



# ELKHORN NORTH RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

NIGHTHAWK NEWSLETTER | AUGUST, 2025

WELCOME TO THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR AT ELKHORN NORTH RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL!  
(PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE ON PAGE 2)

## SCHOOL HOURS

- School hours: 8:10am - 3:20pm
- Doors open at 7:45am.
- Please contact the office if your student will be late for school or leaving early 402-289-5787
- Reporting attendance please call the office or email kathi Thompson at kthompson@epsne.org or Mary Jo GiesseImann at mgiesseImann@epsne.org

## REMINDER

FOR RETURNING FAMILIES, PLEASE COMPLETE THE ONLINE REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR YOUR STUDENT - THE DISTRICT SENT A MESSAGE ON JULY 28, 2025 TO YOUR EMAIL. THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO FAMILIES NEW TO THE DISTRICT.

## Health Reminder Incoming 7th graders

Nebraska state law requires all 7th grade students to receive a health physical and a Tdap booster prior to the first day of school. If you have not yet scheduled your child's appointment to complete these tasks, please do so as soon as possible. Proof of a school physical and an updated immunization record stating a Tdap booster has been received will be required in order to begin the 2025-26 school year.

If you have questions regarding this requirement, please contact the Elkhorn North Ridge front office at 402-289-5787.



## LIFETOUGH PICTURES



PICTURE DAY IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025  
MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW IN THE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ☑ TUESDAY, JULY 29  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 30  
NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
- ☑ MONDAY, AUGUST 4  
OPEN CAMPUS  
NOON - 5PM
- ☑ THURSDAY, AUGUST 7  
BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT  
5PM - 7PM
- ☑ TUESDAY, AUGUST 12  
FIRST STUDENT DAY
- ☑ WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13  
1ST FOOTBALL PRACTICE  
(REGISTRATION MUST BE COMPLETED)
- ☑ WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13  
VB PLAYER ONLY MEETING  
3:30PM IN THE GYM
- ☑ THURSDAY, AUGUST 14  
1ST VB PRACTICE  
(REGISTRATION MUST BE COMPLETED)
- ☑ WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20  
VOLLEYBALL PARENT MEETING  
5:00PM IN THE COMMONS
- ☑ THURSDAY, AUGUST 21  
FOOTBALL PARENT MEETING  
5:20PM IN THE COMMONS

## QUICK LINKS

- [ENRMS BOOSTER CLUB](#)
- [SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST](#)
- [DISTRICT INFORMATION](#)
- [EPSF](#)
- [SODEXO](#)
- [SODEXO ALA CARTE PRICING](#)

## OUR MISSION:

At Elkhorn North Ridge Middle School, students will learn to critically navigate the middle school classroom and our complex world in order to build a foundation for high levels of achievement.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**WELCOME TO THE 25-26 SCHOOL YEAR! I AM HONORED TO BE THE ENRMS PRINCIPAL. PREVIOUSLY, I WAS THE ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR AT ELKHORN NORTH RIDGE AND GRANDVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL. I AM PASSIONATE ABOUT THE ELKHORN COMMUNITY AND I LOOK FORWARD TO A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR.**

**-MRS. KELSI MITTEIS, PRINCIPAL**

### NEW STAFF TO ENRMS

**DALLAS BURRIGHT  
8TH GRADE MATH**

**DENNIS DELONG  
STS**

**KATIE FRITZ  
SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST**

**BRENDA HONLIASSO  
SPEECH & DRAMA**

**JENNA MILLER  
6TH/8TH GRADE READING**

**CHRIS SHOWMAN  
6TH/7TH GRADE LA**

### IMPORTANT BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENTS

**AUGUST 4  
OPEN CAMPUS  
12:00-5:00  
(SELF-GUIDED TOURS AND  
LOCKER ACCESS)**

**AUGUST 7  
BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT  
(MEET TEACHERS AND VISIT  
CLASSROOMS)  
6TH GRADE PRESENTATION: 5:00 IN  
THE GYM  
7TH & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PRESENTATION:  
5:45 IN THE GYM**

***LINK TO OUR STUDENT HANDBOOK AND THE EPS EMAIL THAT WAS SENT TO FAMILIES CAN BE FOUND BELOW.***



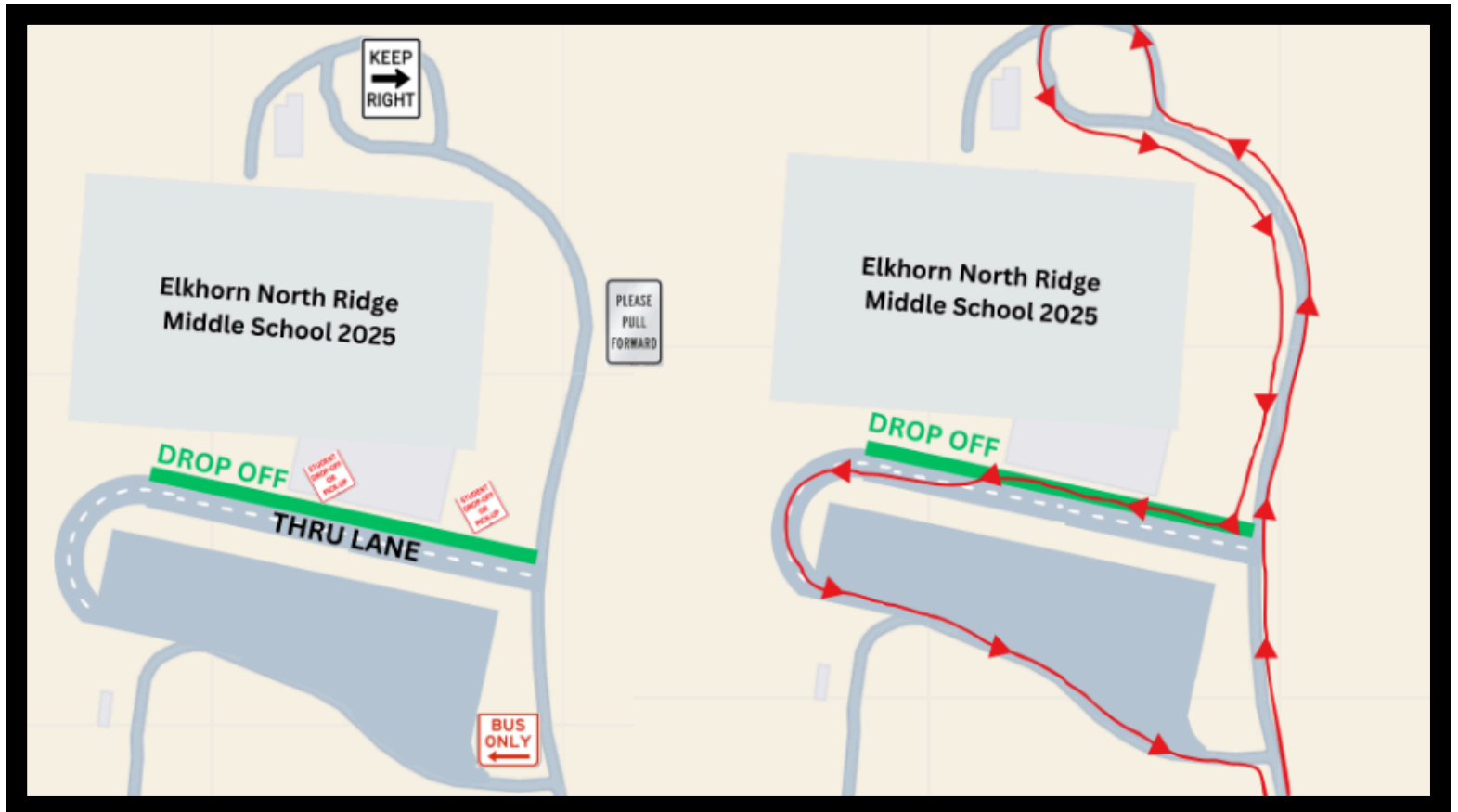
***PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT AHEAD OF THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL TO REVIEW THE UPDATED EXPECTATIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE HANDBOOK, AND DISCUSS THEM WITH YOUR STUDENT.***

***2025-26 MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT HANDBOOK -- CELL PHONE POLICY FOUND ON PAGE 7***



When a Severe weather warning is issued by the National Weather Service, all students and staff will follow Standard Response Protocol. Notably, in some SRP instances, it may not be safe to dismiss students without putting them or staff members in danger - the safety of students and staff will remain our priority. As such, building phones and doors may go unanswered. Communication will be sent from EPS as timely as possible when a building is following SRP protocols in an active severe weather situation, bearing in mind that power outages and the immediacy of severe weather may impact the timing of this communication.

# SCHOOL DAY TRAFFIC FLOW



Enter from Purple Martin Parkway. Utilize the loop in the back of the building and come back to the front of the building for drop off. Signs are posted for traffic flow. Please do not drop off in the parking lot for student safety.

Buses will be located on the drive between North Ridge and Woodbrook Elementary.

# NIGHTHAWK ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

## NIGHTHAWK ATHLETICS

PARENTS OF STUDENT ATHLETES (all sports) - Please complete the registration process for your student **BEFORE** practices start. Students are ineligible to practice until the registration process is completed and submitted for approval. This includes uploading your students physical and the submitting the payment. Again, please be advised students are not be eligible to start practice until the registration process is completed in its entirety.

- Student Athlete Participation [Link](#). Please use this [link](#) to register your student.

### FOOTBALL INFO (GRADES 7 & 8)

**AUG. 13TH - FIRST PRACTICE  
PRACTICE: 3:30 - 5:15 EVERYDAY  
EQUIPMENT NEEDED:**

**T-SHIRT  
ATHLETIC SHORTS  
CLEATS**

**AUG. 21ST - PARENT MEETING 5:20 PM IN  
THE COMMONS.**

### VOLLEYBALL INFO (GRADES 7 & 8)

**AUG. 15TH - FIRST PRACTICE  
PRACTICE: 3:30 - 5:00 EVERYDAY  
EQUIPMENT NEEDED:**

**T-SHIRT  
ATHLETIC SHORTS  
TENNIS SHOES  
KNEE PADS**

**AUG. 20TH - PARENT MEETING 5:00 PM IN  
THE COMMONS.**

### ENRMS FALL HEAD COACHES

8th Grade FB Coach - Robert Farber  
rfarber@epsne.org

7th Grade FB Coach - Jake Rehurek  
jrehurek@epsne.org

8th Grade girls VB - Sophie Cox  
scox@epsne.org

7th Grade Girls VB - Ashley Hamilton  
ahamilton@epsne.org

Running Club - Andrew Christ  
achrist1@epsne.org

Running Club - Kristen John  
kjohn@epsne.org

### ENRMS Sports and Activities

For the most current and up-to-date information, please check our information at: [www.easternmidconference.org](http://www.easternmidconference.org). You can then navigate your way to whichever sport and level of play you are interested in! You can also get directions to the school at which you need to be. We will update the information at the website FIRST

### RUNNING CLUB (GRADES 6, 7 & 8)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE DURING  
THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL**

