

Last Day of School Dismissal

The last day of school will be May 15.

From the Desk of the Principal

As the school year comes to a close, the staff at Grandview is working on our end of the year awards. Sticking with tradition, the following awards will be given:

Grade Level Awards Program – each grade level will have a presentation prepared identifying the recipients of the various awards that will be given. This presentation will be emailed to parents and students on May 14.

4th Quarter Pride Awards – a video presentation emailed to the student body on May 13.

4th Quarter Kindness Coin Winners - a video presentation emailed to the student body May 13.

8th Grade Presidential Academic Awards – a video presentation will be emailed to the selected students and parents on May 12.

Outstanding 8th grade boy & girl for 2019-2020 - included in the grade level awards presentation on May 14.

Missing Assignments

Each week, teachers are tracking and documenting the combined missing homework for students in a specific class period (ex: 6th grade is tracking their 8th hour class). Students with more than 3 total missing assignments (all classes), receive an email alert. This systematic approach ensures that every student at Grandview is being tracked and checked on every week. During distance learning, there is no penalty for turning in homework late.

Check & Connect

We know remote learning can be difficult for students and families. For students that are experiencing a more difficult time, we have initiated a Check & Connect program. Each week we are identifying students who are struggling to get homework done and are not receiving any type of additional support. These students are matched with a staff member who will reach out to parents and seek permission to conduct a 1-on-1 zoom session to check-in with the student and offer additional support and encouragement.

End of Year Parking Lot Parade!

The staff at Grandview is planning an End of Year Parking Lot Parade on Thursday, May 14! The time in the late afternoon/early evening is still TBD. The Grandview staff will line the parking lot at EGMS and students and families are encouraged to drive thru allowing students and teachers to see each other in person and say our good-byes for the summer. For safety reasons, we do not want students riding bikes or walking among all the traffic.

Student Material's: Turn-In & Pick Up

Students will be asked to come to the building on May 18 & 19 to turn in textbooks, novels, library books, band instruments, etc. Classroom binders/notebooks, award certificates and year-books will also be picked up by students. To meet social distancing guidelines, the following schedule has been set:

Monday, May 18

A-C: 9am-11am

D-G: 11am-1pm

H-K: 1pm-3pm

L-O: 3pm-5pm

Tuesday, May 19

P-S: 9am-11am

T-Z: 11am-1pm

Appointment Only: 1pm-3pm

*Please email sbrabec@epsne.org if your assigned day and time will not work for you.

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EGMS Twitter and Facebook

We highly encourage families to follow us on Twitter @ElkhornPS_EGMS and Facebook @ElkhornPSEGMS. Several times a week we post information and pictures that tell our story. There are always great things happening and we love telling you about them!

Progress Reports

Mid-quarter progress reports were mailed home on Wednesday, April 22. If you did not receive a progress report, please contact us at 289-9399. Report cards will be mailed out to you in June.

Incoming Sixth Grade Orientation

We are planning to hold orientation activities of some type for incoming 6th graders in August, before school begins. As soon as guidelines from the health department allow larger gatherings, we will finalize orientation plans and communicate them to all students.



SPORTS PHYSICALS FOR 20/21

IMPORTANT CHANGES - PLEASE READ

Nebraska Schools Activity Association

Pre Participation Physical Exam Requirements for 2020/21 School Year

The requirement for students entering the 7th grade to have a physical exam is Nebraska state education law and that requirement is not waived at this time. However, the physicals that the current 7th graders have for the 2019-2020 school year can be used for NSAA purposes for the 2020-2021 school year. All current 8th grade students that are going to enter the 9th grade in 2020, will **STILL** be required to get a physical exam for the 2020-2021 school year. All other high school students entering 10th, 11th & 12th grades that have the physical exam paperwork for 2019-2020 school year, can use that physical exam for the 2020-2021 school year.

August Back-to-School 101 is now....Open Campus!

Opening activities for the 2020-2021 school year are being planned with caution at this time. We will no longer hold our traditional Back-to-School 101. Instead, we will have Open Campus hours for students to bring their school supplies, find their classrooms, and just walk around the building before the 1st day of school. More details will be sent this summer.



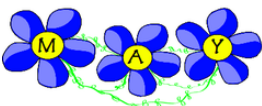
SUMMARY OF WHO NEEDS SPORTS PHYSICAL AFTER MAY 1ST, 2020

GRADE IN 2020/21 SCHOOL YEAR

- 6th Grade: Only if participating in Running Club
- 7th Grade: Yes
- 8th Grade: No (If already on file)
- 9th Grade: Yes
- 10th Grade: No (If already on file)
- 11th Grade: No (If already on file)
- 12th Grade: No (If already on file)

Technology Help

Parents can now contact the District Technology Department directly through the district website (www.elkhornweb.org). Click the TDLP Resources for Parents link and you will see how to submit a helpdesk ticket directly to the tech department. If your request requires a drop-off or pick-up of a Chromebook, please follow the procedures listed on the website before submitting your Help Desk request.



If your student is a 7th grader for 2020/2021 they require a full physical which will cover the Sports Physical requirement.

Thanks Mrs. Royal and the Yearbook Staff!!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

A huge thank you goes out to Brenda Royal for helping to put together this year's yearbook. Brenda dedicated herself to the yearbook from September until March. The students who were a part of yearbook learned picture taking skills, planning, organization, and the importance of deadlines from Mrs. Royal. A big thank you to her for helping make Elkhorn Grandview Middle School's yearbook a success!



EGMS BOOSTER CLUB NOTES

The Booster Club would like to thank Grandview parents for another awesome year of volunteering and donations. We are now in the process of planning for the 2020-2021 school year. Sadly, we are saying farewell to some awesome 8th grade parents who have done a tremendous amount for this school and we desperately need new parents to step in and fill their shoes! Please contact the office if you are interested in helping out.

Upcoming Events:

Hello, EGMS Families! Please join us in celebrating our wonderful EGMS Teachers & staff during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week, May 4- 10, 2020.

We encourage you and your students to give a shout out to our teachers and staff this week, letting them know how much they are appreciated for all they do to feed into the lives and training of our EGMS students. Thank YOU for helping us to celebrate the amazing teachers and staff of Elkhorn Grandview Middle School!!!

BOX TOPS

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Grandview Box Tops program this school year. While we were not able to do a final collection of Box Tops clips last month, you can continue to save clips over the summer and participate by using the new Box Tops app when you shop. Eventually, this will be the only way to earn Box Tops so there's no time like the present to give the app a try. It's a quick and easy way to raise money for Grandview.

Although participation was down this school year, our earnings since joining the program in 2015 exceeds \$3,160! We need YOU to help us continue this strong Box Tops tradition at Grandview, so download the app today!



If you are interested in serving as the next Box Tops Coordinator at Grandview, please contact Mr. Tomjack. We will need a new coordinator this fall to keep the Box Tops program running. This position does not require a significant amount of your time and I would be happy to answer any questions about this volunteer opportunity.

Thanks, again, and have a great summer!

Michelle Hartnett
Box Tops Coordinator

Presidential Academic Awards

Eighth grade students who have met the Presidential Academic standards through their middle school years will be recognized through a video presentation emailed to parents and students on Tuesday May 12. Families of students receiving this award will receive notification via email.



Choir News

Mrs. Schwahn

I am so disappointed that we missed out on our March concert for the 6th grade choir and Grand Entrance and then our Night at the Movies concert which was to happen May 7th. Our kids worked very hard in the vocal music classroom this year, and have really stepped up during distance learning as well. We are looking forward to being together again in the fall and making music together, the way it is supposed to be!

A few have asked about show choir tryouts. We will be holding show choir tryouts once school is back in session in the fall. More information will be sent out to choir students and parents very soon.

Thank you all so much for your support of music education in Elkhorn.

Have a wonderful summer!
Mrs. Schwahn

Choir



Band News

Mr. Johnson



As of today no decisions have been made regarding the Summer Band Program. Once a decision has been made Mr. Johnson will contact band families to relay the updates. Have a great summer!

From the Nurse...

Erin Bryant, RN-BSN

~ Medications for the 2019-2020 school year ~

If your student requires any medication (over-the-counter and/or prescription) while at school, each medication must have a [Medication Authorization](#) form signed by the parent and a physician, before we can administer. All medications must be unexpired and provided in the original packaging and/or pharmacy container. For prescription medication, please only provide a **maximum of 30 day supply** at a time.

~ Students with Asthma, Severe Allergies, Diabetes, and/or Seizures ~

If your child has [asthma, severe allergies](#), diabetes, and/or seizures, please submit an emergency action plan signed by your physician. **Plans must be updated annually.** Blank forms can be obtained at the school office, clicking on link above, or your physician's office can use whatever form they prefer.

~ Incoming 7th Graders ~

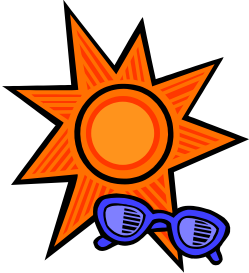
Please remember that all incoming 7th graders are required by the State of Nebraska to have a physical exam and a Tdap booster [immunization](#).



Summer Activity Camps

Each summer Elkhorn coaches and sponsors offer a variety of sports/activity camps for students of all ages. As of today no decisions have been made regarding summer camps for this year. Available camps will be posted on-line at elkhornweb.org/antlers and elkhornweb.org/storm once a decision is made. Parents can go online to browse camps and download registration flyers. EPS will send out information as it becomes available.

Please note: Elkhorn Public Schools only posts summer camp information for camps hosted by an EPS coach or sponsor as related to his or her duties within the school district.



8th Grade Students and Parents from ENHS Fall Coaches

Hello,

As we are all getting adjusted to the “new normal” we are in the midst of planning for when we return to some form of “old normal”. Each one of us is anxious to start the journey of opening Elkhorn North High School. We know and are committed to the idea that being involved in athletics at the high school level as a positive impact on the success of our students.

We want to start building our new families, but we need your help. If your son or daughter is interested in being a part of a fall sport and they haven’t been contacted by their coach, could you please have them reach out to the head coach of that sport? We are in the midst of making plans and don’t want to miss a student.

Thank You,
ENHS fall coaches

Sport	Coach	Contact info
Volleyball	Jenny Gragert	jgragert@epsne.org
Boys Tennis	Lance Kush	lkush@epsne.org
Softball	Kelsey Maxell	kmaxell@epsne.org
Football	Sam Stanley	sstanley@epsne.org
Girls Golf	Calvin Thompson	cthompson@epsne.org
Boys and Girls Cross Country	Bob Wolf	bwolf@epsne.org



Counselor's Corner

Kyle Peterson, EGMS Counselor

Below is information about upcoming events, potential opportunities, and resources available for Elkhorn Grandview families.

Womenade Backpack & Supplies-If your family would benefit from receiving a free backpack full of supplies for the start of next school year, please contact Kyle Peterson (School Counselor at Grandview). All Elkhorn school-aged students are eligible. **Notification needs to happen by May 8th.** Please contact Kyle Peterson with any questions.

Food Assistance- If your student or family may benefit from food assistance, please contact EGMS school counselor (Kyle Peterson).

Arbor Family Services- Elkhorn Public Schools partners with Arbor Family Services to serve students and their families. Arbor Family provides two free sessions with a counselor regarding a specific issue. Arbor Family works with students and their families on a variety of issues such as, wellness, stress, divorce, parenting/children, eating disorders, school problems, work problems, managing change, depression/anxiety, relationships, trauma, drug/alcohol abuse and more. If you would like more information, please contact **Arbor Family** at 402-330-0960.

Resources

***Nebraska Family Helpline-** (1-888-866-8660) www.nebraskafamilyhelpline.ne.gov

***Boys Town National Hotline-**24/7 Help (1-800-448-3000) Yourlifeyourvoice.org

Suicide Prevention Resources:

1. **National Suicide Prevention Hotline-** 1-800-273-8255 <http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>

2. **13minutes.org**

***Grief Resource:** <https://grievingstudents.org/>

(A website geared on how talk to and support students who are grieving the loss of someone)



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District Reminders

TDLP Parent Resource Website

As a reminder, TDLP resources, district technology resources, and other information including all district-level parent communications and community resources can be found at <https://sites.google.com/epsne.org/elkhorntdlpparentsite/home>. Parent FAQs regarding using Zoom can also be found [here](#).

Last Student Day Information

As previously announced, the last student day of the 2019-2020 school year will be Friday, May 15, 2020. Please watch for information from your building principal regarding end-of-year materials drop off/pick up in the coming weeks.

For reference, the 2020-2021 calendar can be viewed [here](#).

2020-2021 Online Registration Reminder

For the 2020-2021 school year, EPS will again utilize an online registration system that will allow parents of K-12 students to log in and update information and complete all Back-to-School documents. As a reminder, to use this feature, parents/guardians will need to have a parent access account in PowerSchool.

If you do not already have a parent access account set up, please [follow this link](#) for directions on how to create an account. However, this is a preparation step, and you will not be able to complete the online registration process until July. An email will be sent out when online registration becomes available.

If you have an account created for your 4th-12th grade student(s) but need to add younger students, please follow this link for directions on adding additional children: <https://bit.ly/2wDNJuT>.

If you have any questions or concerns or need assistance setting up your account, please contact your building secretary.

Coming Soon - ClassLink Parent Portal

Starting May 4th, 2020, parents will be able to sign up and log into the EPS ClassLink Parent Portal (<https://parents.classlink.com/elkhorn>). As you may know, ClassLink is a single-sign-on platform allowing users to input their credentials (username and password) for applications, one time, for easier access.

The purpose and intent of the EPS ClassLink Parent Portal is to ease parent access during the online registration form submission process and throughout the school year. Once parents log in to the ClassLink Parent Portal, they will see the three main applications used during the back to school process: 1 - PowerSchool Parent Portal, 2 - rSchool (Athletic Registration Account Login), and 3 - School Payment Portal - Parents.

Parents will need to have their credentials available for these three applications once they sign into the EPS ClassLink Parent Portal. If you do not remember the login information for the three main back to school applications, we suggest you go to the following websites and click on their "Forgot Username or Password?" links:

- <https://elkhorn.nebps.org/public/home.html>
- <https://elkhornps-ar.rschoolday.com/oar/> (SECONDARY STUDENTS ONLY)
- <https://schoolpaymentportal.com/ConsumerLogin.aspx>

A district communication will be sent on May 4th detailing how parents can log into ClassLink and set up these three applications for use with online registration and beyond. **We highly recommend setting up the ClassLink Parent Portal in May or June to allow for easier access to critical school-related resources.**





GOLF FORE GRANTS

Spring has officially arrived and summer is just around the corner! If you're like us, you're ready to get out of the house and enjoy some fun in the sun with your coworkers, family, and friends. As a friend of the Foundation, we invite you to spend the day with us socializing and networking over golf, games, food, and refreshments at our [21st annual Golf Fore Grants event](#) on June 1st at Champions Run Golf Course.

GOLF FORE GRANTS
JUNE 1ST, 2020
COVID-19 BACKUP DATE: JULY 6TH

Looking for a great way to show your support for Elkhorn Public Schools? Become a 2020 Golf Fore Grants sponsor!

Golf Fore Grants directly benefits our [Grant A Wish Program](#) which provides additional funding for Elkhorn's kindergarten through high school classrooms.

While we understand that this can be a tough time for giving due to COVID-19, we'd like to stress the importance of our Grant A Wish Program. These grants help our schools purchase and fund additional items and programming such as science & robotics equipment, library books, Clear Touch Technology, and middle school play productions.

This spring we were able to approve **\$160,000** in grants for Elkhorn Public Schools for the 2020-2021 school year, which would not have been possible without Foundation events like Golf Fore Grants!

We have a variety of 2020 Golf Fore Grants sponsorship opportunities still available. Many of these sponsorships include branded signage that will be displayed at the event as well as special perks like eagle card packages and extra beverage tickets. Sponsorship details and the event schedule can be found below. Golf sponsorships and individual/ foursome registrations may be purchased through our [Donor Perfect website](#).

Please note that if health directives due to COVID-19 persist past June, we will move the event date to July 6th, 2020 at the same time and location.

Thank you for your commitment to supporting Elkhorn Public Schools. If you have any questions regarding event sponsorships or golf registration, please feel free to reach out by phone or email. We appreciate your generosity and we can't wait to see you on the golf course this summer!

Sincerely,
Stacey L. Falk
Executive Director
Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation
sfalk@elkhornfoundation.org
402.289.1727



Sponsorship Opportunities Available:

Dinner Benefactor \$5,000

- Logo on our website & program
- Logo on 3' x 6' vinyl sign placed on course
- Verbal recognition and branded retractable sign displayed at dinner reception
- Paid foursome, 4 eagle card packages, 8 beverage coupons, & 4 additional raffle tickets

Lunch Benefactor \$1,500

- Logo on our website & program
- Logo on 3' x 6' vinyl sign placed on course
- 4 eagle card packages, 4 beverage coupons, & 4 additional raffle tickets

Poker Sponsor \$500

- Logo on our website & program
- Logo on 3' x 6' vinyl sign placed on course
- Logo on poker scoring table
- 4 beverage coupons

Beverage Cart Sponsor \$250

- Logo on our website & program
- Logo on beverage cart

Hole Sponsor \$150

- Logo on our website & program
- Logo on course signage at one hole

Purchase Sponsorship

Golf Registration Includes:

- 18-Hole Golf Round
- Grill-Out Lunch
- Rib-Eye Dinner Buffet
- Flag & Tournament Prizes
- On-Course Games, Mulligans, Raffle Tickets, & Eagle Card Packages will also be available for an additional cost/donation

Register Now



Event Schedule:

Registration & Lunch - 11:00 a.m.

Shotgun Start - 12:00 p.m.

Dinner & Reception - 6:30 p.m.

The Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation is a non-profit organization that promotes student achievement and the unity of our community and its public schools by encouraging, supporting, and recognizing excellence in innovative education, quality school programs, and civic involvement. We offer scholarships, classroom grants, before & after school care, teacher tuition reimbursement, and more.

To learn more about our organization, our efforts, and our upcoming events, please follow us on social media or visit our website at elkhornfoundation.org.