

EAGLE NEWS

Anderson Island Elementary

Sept 19, 2025



Good afternoon Eagle Families,

We had a great week at school! All of our students are settling into learning and adjusting well to a full-day school schedule. Our 3rd graders have been doing an excellent job serving as examples of what it means to be a student—way to go, 3rd grade!

Next week, we'll be kicking things off by celebrating Leo's birthday on Monday—happy birthday, Leo! We're also looking forward to diving into our Library and Outdoor Classroom work as we stay Anchored in Excellence.

I hope everyone has a wonderful weekend. Remember to get outside and play, find a good book to enjoy, and take time to rest. Keep up the good work, and I'll see you all next week.

- Mr. Miller

Thank you MB & Kitt Bender for music Thursdays



September

24 ACE Day 1:30 Dismissal

October

1 ACE Day 1:30 Dismissal

8 ACE Day 1:30 Dismissal

10 No School

Professional development for staff

16 Schilter Pumpkin Patch Field Trip

20-24 Conference Half Days

11:30 Dismissal

21 AI Fire & Rescue Field Trip

25 Booster Club Trunk or Treat

27 AIHS Johnson Farm

31 Fall Party

Notes from the Classroom

Mrs. Cunningham

We're off and rolling along smoothly! This week's math concepts included fun with numbers for TK, positional words for kindergarten, number sense in 1st grade, number sense and operations of numbers 1- 20 in 2nd grade, and rounding for 3rd-grade students. In ELA, the focus was letters of the alphabet for TK, letter names and sounds, plus high frequency words for kindergarten, beginning - middle & ending sounds for 1st and 2nd graders, and reading strategies for 3rd grade students. In science, all grades are working on plant and animal needs, and 3rd-grade students also learned about habitats. Additionally, we learned about our Fantastic Elastic Brain and created neurons with pipe cleaners!

This week, we were lucky enough to have the Pierce County BEES library come to school on Wednesday. Most students checked out a school library book and a Pierce County library book. Pierce County books stay in the classroom to ensure they are returned on time. School library books are encouraged to be read and enjoyed at home. Library day is always on Wednesday, so don't forget to return your library books by next Wednesday. Enjoy the weekend, and I will see you on Monday!

Mrs. Cunningham



Neuron Building



DO YOU HAVE RESPIRATORY VIRUS SYMPTOMS, like those from COVID-19, influenza, or RSV?

This information is for the general public and non-health care settings, such as schools and child cares. It does not apply to health care settings, correctional facilities, or homeless shelters.

1 If you are sick, stay home and away from others, including those you live with who are not sick.

You can go back to your normal activities when both of the following have been true for at least 24 hours:

- Your symptoms are getting better overall, and
- You have not had a fever

Test for COVID-19 if available. Testing for COVID-19 can help you get effective treatment and protect people at high risk. You may still have COVID-19 or another contagious respiratory illness, even if you get a negative home test result.

Are you at high risk of getting very sick from COVID-19 or influenza? Talk to your health care provider right away to determine if you are eligible for treatment, even if your symptoms are mild.



[COVID-19 treatment](#)



[People at higher risk of flu complications](#)

2 When returning to normal activities, wear a mask and take precautions over the next 5 days, such as:



Improving airflow and filtration.



Washing hands often with soap and water.



Physically distancing.



Cleaning frequently.



Using testing before being around other people indoors.



If you test positive for COVID-19 but don't have symptoms, you should still wear a mask and take additional precautions for 5 days.

Respiratory virus symptoms may include:

Cough
Fever
Chills
Headache
Sore throat
Runny or stuffy nose
Sneezing
Chest discomfort
Decrease in appetite
Vomiting
Diarrhea
Fatigue
Muscle or body aches
New loss of taste or smell
Weakness
Wheezing

If you have questions about your illness or are worried about your symptoms, reach out to your healthcare provider.

Consider staying away from people who are at high risk of getting very sick from COVID-19 (such as older adults and people with weakened immune systems) until:

- 10 days have passed since your illness began, or
- You test negative for COVID-19 with an antigen test (such as a self test).

If you must be around someone at high risk of getting very sick during this time, wear a mask.



[Learn more about what to do when you are sick with COVID-19 or another respiratory virus.](#)

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When is your child too sick for school?

School attendance is a powerful predictor of school success and on-time graduation. Research shows that when students miss fewer than 10% of their school days, they have much stronger success in school. Use these tips to tell when your child is too sick to attend school.

Send your child to school if they...



Don't feel great but are able to participate in normal activities.

Keep your child home if they...



Feel sick and have a fever of 100.4°F or higher, test positive for flu or COVID-19, or can't participate in normal activities.

Have thrown up in the past 24 hours.



Have diarrhea and increased stool frequency.

Have a rash of unknown origin. They can return to school when a healthcare provider says it's okay.



Have an oozing sore or wound you can't cover or contain.

Call a healthcare provider if they...



Have a fever of 100.4°F or higher for more than 2 days.

Throw up or have diarrhea for more than 2 days.



Have the sniffles for more than a week and aren't getting better.

Have asthma symptoms after using asthma medicine. If they have trouble breathing after using an inhaler, call 911.



This is general guidance. Schools, healthcare providers, or the Health Department may advise differently based on individual circumstances.



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