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Establishing good habits of being punctual and prepared for the day will help children throughout their school career and as an adult. Therefore, your child should have regular and prompt attendance each school day. A good routine includes assisting your child to pack his or her bag the night before with all school materials needed the next day. In the morning, make sure your child eats a good breakfast and arrives at school on time.



When an absence occurs, please call the school nurse, Mrs. Katy Steck at 652-3000, ext. 2600 or Mrs. Ann Jacobs, the school secretary, at 652-3000, ext 2001 (or leave a voice message) prior to 9:30 AM on the day of absence regarding the nature of the illness.

**New York State requires a written excuse for any absence from school.** On the first day back after an absence, please write a brief note and indicate the nature of the illness and give the specific date or dates your child was out. A note is required, even if you have notified the school. These notes help us keep an accurate register of attendance. Written notification from the school will be sent home if your child is excessively tardy and/or absent.

## TARDINESS

Children are to be in their classrooms by **8:50 AM**. Arrival after that time is recorded as tardy. The only exception to this would be students who may be delayed in arriving from the breakfast program in the cafeteria or a late bus. ***Written excuses are required from the parent when a student is driven in late.***

## BRINGING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL

You may choose to bring your child to school yourself on some occasions or on a regular basis. This year DROPOFF TIME FOR K-3 STUDENTS IS 8:40-8:50 AM. DROPOFF TIME FOR UPK STUDENTS IS AT 9:10 AM. **Children cannot be dropped off at the school before 8:40 AM.**

If there is a family emergency or an urgent need to communicate, please contact the office.



## PICKING YOUR CHILD UP AT SCHOOL

You may occasionally wish to pick your child up early or at the end of the school day. We ask that you plan ahead when possible if you are going to pick your child up early. First, let your child know what the plans are. Second, write a note to the teacher or call the office so that the early release is expected.

You will wait for your child in the vestibule for pickup. All children being picked up must be signed out. The secretary will call the classroom for your child and he/she will meet you at the door.

Children will not be released to your friends or a relative without your written permission. ***In cases of divorce and separation, it is important that you provide custody papers or orders of protection to be on file in our office if a parent is not to be permitted to pick up the child.***

**If you wish to pick your K-3 child up at the end of the school day, pickup time is 3:10-3:20.** Enter the east parking lot and follow the car line to the front of the building. Children will exit with an adult from the cafeteria entrance. **Please do not leave your vehicle.**

**Parents of UPK students will pick up their children and siblings at 3:10 by parking in the west lot (cafeteria side of the building).** Our UPK teacher will dismiss these students one at a time.

If, due to unforeseen circumstances, you are going to be late to pick up your child, **notify the school office** (not your child's teacher).

## CELL PHONES

Cell phones have become part of our busy lives. We would ask that when you enter our building, *please silence your phone* and if necessary, hold your conversations in an area that will not disrupt the learning of our students or the work of our faculty and staff. **Students are not permitted to have cell phones during school hours.**

## TRANSPORTATION



### BUS BEHAVIOR

Student behavior on the bus is extremely important. When serious bus concerns arise, our policy requires that the child be seen by the principal in the office. The principal and student generally discuss the problem and plan together how behavior can be improved. Parents may be notified if there is a serious issue.

**Please review these bus rules with your child. Rules are:**

- 1) Stay in your own space (seated)**
- 2) Obey the driver**
- 3) No eating or drinking**

***The District policy on bus conduct is printed in the school calendar.***

## **PERMANENT BUS PASSES**

Bus pass requests are required in writing and are kept on file in the office. Parents may request that a permanent bus pass be issued to a day care provider. There are day care facilities in the district to which the district will transport the child at no cost to the parent. If the day care facility is not on the approved list, the location must be within the bus routes for Elma Primary. For example, the district will transport to a neighbor or relative within the Elma boundaries, but not to a relative on the Wales or Marilla bus routes.

Permanent bus passes are issued for consistent days of the week. If you want your child to go to an alternate location on a routine schedule, you must submit a transportation request (can be found on the district website) and written request to the school office.

## **TEMPORARY BUS PASSES**

Some parents have requested that their child be dropped off at another child's home after school, especially if both children ride the same bus. Bus policy requires that bus passes only be issued to an alternate site in case of an emergency. **If you are requesting an emergency bus pass for your child, please clearly indicate the type of emergency on the request. Bus passes cannot be issued for play dates.**

Temporary bus passes cannot be issued for reasons other than emergencies. Please contact the principal or the bus garage if you have any questions about the bus policy.

## **EARLY RELEASE BUS PASSES**

Please **check the school calendar for early release dates and times** for the primary schools. You should plan now for where your child will go on these days. Please make sure your child knows where he or she is going on early release days and remember to send your request in writing to the school office.

**If your child goes to a location *different* than he/she would normally go at dismissal, you must send a written request for a bus pass on early release days.** It is helpful if these bus pass requests are made at least in advance of the early release dates to assure that your child goes to the right location.

We cannot honor verbal requests by students. Please do not expect your child to let school staff know where the child will go for early release days. Please plan ahead and notify the school in writing. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.





# CAFETERIA

The cafeteria offers daily lunch choices that can be paid using **My School Bucks**, a convenient and secure online payment and parent information portal for managing student food service accounts. The link for My School Bucks can be found on the District website in the Services link. Breakfast is available to all children. Interested children should inform their bus driver so that they can be let off the bus early to eat breakfast.



## Cafeteria Prices (subject to change)

Breakfast	Elementary	1.90
Lunch	Elementary	2.85
	Student Lunch for Adult	5.10

## ALA CARTE ITEMS

Item	Price
Milk, Variety	.90
Juice 4 oz.	.80
Bottled Water	1.00
Assorted Fruit Cup	1.00
Fresh Fruit	1.00
Ice Cream	1.35
Frito Lay Snacks	1.35
Rice Krispy Treats – Large	1.25
Cookie – variety	.80
Fruit Snack	1.25
Pretzel	1.25
Cheese Sauce	.75
Pop tart (1 pkg)	1.00

**Free and Reduced Lunch Program:** Students who qualify for free or reduced lunches and breakfast are urged to take advantage of the program. Forms are sent home on the first day of school and are available in the office if the need should arise at any time during the school year.

**Packed lunches:** Please do not send glass bottles in your child's lunch. We also ask that you do not send in soda with your child for lunch. Milk, ice cream, pretzels, cookies, etc. may be purchased in the cafeteria. **We prefer that 'fast food' lunches are not brought in for lunch for students.**

**Student responsibilities:** When in the cafeteria for lunch, students have the responsibility to conduct themselves in a manner that makes lunchtime pleasant for all those around them. Guidelines to review with your child are:

1. Stay in your seat.
2. Raise your hand if you need help.
3. Visit quietly with those near you.
4. Clean up after yourself and use your manners.

Note: Food throwing, fighting or disrespect for the adults in charge will not be tolerated.



## RECESS and PLAYGROUND

A daily twenty-minute outdoor play period has been mandated by the Board of Education. Children in all grades kindergarten through four will be going outside for twenty minutes each day as weather permits. The teacher is charged with assuring that the play period occurs and determining when the weather is inappropriate for outdoor play.

All children will go outside unless they have an excuse from a doctor. Children should come to school with dress appropriate for the outside weather.

Temperature, wind-chill and precipitation will be considered when making the decision regarding the outside play for the day. The Buffalo National Weather Service and/or the Elma Primary weather station will be consulted daily. When it is not possible to go outside, indoor recess is given.

### Playground Safety Rules

1. Play safe and follow all adult directions.
2. Walk, don't run, on equipment and wood chips. Tag games are not allowed in these areas.
3. Respect your peers' physical space and take turns.
4. Sneakers are required for use.
5. No hanging upside down on monkey bars, parallel bars, horizontal bar.
6. No sitting on, no climbing on, no walking on top of monkey bars, parallel bars, horizontal bar, firetruck or slide house.
7. Do not walk in front of or between swings while in use.
8. Do not walk under bar equipment.
9. When using the slide, slide feet first only. We slide down; we do not climb up the slide.
10. Playground surface (woodchips, mulch, stones) must stay on the ground. Please do not pick up or throw them.
11. No jumping off playground decks or equipment.

**\*Adult supervision required**

**\*Report any injury immediately to Teacher/staff**



# From the Health Office ...

Dear Parents:

Welcome to Elma Primary Health Office. The following points will be helpful in controlling the spread of illness at Elma. *Please have your child remain at home if any of the following symptoms appear.* If these symptoms appear in school, your child will be sent home at the discretion of the school nurse.

1. Temperature of 100 degrees or over.
2. Stiff neck or swollen glands.
3. Sore throat / painful swallowing.
4. Rash on the skin.
5. Earache or drainage from the ears.
6. Inflammation of the eyes or crusting of eyelids.
7. Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea.

If these symptoms have occurred during the night, your child should remain at home the next day to make certain the condition does not recur. In the event your child is absent, please notify the health office as to the cause of absence on the first day.

Consult with your family physician in matters pertaining to diagnosis and treatment.

We in Health Services would like to reinforce our **policy regarding students who must receive medication during school hours.**

Under **no circumstances** is the student allowed to transport his/her medication on the bus. An adult (parent or guardian) should bring all medicines appropriately labeled **and** with doctor's prescription instructions to the Health Office.

If the prescription label does not match the doctor's instructions, medication cannot be accepted.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will help provide safe health care for your child.

Please instruct your children to **never** accept or take anything that is unknown to them.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Mrs. Katy Steck, RN  
Health Office  
716-652-3000, ext. 2600

# SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES



The School Nurse is present to deal with health emergencies and accidents which may arise or occur during the school day. Parents will be notified of any serious problems. The School Nurse is responsible for deciding whether students referred to the Health Office return to class or are sent home.

Please feel free to contact the school nurse, Mrs. Katy Steck, RN, concerning any health problems your child may be having at 716-652-3000, ext. 2600.

**Medications administered in school.** The school staff will cooperate with you within the limits of the law to administer medications to pupils at school. We request that you become familiar with the law:

1. The school nurse must have on file a written request from the family physician in which the physician indicates the frequency and dosage of prescribed medications. The nurse must also be provided with information indicating the condition being treated, the regime of treatment recommended, and the frequency established by the physician.
2. The school nurse must have on file a written request from the parent to administer the medication specified by the family physician. A verbal or telephone request is not sufficient.
3. The medication must be delivered directly to the school Health Office by the parent.

No medications may be administered in any school location except the Health Office. If you come to school to give medication to your child, you must go to the Health Office; not the child's classroom.

Accidents occurring during the school day on school property must be reported to the nurse's office. There is supplemental *accident insurance* carried by the district. The School Nurse can help you process this in the event of an accident which your insurance does not cover.

We ask that all parents be conscientious in reporting viral infections and chickenpox to the school nurse as soon as they are diagnosed. We also ask that you be very careful not to send children to school on the school bus if they are running a temperature.

## **IMMUNIZATIONS**

Entering kindergarten students have been asked to complete their final MMR and DPT shots well before entering school in the fall. This is required by State law. Children will be excluded from school if the shots are not completed expeditiously under State law. Parents will be notified if a problem exists. New York State provides health coverage for children who have no health insurance. Please contact the office if you need information about this program, Child Health Plus.



## Head Lice:

The regulation on lice and nits for the Iroquois Central School District has changed. Effective immediately students will no longer be excluded if they have nits (lice eggs). Students with head lice will continue to be excluded until they are lice-free. Excluded students will be examined for lice when they return to school and rechecked 14 days later to confirm that they remain free of lice.

### **Background**

Head lice are most commonly found in children 3-12 years of age. Head lice do not pose a health hazard, transmit disease, nor serve as a sign of poor hygiene, child abuse, or neglect. Nits are not equivalent to head lice, since nits cannot be transmitted from person to person, and therefore should not result in school exclusion. Head lice, on the other hand, are transmitted as a result of direct head-to-head contact.

This policy is endorsed by national organizations such as American Academy of Pediatrics, Centers for Disease Control and the National Association of School Nurses. Similar policies have been adopted successfully by school systems throughout the country.

### **Details on Regulation:**

- Students with live head lice will be excluded when lice are identified. Parents will be notified, instructed in treatment of head lice and asked to pick up their child as soon as possible.
- Students will be re-examined by the school nurse upon return to school. Students with head lice will not be allowed to re-enter until they are lice free.
- Students that have been cleared of lice will be re-examined by the school nurse in 14 calendar days (or closest school day if the 14<sup>th</sup> day falls on weekend or holiday).
- Students found to have head lice on re-examination will once again be excluded until they are lice free.
- No school-wide surveillance will be conducted for nits.
- Students with nits and no evidence of live head lice will not be excluded from school.

Please contact the Nurse in the Health Office, 652-3000, ext. 2600, if you have any questions regarding this policy.



## PEANUT FREE CLASSROOM GUIDELINES:

***If a student(s) in your child's class has been diagnosed with a peanut/nut allergy the following information was included in the classroom placement information:***

If a child with a peanut/nut allergy ingests any peanut/nut product, *severe* symptoms called an anaphylactic reaction could develop. An allergic reaction may develop if the student comes in contact with *any* peanut/nut residue. **If your child is in a peanut-free classroom**, we ask that **any treats brought in by the children to share with the class be limited to pre-wrapped food items** with information provided for the contents of the product. To avoid any possibility of peanut/nut contamination **in peanut-free classrooms**, we ask that **no home-baked goods** be sent in.

*PREVENTION* is the key to management of food allergies. Listed below are Guidelines for Peanut/Nut-Free Classroom Food Selection. If your child is in a peanut free classroom, please review these guidelines *with your child*.

We ask that you take the time to talk with your child about not sharing any food items or drinks with other students. All children should wash their hands before entering the classroom and before and after eating lunch. This will prevent the possibility of peanut/nut contamination and benefit all students in preventing the spread of germs.

We thank you for your cooperation in our effort to ensure a safe and healthy environment for students with severe allergies. Any questions or concerns can be directed to Mrs. Steck, RN, Mr. Dobmeier, or your child's teacher.

## **PEANUT/TREE NUT ALLERGY INFORMATION**

The websites listed below contain helpful information regarding safe food items as well as additional information on food allergies. These websites are continually updated as food products safe one day may not be safe the next day.

Snack Safely – useful information on safe snacks including a link to the “safe snack guide”: <http://snacksafely.com>

FARE (Food Allergy Awareness and Education) – general allergy information: <http://www.foodallergy.org/home>

## SPECIAL SERVICES

The district provides a wide range of support services for students who have special needs. If you have a concern for your child's progress, the following services are available at Elma Primary. Your child's teacher can explain them to you and help you to explore them when appropriate.

**Student Support Team:** Children who are exhibiting learning or behavior problems in the classroom may be studied by a team of teachers and professionals to gather ideas for a plan to help the child.

**MTSS/Response To Intervention (Rti) (includes Title I):** Any student who may need a boost with reading, writing, and/or math may qualify for this special help during the school day.

**Resource Room:** Children with educational difficulties caused by disabilities may qualify for help in any academic area. This may happen in the regular classroom and/or in the resource room by a certified special education teacher.

**Speech/Language Therapy:** Children with language and articulation problems may qualify for help in these areas. Students must be identified as having a disability by the district's Committee on Special Education to receive this service. The service is provided by a certified speech pathologist.

**School Counselor:** Children who need help with family problems that affect their educational performance may work with the school counselor for a short period of time or be referred to a private counselor.



## Message from Mrs. Aroune- School Counselor:



### WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL ELMA PRIMARY FAMILIES!!

As the Elma Primary School Counselor, I work with all students either individually, in small groups, or in the classroom addressing Healthy Coping Skills, Behavior Concerns, Friendship Skills, Communication Skills, Personal Safety, and Social/Emotional Needs. I also frequently consult with parents and caregivers on personal challenges or family changes that may be affecting their children, concerns they have about their children's emotional well-being, and individual learning needs.

I recognize that the transition back to school may pose some unique challenges for some of our students and families for many different reasons: family changes that occurred over the summer, grief issues, anxiety about being in a new classroom, worries about making new friends, learning insecurities and challenges, difficulty handling change, etc. Please know that I am another resource at Elma Primary that can help you and your children with all these things.

If you have concerns or updates regarding your family or child's needs, please feel free to contact me the week before school begins or during the first few weeks of school to have a confidential conversation. I would be happy to assist you with a plan, help you attain resources or support needed inside or outside of school, and problem solve with you. Together we can help assure the beginning of the year transition goes more smoothly for your little one.

I am so excited to get started on this year's adventures together. Welcome back to school and welcome to school to all our new students to the district and Kindergartners!

Enjoy the final days of summer,

MaryLou Aroune

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[652-3000 ext. 2870](tel:652-3000)

\*\*\*For more information on the Primary School Counselor's Role or for helpful parent resources please check out the School Counselor's webpages on the Elma Primary School Website. \*\*\*



**ELMA PRIMARY STAFF 2024-2025**

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<b>GRADE/DEPT.</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>EXT.</b>	<b>ROOM</b>
<b>Principal</b>	Mr. Dobmeier	2000	A2
<b>Secretary</b>	Mrs. Jacobs	2001	A1
<b>Nurse</b>	Mr. Steck, RN	2600	A4
<b>UPK</b>	Ms. Czuba	2503	C3
<b>Kindergarten</b>	Mrs. Andreas	2506	C6
	Mrs. Marczewski	2511	C11
	Mrs. Olszewski	2512	C12
<b>Grade 1</b>	Mrs. Aigner / Ms. Hollern	2507	C7
	Mrs. Mendelsohn	2505	C5
	Mrs. Stanley	2508	C8
<b>Grade 2</b>	Miss Maracle / Mrs. Kochmanski	2513	C13
	Mrs. Griffey	2502	C2
	Mrs. Wert	2501	C1
<b>Grade 3</b>	Mrs. Domino	2202	B2
	Mrs. Gotto/ Mrs. Christensen	2208	B8
	Mrs. Paryz	2207	B7
	Mr. Staebell	2206	B6
<b>Art</b>	Miss Urquhart	2204	B4
<b>Behavioral Specialist</b>	Mr. Forgione		
<b>Custodian</b>	Mr. Shannon	2950	
<b>Kitchen</b>	TBD	2700	
<b>Library</b>	Mrs. Orrange, Librarian	2800	B1
<b>Music</b>	Mrs. Szablewski (CD)	2205	B5
<b>OT/PT</b>	Mrs. Hopkins - OT	2203	B3
	Mrs. Jackson/Mrs. Goldwater - PT		
<b>Physical Education</b>	Mrs. Sonricker / Mrs. Lisitsky	2095	A8
<b>Psychologist</b>	Mrs. Angelo	5890	@II
<b>RtI</b>	Mrs. Bartholomew	2514	C14
	Mrs. Gozelski	2510	C10
	Mrs. Jarnot	2504	C4
	Mrs. Holtmart	2510	C10
<b>School Counselor</b>	Mrs. Aroune	2870	Lib
<b>Special Education</b>	Mrs. Bittner	2514	C14
	Mrs. Christensen	2208	B8
	Mrs. Forgione	2514	C14
	Ms. Hollern	2507	C7
	Mrs. Kochmanski	2513	C13
<b>Speech</b>	Mrs. Nottis	2509	C9
<b>SRO</b>	Officer Bob Peinkofer	2900	A9

## ELMA PRIMARY 2024-2025 CALENDAR – dates / times subject to change

SEPTEMBER	4	First Day of School	
	12	PTO Meeting/Volunteer Orientation	9:15 am/6:15 PM
	17	Open House	6:30-8:00 PM
	20	Back to School Bash & Mum Sale	6:30-8:00 PM
	27	12:00 Dismissal	
OCTOBER	3	Picture Day	
	4	Emerg. Evac. Drill – 15-min early	
	10	PTO Meeting	9:15 AM
	11	No School - Superintendent's Conference Day	
	14	No School - Columbus Day	
	16	Book Fair/Harvest Festival	6:30-8:00 PM
	25	Halloween Spooktacular	6:30-8:00 PM
	23-31	Red Ribbon Week	
	31	Fall Festival Parade	
NOVEMBER	7	PTO Meeting	6:15 PM
	11	No School - Veteran's Day	
	18-21	Canned Food Drive	
	22	12:00 Dismissal	
	18	Picture Retake Day	
	27-29	Thanksgiving Recess	
DECEMBER	5	Early Dismissal –Parent Conf (evening)	11:00 AM
	6	Santa's Secret Shop	
	10	Early Release Parent Conf.	11:00 AM
	17	Holiday Sing-Along	9:30 AM
	20	Early Release	11:00 AM
	23- 1/1	Winter Recess	
JANUARY	2	Back to School	
	9	PTO Meeting	6:15 PM
	20	No School - MLK, Jr	
FEBRUARY	7	PTO Mtg	9:15 AM
	13	Valentine's Day Parties	
	14	Staff Day - No School	
	18-23	Mid-Winter Break	
MARCH	5	Spring Picture Day	
	6	12:00 Dismissal	
	7	UPK 2025-26 Parent Orientation	5:00 PM
	7	Intro to Kindergarten	6:00 PM
	13	PTO Meeting	9:15 AM
	20	Budget Vote Kindergarten Orientation	9:30 AM
	28	Spring Fling	6:30-8:00 PM
APRIL	10	PTO Meeting	6:15 PM
	22	Art Show / Book Fair & Basket Raffle	6:30-8:00 PM
MAY	8	PTO Meeting/Volunteer Recognition	9:30 AM
	16	Cookies & Canvas	6:30-8:00 PM
	20	Budget Vote/Kindergarten Orientation	9:30-11:00 AM
	21	Kindergarten Screening	By appt.
	23	Spring Cleanup Day	
	30	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Picnic	

JUNE	13	Flag Day	
	18	Field Day	
	19	No School - Juneteenth Holiday	
	20	3rd Grade Moving Up Day	
	23	Field Day Rain Date	
	25	12:00 Dismissal - Last Day of School	



**PTO OFFICERS 2024-2025**

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- Co-Presidents:** Tara Kazmark  
Angeline Woodworth
- Secretary:** Brittany Farquhar
- Treasurer:** Jennifer Leumer

