

## **GRIZZLY NEWS August 2024**

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#### From the Desk of Mrs. Calteux....

Dear Grizzly Family,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and excited for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year! I'm thrilled to share that our playground will be open and ready for the first day of school. We can't wait for our students to enjoy the new space, which promises to be a wonderful addition to our school environment. Our building is fully prepared, and the staff is eager to welcome our students back for what will undoubtedly be a fantastic school year.



### **IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION**



**Classroom/Teacher Assignments.** Beginning Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, Skyward Family Access can be used to view your student(s) assigned room/teacher.

**Online Enrollment Verification (OEV)**. OEV is a <u>requirement</u> for every WRPS student. OEV is completed online (Skyward Family Access) and the expectation is that OEV be completed *prior* to attending the open house. IMPORTANT: <u>Requesting bus transportation</u> for your student(s) can <u>only</u> be done through OEV. If OEV is not completed in a timely manner, your student(s) may not be assigned bus routes by the first day of school.

Meet & Greet Open House. Join us on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, from 3 pm to 5 pm. This is a great opportunity to meet classroom teachers, explore the classrooms, and get familiar with the school.

**Elementary Book & Material Fee.** The book & material fee for elementary school is \$20 per student. The fee may be paid online (Skyward Family Access) or by sending cash/check with your student on the first day of school.

**Lunch Money**. Lunch funds can also be deposited online (Skyward Family Access) or by sending cash/check with your student on the first day of school. Please be sure all payments are placed in an envelope and clearly labeled with your student's name. Please Note: The book & material fee CANNOT be included with or deducted from lunch funds. Separate checks are required.

#### PLEASE CALL BEFORE 11 AM WITH AFTER SCHOOL CHANGES



#### CALENDAR

Aug. 28 OPEN HOUSE 3:00-5:00 pm

Sept. 2 NO SCHOOL Labor Day

Sept. 3 First Day of School

#### **MEALTIME PRICES** Check your account via **Omlativ - Family Access**

<b>Breakfast</b> Paid Free/Reduced	\$1.75 \$0.00
Lunch	
Paid	\$2.30
Reduced	\$0.40
Free	\$0.00
Milk	\$0.50

Students who take milk for their cold lunch, or an extra milk with hot lunch, will be charged \$0.50, regardless of pay status (i.e., Free, Reduced).

#### From the Desk of Mrs. Calteux....*continued:*

**Late Start Mondays.** Beginning this school year, all Mondays will have a late start. On Mondays drop-off will begin at 9:15 am, with the final bell ringing at 9:30 am. Regular schedule Tuesday-Friday with drop-off beginning at 8:30 am, and the final bell ringing at 8:45 am.

4K Hours

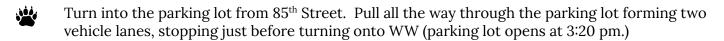
<u>Morning AM Session</u> Monday = 9:30 to 11:40 am Tuesday - Friday = 8:45 to 11:40 am

<u>Afternoon PM Session</u> Monday - Friday = 12:55 to 3:30 pm

**Drop-Off & Pick-Up.** Parent drop-off/pick-up will be in the West lot off of 85<sup>th</sup> Street; Bus drop-off/pick-up will be in the front lot by the school office.

<u>Drop-off Procedure</u>: Please come through the 85<sup>th</sup> Street West parking lot in a single file of vehicles for drop-off. Staff will be outside motioning for students to unload. We unload in groups of about 5-6 vehicles at a time. Please DO NOT drop-off students on 85<sup>th</sup> Street and have them cross in front of the vehicles in the drop-off line.

<u>Pick-Up Procedure for Student Safety</u>. Our pick-up procedure will remain the same as past years. Dismissal is at 3:30 pm every day, Monday through Friday.





Pull your vehicle as far forward as possible and place it in park or turn it off. Exit your vehicle to greet your student at dismissal.

The bell will ring at 3:30 pm. Students will be led through the parking lot by their teachers. No vehicles will be allowed to move while students load. Once all vehicles are loaded, the lanes will filter out of the parking lot, one at a time, onto County RD WW

Do NOT load on 85<sup>th</sup> Street as we want to create a controlled and safe environment to get everyone on the road as fast and safely as possible.

**District Communication**. We will be using ParentSquare for all district communications. It's an app you can easily download on your smartphone. Please sign up as soon as possible to stay informed.

**Boys & Girls Club - Jumpstart Program:** We are excited to announce that the Jumpstart Program will be starting at Grant Elementary for students ages 6 and up. You can sign up for Jumpstart on the Boys & Girls Club of Wisconsin Rapids website. If you are dropping off your student for this program, please enter through the front doors by the office.

We are looking forward to a wonderful school year filled with learning, growth, and fun!!

Warm regards,

Mrs. Calteux, Principal

Over summer, WRPS underwent a software transition from Skyward SMS 2.0 to Skyward Qmlativ. Skyward Qmlativ will provide a completely different look and feel compared to the previous version.



To access the new Skyward Qmlativ - Family/Student Access portal, as well as training videos, visit <u>www.wrps.org</u>, click on the <u>Skyward</u> logo (black circle with white stripes), click <u>Skyward Qmlativ - Family/Student Access</u> and enter your login and password.

If you encounter any issues, problems or need support you can contact the school office or send an email to <u>skyward@wrps.net</u>.





**DON'T MISS OUT** on what's happening in our community. Information on

- Wisconsin Rapids Youth Sports
- Boy Scouts / Girl Scouts
- YMCA Programs
- WR Park & Rec. Dept. Activities

**AND MORE...**are posted on the WRPS webpage under <u>Community Events</u>



**VOLUNTEER / VISITOR PROCEDURE** 

ALL visitors and volunteers **who will be moving beyond the school office** are REQUIRED to:

- \* Report directly to the school office.
- \* All visitors will self check-in by IPad.
- \* Your valid state-issued ID will be scanned EVERY VISIT, no exceptions.
- \* After check-in a visitor sticker will print allowing you to move about the building.
- \* Sign out with when your visit is concluded, either in the office or via your mobile phone.



Elementary Student Meal Pricing		
Breakfast	=	\$1.75
Lunch	=	\$2.30
Extra Milk	=	\$0.50





# SEPTEMBER

#### BREAKFAST MENU

GRANT, THINK ACADEMY & WOODSIDE

Starting the day with a healthy school breakfast is a simple way to help kids get the nutrition they need to learn, grow, and be healthy. To learn more about the benefits of breakfast, check out this video from USDA's Team Nutrition: https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/kids-are-stronger-school-breakfast.

M 2 W 4 F T 3 TH 5 6 BAGEL W/ CREAM CHEESE WHOLE GRAIN MUFFIN NO SCHOOL COLD CEREAL ZEE ZEES BREAKFAST BAR LABOR DAY CHEESE STICK CHEESE STICK YOGURT CHEESE STICK M 9 W F T 10 TH 11 12 13 HOMEMADE HOMEMADE GRANOLA EGG + CHEESE COLD CEREAL **BREAKFAST PIZZA** CINNAMON YOGURT BREAKFAST BURRITO CHEESE STICK COFFEE CAKE YOGURT M W F 16 Т 17 TH 18 19 20 EGG, CHEESE & BAGEL W/ CREAM CHEESE COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN MUFFIN CHEESE OMELET POTATO CHEESE STICK CHEESE STICK YOGURT WHOLE GRAIN TOAST BREAKFAST BOWL W/WG BISCUIT M W T 24 25 TH F 23 26 27 EGG + CHEESE NO SCHOOL HOMEMADE GRANOLA COLD CEREAL BREAKFAST PIZZA BREAKFAST PROFESSIONAL CHEESE STICK YOGURT SANDWICH DEVELOPMENT DAY M 30 Questions about school breakfast or lunch? COLD CEREAL CHEESE STICK Contact us at schoolnutrition@wrps.net

#### SELECTION OF MILK & FRUIT OFFERED DAILY

BREAKFAST PRICES PAID: \$1.75 FREE & REDUCED: NO CHARGE ADULT: \$2.60 CHILD VISITOR: \$2.00 MENU ITEMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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REAL FOOD FOR RAPIDS KIDS

