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 Mr. Ryan Reestman

Newsletter Changes for 2011-12



This school year we will only publish four newsletters. They will be distributed in August, October, January, & April. Please check our website for the most current news and calendar changes.

CLASS SCHEDULES

FIRST DAYS OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, August 17, 2011 from 8:15 - 1:00 p.m.- for ALL students K-12. Busses will run accordingly and lunch will be served. Grades 7-12 report to the gym. Preschool classes will be 8:15 - 11:30 a.m.

REGULAR DAYS OF SCHOOL

Regular school days begin on Thursday, Aug. 18, 2011. K-6 meet from 8:15 a.m. until 3:40 p.m. every day. High school classes (7-12 grades) are held from 8:15 a.m. to 3:43 p.m. each day. Preschool classes are held each weekday from 8:15 - 11:30 a.m.

FOOD SERVICES



Breakfast (PreK-12): \$1.40 (served 7:45 - 8:05 a.m.)
Lunch (Grades PreK-6) \$1.90 (Grades 7-12) \$2.15
 Breakfast and lunch will be served starting August 17.

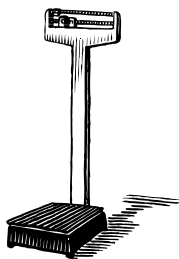
Please pay in advance for food services. In an effort to cut postage costs, your student will be given a statement when your family lunch account is getting low. If you furnish

your e-mail address to us, the information can be e-mailed to you. Your account balance can also be check on our website with the proper login and password. **Please pay promptly.**

If your family may be eligible for free or reduced price meals, please complete the application as soon as possible and return it to Elgin Public Schools. If you have any questions or need assistance in completing the application, please contact Steve Dennis, Supt. 843-2455



SCHOOL & SPORTS PHYSICALS



All 7th grade students and Kindergarteners are required to obtain a physical and submit a copy to be kept on file at the school.

All students in grades 7-12 participating in any sport must have a health physical dated after May 1st of the current year before he/she can start practices. Forms for these physicals are available in the main office during normal business hours and at medical clinics in Elgin

IMMUNIZATIONS

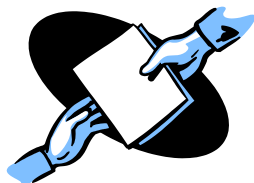
Has your child received any immunizations over the summer? Please bring us an updated immunization record to be kept on file.

INSURANCE

Applications for Kids Connection, the Nebraska Children's Health Insurance Program, and student accident insurance administered by Student Assurance Services, Inc., are available in the main office of the school.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Contact Information and the Child Health Information forms need to be completed at the beginning of the school year. They are a very valuable part of your child's school records.



When your child is sick or injured, you will be so happy that the information in our computer system is accurate. If you change jobs, phone numbers, or contact persons, etc. please contact the school immediately with your new information.

ALERTNOW CONTACT SYSTEM

During inclement weather, we have implemented the use of a phone/e-mail messaging service. Contact information you supply will be used to alert all students/parents in the event of an early dismissal, late start, or cancellation. The system will also be used to broadcast reminders of important events

E-MAIL ADDRESS

It is highly recommended that you include your e-mail addresses on your child's student information form. This will allow for more efficient communication between parents and educators.

ATTACK ON ASTHMA

State regulation requires that our school and early childhood education program be prepared to implement an emergency treatment plan, called a protocol, anytime a student or staff member experiences a life threatening asthma attack or systemic allergic reaction (anaphylaxis).

If you know that your student has asthma or a known allergy, it is **critically important** that you communicate this information to our school staff. You may contact the main office with this information. For each student with a known allergic condition or asthma, you must provide the school with (1) written medical documentation, (2) instructions, and (3) medications as directed by a physician. In the event that your student experiences a life threatening asthma attack or systemic allergic reaction, we will defer to the specific documents and medication that you have provided. If you do not have medical documentation and instructions on file with the school for your student, we will defer to the regulatory protocol.



If, for whatever reason, you do not want your student to receive the life-saving emergency treatment under the protocol, you must file your written objection with the school.

If you have questions or concerns about the protocol or your student's health issues, please contact Gwen Kinney, our school nurse, or Steve Dennis, Supt. at 843-2455.

IF YOUR CHILD CARRIES AN INHALER AT SCHOOL, YOU MUST COMPLETE PERMISSION SLIPS IN THE MAIN OFFICE.

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Our website offers a wealth of timely information for parents and patrons of District #18. An up-to-date calendar is maintained on the website to keep you informed of events at our school. If school is cancelled or postponed for weather, the information is posted on the website immediately.

If you sign-up for news updates, the information will also be sent to your e-mail address. News items and pictures of events are posted regularly to keep everyone informed of the happenings at Elgin Public School. Check it out at www.elgineagles.org

VOICE MAIL

An important part of education is communication between parents and teachers. Unfortunately, our teachers are busy with instruction during the school day. We welcome you to call the school and ask to leave a voice mail for the teacher and the teacher can return your call at their earliest convenience. This voice mail system will cause less interruption from instruction time and still allow efficient communication with teachers.



SCHOOLMASTER PASS



Elgin Public School is pleased to offer you instant access to your child's school information with the implementation of Parental Access Support System (PASS). This system will give you the opportunity to log on to the

school website and you will be able to view information that will keep you informed of your child's school status.

Attendance, grades, behavior log, and weekly progress are accessible through the PASS system. This information is protected by a PIN number that will be sent home during the 1st week of school along with an instruction sheet. If you have questions or difficulties with the system, please call the school.



Don't Throw Away That Empty Printer Cartridge! Bring it to school!

Empty inkjet cartridges can be recycled and remanufactured. Our school will receive \$2.00 for each cartridge turned in. Bring in your empty cartridges (use a Ziploc bag to avoid ink spills) to the office recycle bin.

MAGAZINE SALES Aug. 25 thru Sept. 16



Buy or renew your magazine subscriptions now!

Each high school class will be selling magazines as a fundraiser for their class.

Please contact a high-school student or the school about ordering magazines!

Thank you for your support.



My Child Is Absent-- Does the School Need a Note?

It is very important that the school knows the whereabouts of all the students during the school day. Parents should call the school (843-2455) right away in the morning to tell us that your child is sick or has an appointment, but we should still receive a handwritten note from the parent when the child returns to school. All notes are filed in the student's file for the entire year. If there is ever a question about an absence that is reported on Schoolmaster, we have that note to verify the information.

Throughout the school year the North Central District Health Dept. does a weekly surveillance with schools. School surveillance is a state-wide effort that is used for early recognition of disease outbreaks throughout Nebraska in order to treat the diseases, such as influenza, promptly and stop the spread of the disease as quickly as possible. It is important to remember, when you call the school to let them know your child is ill, please let them know what symptoms your child is experiencing. This information is very beneficial in tracking different types of illnesses.

CHECKLIST FOR ABSENTEEISM:

- _____ Flu-like illness
 - *cough
 - *fever
 - *sore throat
 - *headache/body aches
 - *stuffy/runny nose
 - *fatigue
- _____ Fever accompanied by a rash of any kind
- _____ Gastrointestinal
 - *vomiting
 - *diarrhea
- _____ Strep throat
- _____ Asthma and Allergies
- _____ Absent due to appointment, funeral, etc.

TENTATIVE BUS ROUTES

If your name is not listed and your are in need of bus service, please contact the Elgin Public School office at 843-2455.

West Route--Rhonda Miller 843-8360(home) 843-8546 (bus cell) Oakdale Route--Lorene Stuhr 843-2271(home)843-8545 (bus cell)

Dwight Bush
Todd Lammers
Bob Hoefler
Ray Braband
Alton Warner
David Durre
Jon Grothe
Josh Schindler
Byron Bergman
Stan Heithoff
John Iburg

Joe Dozler
Sean Dunn
Wes Short
Linda Grosserode
Adam Cameron
Oakdale Community
Neligh Library
Brian Shoemaker
Alan Welding
Bob Koenig



Don't forget - Parent-Teacher Conferences Sept. 20th

Upcoming Events:



**Aug. 11 - School Board
Mtg. 7:30 p.m.**

**Aug. 17 - 1st day of
classes
8:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m**

Aug. 26 - Wolfpack Tailgate Kickoff

Sept. 5 - Labor Day---NO SCHOOL

**Sept. 6 - No School Grades K-6
(Elementary teacher inservice)**

Sept. 8 - School Board Mtg. 7:30 p.m.

**Sept. 13 - LifeTouch School Pictures
8:15 a.m.**

Sept. 20 - Early Dismissal 1:00 p.m.

**Sept. 20 - Parent-Teacher Conf.
3:00-8:30 p.m.**

Sept. 21 - Late Start 10:00 a.m.

Save Five For Schools



- ◆ Save your LAND O LAKES caps from Milk, Orange Juice and Chocolate Milk
- ◆ Bring the caps in to school
- ◆ Your school will receive a check!

PUBLIC NOTICE

Residents of District 18, Elgin, are notified that School District 18, Elgin, NE participates in all required Special Education Services for all resident students, ages 0-21. If you know of any student not currently being serviced by an appropriate educational program or have questions concerning the Special Education Program, contact the Superintendent's office at Elgin Public School.

Elgin Public School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap. Further, the school complies with all Title IX and Equal Employment Opportunity guidelines as determined by Federal directives.

Check our website for the most current news and calendar:

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