

B L U E H A W K N E W S

NO SCHOOL

NO SCHOOL tomorrow Friday, September 4th, 2026 or Monday, September 7th, 2026. There will be no staff on campus those days either. Enjoy the Sanders County Fair, one last hurrah in the water, go camping, or find another way to enjoy your long weekend with your family.

After School Pickup

It has come to our attention that some of our new students and families may be unaware of how after-school pickup works for our younger grade levels. Students in **EL-2nd grade** will wait along the front of the Elementary Office door with a staff member before being dismissed. Our staff members must see and identify the person picking up the student before the student can be released. If you haven't already done so, please make sure your classroom teacher or the Elementary Office is aware of any person(s) who will be picking up your student. Thank you for helping us keep dismissal safe, organized, and efficient for everyone!

Parking & Construction Update

We have been informed by our contractors that our bus lane and parking areas will be poured with asphalt Friday, September 4th while we are off of school. Fingers crossed, we hope to be back to normal bus procedures and parking next week. Our regular bus lane is between the Dorm and JH buildings. **NO VEHICLES** are to enter that area from 7:30-3:30 daily. Parking at the elementary gym is reserved for staff and handicapped only, along with the entryway into Columbia Ave. As in the past, all parent drops-offs and pick-ups should take place on Haley Ave, below campus, or on 3rd Ave, above campus. Hopefully we will be back to normal very soon. Thanks again for your patience and understanding!

Shoe Design Contest

Do you love to draw, color and create? Mr. Dorscher has asked students to help him design his latest pair of shoes, and now is your chance to show off your creativity! Use your imagination to create a cool, colorful, and totally awesome design. Entries are due by Tuesday, September 8th, and your design could be the one that wins! The winning student will get to help Mr. Dorscher color a real pair of shoes that he'll be excited to wear to school. So grab your crayons, markers, or colored pencils and let your creativity shine! What will **YOU** design?

Important Happenings

September

9/4-9/7	No School- Labor Day Weekend
9/11	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
9/18	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
9/23	Mid 1st Quarter
9/25	EL-8 Picture Day by Legacy
9/25	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
9/28	Elementary Fun Run- HS- 1:00-3:00PM
9/28	Fun Run- Boys- 1:45PM
9/28	Fun Run- Girls- 2:15PM
9/30	Olweus Assembly

October

10/2	Homecoming Parade 1:00PM
10/2	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
10/9	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
10/15-16	No School- MEA Days
10/23	End of 1st Quarter
10/23	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
10/27	JH/HS Fall Concert HS Gym 6:30PM
10/29	K-12 P/T Conferences
10/30	No School K-12- P/T Conferences

November

11/6	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
11/13	No School- PIR
11/18	Olweus Assembly
11/20	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
11/23	Mid 2nd Quarter
11/25-27	No School- Thanksgiving Break

December

12/4	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
12/11	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
12/14	EL-6 Christmas Concert HS Gym 6:30PM

Thompson Falls Elementary

Mr. Len Dorscher,
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Teaching Kids Accountability and Self-Control

Expect Kids to Solve Their Problems

Whenever kids encounter difficulties, ask lots of questions like, "What do you think you're going to do?" and "What's your plan?" You can also add, "I'm interested to see how you solve this." As kids experience challenges, convey the expectation that they will work through them. This will prevent them from expecting someone else to solve all their problems.

Expect Kids to Contribute

Chores are the #1 antidote to entitlement. Kids who contribute appreciate what they have and are far less likely to take the contributions of others for granted. Get them contributing to the household and family, and watch entitlement disappear.

Expect Kids to Earn the Things They Get

This doesn't mean we don't give kids gifts or commit unsolicited acts of love. But for things they often ask for, we can ask how they plan to pay for them or earn them. From purchases, to playing sports, to driving, avoid making things free. Instead, expect kids to work to earn all or part and see if they don't appreciate those things the most.

***Each week we share Love & Logic tips here. We also have many Love & Logic resources available for loan.
Contact our school counselor, Ms. Jessy Lewis, for more info.***