



Fox Prairie Family Enews

October 3, 2025

Dear Fox Families,

Sign-ups for parent-teacher conference for October 22 & 23 are below. We are using Google Calendar this year for sign-ups!

Have a great weekend!

Mrs. Rogers and the Fox Prairie Staff

ABCD Days

Monday 10/6 - D
Tuesday 10/7 - A
Wednesday 10/8 - B
Thursday 10/9 - C
Friday 10/10 - D

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Fox Prairie Families,

We are so excited to have you join us for conferences in a few weeks! Conferences are scheduled for October 22nd and 23rd. Please sign up for a time slot that works best for you. New this year, we are using Google Calendar to sign up.

If you are scheduling conferences with another teacher for other children, please leave a 15 minute break between conference start times just in case someone is running late. This allows for you to have the full time for your child with each teacher.

We look forward to sharing all of the great things your child is doing in school!

Kindergarten

[Grady Conference Sign Up](#)

[Langer Conference Sign Up](#)

[Rusch Conference Sign Up](#)

1st Grade

[Beckstrom Conference Sign Up](#)

[Enger Conference Sign Up](#)

[Hopper Conference Sign Up](#)

[Oettel Conference Sign Up](#)

2nd Grade

[Bell Conference Sign Up](#)

[Lyons Conference Sign Up](#)

[McManus Conference Sign Up](#)

[Scinico Conference Sign Up](#)

3rd Grade

[Hunstiger Conference Sign Up](#)

[Kojo Conference Sign Up](#)

[Shipley Conference Sign Up](#)

4th Grade

[Hutchins Conference Sign Up](#)

[Ketterhagen Conference Sign Up](#)

[Reiser Conference Sign Up](#)

5th Grade

[LaPointe Conference Sign Up](#)

[Perkins Conference Sign Up](#)

[Stickney Conference Sign Up](#)

Our social/emotional skills and lessons are off to a great start! Below are some questions/activities that you can ask your child about at home.

Social Emotional Learning



Kindergarten:

In this week's lesson, your child learned two important reasons for paying attention: to learn and to stay safe.

Try This at Home:

Ask your child why they think it's important to pay attention during different activities, for example, when listening to information or instructions, when helping out with a task, or when crossing the street with you.

1st Grade:

In this week's lesson, your child learned that a distraction is something that takes their attention away from something else. They'll learn different ways to manage distractions, such as reminding themselves to focus, turning away from the distraction, changing places, or politely asking someone to stop a distracting behavior.

Try This at Home:

When you need to pay attention or focus on a task at home, ask your child to suggest some ways you can manage distractions.

2nd Grade:

In this week's lesson, your child learned that mistakes tell us something's not working and that they can respond to mistakes by asking for help, trying again, or making a small change to keep going.

Try This at Home:

Ask your child what a mistake tells them and what they can do to keep going after a mistake.

3rd Grade:

In this week's lesson, your child learned that every time they practice a new skill, the brain gets better at sending the messages for that skill.

Try This at Home:

Ask your child to explain what happens in their brain when they practice.

4th Grade:

This week, students created a plan to reach their group goal. They thought about the actions they need to take, what materials they'll need, and how to support each other as a team. They also discussed the importance of sharing responsibility and staying motivated.

Try This at Home:

Ask your child about their group's plan. What is your child responsible for? How is your child helping the group stay on track? Tell your child about a time you made a plan with others and how you kept things moving forward.

5th Grade:

PurposeFull Pursuit:

A fun way to remind students to show Respect to others is to create a non-verbal cue. As a family, come up with a non-verbal way to cue your student to remember to show Respect to others. An

example of this would be anytime you raise the “Respect Rooster” on your hand by closing the middle 2 fingers and bringing your pointer finger and pinky finger up, your student would be reminded to practice living out Respect.

Conversation Starters:

- What is 1 way you like having Respect shown to you?
- How do you show Respect when practicing leadership?

Thanks for reading!

Ashley Billstrom-Luedtke, School Counselor

Sara Durtschi, School Psychologist

Project Energy Assembly



Pictures from the Week



Bicycle Safety Unit

3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Families

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As part of physical education classes, your child will participate in a bike safety unit. Bicycles and helmets are provided by the school; however, we encourage students to bring their own helmets

and bikes if they have them. If students bring their own bike we ask that they leave it at the bike rack at the front of the school. Students should be prepared for cool weather. Please have them bring jackets, hats, and gloves on cold days as we will be biking outside.



3rd-4th grade classes will have approximately 3 days of instruction at the school (weather permitting). If students demonstrate the ability to bike and follow safety rules they will join in on 1 supervised ride around the neighborhood. 5th grade will have 2 days of instruction on school campus, and 2 trips around the community. If students are unable to join on the neighborhood trip they will stay back at school. Students will learn to scan for cars and other obstacles, use appropriate signals, and demonstrate general rules of the road.

The bike safety unit will begin on **Monday, September 29**, for the following classes on their PE Days: Hunstiger, Shipley, Hutchins, Ketterhagen, Perkins, Stickney. For the following classes, the bike safety unit will not begin until approximately **Thursday, October 9th**: Kojo, Reiser, LaPointe.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Fox Prairie Physical Education

* Personal helmets are encouraged. If your child has a bike helmet, please send it to school! They can bring it each day they bike, or leave it at the school for the entire unit.

*We understand that not every student has had the opportunity to learn how to ride a bike. For students that are unable to ride bikes, we do have scooters, or he/she is welcome to bring their scooter from home (no motorized scooters please).

Football Game Expectations

Homecoming Dress Up Week October 6-10

News from SASD

We've designated October as Safety Awareness Month. In October, your students can expect:

- Active Threat/ALICE Discussions
- Review of our Speak Up, Speak Out incident reporting tipline.
- Tornado Drill

The controlled active threat drill will take place during the week of October 13. Building principals will follow up with a communication to families shortly after the controlled drill is completed. For more information, please [click here](#).

[Albanian Translation](#)

[Spanish Translation](#)

Picture Retakes



Picture retakes with Empire Photography are the morning of October 16 at Fox Prairie. Please email your child's teacher & Tess know if you want their picture retaken.

Health Room Donations

The health room is looking for gently used gender neutral/boys pants (size XS or Small), and new boy's underwear if you have any that your child has outgrown! You can drop them off in the office anytime.

Enhancing School Safety with a New Visitor System

To enhance safety and streamline our check-in process, our district is transitioning from the Raptor system to **Visitor Aware**. This new platform will ensure a smoother and more efficient experience for all guests while maintaining a secure environment.

Here's what to expect when visiting one of our schools:

- **Check-In:** All doors will remain locked during the school day. Visitors will enter a secure vestibule and use a buzzer to gain access to the main office.
- **Safety Screening:** Upon entering the office, you will be asked to present a **photo ID** at the Visitor Aware kiosk. The system will then perform an instant background check against national safety databases and our custom-banned visitor list.
- **Visitor Badge:** After passing the screening, a badge will be printed with your photo, granting you access to the building.
- **Check-Out:** You must return to the main office to check out before you leave.

For future visits, the process will be even faster. After your initial check-in, you'll simply take your picture at the kiosk to receive a new badge. Please contact the building office in advance if you do not have an accepted form of ID.

Book Fair Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers for the October book fair! There is a 20% discount for working the fair. Please sign up below.



Fox Prairie's Literati Book Fair Fall 2025

Thank you for showing interest in helping volunteer for the 2025 Follett Book Fair! Please select as many time slots as you wish. I'm looking forward to an exciting fair! There is a 20% discount for working the book fair also. If you are signing up with your child to work please just count it as 1 and not 2 so another adult can help at the fair during that slotted time. There is some overlapping time to train in the next volunteer. Please sign up for as many time slots as you can. Thank you for volunteering for the book fair!

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WFK News

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Please review the [WFK website](#) or follow us on [Facebook](#)!

Lunch & Recess Volunteers - October

If you are available during the lunch hour, we are looking for lunch & recess volunteers! Here is the [sign up](#) for October.



Trunk or Treat - October 17

Trunk or Treat is from 5:15-6:30 p.m. on October 17. Please [sign up](#) if you would like to decorate your vehicle and be a part of Trunk or Treat at Fox Prairie!

We ask if families can donate candy for those hosting a trunk, please drop them off in the office anytime between 7:15-3:45.

Conference Meal for Staff

WFK provides a meal for staff on Wednesday evening of parent-teacher conferences. We are asking families to contribute soup, salad, bread, and sides to help keep our staff well-fed during conferences. Please [sign up](#) to contribute!





T-shirt Fundraiser

T-shirts ordered should be here SOON! We will send an email when they are ready in case you want to pick up in the office, otherwise they will go home in your student's backpack.

We had a request for another fundraiser with long sleeve shirts, crew neck sweatshirts, and hoodie sweatshirts. Orders will start October 10!

Box Tops at Walmart

Connect your Walmart and Box Tops accounts so you can earn cash for your school when you purchase Box Tops products in-store or online using your saved Walmart payment method – without scanning or submitting your receipts!

October Menus

For the most current up to date menus please **download the Taher Food 4 Life phone app.**

[iOS Taher Food 4 Life](#)

[Android Taher Food 4 Life](#)

Or choose from the school menu below:

[Fox Prairie Elementary](#)

Shout Out for Staff

If you would like to recognize a staff member, please complete this [Shout Out Form](#).



Family Resources Guide

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