

SKYWORDS

Newsletter for the families of Skyview Community Elementary School

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Calendar

- 9/12 Fundraiser Kick-off
9/16 1st grade Parent Info Night at 5:30
PTO Meeting at 7:00
9/26 Fundraiser Orders Due
10/8 Wendy's Night
10/9 School Picture Day
Conferences, 4-8 pm
10/10 No School—Conferences
10/14 Conferences, 4-8 pm
10/16 No School—Education Minnesota
10/17 No School—Education Minnesota
10/22-24 Audubon, 5th Grade
10/24 Kindness Retreat, 4th Grade

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Testing Dates

Grades 2-5

1st Testing Window—Sept. 15-Sept. 30

Parents are asked to make every effort
to have their child in school
during these testing dates.

Reminders

1st Grade Parent Information Night is
Tuesday, September 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Spirit Wear order forms were due today. If
you forgot to send your form in, please make
sure to return it on Monday, September 15.
The order will be placed on Wednesday,
September 17.

Student Directory forms are due Friday,
September 26.

Emergency Cards were due Friday,
September 12.

Northeast Safety Town

***National Child Passenger Safety Week
(September 21-27)***

Safety Town urges parents and caregivers to make sure their car seats and booster seats are properly installed in their vehicles. We especially want to encourage the use of booster seats for elementary school-age children. Adult seat belts are designed for adults. For children, the benefits of adult restraints are greatly diminished and in many circumstances, adult sized belts can cause injuries.



In 2007, the National Survey of the Use of Booster Seats found that only 37 percent of children ages 4 to 7 were riding in booster seats; NHTSA recommends that children who have outgrown their child safety seats should ride in booster seats until they are 4'9" tall.

Children ages 4 through 7 who use booster seats are 59 percent less likely to be injured in a car crash than children who are restrained only by seat belts, according to a study by Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Child safety seats and booster seats save lives. They offer the best protection in a crash.

Physical Education Class

Please make sure your student is prepared for Phy Ed with appropriate athletic shoes and comfortable clothing on the correct day. Remember to check the school lunch menu for the schedule to keep track of the 6-day calendar. **For the week of September 15:**
Monday-Day 4
Tuesday-Day 5
Wednesday-Day 6
Thursday-Day 1
Friday-Day 2

From The Health Office

Enclosed in today's Friday folder is a brochure entitled "Is my child well enough to go to school?" Please use this as a reference any time your child is not feeling well or has any condition that may be contagious.

- Remember to call the Health Office/ Attendance line any time your child will be absent or tardy (702-8115)
- If, during the year, you have a change in phone numbers (home, work, or cell) please contact the office at 702-8100. It is important to have current numbers in case of an emergency.
- The ISD 622 Medication Policy requires that all medication, prescription or over-the-counter, that is taken at school needs to have authorization from the physician and/or the parent. All medications need to be kept in the Health Office. No elementary student may carry his/her own medication. This is for their own safety and the safety of others.

We hope you have a healthy year!
****Beth Jagger and Carol Dunlay****

Fundraiser Information

The kick-off for the Katherine Beich fall fundraiser was held today! Please look for the packet in your child's backpack and read it over carefully as we'll be giving away prizes during the fundraiser. All **orders and payments are due back to school on Friday, September 26th**. All orders must be PREPAID, so be sure to collect the money as you take orders. Pick-up day will be Thursday, October 30th from 4-7 pm.

Katherine Beich is the largest source of income for the Skyview Elementary PTO. Please read the information that's included in the "Box Tops" plastic bag that is also in today's Friday Folder to see all that the PTO has been able to buy with money from our fundraisers. It's amazing! They are things that benefit each one of our kids. **Thank you for your support of Skyview Elementary School!**

Skyview PTO

Can You Help Us Now?

You've no doubt seen countless ads for various cell phone plans. In this week's Friday folder is a fictitious ad for the PTO explaining several "Volunteer Plans". It is a humorous way to make parents aware of how they can pick how involved they want to be in the PTO. From the Basic Plan of just minutes a month to the Platinum Plus Plan where you are a PTO Officer, the main point is you can pick your level of commitment. The pamphlet explains what the PTO is all about and where the money comes from and where it is spent. Please take time to read this pamphlet (it's in the "Box Tops" Ziploc bag) so you are aware of how you can help the PTO make Skyview a better place for learning.

Tuesday, Sept. 16 at 7:00 pm is the first meeting of the Skyview PTO. The PTO is open to any parent who has a child at Skyview. There are no dues or membership cards, and no long term obligations. The PTO's main mission is to create a better school and a better educational experience for our children. Please take the time this year to try a PTO meeting, so we can "Be the PTO with More Volunteers in More Places".

Box Tops and Milk Caps

With today's Friday Folder is a Ziploc bag to collect and turn in box tops, milk caps and soup labels. Ziploc bags can be turned in to the white barrels outside the Media Center. Some items have expiration dates, so please turn them in frequently. There is also a sheet describing various "Easy Money" fundraisers that you can help with. Please help us out by participating in these simple fundraisers. We'll be sending in Box Tops in October, so please turn in what you have as soon as possible. Rainbow is running a promotion through 9/27/08. If you buy any 10 "Box Tops" products, you'll receive 50 bonus Box Tops at checkout or buy 15 products and receive 100 bonus Box Tops. Some brands are: Pillsbury, Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Kleenex, Cottonelle, Ziploc, Huggies, Hefty, Nature Valley, Pop-Secret, Green Giant, Yoplait, Chex, etc.