



Westside

ELEMENTARY

JANUARY 2023

Happy New Year from Westside Elementary,

It was great to see all of our students' smiley but sleepy faces yesterday! I am not sure how parents felt, but I know staff was very appreciative that mother nature gave us an extra day of break going into our holiday season. It is crazy to think that Friday the 23rd was most of our students' 1st ever snow day. We have been pretty lucky over the past 4- 5 years to not have our school day disrupted with severe weather.

In the month of January staff and students at Westside are getting back into the learning groove. Throughout this year we have been focusing on students understanding the “what” and the “why” of their learning. For our students to get to that point at all grade levels we strive to create the conditions in every classroom for students to want to engage in that process. In simplified terms our staff try to make every student feel like they belong, are competent and have some choice in their classrooms. That is certainly easier said than done, but when students are happy and challenged in their classrooms we see their academic and interpersonal skills grow exponentially!

Over the next month, many of our grade levels are focusing on what success looks like in their literacy classes. Our teachers are creating opportunities for students to help develop what success looks like and creating opportunities for students to reflect on their progress towards whatever outcome they have for that day or week. The ultimate goal is that students can take that skill and generalize it outside of the classroom and into their everyday lives. This looks very different from kindergarten to 4th grade, but we feel that if students get used to starting any project or task with the end in mind AND are able to assess their progress accurately in elementary school; they will be well on their way to being a successful adult someday! This is just another step towards our district vision of our students becoming independent problem solvers. Our staff have seen amazing progress in this area up to this point and we hope parents are seeing growth at home as well.

Warm Regards,

Jonathan

January 4, 2023

Happy New Year Westside Families ~

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Friday, January 6—Dress Like Mr. Peterson Day
- Friday, January 13—**2:00 Dismissal**
- Tuesday, January 17—Pajama Day
- Wednesday, January 19—PTO Meeting 6:00 PM
- Friday, January 20—End of 2nd Quarter & **12:00 Dismissal**
- Thursday, January 26—Whiteout/Blackout Day (Wear white or black!)

CROSSING GUARD WEEK: During the week of January 9-13 we celebrate *Crossing Guard Appreciation Week* and we'd like to give a quick "shout out" and "thank you" to our awesome crossing guards! Our students and staff are preparing cards to express our thanks! No matter what the weather or circumstance, our crossing guards do a great job keeping us safe!

YEARBOOKS: Yearbook order forms are attached to this week's notes. You can order a yearbook through your Infinite Campus parent portal account (choose fees, then optional payments) or by completing the attached order form. Yearbooks cost \$11.00 and are optional. If you are unsure if you already ordered, please give the office a call or check your infinite campus account (choose fees and change type to "All" to see a list of fees for your household).

COMMUNITY EVENTS: Please visit the KASD website and check out the [Community Events](#) page for more great opportunities and activities for your family. Events and activities listed there are updated often.

Hoping your 2023 is off to a great start! Please reach out if you have any questions.

Gina Vandenberg,
Secretary – Westside Elementary
920-739-3578

Happy
New
Year



COUNSELOR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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SCHOOL COUNSELING AT WESTSIDE

	5K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Teacher Taught	Why Kindness?	Offering Kind Acts	What's Empathy?	Kindness & Friendship	Seeing Things Differently
Counselor Taught	Showing Kindness at School	Ways to Be Kind	Empathy at School	STEM Careers	Marketing & Sales Careers

Looking Forward:

The next few months we will focus on other types of skills! 3rd & 4th grade is already starting on career in January, and the other grades will be starting in February.

Check out these Career Resources by clicking on the link:

[Academic and Career Planning at KASD](#)
[Career Clusters](#)
[Career Videos](#)



We will celebrate the end of the career units by having a CAREER DRESS UP DAY on March 9! Have your child dress up as what they want to be when they grow up!

TRAIT OF THE MONTH : COOPERATION

"Working with others in a supportive and peaceful way toward a common goal"

Learn more about how to model, praise, and reinforce courage at home by clicking [HERE!](#)

WESTSIDE KIDS HEART CHALLENGE (KHC) **(Supporting The American Heart Association)**

Hello Westside Families,

Finally, after a two year hiatus for Westside, Kids Heart Challenge is back with fun, new Heart Heroes who will help take your child/ren on adventures across the globe. Our goal this year is to "Be the Torch" lighting the mission of hope in the fight against heart disease and stroke.

Finn's Mission is back to help kids with special hearts and teach 1.8 million families across the country to learn the lifesaving skill of Hands Only CPR. Why 1.8 million? Because Finn, our survivor and true Heart Hero, has already had 18 procedures in his young life. We need your help to accomplish this, please register your child/ren up online and begin Finn's challenge as a family.

Our Event will be held February 14th. I am super excited to be back supporting The American Heart Association and bringing information to the students about how they can take care of their own hearts and bodies. My father had a heart attack just a few weeks before our school's Kids Heart Challenge Event in 2013. Heart disease is the Number 1 killer in the United States, and it definitely has affected my family, unfortunately, too many times.

The Kids Heart Challenge is full of daily and weekly challenges, school challenges, classroom challenges, and a lot of information about taking care of one's heart. When we return to school on January 2nd, please start looking for daily/weekly challenges that will come home with your child/ren. My hope is to get all of our Westside families to participate in the challenges, and/or the fundraising.

Your child/ren is bringing home a registration form for our Kids Heart Challenge today. You can **register your child online**, which is relatively easy. All the information is located on the form. Start by going to **heart.org/KHC**. Your child/ren can choose to participate in the online challenges and collect donations online as well. Anything online will automatically be sent to me, so I can hand out the fun incentive gifts. All donations online are tracked for me, therefore, no cash or checks need to be brought to school. However, if your child would prefer to bring in cash/checks (written to **The American Heart Association**), that is fine. I keep track of it all.

There are many little Thank You gifts depending on the amount of donations your child/ren raises. I will have the heart hero clips and the wristbands available at school immediately, however, the jump ropes, t-shirts, balls, socks and fitness watches will

have to be ordered. Therefore, please do not expect those items until after our challenge is completed. I will order everything after our collection due date.

Important things to remember:

1. Dec. 19th: Our Kids Heart Challenge Kick-Off begins
2. **Register your child: heart.org/KHC Register with Westside Elementary**
3. **Please check out Finn's Hands-Only CPR Mission Bonus (Online Only)**
4. **All Cash/Checks are due no later than JANUARY 31st.** If raising money online, donations can continue to be collected until February 14th.
5. **Checks made payable to The American Heart Association.**
6. All Thank You gifts other than the clips/wristbands and bonus mystery gifts will be ordered and delivered in February.
7. **Our School Event will be held on February 14th during Physical Education classes. Kindergarten will hold their event either Feb. 13th or 15th.**
8. **The fundraising is completely optional,** your child/ren will/can still participate in all challenges even if they do not participate in the fundraising. However, they do need to be registered online for some of the challenges.
9. Any student who raises any amount of money will receive a free voucher to attend a Green Bay Gambler game the weekend of March 25th.
10. Any student who raises at least \$100 will get to participate in a Pie Toss event in February.
11. The Top fundraising student will have the gym named after them for the remainder of the school year.
12. There will be other fun events planned for the Top Class and Top Pod. Stay Tuned.
13. Any questions, please contact me aphillips@kimberly.k12.wi.us

Thank You for your Support,
Mrs. Phillips and Mr. Englebert



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COMPLETE FINN'S MISSION

to earn his exclusive **Finn's Lifesavers Award** and help us get **100%** of our school families to learn



Hands-Only CPR!



Finn's Lifesavers Award

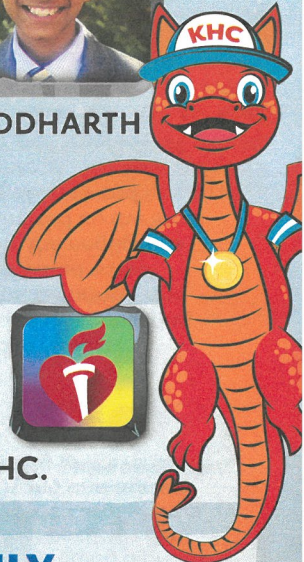


SIGN UP TODAY!



REGISTER

Download the Kids Heart Challenge app or go to heart.org/KHC.



CHOOSE A DAILY CHALLENGE

Choose a student health challenge.



BE KIND



MOVE MORE



COLLECT AND EARN

Collect donations to earn thank-you gifts and online badges.



SCAN TO REGISTER





WESTSIDE ELEMENTARY FAMILY NIGHT

OSHKOSH ARENA | 1212 S MAIN ST OSHKOSH, WI 54902

Join friends, family, and staff of Westside Elementary for a fun night out with the Wisconsin Herd! A portion of the ticket sales will be donated back to the school! Thank you to the PTO for organizing this event!

Students from Westside will be able to participate in the following fan experiences:

- Pre-Game Watch (Sit courtside during player warmups, and receive autographs from the Herd)
- Jockey High Five Tunnel (high five the players and receive a free t-shirt during starting lineups!)

GAME:

FRIDAY JANUARY 27TH @7PM



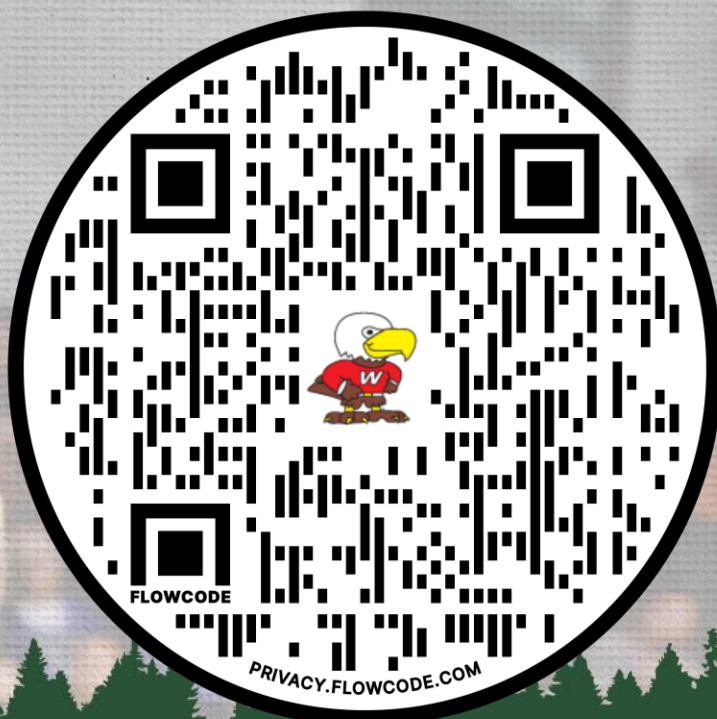
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LIMITED INVENTORY! PURCHASE
YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

BUY TIX: SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW, OR GO TO:

<https://fevo.me/westside23>



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR WITH QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:

TREVOR KROLL AT 920.744.0263 or TKROLL@WISCONSINHERD.COM

It's time to order your Westside Elementary



Many of you have already paid for a 2022-23 Westside Elementary Yearbook! If you haven't had a chance to order and pay for a yearbook for your child, please go online to your Infinite Campus portal (choose fees, then optional payments) and make the \$11.00 payment, OR, complete the form below and return it to school with a payment – cash or check. If you are unsure if you've paid for a yearbook, please check your account in Infinite Campus OR, give us a call!

We will not receive the yearbooks until the end of the school year! Also, yearbooks are optional!

Order your yearbook online OR complete and return the form below to reserve your copy!



Yearbook Order Form

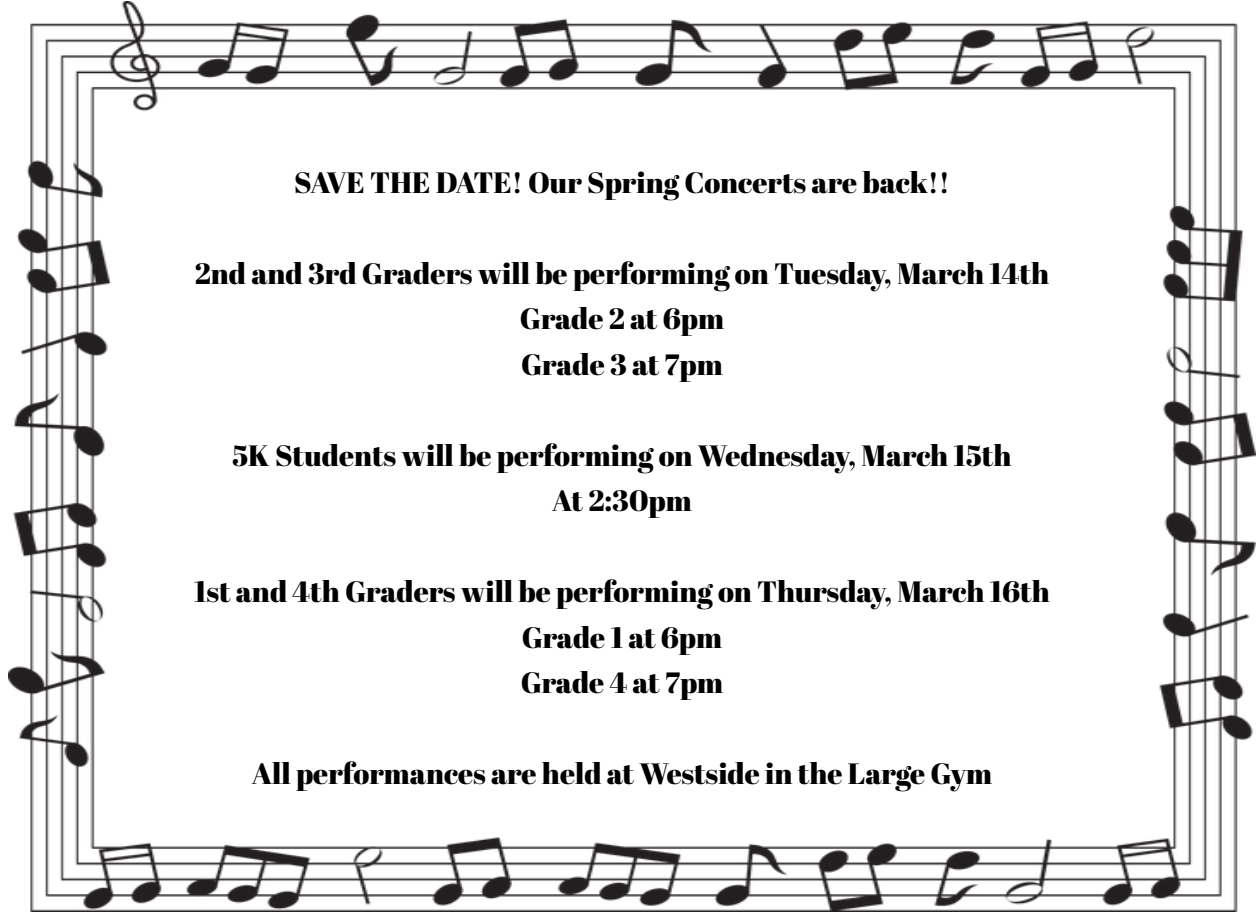
Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

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Number of Books Ordered: _____ X \$11.00 = _____

Please pay online through IC or return this form with cash or check (payable to Westside Elementary. Thank you!

A decorative border of musical notation, including a treble clef, eighth notes, and quarter notes, framing the central text.

SAVE THE DATE! Our Spring Concerts are back!!

2nd and 3rd Graders will be performing on Tuesday, March 14th
Grade 2 at 6pm
Grade 3 at 7pm

5K Students will be performing on Wednesday, March 15th
At 2:30pm

1st and 4th Graders will be performing on Thursday, March 16th
Grade 1 at 6pm
Grade 4 at 7pm

All performances are held at Westside in the Large Gym

BUZZ IN

KIMBERLY SCHOOLS

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Is your child going to be 4 or 5 years old by September 1, 2023?

IT'S TIME TO ENROLL YOUR NEWEST PAPERMAKER FOR 2023-2024!

Residents in the Kimberly Area School District can now register their newest Papermaker in Kindergarten.

Registration is quick and easy...

1. Complete the required forms online at <http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/parents/registration>
 - If you do not have computer access, computers will be available at any of KASD's schools or the District office.
 - If you are unable to stop in during normal business hours, please contact the school secretary to set up a time to stop in.
2. Birthdates are confirmed through the Wisconsin Immunization Registry. For non-immunized students or students registering from out of state, an ORIGINAL birth certificate must be brought in at some point after you have registered online. The birth certificate can be brought to any of the schools listed on the right or KASD's District Office.

The Kimberly Area School District takes a nurturing approach to 4K and 5K development. It is expected, as with all grades, that students will be ready for the next grade level at the end of the school year.

4K CENTER FOR LITERACY

614 East Kimberly Avenue, Kimberly
Phone: (920) 423-4190

JANSSEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

420 Wallace Street, Combined Locks
Phone: (920) 788-7915

SUNRISE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

N9363 Exploration Drive, Appleton
Phone: (920) 954-1822

WESTSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

746 West Third Street, Kimberly
Phone: (920) 739-3578

WOODLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

N9085 North Coop Road, Appleton
Phone: (920) 730-0924







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OUR STUDENTS NEED YOU!

BECOME A **SUBSTITUTE TEACHER**

Make a difference and consider becoming a substitute teacher or a *substitute paraprofessional*. Learn more at kimberly.k12.wi.us/careers.

				
POSITION	EXPERIENCE LEVEL	PAY	FLEXIBILITY/ SEASONAL	IMMEDIATE OPENINGS
Substitute Teacher	Associates or Bachelor's	\$125/PER DAY	✓	✓
Substitute Paraprofessional	High School Diploma	\$12.00/PER HOUR	✓	✓



**Kimberly Area
School District**





COVID-19 STRATEGIES FOR EVERYDAY OPERATIONS

Kimberly Area School District is taking a variety of actions every day to prevent the spread of infectious diseases, including the virus that causes COVID-19. From the start of the pandemic new tools have become available to limit the effect of COVID-19 on communities and healthcare systems. As a result the CDC and Wisconsin Department of Public Health Services have shifted their COVID response.

KASD is adopting the COVID Strategies listed below, which are supported by our local public health department. These strategies may be revised depending on updated information and guidance from the CDC and Wisconsin Department of Public Health Service.

STRATEGIES

Ill or have COVID-like symptoms

- Stay home, for more details see [When to Keep Your Child Home](#)
 - Return to school after 24 hours fever-free without fever reducing medications
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Positive for COVID

- Stay home from school for 5 days after symptoms begin, AND
 - Return to school after 24 hours fever-free without fever reducing medications
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General Mitigation

- Increased air ventilation;
 - Standard surface cleaning;
 - Handwashing; and
 - Respiratory etiquette
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Masking

- Optional, Students/Staff may mask at any time
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Adapted from CDC and Outagamie Public Health