

## **Elementary News and Notes**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The end of the year is quickly approaching! This is a point in the year when we see behaviors increase and anxiety rise, as students start to see a change in schedule and change in their routine, it is normal to see behaviors change. Keeping things as normal as possible is best for keeping a balanced day. We will work with students who are struggling to get through the day. It is often exhibited behavior, because they either don't know how to verbalize their thoughts or they don't feel like they can tell an adult what is happening.

I try to talk with our teachers and staff about controlling what we control. As parents I would suggest the same approach. Control what you can control. This includes getting children to bed at a reasonable time, supporting students at home with work, and loving them up as best you can. Many other factors are out of your control. I know this through my own children going through school and am still seeing them go through now, so I do know the battle that is had at times. Control the controllables!

Please read the rest of this news update for upcoming events and activities.

Rockstar Games: We will have a send off for some of our students who are attending the Rockstar games in Lewiston on May 9th. This has been a great annual activity for a few districts to come together and have a fun day of events for students who are receiving adaptive physical education classes.



DARE Graduation: We will hold our DARE graduation on Monday, May 12th at 1:00 for 5th grade parents/family to attend. This will be held at the HS/MS auditorium. We look forward to seeing some of the posters created by the students and the announcement of our DARE grads. Officer Severson will be leading the event, and we hope to have other members of the Olmsted County Police Department on hand to celebrate with us this year.

K-2 Activities Day: Friday, May 16th we will hold our annual Activities Day for K-2. Kindergarten will be in the morning and 1st-2nd will be in the afternoon. Come join us on this day of fun with your students as you are able to.

Senior Walk-Through: Wednesday, May 21st we will have our Senior class of 2025 do a final walk-through at the elementary school. This is a great way to both honor and connect with the Senior class and both buildings. I did this activity in my prior job as a K-12 principal and I am glad we have this tradition going on here at Dover-Eyota. Congratulations to the class of 2025!

3-5 Track & Field: You know the end is upon us when the track and field day pops up. Friday, May 23rd will be our track and field day in the morning. Come cheer on and support all of our participants during this fun filled morning!

Try Something New Day: I am always excited to see what new things will be done on this day. Friday, May 23rd in the afternoon (following track & field and lunch time) we will host Try Something New Day for 3-5 grade.



Last Week Dress Up: Join us in dressing up for the last week of school! May 27-29.

Tuesday- Sports Day

Wednesday- Tie Dye Day

Thursday- Hawaiian Day

## **Upcoming Events:**

May 9- Rockstar Games

May 12- DARE Graduation

May 16- K-2 Activities

May 22- Preschool Graduation

May 23- Track & Field (3rd-5th)

May 23- Try Something New Day (PM)

May 26- Memorial Day (No School)

May 28- 5th grade Graduation

May 29- Last Day of School (Elementary)



**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