

SKYWORDS

A newsletter for the families of Skyview Community Elementary School

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WELCOME!

The Skyview Staff welcomes our 590 students to the 2009-2010 school year! *Skywords* is a weekly newsletter intended to keep families informed of what is happening at our school. Each Friday, the youngest child in your family will bring home a Friday Folder which will contain *Skywords*, a classroom newsletter and any other communications you need to be aware of. Please take a few moments to review all of the information in this folder and return any necessary forms and the folder to school the following week.

Calendar

9/14-10/2 MAP Testing (Grades 2-5)
9/16 3rd grade Parent Info Night at 5:30
9/17 1st grade Parent Info Night at 5:30
9/22 PTO Meeting at 7:00
10/5 School Picture Day
10/14 Fundraiser Kick-off
10/14 Wendy's Night: 5-7 pm
10/15 No School—Education Minnesota
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10/20 PTO Meeting at 7:00
10/21-23 Audubon Environmental Camp,
5th Grade
10/21 Kindness Retreat, 4th Grade
10/23 No School-Conferences: 8 am-4 pm
10/27 Evening Conferences: 4-8 pm
10/28 Fundraiser Orders Due
10/29 Evening Conferences: 4-8 pm
10/30 Picture Re-take Day



6-day calendar for the week of September 14-18:

Monday-Day 5
Tuesday-Day 6
Wednesday-Day 1
Thursday-Day 2
Friday-Day 3

On the Lunch Menu, you'll notice a number in the bottom right-hand corner of each day, which denotes the six-day calendar. This is a great way to keep track of the specialists' schedules. Specialists include phy ed (2 days/week), music (2), math (1), and literacy (1).

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Testing Dates

Grades 2-5

1st Testing Window—Sept 14-Oct 2
Parents are asked to make every effort to have their child in school during these testing dates.

Parent Information Meetings

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the Parent Information Meetings that were held recently. These meetings are designed to acquaint parents with their child's teacher, class expectations and the grade level curriculum. This is an excellent way to start off the school year and we encourage parents to make every effort to attend. The remaining Parent Information Nights will be held:

Wednesday, September 16

3rd Grade 5:30 pm

Thursday, September 17

1st Grade 5:30 pm

Phy Ed Class

Please make sure your child is prepared for their phy ed class with appropriate tennis shoes and clothing. It's best to send your child to school in tennis shoes every day to make sure they are prepared on the appropriate day.

From the Health Office

Please completely fill out **BOTH SIDES** of the **Health Emergency Card** and return it to your child's teacher by **Friday, Sept 18th**. Be sure to indicate any health concerns that we should be aware of. This card will be used if we need to contact you in case of illness or an emergency. ***Please be sure your secondary contacts are people who are available during the school day to pick up your child if necessary.***

PTO Meeting

The first PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) Meeting of the school year will be held **Tuesday, September 22nd at 7:00 p.m.** Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us to see what the PTO is all about! Everyone is welcome! *If you have any questions or would like more information, about the PTO please contact skyviewpto@yahoo.com*

President Obama's Address

Schools in ISD622 have not shown President Obama's address to school children in classes this week. If your child's teacher plans to show it in their class next week, information will be coming home in their classroom newsletter. Parents, you will have the ability to opt your child out of the lesson if you choose. You may view the speech at www.whitehouse.gov.

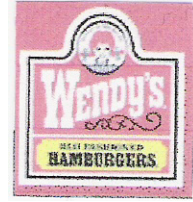
Happenings Books

Our school is selling Happenings Books! Please look for Order Envelopes coming home today. A sample book is included to use for selling to friends and family. ***Please note: this is not a free book!*** You can purchase this book and any additional books for \$30 each. Please return all orders and any unwanted books by **Friday, September 18th**. If you sell more than one book, your additional books will be sent home by the end of the month. *Local establishments featured in this book include: TGI Friday's, Champps, Domino's, Cold Stone Creamery, Dino's, Marble Slab Creamery, Woodbury Café, Umbria, Baja Sol, Marcus Theatres, Menards, Pump It Up, Dick's Sporting Goods, Once Upon A Child, Plato's Closet, The UPS Store.*

Wendy's Night

Our first Wendy's Night of the school year was on **Wednesday, September 9.**

On the 2nd Wednesday of the month, the Wendy's in Tamarack Village in Woodbury donates 10% of their proceeds to Skyview Elementary. We hope that you will join us for these fun community nights. ***We are currently looking for hosts for this monthly event, held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 5-7pm. This is a great project for scouts, friends, or a neighborhood to do together! If you are interested, please call Cheryl Wortman at 651-264-0860 for more information!***



Skyview Spirit Wear

At the Open House or on the first day of school, you received a yellow order form for Skyview Spirit Wear. There are t-shirts and hoodie sweatshirts available in youth and adult sizes and wind shirts and fleece vests in adult sizes. Order forms and money are due back to your child's teacher by Friday, September 18th. ***This year, we will have "Spirit Day" at Skyview on the last Friday of the month where students and staff are encouraged to wear their spirit wear or Skyview school colors, which are royal blue and yellow. Kids AND parents, get in the "Skyview Spirit"!***

Volunteer Opportunities

At the Open House or on the first day of school, you received a purple form with volunteer opportunities listed. Any time that you can give to help make Skyview Community School an even greater place to be is very much appreciated. ***Please return the completed form to your child's teacher by Friday, September 18th.***

Thank you in advance for making a difference in the life of a child!

***School Hours: 9:15 am—3:45 pm
Office Hours: 8:15 am—4:15 pm***