NEWSLETTER

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ELKHORN MIDDLE SCHOOL

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

The 2018-19 school year is officially over! Thanks to all our students and parents for making this another great year. With the summer barely underway, we are already making plans for next year.

Parents are reminded that the district will continue with an online system for updating school forms, informing us of changes to contact information and making payments beginning next year. In order to access the online system, you will need an active PowerSchool account. If you have not yet obtained your login information, please contact the school office at 402-289-2428.

Registration tasks that will be completed online:

- update student address and contact information
- purchase a yearbook
- complete forms for participation in athletics
- purchase an activity pass
- make a deposit in a lunch account
- update health information forms
- electronically sign field trip permission form and COPPA forms

During BTS 101, there will be volunteers available to assist anyone who would like help using the online system. Students and parents can pick up agendas and schedules, tour the building, put items in lockers, etc. School pictures will be included in BTS 101.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL 101

Elkhorn Middle School will host BTS 101 for all students before school starts. Students and parents should plan to attend Thursday, August 8, between 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. Please watch for more details. We'll see you there!

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

New student registration is scheduled for Wednesday, July 31, and Thursday, August 1, from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. for any new students to the district. Please bring immunizations, birth certificate, proof of residency, and any other information that may be useful on registering your child.

SUMMER HOURS

Office hours this summer will be 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. If you are unable to reach anyone at Elkhorn Middle School (402) 289-2428, please call Central Office at (402) 289-2579 and leave a message. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

The first day for students will be Thursday, August 15. It will be a full day with lunch being served. The middle school day runs from 8:10 a.m. - 3:20 p.m.

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REPORT CARDS/MAP

Report cards and MAP test results were mailed May 29. If you have questions about your child's report card or test results, please give us a call at (402) 289-2428.

PARENTS OF ALL EMS STUDENTS -

In recent years we have heard from parents that students are spending more and more time at home doing school work with their family computers. As part of the EPS 5-Year Instructional Technology Plan approved by the school board in October 2016, that all 6th-12th grade students will receive an individual Chromebook for educational use during the school year. The district is finding that much of our educational content requires access to technology, and Chromebooks allow us a cost-effective way to assure that students have this access when it is needed.



As part of this initiative, parents of 2019-20 6th-12th grade students can attend an orientation during Open House in August. The exact dates are not yet set, but the district wanted to begin communication with parents. We are very excited about providing every student with a computing device next school year.

SPORTS PHYSICALS

All 7th & 8th graders for the 2019-2020 school year who plan to participate in sports at EMS will need a sports physical. Please contact your health care provider to arrange for your child to get a Sports Physical for next year. Keep in mind that Sports Physicals for next school year must be dated after May 1, 2019. Fall sports will begin the first week of school in mid August and students are not allowed to participate without having a Sports Physical turned in.

***Reminder: All 7th grade students are required to have a complete health examination by their health care provider. This will also cover their sports participation physical if they are planning to participate in any sports activities during the 2019-20 school year.

BOOSTER CLUB

It has been a great year for the EMS Booster Club! Thank you so much to everyone who volunteered this year. We couldn't do it without out! Thank you for your time and dedication to EMS!

We encourage you to get involved with the EMS Booster Club. Monthly meetings and volunteering are a great way to do so. Please join us! If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Moore at wendymooreomaha@aol.com.

NEWS FROM THE VISITING NURSE IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS-VERY IMPORTANT

The Nebraska School Immunization Rules and Regulations require the following immunizations for students before attending classes: $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{$



All students, including all transfer students from outside the State of Nebraska and any foreign students:

- 3 doses DTaP, DTP, DT or TD vaccine with at least one dose at or after 4 years of age
- 3 doses polio vaccine
- 2 doses MMR or MMRV vaccine w/first dose at or after 12 months of age and separated by at least one month
- 3 doses of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine or 2 doses of adolescent vaccine if student is 11-15 years of age.
- 2 doses of varicella vaccine on or after the first birthday. Written documentation (including year) of varicella disease from parent, guardian or health care provider will be accepted.

Additionally, for 7th Grade Only:

- 1 dose Tdap (must contain Pertussis booster) given on or after the 10th birthday



ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2019-2020 MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Elkhorn Grandview Middle School, Elkhorn Middle School, Elkhorn Ridge Middle School, Elkhorn Valley View Middle School

Students are encouraged, but not required, to bring the following school supplies. Please note this is a year round list to be kept throughout the year.

SIXTH GRADE

#2 Pencils

Erasers

Blue or black pens

Red pen

Markers

Highlighters

Colored pencils

Dry erase markers

Glue Sticks

Loose-leaf paper (College ruled)

Index cards

- (4) Single-subject notebooks
- (1) Composition notebook
- (3) boxes of tissues
- (1) 2" three-ring binder

5 tab dividers

Trapper with (7) 2-pocket folders or accordion file Inexpensive earbuds

EIGHTH GRADE

#2 pencils

Blue or black pens

Red pen

Highlighters

Colored pencils

Dry erase markers

Glue Sticks

Loose-leaf paper (College ruled)

Calculator (w/fraction key)

Index cards

- (6) 2 Pocket folders
- (6) Single-subject notebooks
- (2) Composition notebooks
- (3) boxes of tissue
- (1) 2" 3-ring binder

Optional Organizational system (folders or trapper) Inexpensive earbuds

SEVENTH GRADE

#2 pencils

Erasers

Blue or Black pens

Red pen

Markers

Highlighters

Colored pencils

Dry erase markers

Glue Sticks

Loose-leaf paper (College ruled)

Calculator (w/ fraction key)

Index cards

- (6) Single-subject notebooks
- (2) Composition notebooks
- (3) boxes of tissue
- (1) 1" 3-ring binder

Organizational system (folders or trapper)

Inexpensive earbuds

Band and Chorus Students:

Music Department T-shirt (\$10.00), black slacks, black socks, black shoes.

P.E. Students:

Tennis shoes, t-shirts, and shorts.

Spanish Students:

Spiral notebook, 2-pocket folder, blue or black pens, index cards.