Kestrel Chronicle

Columbia River Elementary School
Amanda Wilson, Principal

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

January 2025

Principally speaking . . .

Happy New Year, Columbia River Families!

Welcome back to school! We hope you had a wonderful winter break filled with rest, joy, and special moments with loved ones. As we kick off 2025, we are excited to welcome back our students, families, and staff for a fresh start and new opportunities to learn and grow together.

At Columbia River Elementary, our resolution for the year is to continue fostering a community where every student thrives academically, socially, and emotionally. We are committed to providing a supportive environment where every child can reach their fullest potential, inspired by our theme: *Sky's the Limit*. Our hope for 2025 is to strengthen our partnerships with families, empower our students, and celebrate their successes along the way.

As we embrace the colder months, we want to remind families to ensure students come to school dressed warmly, with coats, gloves, and hats. If your family is in need of assistance with winter clothing, please don't hesitate to reach out to our office — we are here to help.

Thank you for your continued support and collaboration as we enter this new year. Together, let's make 2025 an amazing year at Columbia River Elementary!

Watch Us Rise,

Amanda Wilson
Principal, Columbia River Elementary

Dates To Remember

Winter Break Ends No classes held	1 - 3
PTO Meeting 6:00 p.m. in the library	7
Supportive Assemblies 9:25-9:55—K & 1 10:10-10:40—2 & 3 3:00-3:40—4 & 5	10
Martin Luther King Jr. Day No classes held	20
Club Picture Day	21
	21 - 23
Semester Break Day No classes held	24
4th and 5th Grade Elective Choir and 5th Gr. Band and Orchestra Concert 2:50-3:40 p.m. parent performance	30



Columbia River P.T.O.

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Calling all parents! We are looking for parents/guardians that want to be involved in our P.T.O group for Columbia River Elementary School. If you are interested, please send your contact information to kestrelpridepto@gmail.com.

Monthly P.T.O. Meeting

The next monthly P.T.O. meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the school library.

Everyone is invited to attend and participate in our P.T.O. group.

Upcoming Events

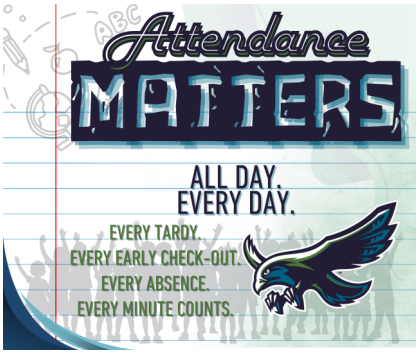
- January 7 ~ PTO Meeting
- January 21-23 ~ Book Fair



Our drop-off zone near the front of the building is designated for quick drop-offs only. Drivers should remain in their vehicles to keep the flow of traffic moving. If you need to exit your car to assist your child, please park in a designated parking space.

Additionally, we ask that cars do not idle in the drop-off lane, either before 8:45 AM or after school, as idling releases harmful gases. If you arrive early and wish for your child to stay in a warm vehicle, please park in the lot until it is time for drop-off.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and efficient process for all!





The Winter Ball has been re-scheduled for February. More details will be shared after the January 7, 2025 PTO meeting.



January 21-23, 2025

Join us at our first book fair for this school year. The book fair is January 21-23, 2025.

The proceeds will go towards purchasing books for our new book vending machine.

