

Sandridge Elementary presents

The Wildcat Weekly

September 29, 2025

HAPPY HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH!



Hispanic Heritage Month is an important time to celebrate the culture, history, and contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans. It reminds us that the United States is made stronger by the many traditions and talents that Hispanic people bring from different countries. In literature, authors such as Sandra Cisneros, who wrote *The House on Mango Street*, share powerful stories about family, culture, and identity. Their works give readers a deeper understanding of Hispanic experiences in America.

Hispanic leaders have also made a lasting impact in politics. Sonia Sotomayor became the first Hispanic justice on the U.S. Supreme Court, where she continues to shape important decisions for the country. Another leader, César Chávez, dedicated his life to improving the working conditions of farmworkers through peaceful protest. By celebrating these contributions in writing, and politics, Hispanic Heritage Month helps us recognize the many ways Hispanic Americans continue to make history and inspire future generations.

Calendar of Events

5th-8th Grade Girls Basketball Practice Mon., Tues., & Thurs. Sept. 29th, 30th, & Oct. 2nd 2:30pm-4:00pm

Girls Home Basketball Game Thurs. Oct. 2nd @ 4:30

5th-8th Grade Cheer Practice Mon. & Tues. Sept. 29th & 30th 2:30pm-4:00pm

World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser Due Mon. Oct. 6th

Indigenous People's Day- No School Mon. Oct. 13th

Parent Teacher Conferences- No School Tues. Oct. 14th 9:00am-4:00pm and 5:00pm-7:00pm

Uniforms

Uniform Top- short or long sleeve black, white, gray, navy blue or light blue polo shirts.



Uniform Bottoms- black, khaki, and navy-blue uniform pants, shorts, skirts, skorts. No jeans are allowed.

No hoodies allowed in grades 3rd-8th. Students may wear crew necks or sweaters.



Students must wear closed toe shoes every day. Gym shoes are needed for gym class.

Peanut Free School

Peanut Free School:
Do not include peanuts or peanut products in your child's school lunch.



THE IMPACT OF BEING LATE

Let's work hard to be here every day and on time! Teacher-Student Relationships is an important part of your child's educational experience. Regular attendance allows teachers to better understand a child's learning style, strengths, and areas needing support. Stronger teacher-student bonds create a sense of safety and belonging that boosts engagement.

BE SAFE, BE RESPONSIBLE, AND BE RESPECTFUL



As Wildcats, we always exhibit our three most important expectations.

- We are safe by keeping our hands, feet, and objects to ourselves, by reporting threats and following safety procedures at all times.
- We are responsible by bringing all materials to school, being in uniform, and being ready to learn every day. Grades 4th-8th students are responsible for bringing Chromebooks back and forth between home and school every day. Chromebooks should be charged at home.
- We are respectful to ourselves and others by using appropriate language, expressing yourself in an appropriate manner, and allowing others to do the same.

No matter whether students are at their arrival/departure areas, lunchroom, bathroom, or classroom, these expectations should be followed at all times.

FUNDRAISER: World's Finest Chocolate

Support our Wildcat Athletic Program by participating in our World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser. This will be a pre-order fundraiser where we collect money and then distribute the chocolate upon delivery. All proceeds will go to support our athletic department and intermural programs. All funds should be turned in to the main office by October 6th in a sealed envelope with your child's name on it.

September – Inclusion and Belonging
"We All Belong Here"

Focus: Celebrating diversity, recognizing differences, promoting acceptance.

Bus fees are due by the 10th
of the month.



WORD OF THE WEEK: Review August and September

WELCOME- used to greet someone in a glad or friendly way



WELCOME

COURTEOUS- being polite and showing respect to others

INCLUSION- the practice of ensuring every person regardless of their ability or background is valued and a participating member of our school.

DIVERSITY- having a wide range of people with different backgrounds, characteristics, and experiences in a group or environment.

inclusion
Matters

ACCEPTANCE- being okay with other people, even if they are different from you, and understanding that everyone has unique qualities that make them special



BELONGING - a feeling of security and support with a sense of being accepted and included.



Sandridge Spotlight

This week's Sandridge Spotlight goes to Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Southland Chicago. We had a ball as we painted and enjoyed sweet treats. Thank you to all of the families that were able to join us.



ATTENDANCE WINNERS

EC -	90.24%
K -	87.05%
1 -	87.72%
2 -	93.08%
3 -	93.21%
4 -	92.38%
5 -	87.46%
6 -	92.54%
7 - winner	97.28%
8 -	95.50%



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