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A Message from Mrs. Petersen

The students of Spring Ridge Elementary continue to amaze me with their desire and enthusiasm to learn. They are focused on learning and giving their best efforts. Parents, thank you for emphasizing the importance of school by helping your child view themselves as responsible learners. As I have mentioned before, parent support continues to be one of the greatest assets of the Spring Ridge Community.

Improvement in literacy and math skills will be the focus of our School Improvement this year. The Spring Ridge staff has developed action plans in these areas through the continuation of effective implementation of the Wonders reading curriculum, as well as through a strong Writer's Workshop and a solid math block. As a part of our action plans, teachers will spend time during the September 29 Staff Development Day analyzing assessment data from last school year and honing in on specific areas of focus. During the October 21 Staff Development Day, we will be diving deeper into the Elkhorn Instructional Model to plan lessons together with our math curriculum, which was new last year, to ensure the most effective instruction and learning opportunities are happening for all students. Thank you to all of you for your support in helping your child(ren) become strong readers, writers, critical thinkers, and problem solvers!

Laurinda Petersen

Spring Ridge Principal

October- Calendar of Events

- **October 3** -Spring Ridge Social: Coppers Pizza, 5-8 PM
- **October 8** -Evereve Shopping Event: Regency Court, 11-3 PM
- **October 10** -PTO Meeting, 7:00 PM –All Parents Welcome!
- **October 14** -Health Screenings
- **October 16** -Spring Ridge Social: Medieval Putt-Putt, 2-5 PM
- **October 18** -Picture Retake Day
- **October 21** -NO SCHOOL-Teacher In-Service
- **October 26** -Author Visit - Sarah Weeks
- **October 27 & 28** – 5th Grade Outdoor Ed.
- **October 28** – Report Cards Go Home with Students
- **October 31** - Halloween Parade/Parties 2:15 PM

It's Spooky Time!

The Halloween parade will be held on **Monday, October 31 at 2:15 PM**. Remember: no face make-up, hair dye/spray or toy weapons will be permitted as part of the costumes. The Halloween Parade will be followed by Halloween Parties for students in the classroom. Please be on the lookout for a Sign-up to Volunteer from the PTO email.



Picture Retakes

Picture retake day is **Tuesday, October 18th**. If you want your child to have their pictures retaken, they will need to return their old pictures on retake day. Please also fill out the picture retake form and send it with your child that day. Students who were absent on Picture Day will also have their picture taken on retake day.



Kindergarten Round-Up

During the week of **January 23rd**, we ask that parents go online to register kindergarten students for the 2023-24 school year. We will then use this registration info to invite kindergarten parents to a Parent Kindergarten Round-Up Meeting on Monday, April 10th at 6 PM. Kindergarten Round-Up will be held on Friday, April 14th from 9-11 AM. Current kindergarten students will not have school on Friday, April 14th.





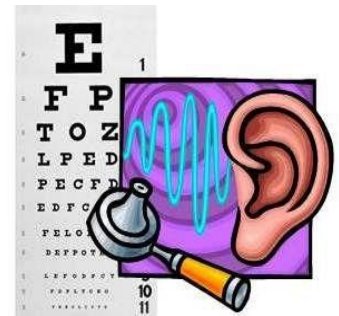
Note from the Nurse...

With the beautiful onset of the fall season also comes the unwelcomeness of the cold and flu viruses as well as seasonal allergies. Be sure your student is practicing healthy habits like getting plenty of rest, eating healthy foods, drinking plenty of water, and good hand washing/sanitizing techniques.

*****Also--please be sure to continue to turn in action plans and medications for your students with asthma and severe allergies.*****

Health Screens

The State of Nebraska requires that all K-4th grade students as well as students new to the district be screened for height, weight, vision, hearing, and dental health. Parent volunteers are welcome! Be on the lookout for sign ups through the PTO. The screening at Spring Ridge will be on **Friday, October 14th at 8:30 am** (**Volunteers please arrive at 8:15 am to sign in and receive instruction.**)



Also, please make sure that your student brushes their teeth that morning and that they wear their glasses or contacts that day if they have them. Thank you!

Happy Fall!
Elizabeth Page, RN
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District News

HAPPENING IN OUR DISTRICT



ELKHORN SOUNDS OF EXCELLENCE MARCHING BAND INVITATION

Saturday, October 8 at the Elkhorn Public Schools Stadium

- Elkhorn North High School Band performs at 3:00 PM
- Elkhorn High School Band performs at 6:00 PM
- Elkhorn South High School Band performs at 8:30 PM

Learn more at <https://bit.ly/3UGpV0o>

ENHS FALL CHOIR CONCERT

Thursday, October 20 at 7:00 PM at Elkhorn North High School



2022-2023 Spring Ridge PTO

Executive Board Members

Co-Presidents: Angela Fisher & Marie Troya

President Elect: Maggie Brockmann

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Message from PTO Leadership

Finding it hard to believe September is over, and Fall is officially here. Our team is very grateful for so many dedicated parents here at Spring Ridge working together to make our children's elementary experience the best it can be! We simply could not pull off everything we do, and provide the level of support to staff that we do without the help of so many parent volunteers. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you! We are all excited for another great month at Spring Ridge!

Classroom Volunteers

Each year, teachers have loads of work that they can use extra hands to get finished. Be on the lookout for an email from the PTO with links to each classroom's volunteer sign-up. Please do not sign up for multiple slots, so that all parents who wish to volunteer get the opportunity to sign up. Once the sign-up has been open for a few weeks, if there are still openings, we will invite parents to sign-up for a second or third time-slot. Thank you for your understanding and continued support!



Apparel Update

Our Vendor is working hard to fulfill Spring Ridge Spirit Wear orders. Expect orders to go home with students by October 21st. We will send word as soon as they are ready and in transit!

Spring Ridge Spirit Wear



**Every Friday is Spring Ridge
Spirit Day!**





Celebrate Spring Ridge

Rainy morning showers pushed the Fun Run to October 7th!

The Family Fest Friday, September 23rd was a big success and fun was had by all! Thank you to our Golden Eye Sponsors, Mathnasium and Master Kim Taekwondo for joining the celebration! A special shout out to all the volunteers who tirelessly helped set up, served at stations throughout the evening, and made tear down and clean up a breeze! Of course, we cannot forget—a huge kudos to Adrianna Garcia who graciously planned a fantastic celebration for our Spring Ridge community.

Finally, re-mark your calendars for the Fun Run, which is re-scheduled for Friday, October 7th. We have another week to raise funds for our school during our biggest fundraiser of the school year! An updated Sign-up link for volunteers will be shared soon, so be on the lookout for that via PTO email.



2nd Annual

FUN RUN

Fundraiser

RESCHEDULE



Spring Ridge Socials!

Two opportunities to socialize & build the Spring Ridge
Community

To help foster school spirit and build community amongst families, we hope you'll join the Spring Ridge Socials. There are two this month, and are scheduled for

Monday, October 3rd—5-8 PM

Sunday, October 16th—2-5 PM



PIZZA NIGHT

Copp's
HAND CRAFTED
PIZZA • SALADS • BURGERS

5:00-8:00

OCT 3RD

SPRING RIDGE SOCIAL
2829 S 181ST ST OMAHA, NE 68130

DINE IN OR ORDER TAKE OUT ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 3RD! A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED BACK TO SPRING RIDGE! MENTION YOU ARE THERE FOR SPRING RIDGE!



SPRING RIDGE SOCIAL

MEDIEVAL PUTT-PUTT

20915 CUMBERLAND DR
ELKHORN NE 68022

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

Grab a group of spring ridge friends and get in some mini-golf fun!

2-5 PM

A portion of funds come back to Spring Ridge when you mention you're there with Spring Ridge!

Save the date and grab a group to meet and mingle!

A portion of the proceeds from all sales from Spring Ridge families will be donated back to our school!

Go Eagles!



2022-2023 Yearbook Orders

There is still time to pre-order your 2022-2023 Yearbook!
Order online [here](#) (includes a \$2.50 processing fee) OR
complete [paper form](#) and return to school with payment.

YEARBOOK PRE ORDER!



**ONLINE
ORDERING
NOW AVAILABLE**

SCAN BELOW



**SCAN CODE
TO ORDER**

SIMPLE STEPS

- GO TO YEARBOOKFOREVER.COM ✓
- SEARCH: SPRING RIDGE ELEMENTARY ✓
- CLICK: SHOP STORE / YEARBOOK / CONTINUE ✓
- ENTER STUDENT INFORMATION ✓
- ADD TO CART ✓

A percentage of Yearbook sales comes back to Spring Ridge!

Connect



Join us for our 2nd PTO Meeting!

All parents are PTO members—Please join us!

October 10th - 7 PM

Did you know that all parents are members of the PTO? We hope you will join us at our next meeting in the Spring Ridge Library. We'll be discussing upcoming purchases, events & other priorities. Come share your voice & become involved in the Spring Ridge Community.

Contribute

Sign up for our Shopping Rewards so when you shop, Spring Ridge receives a certain percentage back quarterly! Sign up to support Spring Ridge right away!



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