

John Brown Elementary School



**Student and Parent
Handbook
2026 ~ 2027**

Home of the Cougars



JOHN BROWN ELEMENTARY

Cougar Pride

Dear JBE Students and Families,

Welcome to John Brown Elementary! This handbook is designed to provide important information about the policies and procedures common to all Lakeland elementary schools. We appreciate you taking the time to review its contents and encourage you to discuss them with your child(ren).

At Lakeland Joint School District, our daily mission is to maximize student learning and ensure that every student is growing academically, socially, emotionally, and behaviorally each and every day, in all environments.

We welcome and encourage families to be actively involved in our school community. Please feel free to visit the school just remember to check in at the office upon arrival. We believe that student success is built on strong partnerships between home, school, and the broader community. **Volunteers are encouraged and appreciated at all grade levels.**

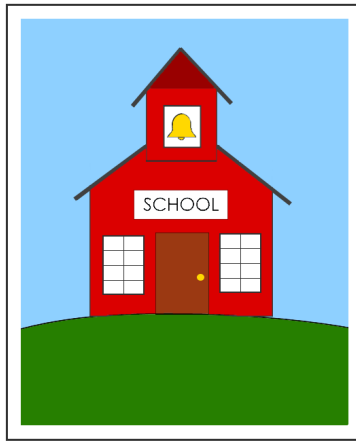
Throughout the school year, you'll receive emails and text messages with updates about school activities, celebrations, and District-wide events. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to call us or visit our school's website.

Together, we will ensure that your child has a positive, successful, and rewarding educational experience. We look forward to working with you as a valued partner in your child's education.

Warm regards,

Shannon Rider

Principal, srider@lakeland272.org



JBE Bell Schedule

8:53	Warning Bell
8:55	School Starts
10:05 - 10:20	Recess - K, 1
10:30 - 10:45	Recess - 2
11:00 - 11:40	K Lunch/Recess
11:20 - 12:00	1 Lunch/Recess
11:40 - 12:20	2 Lunch/Recess
12:00 - 12:40	3 Lunch/Recess
12:20 - 1:00	4 Lunch/Recess
12:40 - 1:20	5 Lunch/Recess
1:55 - 2:10	Recess K & 1
2:10 - 2:25	Recess 2 & 3
2:25 - 2:40	Recess 4 & 5
3:15	Dismissal

Lakeland Joint School District No. 272 2026 - 2027 School Calendar

September 7	Labor Day - No School
September 8	First day for Students
October 2	No School K-12
November 3	No School K-12
November 19	End of the 1st Trimester for Elementary
November 20	No School Grades K-5 - Professional Work Day for Teachers
Nov. 23 - 27	Thanksgiving Break - No school for students
Dec. 22 - Jan. 2	Christmas Break - No school for students
January 4	School Resumes
January 18	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No school for students
February 15	Presidents' Day Holiday - No school for students
February 25	End of 2nd Trimester - Professional Day - No school for students
February 26	No School Grades K-5 - Professional Work Day for Teachers
March 27	No School K-12 - Curriculum Day for Teachers
Mar. 26 - Apr. 2	Spring Break
April 5	School Resumes
May 21	No School - Staff Flex Day
May 28	No School Grades K-5 - Student Led Conferences
May 31	Memorial Day- No school for students
June 11	End of 3rd Trimester, Last Day of School, Early Release - 1:15

Please mark your calendars with these important dates. It may help you plan family activities and reduce student absences.



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District Administration Office

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Jessica Grantham, Chief Finance & Operations Officer
Kelsie Badger, Director of Special Services
Chad Parsons, Instructional Technology Director
Brook Cunningham, Human Resources Director
Olivia Jones, Human Resources Assistant
Chelsea Pursley, Treasurer
Morgan Stehr, Payroll
Judy Gerstenberger, Head School Nurse

Elementary Schools and Support Services

Athol Elementary	Kathy Thomas, Principal	683-2231
Betty Kiefer Elementary	Lisa Hoffman, Principal	687-5206
Garwood Elementary	Gabrielle Hensyel, Principal	687-1265
John Brown Elementary	Shannon Rider, Principal	687-0551
Spirit Lake Elementary	Shynne Price, Principal	623-2501
Twin Lakes Elementary	Tiffany Melton, Principal	687-5870
Transportation	Jessica Dehnert, Director	687-0221
Nutrition Services	Chaar Boyd, Director	687-5451
Facilities	Tim Haag, Director	687-2248



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Lakeland BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Members of the Board of Trustees are elected for a four-year term by the patrons of their respective zones. Board members receive no payment for their services. School district policies are set by the Board, which in turn hires professional educators to carry out these policies. Regular business meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Opportunity is provided at each meeting for citizens to address the Board.

Trustees are:

- Randi Bain - Zone 1 - randi.bain@lakeland272.org
- Ramona Grissom -Vice Chair- Zone 2- ramona.grissom@lakeland272.org
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Lakeland Joint School District #272 does not discriminate or deny services on the basis of age, race, religion, color, national origin, sex, and/or disability.

John Brown Elementary Staff 2026 - 2027

Office Staff

Principal

Shannon Rider

Principal's Assistant

Mrs. Lohmiller

Counselor

Mrs. Claussen

Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Sindt

School Clerical

Specialists

Special Education

Mrs. Kirby, Mrs. Daniels, Ms. Hickey

Title I

Ms. Vanek

Music & Movement

Mr. Bishop

Technology

District Support Team

STEAM & Technology

Mrs. Tyson

Speech & Language

Ms. Wilks

Grade Level Teachers

Kindergarten

Mrs. Brown, Miss McGinnis, Mrs. Lemis

First Grade

Mrs. Couch, Ms. Anderson, Mr. Humprey

Second Grade

Mrs. Barkley, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Thomas

Third Grade

Mrs. La Bolle, Ms. Schumm

Fourth Grade

Mrs. Chaney, Mrs. Harms, Ms. Steele

Fifth Grade

Mrs. Shelton,

Librarian

Mrs. Moon

Custodians

Mr. DeMoss, Mrs. Raebel

John Brown Elementary School

Mission Statement

To instill a positive attitude toward life-long learning by nurturing, guiding, and inspiring our students to meet the challenges of our changing world.

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Belief Statements

The following beliefs are powerful components of the quality and productivity of the instructional programs at John Brown Elementary.

- All students can learn and succeed.
- The family is a student's most important influence.
- It is essential that students start school ready to learn.
- Communication, cooperation, and participation between home and school are essential for student success.
- Our school provides a safe environment that enhances student learning.
- Each student is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional and intellectual needs.
- Students learn in different ways and will be provided with a variety of instructional approaches to support their learning.
- Awareness of cultural diversity can increase students' understanding of different people and cultures.
- Students will be educated with a common set of values reflecting the respect of self, others, and property.
- Our commitment to continuous improvement will enable students to become confident and self-directed life-long learners.