

October Newsletter 2025

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Principal's Corner

A Message from the Principal: Embracing Fall and Celebrating Learning at Carberry

Dear Carberry Elementary Families,

The energy and enthusiasm at **Carberry** this September were wonderful, and we're excited to carry that momentum into October! As the seasons change, our focus remains on ensuring every student has the support and engaging experiences they need to thrive.

Crucial Dates: Parent-Teacher Conferences

Our Parent-Teacher Conferences are a vital opportunity to connect, celebrate your child's progress, and plan goals for the remainder of the semester.

- **Conference Dates: Tuesday, October 15th 5-8pm and Wednesday, October 16th from 10-8pm.**
- **Sign-Ups Begin:** Please watch for a message on **ParentSquare** on **Monday, October 6th, at 8:00 AM**. Teachers will use this system to send out sign-ups. Please use the link provided by your child's teacher to schedule your conference time.

We encourage all families to sign up promptly! This partnership is the foundation of student success.

Academic Update: Introducing AMIRA Reading Assessment

This month, we are transitioning to a new, powerful tool to better understand our students' reading progress.

Beginning **October 1st**, our teachers will start using the **AMIRA reading assessment**, which is replacing last year's Istation test. AMIRA provides a sophisticated analysis to help us **identify specific learning challenges in reading** and can even provide **possible indicators of dyslexia**. This data will allow our teachers to tailor instruction even more effectively. We are excited about how this tool will enhance our personalized learning approach.

Two Major Community Events: We Need Your Help!

October is packed with opportunities for our students and families to connect and have some fun, and both events rely on our amazing parent volunteers!

1. **Wagon's Ho Western Experience**

We are thrilled that our **4th and 5th-grade students** will once get to experience the historical **Wagon's Ho** event at the end of October! A huge thank you to the **PTO** for making this immersive, educational experience possible.

- **Volunteer Request:** We need many parent volunteers from **4th and 5th grade** to run the stations. We also welcome volunteers from **3rd grade** to observe and learn the ropes, as they will participate next year. Please look for a sign-up link from the 4th/5th-grade teachers soon!

2. **Trunk or Treat**

Get ready for a fun, festive afternoon!

- **Date & Time:** **Thursday, October 30th, starting at 2:00 PM.**
- **Volunteer Request:** We need approximately **30 vehicles** to sign up to pass out candy to our students. If you are able to decorate your trunk and volunteer your time, please sign up directly with the **Carberry PTO**.

Building School Culture with Gaga Ball

We are excited to share that our wonderful Community School Coordinator, **Aimee Thompson**, has been introducing a new recess favorite: **Gaga Ball!** Aimee has been doing a fantastic job teaching the rules of the game and, most importantly, modeling and encouraging **good sportsmanship**. It's a great, fast-paced game that gets students active and learning how to play fairly together.

Thank you, Carberry families, for your incredible support as we step into this vibrant new month. We look forward to seeing you at conferences and our upcoming events!

Warmly,

Greg Alexander

Principal, Kenneth Carberry Elementary

October Important Dates

6th- NASA Specialists Meeting 4:00-5:00 PM
6th- Huskie Explorers Sign Ups Begin
13th- Huskie Explorers - Session 1 (week 1)
13th- PTO Meeting 4:00 PM Room B-102
15th- Food Distribution 4:30-6:00 PM (C-105)
15th-16th-**Book Fair**
15th- **SCHOOL IS IN SESSION** (Regular School Day)
15th- Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00-8:00 PM
16th- Parent/Teacher Conferences 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (**NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**)
20th- Huskie Explorers - Session 1 (week 2)
27th- Huskie Explorers - Session 1 (week 3)
27th-30th- Red Ribbon Week (see flyer below for dress up days)
30th- Wagon's Ho (4th & 5th Grade)
30th- Trunk or Treat 2:00 PM

PTO Meeting October 13th at 4:00 PM



Library News From Mrs. Arnett

Book Fair

Our Fall Book Fair is right around the corner! The school library will be holding our fall book fair during parent/teacher conferences, **October 15th and 16th**. We are happy to once again partner with Idaho Book Fairs for this event, which raises funds for new books.

Red Ribbon Week

October 27th-30th

Red Ribbon Week

Carberry Elementary School

2025 Red Ribbon Week

We Are Celebrating Being **DRUG FREE**

Dear Parents, Students, and Staff,

Carberry Elementary will be honoring **Red Ribbon Week October 27th – October 30th**. Each student will receive a **RED** ribbon with a number on the back. We will have daily drawings. If your child is wearing his or her **RED** ribbon, then they will be eligible to win a prize. We hope that you will encourage your child to participate in the activities that we have planned. The itinerary is as follows:

Monday, October 27th: Champions Don't Do Drugs! *SPORTS DAY!* Participating in any sport can give you a natural high. Students are encouraged to wear their uniforms for the sport that they are participating in or jerseys from their favorite team. Exercise clothing or workout gear would also be acceptable. There are many different "sports" that one can participate in. For example: football, basketball, soccer, hockey, cheerleading, BMX & Motorcycle racing, golf, dance, skiing, horseback riding, tennis, and gymnastics, just to name a few. **NO pads, helmets, or cleats are to be worn. NO face paint!!**

Tuesday, October 28th: WILD for a DRUG FREE Life! Students are encouraged to wear **Animal Print Clothing**. We will be like the animals in the wild. This days goes great with our school theme this year, Wild About Learning. **NO face paint!!**

Wednesday, October 29th: Wednesday, October 29th: RED DAY! Students are encouraged to wear **RED** from **head to toe**. This will make the statement that they are **DRUG FREE**. We encourage all parents and family members to do the same. This will show your children that you support them and encourage them to live a drug free lifestyle. **NO face paint!!**

Thursday, October 30th: Give DRUGS the BOOT: COWBOY/COWGIRL DAY! Students are encouraged to come to school in their favorite western wear. A few ideas are: Coveralls, wranglers, belts, bandannas around the neck, cowboy boots, and

cowboy hats, etc. For everyone's safety, **NO spurs** will be allowed. **(Students will be allowed to change into their Halloween Costumes *AFTER LUNCH* for the Trunk or Treat at 2 o'clock.)**

***NO FACE PAINT, DECALS, or TATTOOS will be allowed ALL week.**

If you have questions, please call Mrs. Padgett or Ms. Horton at 365-0839.

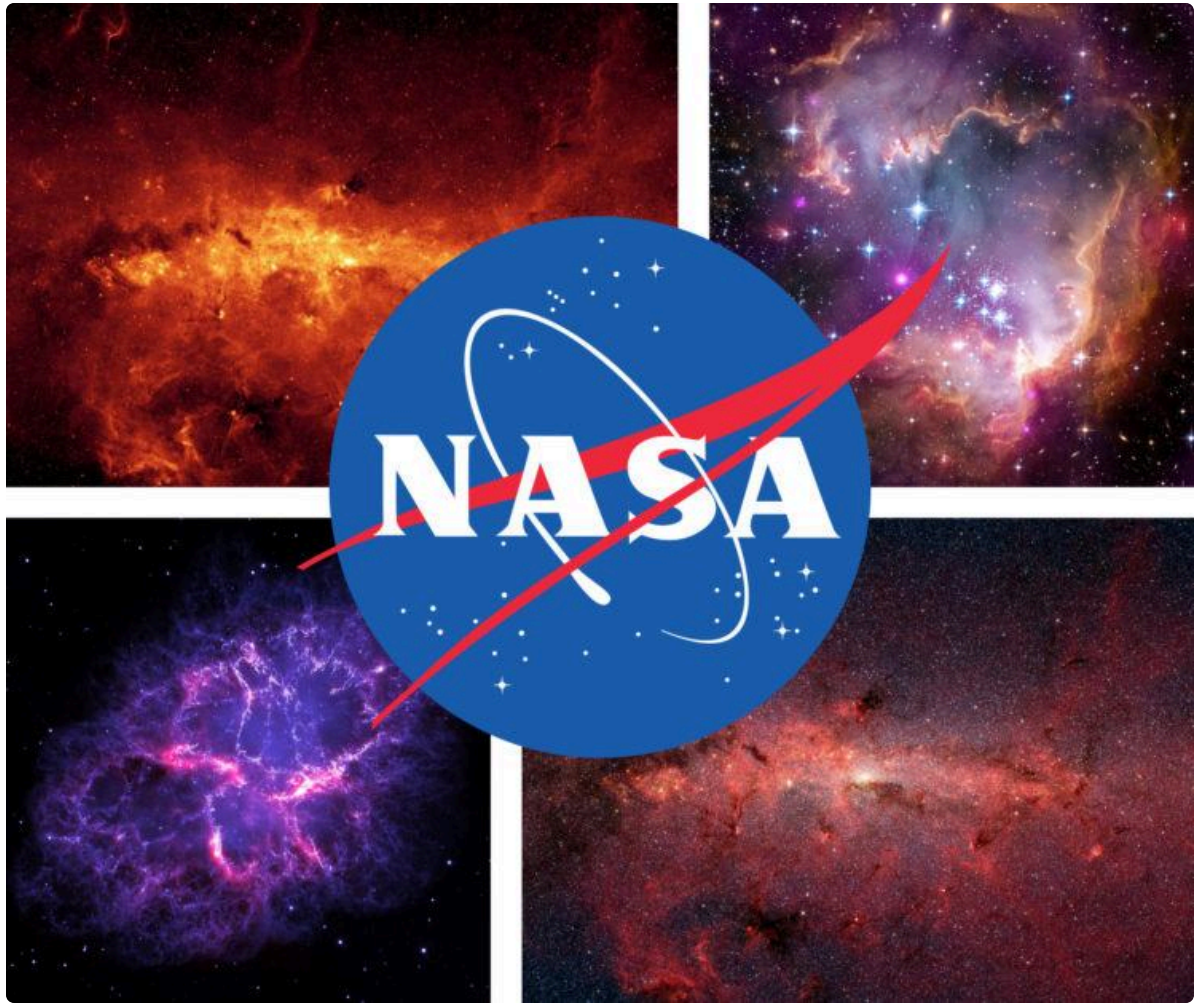
Thank you for your support!

Mrs. Padgett, Ms. Horton, Mr. Skendrovich, & Student Council

NASA Specialists Meeting

Monday, October 6th, 4:00-5:00 PM

The meeting will be an in house activity guided by Ms. Nichols



Food Box Distribution for October

4:30-6:00 pm Room C105



Food Box Distribution

August 20

September 17

October 15

4:30-6:00

LOCATED @ CARBERRY ELEMENTARY

LOOK FOR THE ORANGE SIGNS.

PULL UP TO THE CURB. COME INTO ROOM C105

TEFAP is a national hunger-relief program. The food is purchased by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and distributed by The Idaho Foodbank through a network of community partners like Carberry Elementary. The following table shows a monthly gross income for each family size. If your household income is at or below the income listed for the number of people in your household, you are eligible to receive food. Note: self-declared income and Idaho residency are required to receive benefits. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY (Effective October 1, 2024)	
<i>Family Size</i>	<i>Gross Monthly Income</i>
1	\$2,510.00
2	\$3,406.67
3	\$4,303.33
4	\$5,200.00
5	\$6,096.67
6	\$6,993.33
7	\$7,890.00
8	\$8,786.67
<i>Each Additional</i>	\$896.67

QUESTIONS? Aimee Thompson
Carberry Community School Coordinator
208-365-6301 ext 1455



Distribución de cajas de alimentos

**20 de Agosto
17 de Septiembre
15 de Octubre**

4:30-6:00

**UBICADO EN LA ESCUELA PRIMARIA
CARBERRY**

**BUSCA LAS SEÑALES ANARANJADAS.
DETÉNGASE EN LA CALLE Y ENTRE A LA HABITACIÓN C105**

TEFAP es un programa nacional de alivio del hambre.

El Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos (USDA) compra los alimentos y el Banco de Alimentos de Idaho los distribuye a través de una red de socios comunitarios como Carberry Elementary.

La siguiente tabla muestra los ingresos brutos mensuales para cada tamaño de familia. Si los ingresos de su hogar son iguales o inferiores a los ingresos indicados para la cantidad de personas que integran su hogar, usted es elegible para recibir alimentos.

Nota: se requieren ingresos autodeclarados y residencia en Idaho para recibir los beneficios. Esta institución es un proveedor que ofrece igualdad de oportunidades.

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¿PREGUNTAS? Aimee Thompsen Coordinadora de la escuela comunitaria de Carberry
208-365-6301 extensión 1455

Looking Ahead

November

4th- Mrs. Tippy's Class Field Trip to Children's Museum 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM

5th- Mrs. West and Mrs. Richard's Class Field Trip to Children's Museum 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM

6th- Picture Retake Day

10th- PTO Meeting 4:00 PM Room B-102

11th-Veteran's Day Assembly

13th- Title I Reading Night

24th-28th Thanksgiving Break

Parents of Kinders

Southwest District Health - Fluoride Varnish

Parents, the form below was available to fill out during Kinder registration. If you would like your child to participate in the school-based fluoride varnish program, the completed form needs to be returned to Nurse Jeanne by October 30, 2025. If you have any questions please reach out to Nurse Jeanne at 208-365-0839 ext 1450. Thank you!



Child's Name/ Nombre del Niño/ Niña: _____
Teacher's Name/ Nombre del Maestro/a: _____

Dear Parents,

The dental hygienist from Southwest District Health (SWDH) will be at the school **11/13/2025** applying fluoride varnish to the teeth of the children. The varnish only takes a minute to apply and it helps prevent your child from getting cavities. The varnish should be left on the teeth overnight, and then your child may brush in the morning.

The fluoride varnish will be provided at no cost to you. However, to offset the program costs, and if your child has insurance coverage, SWDH may bill your child's Medicaid or dental insurance. This service may count as one of the yearly fluoride varnish application. If your child has Medicaid or insurance, please include that information on the form so that SWDH can bill appropriately. Please participate and help keep our children's teeth healthy.

Your permission is needed to be able to provide this service two to three times throughout the school year in the fluoride varnish program. Please fill out the attached permission form and return it to the school so that your child can participate in this important event.

- ☐ **Yes**, I do want my child to participate in the school-based fluoride varnish program
☐ **No**, I do not want my child to participate in the school-based fluoride varnish program
(Please return forms to school even if you check **No**)

Please return completed form by: 10/30/2025

If you have any questions, please call the school.

Estimados Padres,

La higienista dental de Southwest District Health estará en la escuela **11/13/2025** aplicando barniz de fluoruro en los dientes de los niños. Solamente toma un minuto para aplicar el barniz y esto ayuda a prevenir las caries en los dientes de su hijo/a. El barniz se debe dejar en los dientes durante la noche y su hijo/a se puede cepillar los dientes en la mañana.

El barniz de fluoruro se proporcionará sin ningún costo para usted, sin embargo, si su hijo/a está cubierto por un seguro dental, SWDH mandará el cobro a Medicaid o la compañía de seguros por estos servicios. Este servicio puede contar como uno de las aplicaciones de barniz de fluoruro permitido anualmente. Si su hijo/a tiene Medicaid o seguro dental favor de incluir la información en la forma, para que SWDH mande el cobro apropiadamente. Por favor participe y ayude a que nuestros niños tengan dientes saludables.

Su permiso es requerido para poder proveer este servicio dos a tres veces durante el año escolar en el programa de barniz de fluoruro. Favor de completar la forma de permiso y regrésela a la escuela para que su hijo/a pueda participar en este importante evento.

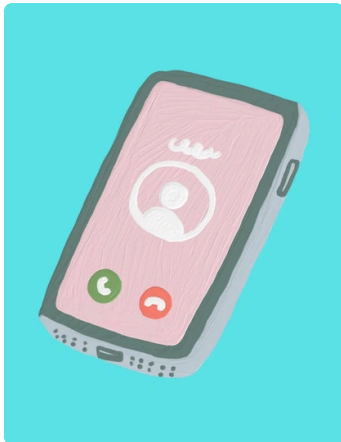
- ☐ **Si**, quiero que mi hijo participe en el programa de barniz de fluoruro de la escuela
☐ **No**, I do not want my child to participate in the school-based fluoride varnish program
(Por favor devuelva las formas a la escuela, aunque usted marque **No**)
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Change of Plans for How Your Child Goes Home?

If there is a change of plans for how your child is to go home...

Please call the **OFFICE** if you need to change the plans for how your child will get home. When the office is not informed, it can cause miscommunication. Children can miss the bus, or parents come to pick them up, and they are on the bus. Also, teachers do not have time to look at their messages about a change of plans. Thank you for understanding!

Absent Child?



If Your Child is Absent...

Have you either called or emailed the office to let us know **EVEN** if you've informed their teacher? Please call before 8:15 AM or after 8:45 AM because the office is super busy during this time. 208-365-0839 cesattendance@isd221.net
Thank you!

Also, if your child has a doctor/dentist/counseling appointment, please remember to bring the office a **note from the doctor.**

October Lunch Menu

2025

Milk a la carte: \$0.50
 Reduced Lunch \$0.40 / Full-priced Lunch \$2.85
 Adult Lunch: \$5.25

OCTOBER

ELEMENTARY MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1 CHICKEN TENDERS POTATO W/GRVY GOLDEN DINNER ROLL STEAMED CARROTS	2 PEPPERONI RIPPER FRESH COOKIE	3 NO SCHOOL
6 RIB B-Q SANDWICH CRINKLE FRENCH FRIES	7 CRISPITO W/SALSA CORN BEAN DIP	8 POPCORN CHICKEN BITES POTATO W/GRVY GOLDEN DINNER ROLL GREEN BEANS	9 SPAGHETTI WARM GARLIC TOAST	10 NO SCHOOL
13 HAMBURGER CRISPY GEMS	14 CHICKEN & CHEESE QUESADILLA BEAN DIP	15 MEGA MINI CHICKEN BITES POTATO W/GRVY GOLDEN DINNER ROLL STEAMED CARROTS	16 NO SCHOOL	17 NO SCHOOL
20 CRISPY CORN DOG CRISPY GEMS	21 MEAT LOVERS STROMBOLI PORK & BEANS	22 CHICKEN NUGGETS POTATO W/GRVY GOLDEN DINNER ROLL GREEN BEANS	23 CHEESE PIZZA RIPPER HONEY SPICE COOKIE	24 NO SCHOOL
27 CHICKEN FILET SANDWICH CRISPY GEMS	28 BEEF NACHOS W/SALSA CORN BEAN DIP	29 ORANGE CHICKEN EGGROLL SNICKERDOODLE	30 MINI PEPPERONI CALZONE W/PIZZA SAUCE	31 NO SCHOOL

Leche a la carta: \$0.50 Almuerzo reducido \$0.40 Aluerzo a precio completo \$2.85 Almuerzo para Adultos: \$5.25				
2025 OCTUBRE MENU PRIMARIA				
LUNES	MARTES	MIÉRCOLES	JUEVES	VIERNES
		1 PALITOS DE POLLO PAPA CON SALSA PAN ZANAHORIAS AL VAPOR	2 PIZZA DE PEPPERONI GALLETA	3 NO HAY CLASES
6 SANDWICH DE COSTILLA-BQ PAPAS FRITAS ARRUGADAS	7 CRISPITO CON SALSA ELOTE DIP DE FRIJOLES	8 PALOMITAS DE POLLO PAPA CON SALSA PAN EJOTES	9 ESPAGUETIS TOSTADA DE AJO	10 NO HAY CLASES
13 HAMBURGUESA GEMMAS CRUJIENTES	14 QUESADILLA DE POLLO Y QUESO DIP DE FRIJOLES	15 MEGA MINI BOCADILLOS DE POLLO PAPA CON SALSA PAN ZANAHORIAS AL VAPOR	16 NO HAY CLASES	17 NO HAY CLASES
20 CORN DOGS GEMMAS CRUJIENTES	21 STROMBOLI DE CARNE CARNE DE CERDO Y FRIJOLES	22 NUGGETS DE POLLO PAPA CON SALSA PAN EJOTES	23 PIZZA DE QUESO GALLETAS DE MIEL Y ESPECIAS	24 NO HAY CLASES
27 SANDWICH DE POLLO GEMMAS CRUJIENTES	28 NACHOS DE CARNE CON SALSA ELOTE DIP DE FRIJOLES	29 POLLO A LA NARANJA CON EGGROLL GALLETA SNICKERDOODLE	30 MINI CALZONE DE PEPPERONI CON SALSA	31 NO HAY CLASES
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