Hawk Herald

Colene Hoose Bird's Eye View

AUGUST, 2024 | BACK TO SCHOOL

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL, MS. TENUTA

Dear Hoose Hawk Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year!! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer break. We are so excited to welcome our students back into the building for another great year of learning. Each month you will receive the Hawk Herald through an Infinite Campus email full of information for the coming month. In this Back to School edition, you will find all the information you need to get ready for the 2024-2025 school year! My goal is to always communicate with you all in an effective and timely manner. Any updates or happenings throughout the school day that you need to know between these publications will be sent out through email via Infinite Campus or phone message through your Infinite Campus main contact number. Always feel free to reach out if there is anything you need throughout the school year!

The staff will be working together on our August 12th-14th Institute day to plan our school improvement goals and get ready for a great school year. We strive to meet our mission with our work here at Hoose:

We are HOOSE! Community, our pride; learning, our purpose; integrity, our pledge!

Thank you for your partnership! Looking forward to a great 2024-2025 School Year! ~ Gina Tenuta

IMPORTANT DATES

August 9th
Class assignment in Infinite Campus after 4pm

August 15th
1st day of School (Full Day)

August 27th
1st Day of 5th Grade Band & Orchestra

August 28th
Picture Day

September 2nd
Labor Day-NO SCHOOL

September 10th
10:45 Dismissal

2024-2025 UNIT 5 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Hoose PTO

Mark your Calendars!! Join us for our first PTO meeting of the year!

We are looking forward to meeting you on *Monday, August 26th at 6 pm*.

We look forward to meeting all of our new Hoose Hawk Families!!

Lunch & Recess Times

Grade	Lunch	Recess
K	11:00-11:25	10:35-11:00
1st	11:25-11:50	11:00-11:25
2nd	11:50-12:15	11:25-11:50
3rd	12:00-12:25	12:25-12:50
4th	11:00-11:25	10:35-11:00
5th	11:25-11:50	11:00-11:25

COLENE HOOSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
600 Grandview Dr. Normal, IL 61761

Office Hours: 7:15am-3:00pm

Main Office: 309-557-4414
Attendance Line: 309-557-4463

*Please call the attendance line before 8:00a.m. if your child is absent, late, or needs to leave early.

School Security Procedures

All individuals must ring the bell to the right of the front door and sign in to the front office. If you are dropping off after 7:45am you need to sign your student in. Please do not hold door open for others, even if they are a familiar face to you.

Thank you for your help in keeping Hoose a safe learning environment!

DROP-OFF & PICK-UP PROCEDURES

To ensure the safety of all students, please plan on following our drop-off and pick-up procedures. Thank you for working together to make sure all of our Hawks are safe!

K-5th pick-up and drop-off will be in the back lanes off of Grandview Ave.

- ONLY SS2 and BEST students can use the front drop off lane off of Vernon Ave.
- FRONT lanes off of Vernon Ave. will be for ALL BUSES ONLY



Morning Drop-Off
Two Drop-off lanes off of Grandview Drive

- Drop-off starts at 7:25am and ends at 7:45am
- Please do not pass cars in the lane. Stay in one line even after you have dropped your student off.
- For morning drop-off you can use either lane.
- Pull all the way forward to get as many cars in the drop off section as possible.
- Once you get to the curb, please have your child ready to quickly get out of the car.
- Students should get out on the curb side only.
- Parents-Please stay in your cars as we need to keep the line moving.
- NO parking in the back.
- Walkers can continue to use the entrance off of Vernon Ave. but are encouraged to use the Grandview Drive Entrance.
- **If you arrive after 7:45, please use the front entrance off of Vernon Ave. You will need to come into the office to sign your child in.**

Afternoon Pick-Up
Two Pick-up lanes off of Grandview Drive

- Kindergarten pick-up starts at 2:25 and 1st-5th Grade pick-up starts at 2:30
- **Families with the last name starting with A-L use pick up lane #1 (1st Turn)**
- **Families with the last name starting with M-Z use pick up lane #2 (2nd Turn)**
- Parents need to stay in their car and wait in the car line, we need to ensure that the line keeps moving.
- Students will be waiting by grade level outside and watching for parents.
- You will get a name tag to place in your front window the first week of school which will allow us to have your child ready for you as soon as you pull up.

PICK-UP & DROP-OFF PROCEDURES



Morning Drop-Off you can use both lanes!

PM PICK-UP:

Lane #1: Last Name A-L

Lane #2: Last Name M-Z

Vernon Ave. Entrance



If you must park OR go to the front office, you need to park in the limited parking lot.

If you walk up to our school, please use the side walk to walk up to the school for parent pick up off of Grandview Drive. ONLY BEST AND SS2 families can drive up off of VERNON AVE.

Thank you all for your patience as we work through all of our procedures to make sure all of our Hawks are safe! Parents need to stay in their car and wait in the car lane as we need to keep the lane moving. If you walk up to our school for pick up I ask you use the sidewalks off of Grandview Drive. Students will be waiting by grade level outside and watching for parents. I will be out in the pick-up & drop-off lane daily. Please be sure to say, "hi!" Thank you for helping me make sure all students get home safely!

~Ms. Tenuta

Welcome NEW STAFF

- Kelli Ward- SSP Coordinator
- Ali Kohler- Assistant Principal
- Abi Balasubramanian- Bilingual Tamil
- Dianna Doblosky- LBS1
- Becky Chizmark- LBS1
- Julie Dahlke- Social Worker
- Kate Nelson- Social Worker



- Natalie Kralis- Speech Pathologist
- Taylor Kurdys- Speech Pathologist
- Madison Frost- 2nd Grade
- Keganne Kreush- 5th Grade
- Hannah Mueller- BEST



NATURAL PLAYGROUND

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Our beautiful natural playground is closed to the public during the school day! This ensures safety of students as they learn and explore throughout the school day!



HOOSE PTO!



To celebrate back to school, please join Colene Hoose PTO in the North Gym after supply drop off.

Complementary ice cream or popsicle will be available for your student, and a fun photo booth will also be available!

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Colene Hoose Elementary

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