

One town
One school
One family

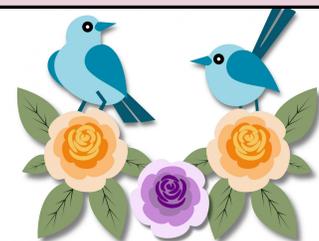
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PRIDE

A note from the principal

Wow! It's already May! What a whirlwind of emotions this year has brought. I have to say how LUCKY we are to have had the opportunity to have our students in person for the majority of the year. Our district is in better standing than most as they are just bringing students back to school for in person instruction. We have a wonderful and devoted staff that only want what is best for our students - your children - and want to provide every opportunity for success! Now, that is not to say that our staff is perfect, but with your help and support we are able to provide academic excellence. As the end of the school year is drawing near, we want to be sure and finish strong! It is important for students to be at school every day (unless they are sick, of course). Also, as the COVID-19 numbers are once again climbing in the county we need to stay vigilant with wearing masks in public and at school, social distancing, and washing our hands. By doing so, we will be doing our part to keep our students safe, healthy, and in school! Thank you once again for being partners with me on this journey to provide academic excellence and personal growth for your children. It is my pleasure and privilege to work side by side with you. Stay safe and healthy! ~ Dr. Hunt



ATTENDANCE



Facts

- Participation in early education programs, like preschool and Head Start, lead to better attendance in kindergarten.
- Starting in kindergarten, missing 10% of school (or just 2 days every month) can make it harder to learn to read and cause children to fall behind in school.
- Good attendance, whether class is held in person or remotely, can help children do well in school, and eventually in the workplace and in college.



April attendance stats:
Elementary - 89%
High School - 84%



Advancing Student Success By Reducing Chronic Absence

6 Ways to Motivate your Kids

1. Reconsider Rewards - Rewards can sometimes create dependent behavior. Although good thoughts, these should be used temporarily and should be more intrinsically focused such as doing something to make yourself feel good inside!
2. Have Meaningful Conversations - Put the phones down, turn off the television and discuss how your child feels about certain topics.
3. Embrace their Imperfections - Know and encourage your child to do things they are interested in. For example, if they want to be a waitress - have them serve your dinner!
4. Consider their capabilities - Talk with your child about what activities they are good at and build upon them.
5. Express Appreciation - Tell them thank you for following directions, or acting appropriately - focus on effort and growth and mean it!
6. Lead by Example - do what you mean and mean what you say!

Help your student develop a growth mindset!



Nurturing a Growth Mindset

- Tell them over and over again that **brains grow and get stronger**. The more they can believe this, the more empowered they'll be to keep doing what they need to do to strengthen that powerhouse in their heads.
- Pay attention to effort over results.
- Catch them being persistent! Any time you see them putting in effort, working hard towards a goal or being persistent, acknowledge it. It doesn't mean you have to gush with praise every time they apply themselves, but it will mean a lot to them that you notice.
- Be Specific with praise! Instead of saying good job, tell them what they are doing well.
- Encourage a healthy attitude to failure and challenge - it's ok to fail - that just means you are trying! It is an opportunity to learn and grow.
- Use the word YET and use it often. When they say they don't know HOW to do something - remind them they don't know how to do it yet.
- Encourage them to keep the big picture in mind. Life is full of twists and turns.

Remember:

Intelligence is not fixed and can be flourished with time and effort. Nurturing this belief in children is one of the greatest things we, as the adults in their lives, can do to help lift them so they can reach their full potential. The effort will come from them, but it's important that we do what we can to have them believe that the effort will be worth it.

Not
Yet

REMINDERS



Did you know?

Baseball and Softball games:

5/1/21 @ Wilbur/Creston 12:00
(bus leaves at 8:15)

5/4/21 @ HOME vs Cusick 2:00

5/6/21 softball @ home vs
Odessa 2:00

5/8/21 @ Welpinit 12:00 (bus
leaves at 9:00)

High School Graduation

June 12 @ 12:00

Due to COVID-19 guidelines
only immediate family will
be allowed to attend in
person.

High School Schedules

We will be scheduling classes
for the 2021-22 school year
soon. Expect your student to
bring home a hard copy of
their schedules.

Last day of school for students

June 11



If your child
is sick - stay
home!
A fever is
100.4
degrees.

Mask and Face-Shield Policy



According to the guidelines set forth by
the DOH and OSPI, all students 5 years
old and older, staff, volunteers, and guests
must wear face coverings in K-12 settings.

If a cloth mask can not be worn, an
alternative face shield may be worn
instead. If the alternative cannot be worn,
students will need to remain home and
continue distance learning.

Season 2 Sports (Baseball and
Softball) finish May 8th.

Season 3 Sport of Girls/Boys Basketball
begin practicing May 10th.

Our current school day times are:

Monday's - 9:25-1:00

Tuesday - Friday - 8:25-1:00

Students are considered tardy after 8:25 am T-F and 9:25 on Monday.

