

# THE COMPASS August 16, 2019

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ELKHORN, NEBRASKA

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Monday, Aug. 19th - C day

- School Pictures
- 6:30 PTO Meeting

Tuesday, Aug. 20th - D day

Wednesday, Aug. 21st - E day

Thursday, Aug. 22nd - A day

6:00 - Preschool Curriculum Night in the library

Friday, Aug. 23rd - B day

#### On the horizon...

Week of Aug. 26th - MAP testing in Reading and Math for K-5, Science for 5

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# FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Arbor View Families,

It's been a great first two days at Arbor View. It is always fun to see the excitement the kids have for new grade levels, new teachers and old and new friends!

#### **Arrival and Dismissal**

I would really like to emphasize reading the drop off and pick up procedures on page 3. It is best to have anyone who may be responsible for dropping off or picking up to read through, understand and even practice the routine.

A couple highlights of the procedures include pulling forward as far as possible if there is space in front of you and please stay in your car in the drop off lane. Any car left unattended at anytime in the drop off lane creates a safety concern for all kids and adults. Please remain in your car and patiently pull forward to pick up your son or daughter.

We will begin Walking Club on Monday morning. See page 2 for details.

Lifetouch Pictures - School pictures are scheduled for Monday. If you want to order pictures before that day go to mylifetouch.com and use our school picture ID - BN209024Q0 - packets will be available at Open House

Mr. Sidders

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### Walking Club -

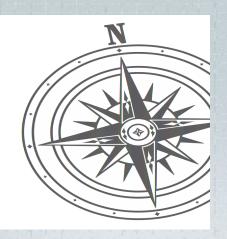
Begins on Monday, August 19th. Walking Club gives us an opportunity to get some exercise in the morning while allowing for our drop off to be spread out a little. Kids can be dropped off for Walking Club at 7:55. The kids will walk on a supervised path along the playground from 7:55 until 8:10. At that time the kids will enter the building through the nearest door and proceed to their classrooms.

When it is too cold outside (15 degree real feel) or too wet or icy we will walk inside. When walking inside we will have our Kindergarten, 2nd, and 4th graders walk around the library. Our 1st, 3rd, and 5th graders will walk in the gym.

Parents are welcome to walk with us!

Kids who arrive for breakfast at 7:30 will go to Walking Club from the cafeteria.

Children should not arrive before 7:55 unless they are eating breakfast as we do not have supervision until 7:55 outside.



#### **Breakfast Information-**

Breakfast is served in the cafeteria on a daily basis beginning at 7:30. If children are arriving for breakfast they should enter the building using the main entrance (office) and proceed to the cafeteria. Door #14 is strictly used in the morning for our Elkhorn Kids Campus program.

We will also be providing the grab and go breakfast option again this year. Utilizing this option means kids can arrive to school at 7:55, go to walking club and then get a grab and go breakfast to eat in the classroom.

All breakfast meals are charged to the child's lunch account.

# <u>Drop off and pick up procedures: - Please review these and share with others who may pick up or drop off your children.</u>

If you are planning on dropping off and picking up children in vehicles please be mindful of the following procedures.

- 1. The drop off lane runs directly in front of the school beginning at the southeast entrance ending in front of the preschool. A four way stop at 205th and Saratoga will guide all traffic into the drop off lane.
- 2. Pull as far forward as possible in the drop off lane. There are signs along the sidewalk in front of the building designating it as a loading/unloading zone. If staff members are waving you forward please don't take offense, we are trying to keep the line moving while keeping kids safe! When there is space to pull forward, please do.
- 3. Children should exit cars anywhere along the curbside. Drivers should remain in cars during drop-off and pick up. This will help to speed up the process. If children need assistance getting out of the car or to the car, there will be adults to help. Please don't leave a vehicle unattended.
- 4. Exit the drive on 208th street.
- 5. The parking lot on the south side of the building can be used if you'd like to walk your child(ren) to the school.
- 6. There are four reserved parking spaces in the front of the building. These are designated as handicap spaces.
  Please do not use these without proper identification. Two of them are specifically designated for vans. We have multiple families who need these spots. Your cooperation is sincerely appreciated.
- 7. Students will exit the building at 3:06 in the following locations:

Kindergarten: Preschool entrance/exit just north of the main entrance to the building - door #2

1st and 2nd grades: Main entrance - door #1

3rd and 4th grades: East side of the gym - door #14

5th grade: Southeast entrance/exit leading into 5th grade - door #10

Kids can be picked up anywhere along the drop off and pick up lane.

8. Older siblings are encouraged to walk to the front of the building, via the sidewalk, to wait with younger siblings for a ride or to walk home. Please let the teachers know if this is the plan.

Thank you for keeping our drop-off and pick-up quick and efficient. With your support and vigilance, our Arbor View Explorers will stay safe!

## Preschool -

When transporting your child to and from school, we ask that the children arrive no earlier than 8:15 a.m. for the morning class and 12:15 p.m. for the afternoon class, as we are trying to prepare for your child's day at school. Staff will pick up students at the preschool door (#2) at 8:20 and 12:20 and will be dismissed from the preschool door at 11:30 and 3:30 each school day.

If you are receiving special education transportation services, Denae Nuismer, Administrative Assistant for Student Services, will be contacting you to let you know the exact times your child will be picked up or dropped off. Please inform her of the days, times and addresses. If your child is going to be absent and receives transportation services, please call Denae at 289-2579 ext. 11000.

## **PTO News**

1st Meeting - August 19th at 6:30

#### Meetings for the year - mark your calendars

\*childcare should be available beginning with the September meeting

\*All meetings are held in the Arbor View Media Center unless communicated otherwise

Monday, September 9th @6:30

Monday, October 7th @6:30

Monday, November 4th @6:30

No December meeting

Monday, January 6th @6:30 -

Monday, February 3rd @6:30

Monday, March 9th @6:30

Monday, April 6th @6:30

Monday, May 4th @6:30

There will be plenty of opportunities for all family members to get involved this year. All you need to do is show up and volunteer! Who knows, if you have a friend who attends a meeting, he or she just might volunteer you anyway. The best way to control your own PTO destiny is to attend all meetings. A strong, positive partnership between the school and the parent organization will ensure our school community continues to thrive as we grow!:)