

Welcome to the New School Year!

*We are happy to have so many new families.
Thank you to everyone who has introduced
themselves to help the new families feel welcome.*



We're excited about our excellent tribe of teachers:

5th Grade: Ms. Morgan Cash
4th Grade: Mrs. Michele Chandler
3rd Grade: Mrs. Mary Smith and Mrs. Tiffany Stewart
2nd Grade: Mrs. Cecelia Farrell
1st Grade: Mrs. Ann Morrow
Kindergarten: Mrs. Jacquie Fenske and Mrs. Kelli King
Four-Year-Old Preschool: Mrs. Cielo Roth and Mrs. Brenda Spees
Three-Year-Old Preschool: Mrs. Shannon Hokanson-Rondon and Mrs. Tressa Johnson
Art and P.E.: Mrs. Karen Dupuis
Computer and Librarian: Ms. Michelle Heath
Music and Resource: Mrs. Rebekah Duncan
Spanish: Ms. Rosa Gonzales
Title 1 Resource: Mrs. Vicki Lamb

And our super support staff:

Office Registrar: Mrs. Mary Higgins
Preschool Assistant Director: Mrs. Cassidy Purvis
Speech Therapist: Mrs. Carrie Crouse
Maintenance: Mr. Randall Stairs and Mr. Tom Deshler
Cafeteria: Paula Hudson (Manager), Lori Burden, and Rhonda Bouchey
K-5 Lunchroom Monitor: Jasmine Jones
Preschool Assistants: Brandye Krueger, Jasmine Jones and Alyssah Rondon
Afterschool Program: Brandye Krueger (Director), Bernadette Culp, Aaron Spoden, Michelle Heath, Jake Krueger, and Hannah Speis
Preschool Afterschool Program: Jasmine Jones, Alyssah Rondon, and Sheena Thomas- Brown

G-Suite Permission Emails: In the past week or so, you have probably gotten two emails from Mrs. Eleanor Spry, our director, asking you to sign for permission for your student to have a Google account. All of our computers and tablets at the elementary school run on Google. They are Chromeboxes and Chromebooks. Most classes are scheduled for Computer Lab twice a week. Students without accounts will not be able to participate in that class. Without an account, your student will not be able to participate in many learning activities including iXL, MAP testing, typing programs, Xtra Math, and Lego Robotics activities. 3rd through 5th graders will not have access to online activities for Science and Social Studies.

Tuesday Morning Mass: On most Tuesday mornings, at 8:05 a.m., Kindergarten through Fifth Grade celebrates Mass in our school library. The area priests take turns presiding over the masses. Classes take turns preparing and carrying out duties at the masses. Parents, grandparents and guests are always welcome. (Please refer to the calendar on our website or the

monthly calendar for the exact mass schedule as sometimes our school mass is replaced by a system mass or by reconciliation.)

Pick Up Line: Please remember to display your family name card in your front windshield. In the interest of safety, parents are asked to remain in their vehicles. If your student is not in the library when you come through the line, you will need to circle around, park, come in and get your student. For more pick-up information, please see the Parent/Student Handbook page 15.

PIE Non-Uniform Days: Our volunteer group, Partners in Education (PIE), sponsors Non-Uniform Days monthly on the third Wednesday of the month. You may purchase a yearly pass for \$10 or send in \$1 each time you choose to participate. Our first Non-Uniform Day is this Wednesday, August 21st. Wondering what is allowed on Non-Uniform Days? (from the handbook p. 56)

- All dresses, skirts, skorts, and shorts must be no more than 5" from the floor when measured from a kneeling position.
- Pants must be proper fitting - no sagging nor can they be too tight or short.
- Leggings, jeggings, yoga pants, and spandex are not permitted.
- Clothes must be neat and clean and free of rips and holes.
- All rules for shoes still apply due to safety issues.
- No caps, toboggans, or head coverings, unless it's part of a theme day

Spirit Shirt Fridays: Every Friday is a Logo Day in the elementary school. Students may wear shirts purchased from the Spirit Shop with their uniform bottoms.

Bingo Non-Uniform Days: Each month we have a day when students whose parents worked at bingo that month get a non-uniform pass. On August 29th, we'll have a day for the students whose parents worked during the summer months.

Fleece and Sweatshirt Orders: Deadline for orders is Friday, August 23rd. Please contact the elementary office if you have questions.

Handbook Changes for Elementary: The main change to the school handbook which affects the elementary school is the following:

Cell Phones: It is sometimes necessary for elementary students to bring cellphones to school so they will have them for after school activities. These phones need to stay in the student backpacks and turned off while in the school building. Cell phones should not be brought to school for Show-n-Tell. *Use of smartwatches which have cellular capabilities is not acceptable in the elementary school. It is also not allowable to connect these smartwatches to the school wifi.*