

October 27, 2021

Hello Westside Families ~

Our **November Newsletter** is included in today's notes along with some additional flyers for your information. Please take a moment to look them over so you're up-to-date with all the happenings at Westside.

❖ **NO SCHOOL – TOMORROW & FRIDAY – October 28 & 29**

❖ **Last day to order Westside Wear – October 28** – Please see the attached flyer for the link to order.

❖ **Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences – November 11 & 15**

- 2:00 Dismissal – ALL Students are dismissed at 2:00 – no movie is provided at school.
- If you haven't scheduled your conferences yet, please see the attached flyer for a link to PTCFast.com to sign-up!

As always, please let us know if you have any questions – thank you!
Happy Halloween – enjoy the long weekend!

Anne Appleton
Westside Elementary
920-739-3578

WESTSIDE EAGLES UPDATE

A Message from our Principal



November 2021

10/28 & 10/29—NO SCHOOL

11/5— End of First Quarter

11/11 & 11/15 - 2:00 Dismissal
NO CHILDCARE PROVIDED BY
WESTSIDE STAFF/NO MOVIE

5:00-8:00 VIRTUAL Parent/
Teacher Conferences

11/19 — NOON Dismissal

11/25 & 11/26 — No School
Happy Thanksgiving!

12/3—2:00 Dismissal

12/23-1/2 — No School

1/3 — School Resumes

1/14 — 2:00 Dismissal

1/21 — End of 2nd Quarter

1/21— **NOON Dismissal**

2/10 & 2/11 — NO SCHOOL

2/18— 2:00 Dismissal

3/4—2:00 DISMISSAL



Greetings from Westside Elementary!

Fall is here and so is the end of the first quarter! I cannot believe we are $\frac{1}{4}$ of the way through our school year. Maybe the unseasonably warm weather has thrown off my internal clock, but I feel like just a week or two ago we were welcoming everybody back from summer break. We have been busy and that does help make the time fly.

In the next few weeks we will have our parent teacher conferences. This is our only opportunity for a formal meeting with your child's teacher which makes this short time very important. Although this is our only formal meeting I hope it is not the only contact you have with your child's teacher. Communication is paramount. Westside believes in the importance of teamwork when it comes to helping all of our students grow.

When you have concerns about something happening at school please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher earlier rather than later. Westside is a great place for kids and adults to be but our staff and students are far from perfect. With that said, there is no problem we can't fix together. Our staff is here to serve our community and give kids what they need when they need it! When you hear something about your child's school day that gives you pause, call us and we will work it out together.

I hope you and yours enjoy the long weekend and all the celebrations that go with it. We will see you back in November!

Jonathan Peterson
Principal



Mr. Jonathan Peterson
Principal

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UPDATE FROM OUR KASD BOARD OF EDUCATION

On Monday, October 25, 2021, the Kimberly Area School District (KASD) Board of Education voted in favor of the following to align with vaccination availability for students:

- Starting November 1, masking will be optional in grades 7-12.
- Starting January 3, masking will be optional in grades 4K-6.

KASD will continue to follow our current mitigation strategies and adopt a masking criteria at a 2% covid positivity by building. If the 2% threshold is met, a building will be required to mask for 14 days and a review of cases and spread will be conducted.

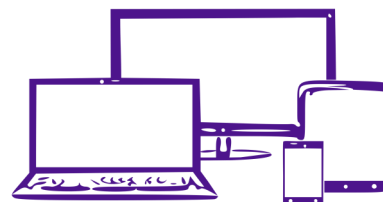
Media Resource For Parents - from Officer Stahmann

Part of my responsibility as your child's School Resource Officer is to connect parents with resources. This article is for families with children that have their own phone or tablet.

Parents have a responsibility to educate your child on being a good digital citizen, which includes appropriate, responsible behavior of your child while on a device. The biggest influence on a child's online behavior are frequent discussions held within the family. Just as you taught your child how to ride a bike before giving them a bike, you are responsible for teaching your child how to navigate the digital world prior to giving them their own device. Part of that responsibility is monitoring/restricting your child's device usage. To help you with that, Google has "Family Link" and Apple has "Screen Time" for parents.

Family Link is an app that is downloaded onto your child's device as well as your device. Apple created Screen Time, which is found in "Settings" on your device. Both options have similar features, which include:

- Viewing the device location on a map.
- Restricting the type of content your child can view on the internet.
- The requirement to approve the download of any app on your child's device.
- Removing/disabling apps from your child's device.
- Locking your child's device.
- Viewing the amount of time spent on each app per day.
- Setting a daily limit of time spent on the device before it locks.
- Setting a "bedtime" for the device so that it locks.



These options, combined with frequent discussions, make for a healthy and safe online presence for your child. For more information about Family Link, you can read this article published by Google: <https://goo.gl/2CyN1h>. For more information about Screen Time, you can read this article published by Apple: <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT208982>

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Officer Stahmann

bstahmann@kimberly.k12.wi.us 920-423-4109

VIRTUAL Parent Teacher Conferences—2:00 Dismissal — No Movie

On parent teacher conference days (**November 11 & 15**) ALL students are dismissed at 2:00 PM — there is **NO CARE PROVIDED (no movie)** on these days, as our teachers are preparing for conferences which start at 5:00.

All children will be dismissed at 2:00.

Y-Care families need to contact the YMCA to sign-up for Y-Care on conference days. Thank you! Please let us know if you have any questions. 920-739-3578

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TITLE 1 INFORMATION — AT THE PTO MEETING

At our upcoming PTO meeting on Monday, November 1st at 6:30 in the LMC, Rick Lipold, reading specialist at Westside Elementary, Wendy Fellner from Mapleview, and Amy Karls from Janssen will give a short presentation explaining the Title 1 guidelines. We invite you to join us for this and all PTO meetings!



INFORMATION REQUEST FROM KASD

As a public school District, we collect information for all children aged 0-21 for state reporting. We also want to ensure parents of young children (age 0-5) in our District receive information such as early childhood screening information and 4K and 5K registration. Click on this link <https://goo.gl/DFjSne> to complete our form. If you know of other families with children in our District that may not be receiving this request, please share this information with them.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

Winter is right around the corner. If weather conditions dictate that there will be no school or a delayed start, a decision to keep the schools closed is usually made by 6:00 a.m. Parents with students in school receive a direct call, text and/or email from our auto-call system through Infinite Campus since that is the fastest way to communicate with thousands of parents at one time.

As a reminder: If you have a new phone number or email address, please update your information in the Infinite Campus parent portal or contact your school's secretary to update the portal. Also, weather alerts go out using the "General Notification" make sure you have the "General" box checked when verifying your Infinite Campus notifications.

Announcements are also sent to local T.V. and radio stations, please tune to local stations such as these rather than call the school directly: WAPL-105.7FM, WIXX-101.1FM, WHBY-103.5FM, WKFX-104.9FM, WEMI-91.9 FM, WTAQ-97.5FM/1360AM, WWWX-96.9FM and WGEE-93.5FM; and WBAY-TV2, WFRV-TV5, WGBA-TV26, and WLUK-FOX11. If other school events, such as concerts or sporting events are also cancelled because of weather, they are typically communicated through these stations as well.

The District's website and Facebook page are not our primary way to communicate school closures, so we ask parents to listen to the auto-call messages or tune in to the radio and T.V. stations listed for the timeliest updates.





November 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 PTO Meeting-6:30 Westside LMC	2 Election Day 	3	4	5 END of 1st QUARTER	6
7	8	9 Crazy Hair Day	10	11 2:00 Dismissal Virtual Parent- Teacher Conferences 5:00-8:00	12	13
14	15 2:00 Dismissal Virtual Parent- Teacher Conferences 5:00-8:00	16	17	18	19 NOON Dismissal	20
21	22	23	24	25 Happy Thanksgiving!  NO SCHOOL	26 NO SCHOOL	27
28	29	30 Hat Day				

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES FOR GRADES 5K-4TH

It's time to plan our parent/teacher conferences for our students in Grades 5K-4. **Conferences will be held VIRTUALLY on Thursday, November 11th and Monday, November 15th from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm.** Conferences will be 10 minutes in length and be held via google meet between the parent/guardian and the classroom teacher.

AGAIN THIS YEAR at Westside – We will be scheduling parent/teacher conferences through an ONLINE sign up system called PTCFast.com. After you choose a specific time and day for your child(ren), his/her teacher will send you a google meet invite for the conference time you selected. **PTCFast.com** will make sign-ups as convenient as possible. **To schedule your preferred time for a parent/teacher conference:**

1. Go to [https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Westside Elementary School 3](https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Westside_Elementary_School_3)
2. Choose your student's teacher(s) and submit.
3. Enter student information.
4. Enter parent information.
5. After entering your information, you will receive an email with a link to select the date and time of the conference.

Specials teachers will also be available via google meet during specific times on November 11 and November 15.

- Mr. Kovacs – 5K Music
- Mr. Englebert – 5K Phy.Ed.
- Mrs. Kinzel – Grades 1-4 Music
- Mrs. Phillips – Grades 1-4 Phy.Ed.
- Mrs. Englebert, Mrs. Lamers, or Mrs. Medema – Art
- Ms. Newman – School Counselor

All students in grades 5K-4 will be dismissed at 2:00 pm on both conference days. Unlike Friday 2:00 pm release days, childcare by Westside staff is NOT provided (no movie).

If you do not have internet access, please send a note to your child's teacher with your preferred times, and a phone conference can be scheduled.

We ask that you request your times by Wednesday, October 27th. If you have not submitted your request by Wednesday, October 27th, a time will be assigned to you. Our teachers are looking forward to this opportunity for sharing with you and discussing the progress of your child(ren).

Due to time constraints, we will schedule one conference per child. For families with more than one household, please touch base with each other so you can arrange a time that works for both households. Thank you for understanding and being there to support your children! As always, if you have any questions, please give us a call – 920-739-3578.



NOVEMBER 8-16, 2021

Dear Elementary Parents and Families:

We're excited to invite your child to our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair. Hosted by our library staff, this event is an opportunity for students of all ages to build their home libraries and further their love of reading. As always, all purchases benefit our school.

After missing out on many beloved traditions, our fall Book Fair will be a familiar, welcome, and safe event for our students. Here's what you need to know about this year's fair:

- Students will be previewing the book fairs during the scheduled library visits.
- There will only be in-person shopping for students. There will not be any in-person shopping opportunities for parents or community members.
- Please DO NOT SEND CASH OR CHECK to school with your child. These forms of payment will not be accepted.
- Instead, our Book Fair offers a cash-free payment option called eWallet. It's a convenient digital account that your child can use for shopping at our Fair. Grandparents, friends, and others can contribute, too! Please note: KASD staff is not responsible for what your child chooses to purchase with their e-wallet money. Please be sure to plan this with your child ahead of time. No returns or refunds will be issued.
- Another shopping option for this year's fair is online at our school's Virtual Book Fair. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Your online orders will also benefit our school.

Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping:

- Janssen: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/janssenelementaryschool>
- Sunrise: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/sunriseelementaryschool33>
- Westside: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/westsideelementaryschool11>
- Woodland: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/woodlandintermschool>

Happy reading!

Erin Wedemeier

4K-8 library media specialist

ewedemeier@kimberly.k12.wi.us

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WESTSIDE ELEMENTARY SPIRITWEAR



\$13.00 Classic Adjustable Cap




\$19.00 Ultra Featherweight T-Shirt Hoodie



\$20.00 Zero Gravity Perf Tee



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\$35.00 BSN SPORTS Recruit Hoody



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\$20.00 BSN SPORTS Phenom Long Sleeve T-Shirt



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\$18.00 BSN SPORTS Phenom Short Sleeve T-Shirt



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\$32.00 BSN SPORTS Premier 1/4 ZIP
Available in 2 other colors.




\$15.00 Gildan 5.3 Oz Heavy Cotton Long Sleeve T-Shirt



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\$52.00 UA Command 1/4 Zip
Available in 1 other color.



\$29.00 Colorblock Windbreaker
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\$25.00 1/4 Zip Drop Tail Heather Perf Pullover
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\$15.00 Pom Beanie
Available in 1 other color.




\$12.00 Gildan Adult 5.3oz T-Shirt



\$12.00 Gildan Adult 5.3oz T-Shirt




\$12.00 Gildan Adult 5.3oz T-Shirt




\$32.00 BSN SPORTS Womens Premier 1/4
Available in 2 other colors.




\$12.00 Gildan Youth 5.3oz Cotton T
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\$18.00 BSN SPORTS Youth Phenom SS Tee
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Westside PTO

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November 1st
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6:30 PM-Library

There are big things happening at Westside this year and we need your help and generosity to make them happen! Let's support our teachers during conferences, provide new playground equipment for students and make 2021 the best year yet!

**Donating to the PTO is
easy through Amazon
Smile!**

Your donations go a long way! Be on the look out for more exciting information from the Westside PTO!



COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

When monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms, parents/guardians and students should look for:

Major symptoms (Students should stay home and take a COVID-19 test if ONE symptom from this list is present): Fever (above 100.4), cough (above baseline), new loss of taste/smell, trouble breathing/shortness of breath

Minor symptoms (Students should stay home and take a COVID-19 test if TWO symptoms from this list are present): Congestion/runny nose (above baseline), chills, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, headache (above baseline), body aches, unusual fatigue, sore throat (above baseline)



COVID protocols vary on a case-by-case basis, but are based on CDC/Wisconsin DHS guidelines. Generally however, protocols will be:

IF MY CHILD...	AND IS...	THEN HE/SHE/THEY SHOULD...
Tests positive for COVID-19	Unvaccinated or vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quarantine for 10 days from symptom onset or positive test result
Has COVID-19 symptoms	Unvaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay home Take a COVID-19 test Stay home while awaiting test results Return to school with a negative result Begin 10 day quarantine with a positive result (or if do not test)
Has COVID-19 symptoms	Vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow typical illness protocol, stay home until 24 hours fever free COVID-19 test encouraged
Is a close contact to a positive case at school and is masked	Unvaccinated or vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in school and monitor for symptoms
Is a close contact to a positive case	Unvaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quarantine for 10 days after last close contact without testing, or Quarantine 7 days after last close contact, with a negative test result collected on day 6 or 7 (provide a copy of the test result to the school)
Is a close contact to a positive case	Vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in school and monitor for symptoms
Is a close contact and had COVID-19 in last 90 days	Unvaccinated or vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in school and monitor for symptoms

Weekend Backpack Program

In partnership with the St. Joseph Food Program

Are you in need of extra food on the weekend when school meals are not available?

WE CAN HELP!

We will provide you with a bag of basic, small meals & snacks (per child) that will be sent home on Fridays during the school year.

There is no need to provide documentation to be eligible.

Contact your child(ren)'s school counselor
or the KASD School Social Worker, Katie DeLain at:
423-4159 or kdelain@kimberly.k12.wi.us



Join OUR TEAM!






Kimberly Area School District is seeking support from our community. Make a difference and consider becoming a **substitute teacher** or a **substitute paraprofessional**.

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School District**

FLEXIBLE & REWARDING

-  Earn extra income while your child is at school.
-  Turn your volunteer hours into a paid position.
-  No prior teaching experience needed.
-  Maintain a flexible work schedule.
-  Help students succeed.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



IF YOUR FAMILY LIVES IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

In a shelter



In a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation



In a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station



Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

Your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

Your eligible children have the right to:

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
 - Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
 - Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
 - Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference.
- * If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest of your children, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.
- Receive transportation to and from the school of origin, if you request this.
 - Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to your children's needs.

If you believe your children may be eligible, contact the local liaison to find out what services and supports may be available. There also may be supports available for your preschool-age children.



Local Liaison

KASD Homeless Liaison
Rob DeLain
920.788.7905

State Coordinator

WI State Coordinator
Kristine Nadolski
608.267.7338

If you need further assistance with your children's educational needs,
contact the National Center for Homeless Education:
1-800-308-2145 ★ homeless@serve.org ★ <http://nche.ed.gov>