



**DELONG**  
MIDDLE SCHOOL

# NEED-TO-KNOW NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2024

## DeLong Calendar

### September

- 3 - 1st Day of School
- 3 - 1st Qt Sports Start
- 6 - Picture Day
- 9 - School Board Meeting 7pm
- 10 - DeLong Health Knight 5:30pm
- 16 - School Board Meeting 7pm
- 17 - PTO Meeting 6pm
- 23-27 - Respect Week
- 27 - Mid-Quarter
- 27 - PTO Family Movie Knight

### October

- 4 - Student Re-Takes Picture Day
- 7 - School Board Meeting 7pm
- 15 - PTO Meeting 6pm
- 17 - FTC Afterschool 3:45-7:15pm
- 18 - No School - FTC 7:30am-3:30pm
- 21 - No School - Staff Development
- 21 - School Board Meeting 7pm
- 31 - Halloween

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5026.

Si usted quiere ayuda en interpretar esta carta,  
por favor póngase en contacto con el asistente  
de educación bilingüe al 715-852-4924 y deje  
un mensaje con su nombre y número de  
teléfono.

## Quick Links

[September Lunch Menu](#)

[ECASD Technology Support and Resources](#)

[DeLong Website](#)

[Connect with us on Facebook HERE](#) 



## Principal's Message

Dear DeLong Families,

We Are Off to a Great Start!

Thank you!

The start of the new school year is always filled with excitement for staff, students, and families, and this year was no different. The students are quickly adapting to their schedules, lockers, expectations, and of course meeting new people.

The support of the families is key to the success of our students. Our staff appreciates the effort that families put into guiding their students to be successful.

This fall we are looking forward to the watching the athletic fields filled with student athletes, the start of clubs and family teacher conferences.

Michele Wiberg

DeLong Middle School Principal

# School Announcements



## 7th & 8th Grade Health Knight

### Picture Re-Takes

Picture Re-takes will be October 4th.

Join us for our Health Class Information Night on **September 10th at 5:30pm in room 2136!** This one-hour, or less, session is designed for families of 7th and 8th-grade students who will be taking health either first or second semester. You'll have the opportunity to learn about the curriculum, meet the teachers, and get answers to any questions you may have. Please note, there will not be a spring Health Night, so we encourage all families to attend this informative event. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Free & Reduced Info



\*Online Applications for School Year 2024-25!  
You can easily apply online for free or reduced price meals for the 2024-25 school year [HERE](#).  
If you fill out an online application, there is no need to fill out a paper application.

## Movie Knight! Sponsored by DeLong PTO

On **Friday, September 27**, DeLong Middle School and the PTO are excited to offer a Movie Knight where we will be showing **Inside Out 2!** This is an outdoor event so bring a chair, blanket, or other snuggly thing to use during the movie. Popcorn will be provided, but please feel free to bring a school appropriate beverage.

Popcorn will be available at 7:00PM and the movie will begin at 7:30PM. Just like other sporting or extracurricular events, we ask that every 4 students be accompanied by an adult, who should remain for the entirety of the event.

## Outdoor Movie Knight

FRIDAY, SEPT. 27  
7-10 PM  
DELONG MIDDLE SCHOOL

NOW SHOWING



Disney Pixar  
**INSIDE OUT 2**

- POPCORN WILL BE PROVIDED
- BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET
- BRING YOUR OWN SCHOOL APPROPRIATE DRINK
- EVERY 4 STUDENTS MUST BE WITH AN ACCOMPANYING GUARDIAN

# Back-to-School Knight Highlights



**6th Grade Knight!**



**7th/8th Grade Knight!**



# News from our PTO

## Welcome back, DeLong Knights!

As a parent or guardian of a student at DeLong Middle School you are already a member of our PTO! The mission of DeLong's PTO is to unite staff, family, and the community while raising the standards of education, encouraging involvement within the school, and raising funds to support these goals.

We currently provide hospitality events at the beginning of the school year and food/meals for teachers during parent teacher conferences and Teacher Appreciation Week. We give financial support to teachers and students by providing mini grants for a special need or innovative effort that will benefit DeLong students.

## PTO September Meeting:

Our meetings are usually the third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is September 17 at 6 pm in the IMC (library). At the next meeting we will:

- Review our budget
- Start planning for our No Buy No Sell Fundraiser
- Go over details for our Movie Knight

At every meeting there is an update from Principal Michele Wiberg and from a Family Advisory Council member.



**REMINDER**

You can view all of our previous meeting minutes on the [DeLong PTO page](#).

Our meetings are usually the third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is **Sept. 17th at 6 pm** in the IMC (library). You can attend virtually. Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/gtv-kiju-drc>  
Or dial: (US) +1 413-438-4170 PIN: 957 139 186#

## Please contact the Executive Committee with any questions:

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## Household Battery Recycling Now Available in ECASD School Media Centers



We are excited to let our families and community know that our Eau Claire Area School District Media Centers are now home to **AA, AAA, C and D battery red recycling buckets**. Our School Board Energy Committee is partnering with Eau Claire County and First Choice Recycling to make it easy to recycle your household batteries. Just send them with your students or drop them off in our Media Centers and we will get them recycled for you. Thank you for your support in raising climate awareness in our schools and community!

## ECASD Express Routes

Did you know that Eau Claire Transit has set up some ECASD Express City Bus routes for you? Visit [Express Routes](#) to learn more about the AM and PM Knight Express. We're excited about these additional options from Eau Claire Transit for our families and students!



Find more community events for families & students [here!](#)



## DeLong is De-Best!