

Back to School with Prairie Home & School

Welcome to a new year with Prairie Home & School! We're energized and ready for the year ahead with our amazing Prairie community! We spent the summer planning beloved traditions like Prairie Fest, Room Parties, Birthday Books, Assemblies, and more! In this packet, you'll find everything you need to stay in touch and stay involved as we kick off the new school year. Go Prairie Dogs!

Home & School does that?

Assemblies



Field Trips



Class Parties



Prairie Fest



Birthday Books



Prairie Day



Fifth Grade Celebrations



Teacher Wishlists



Book Fairs



Author Visits



Prairie Garden



Staff Appreciation



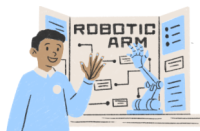
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Back to School Events



STEAM Fair



All-School Reads



Special Projects



Yearbook



Yes, we do!

Every time you sign up for a volunteer shift, make a donation to our Fun Run, support a restaurant night, donate an item, or attend an event, **you are directly ensuring that we can continue to run all the programs above for our school (and many more)!**



Prairie Home & School ***Calendar of Events*** **2026-2027**



SEPTEMBER

Prairie Fest
Kick Off to 5th Grade
Party
Fun Run

OCTOBER

National Walk and Bike
to School Day
Book Fair
Fall Class Parties

NOVEMBER

Veteran's Day
Assembly

DECEMBER

Jingle Bell Junction
Staff Gift Card Program
Winter Class Parties

JANUARY

Open House/
Art Show
Kane County Reading
Program Begins

FEBRUARY

Valentine's Day Class
Parties
Adult Social

MARCH

Book Fair
Kindergarten Preview

APRIL

5th Grade Panoramic
Picture Day

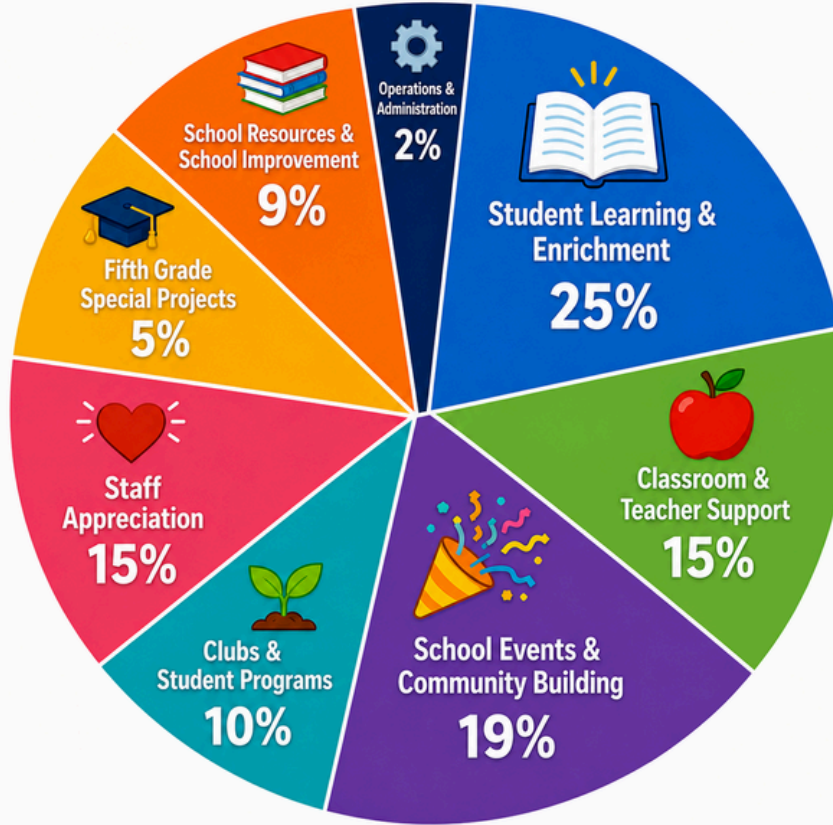
MAY

Teacher Appreciation
Week
Staff Gift Card Program
Prairie Day
Yearbook Distribution
Fifth Grade Clap Out

Understanding Our Budget

What will Home & School funds pay for this year?

PRAIRIE HOME & SCHOOL 26-27 BUDGET BREAKDOWN



Student Learning & Enrichment

We have budgeted to fully fund exciting experiences for our students. This includes grade level field trips, in-school assemblies, and author visits. Grades K-3 will participate in our newly revised Art Awareness program.

5th Grade Special Projects

We celebrate our 5th grade class all year long! Funds support a kick off party, class t-shirt tie-dye event, yard signs, and other special surprises!

School Events & Community Building

From Prairie Fest to classroom parties, these events among many more create shared experiences that help every student, family, and staff member feel connected, welcomed, and proud to be part of the Prairie community. Each student also receives a book on their birthday!

School Resources & School Improvement

We provide financial resources to specific needs identified by our Social Worker within the Prairie community. We also work closely with school administrators to identify ways H&S can support school improvements.

Classroom & Teacher Support

Our goal is to approve and purchase every item requested for our school and students. Teacher wishlists, a yearly teacher allowance, and optional grants allow teachers to access the resources they need for their students.

Clubs & Student Programs

We provide financial support for some supervisor stipends, club celebrations, t-shirts, or other needs. H&S also funds all material needed for the operation of the Prairie Garden.

Staff Appreciation

Generosity toward our staff is one of our priorities! We will host multiple food and beverage events for our staff this year. We also celebrate our teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week!

Operations & Administration

Costs associated with running the organization, such as Home & School dues, Quickbooks, CheddarUp, Canva, etc., are covered.

Prairie Home & School is only able to provide programs and events for our school through the amazing generosity of our community. However you prefer to show your support, **your help is so very appreciated!**

**WE
NEED
YOU!**

Check out our **committee interest form** to express interest in hearing more about this year's events. You are NOT committing to any specific responsibility at this time - we will reach out with more details as each event approaches.

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Stay in Touch!

Find weekly updates from Home & School in the WAAG (Week at a Glance) newsletter every Sunday.

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Prairie Home and School Association



GroupMe

Attend our monthly Home & School meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 9AM in the MPR.

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Prairie Elementary School

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