

Dover-Eyota Elementary School News Flash

September 16, 2022



Parents and Guardians of Dover-Eyota Elementary, I want to thank you for the first two weeks of the school year. We have been busy with building routines and relationships inside the building. I have been impressed with the students and staff in observing much of this. We look forward to continue building that through the year, as your students becomes more comfortable with new teachers, potentially new students, and other new faces they do not yet know real well. Please know that the staff here at Dover-Eyota is here to help and support you in any needs you may have to the best of our abilities.

There are several important dates and reminders in this newsletter, so please take a thorough look through on those as events and other activities are being planned or changed on an almost daily basis right now. There as well are a couple of reminders that I will be asking you to help us out with as well as we partner in this educational experience.

Sincerely,
Mr. Midge- Principal

Pictures are again changing, as we were unable to find a partner date for the September 26th pictures at the school to accommodate getting all students an opportunity to have pictures taken. So we do have 2 first shoot dates and then a retake day now scheduled (and hopefully won't change again).

*First Date- Monday October 17 (3pm-7:30pm) This is during Conferences

*Second Date- Tuesday, October 18 (3pm-7:30pm) This is during Conferences

*Retake Date- November 15th (Regular School Hours)

(The school will be looking for a desk person to organize/collect the picture forms on the two October dates. Anyone interested in helping would receive a \$25 voucher toward pictures from Jostens. If interested please contact Ben Midge @ benmidge@deschools.org this would be first come, first serve position.

Important Dates Upcoming:

October 6th- Preschool Screening

October 7th- Preschool Screening

October 17th-Pictures and Conferences 3pm-7:00pm

October 18th-Pictures and Conferences 3pm-7:00pm

October 19th- Conferences (No Pictures) 7:30am-3:00pm

October 20 & 21- No School MEA



Just a couple of reminders for families as we get into the school year. Please pass on to others in the community as possible.

1)Outdoor school facilities are reserved for school use only and closed to the public during the school day and when being used by school teams or groups after school. This includes all fields,

the track, the elementary playground, and the school woods. Please feel free to enjoy these spaces outside of school hours when school groups are not using them.

2)The use of Smart Watches and Cell Phones. The use of these are prohibited during the school day. If students have these items they need to be in their backpack the whole day and may not be used without teacher or administrator approval. Due to capabilities with pictures and other communication happening from these devices, this is both a privacy and a safety issue within the building and on transportation. **This includes the School Buses.** If they are out during the day including recess, they will be brought to the office until the end of the day. If the incidences continue they will be held in the office and a call for parents to pick them up will be made. With all things, lost or damaged devices are not covered by the school. It is best if able to leave these items at home, if needed they should stay in the students backpack.



We are having the challenge of filling a number of supervisory positions at the school that are all important. We have also for a long time staffed some positions off campus as a courtesy to the community. It is our desire to be able to continue this practice, but we don't have the human power to cover all of the positions needed at the building and at various spots all the time where there has been someone in the past. As often as possible we will cover these areas, namely crosswalking spots by Jefferson/Knowledge Road. In a number of schools these are volunteer positions run by community members wanting to help out for a few minutes. With that in mind, we are interested in finding either parent, grandparent, or community member(s) who would be interested in partnering with us to ensure these areas are filled on a daily basis. At this time we are seeking a Morning (AM) person to assist on days we do not have people to cover on a regular basis, which are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday mornings. Please contact Mr. Midge if interested in volunteering. benmidge@deschools.org



Homecoming week is next week Sept. 19-23 and here at the elementary we have a group of people who have planned some fun dress days for our building. Please participate as able.

Monday- Crazy Day (Crazy Hair/Mismatched)

Tuesday- Sports Day

Wednesday- Class Color Day

Staff-Teal, Preschool- Red, Kindergarten- Orange, 1st Grade- Yellow, 2nd Grade- Green, 3rd Grade- Blue, 4th Grade- Purple, and 5th Grade- Neon

Thursday- Country Western Day

Friday- Spirit Day