

WELCOME to the 26-27 School Year!

We are glad you are here!

Hi Roosevelt Families! My name is Tyler Steen and the new principal of Roosevelt Elementary, I am excited to welcome our students, families, and staff to a new school year! I am honored to join this wonderful school community and look forward to getting to know each of you. At Roosevelt, every child matters, and every student deserves to feel safe, valued, supported, and inspired to learn each day. Together, we will build strong relationships, celebrate each child's unique strengths, and create an environment where all students can grow, achieve, and thrive. I am eager to partner with our families and staff as we work together to make Roosevelt Elementary an exceptional place for every child to learn, belong, and succeed. Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

First Day of school for K-5th will be Wednesday, Sept. 2nd.

First Day of school for Pre-K will be Tuesday, Sept. 8th.

Conferences:

Aug 31st (7:30-3:30)

Sept 1st (7:30-3:30)

No School:

Sept 7	For Staff & Students
Oct 14	For Students
Oct 15-16	For Staff & Students
Nov 2	For Students
Nov 25-27	For Staff & Students
Dec 23-Jan 1	For Staff & Students
Jan 18	For Students
Feb 15	For Staff & Students
Mar 10	For Students
Mar 22-26	For Staff & Students
Mar 29	For Students
April 30	For Students
May 17	For Staff & Students
May 28	Last day for students



Important Numbers:

Roosevelt Main Office: 320-231-8470
Willmar District Office: 320-235-8500
Roosevelt Attendance Line: 320-231-8476
Willmar Bus: 320-235-2110

Diana Torres-Cultural Liaison: 320-894-4608
Halima Ahmed - Cultural Liaison: 320-894-458
Khin Nweh - Cultural Liaison: Cell: 320-212-2268

Bus:

- Willmar Bus is the transportation provider for Roosevelt Elementary.
- Feel free to call them at 320-235-2110 with any busing questions.
- Visit Willmarbus.com and go to School Bus Service to check out route information.

Parent Pick-Up and Drop-Off:

- The official School day is 8:30 am- 3:20 pm. Prek classes also start at 8:30 am.
- Students are NOT to arrive at school prior to 8:15 am. The door will be unlocked at 8:15 am for students to enter.
- If you need to drop off your child prior to 8:15 am, please look into Cardinal Place.



Call Mel Akerson at Cardinal Place at 320-214-6680 to ask about signing up for Cardinal Place.

- Parents can arrive for pick-up around 3:10. Parents will not be able to wait inside the school. Students will be dismissed at 3:20 pm.
- Kindergarten: See the handout from the teacher; they'll be picked up at the West Parking Lot.
- Grades 1-5 will be exiting doors on the south side of the building (19th Ave) at the end of the day.
- Any communication to teachers or the office for changing pick-up plans needs to be done by 2:00 p.m.

Safety and Procedures:

- Outside doors are locked during the school day, and you will be asked to show your ID if you are to enter the building or to pick up a student. Examples of some acceptable forms of ID are: Driver's License, State ID, Military ID, etc.
- Emergency Practice Drills take place during the school year. We complete 5 Fire Drills, 5 Lockdown or Evacuation Drills, and 1 Tornado Drill.
- It is state law that we notify you before practicing a lockdown drill, whereas you have the right to 'omit' your child from practicing the drill. They have the option to 'sit' it out.
- Students will go outside for recess unless the air temperature is below 0°, or the wind chill creates a temperature below -5° F. Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing for cold weather, including jackets, hats, mittens, boots, snow pants, and scarves.

Lunch and Recess:

- Students will have 20 minutes for recess and 20 minutes for lunch.
- All students will be provided breakfast, lunch and a snack (fruit or vegetable) free of charge.



Successful Learners, Teamwork, Accepting, Respectful and Safe (STARS):

- Our students and staff model and demonstrate behavior and choices that are positive, respectful, and safe. We strive to create and reinforce an environment

that is conducive to learning and success. We follow certain expectations and rules to ensure all students and staff members can work in a safe, healthy, and equitable environment. We ask that you, too, as parents, support our STARS choices and reinforce them at home.

Examples are:

- *keeping your hands and feet to yourself
- *following the teacher's direction
- *staying seated in the classroom

- *walking in the hallways
- *respecting others and being kind to one another
- *asking permission to leave the classroom

Parenting Hints:

- Set a bedtime routine and a morning routine. Consistent schedules are key.
- Reduce Screen Time. Spending too much time on screens can affect your child's ability to focus, sleep, and be productive during the school day.
- Aim for a minimum of 8 hours of sleep each night.
- Give your child adequate time to get ready in the morning. It takes them longer than adults to get ready. If needed, start an incentive chart to help motivate them and cause fewer arguments and tears.

New school years may cause anxiety. Try to ask your child open-ended questions about their school day. Here are some examples

- What was your favorite part of the day?
- What did you need help with today?

*Make a routine to check their backpack daily. Sign up for your classroom teacher's Remind app.



Parent Square - Information to come at the beginning of the school year.

We look forward to a good relationship with you to ensure students can achieve at their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our students, your children, need support from both the home and school. Let's form a positive partnership!

Please feel free to contact us at any time. Thank you!

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