

Sandridge Elementary presents

The Wildcat Weekly

October 27, 2025

Día de los Muertos



Día de los Muertos, or Day of the Dead, is a beautiful Mexican tradition celebrated on November 1st and 2nd to honor and remember loved ones who have passed away. Instead of being a sad time, it's a joyful celebration filled with color, music, food, and family traditions.

Families often create ofrendas (altars) decorated with photos, candles, flowers, and favorite foods of those who have died. Bright marigold flowers, colorful papel picado (cut paper decorations), and sugar skulls are common symbols that represent the beauty of life and the importance of remembering those we love.

Through this celebration, children learn about family, culture, and the importance of remembering the past. Día de los Muertos reminds us that love and memories keep our connections alive forever.

October – Bullying Awareness & Prevention Month

"United for Kindness, Acceptance, and Inclusion"

Students, staff, and parents are encouraged to bring awareness to bullying prevention.

Calendar of Events

5th-8th Grade Boys Basketball Practice Mon. & Tues. Oct. 27th & 28th 2:30-4:00pm

5th-8th Grade Cheer Practice Mon & Tues. Oct. 27th & 28th 2:45-4:00pm

Student Council Meeting- Mon. Oct. 27th

Early Release Day- noon dismissal Oct. 29th

5th-8th Grade Girls Basketball Practice Thurs. Oct. 30th 2:30-4:00pm

Halloween- Fri. Oct. 31st

Girls Home Basketball Game Tues. Oct. 21st @ 4:00pm

Veteran's Day- No School Nov. 10th & 11th

Uniforms



Id's should be worn everyday for students 3rd-8th grade.

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! Being in school everyday ensures students have access to curriculum and learning opportunities. If a student has 18 or more absences (10% of the school year), that student will automatically be placed on the list for retention. Students may be required to take summer school classes to remediate deficiencies before the upcoming school year.

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.

Breast Cancer Awareness Week

Join us as we celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness month this week with a spirit week and fundraiser. All proceeds will go to Equal Hope, which connects free breast and reproductive cancer services to uninsured or underinsured individuals in the Chicagoland area. See spirit days below:

MONDAY OCT. 27th - WILDCATS WEAR PINK: Wear your Wildcat merch and pink.

TUESDAY OCT. 28th - PINK ACCESSORIES: Wear pink socks, suspenders, belts, sweaters etc.

WEDNESDAY OCT. 29th - ALL IN PINK: Wear as much pink as you can.

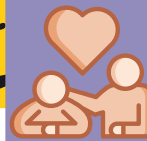
THURSDAY OCT. 30th - TWINS WEAR PINK: Dress like a classmate in pink.

FRIDAY OCT. 31st - PINK RIBBON DAY: Wear a pink ribbon to support breast cancer awareness.

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



WORD OF THE WEEK:



UPSTANDER- a person who speaks or acts in support of an individual or cause, particularly someone who intervenes on behalf of a person being attacked or bullied.



Halloween Celebrations

This Friday is Halloween. Student may dress up for the holiday. Students may not bring masks, accessories, or dress in blood or gore. If you would like to donate to your child's class, reach out to your child's homeroom teacher. Teachers will coordinate what is needed. Remember all treats need to be individually wrapped and peanut free.



Sandridge Spotlight

This week's Sandridge Spotlight goes to the 3rd grade gym class. Students had an epic battle for each team to show off their shooting skills in basketball.



Thank you to all students, staff, parents, and community members that acknowledged Principal Appreciation Week. It is my honor to serve Sandridge!

ATTENDANCE WINNERS

EC -	86.36%
K -	80.09%
1 -	92.60%
2 -	91.17%
3 -	90.32%
4 -	91.40%
5 -	95.76%
6 -	87.88%
7 - winner	99.57%
8 -	99.17%

