



Elementary News and Notes

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to 2025! We are off and running in the new year. We have a few new students as we return from our break, so for those new families, welcome to Dover-Eyota and the elementary, we are glad you are joining us. So far we appear to have made some successful transitions into the building and classrooms.

One quick reminder as we get back into the swing of things is to set good routines for your children including good nights rest. With how active and busy this age of students are, it is important to get 8-10 good hours of rest a night. This can be difficult for some. Especially coming off a break, but will help as it relates to decision-making, and academic work during the day. It will help keep things less stressful for individual students.

Elementary Student Council Fundraiser: We are raising money, so that we can put on the 4th and 5th grade Spring Party at the end of March. The Student Council will be selling Chocolate Bars (World's Finest) for the month of January on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:40am-8:10am. Each bar will cost \$1. Choices of candy bars include Caramel, Crisp, Milk Chocolate, Dark Chocolate, Wafer, and Almond. All bars are gluten free except the Wafer Bar. All proceeds will go toward hosting the 4th/5th Grade Spring Party. Eventually we hope this can keep the



party going for all future grade levels that will go through, but in order to do this, we have to fundraise.

Lockdown Drill #4: This Thursday, January 9 will be our fourth of five lockdown drills per state law. As is the same with our other drills, you have the option to opt-out per law, but will need to pick them up. The drill is at 2:00. Any opt-outs will be excused from 1:45pm-2:30pm. Please let us know in the office if opting out. We will again sound the alarms with this drill. The 5th and final drill will be February 13th.

Childhood Screening: Our last date for the year is Friday, January 24th. If you have a child or know of someone who does and needs to be screened, please call the office to sign-up for our last opportunity of the year.

Open Enrollment: We are opening with the state for enrollment for next school year. If you have neighbors, friends, or family looking for a school, please don't hesitate to send them our way. We can be reached in the office at 507-545-2632 or email me directly with any questions at benmidge@deschools.org. Anyone interested can go to our school website to get started. Here is the link for the Open Enrollment form.

<https://assets-rst7.rschoolday.com/rst7files/uploads/sites/737/2023/11/14161754/23.09-25-General-Statewide-Enrollment-Options-Application-for-K-12-and-Early-Childhood-Special-Education-ext-1.pdf>



Yearbook Orders: Don't forget to order your yearbook!

Yearbooks must be purchased online.

<https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A09822369>

Ordering closes on Friday, March 21st

Upcoming Events:

January 20-22: Skating during P.E.

January 24: End of Quarter 2

January 27: No School for Students/Teacher Workday

Elementary Calendar: For the elementary calendar please use this link.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sqv-dCUg_sY5FtyKY7GbDSAcBO3MQ96n/view

Let's make it a great week! Go Eagles!

Sincerely,

Ben Midge- Elementary Principal