



# WEST BAY

Better Together

April  
2022



## IMPORTANT LINKS:

District Calendar Link:

[21-22 District Calendar](#)

West Bay Calendar:

[West Bay Google Calendar](#)

West Bay Web Page:

<https://www.elkhornweb.org/westbay/>

West Bay PTO Website:

<http://westbaypto.com/>

### Sodexo

lunch account or deposits:

<https://www.schoolpaymentportal.com/Default.aspx>

menus:

<https://elkhornps.sodexomyway.com/landing/>

Double Lunch Permission Form:

<https://forms.gle/Fay1Na4nLV5JgCjd6>

Double lunches are charged \$2.00. You only need to submit this Google form if you are giving your child permission to order a double lunch.

## April

1st Kindergarten Round Up for 22-23 9:00am -11:00am  
(NO SCHOOL for current kindergarten students)

11th 6:30pm---PTO

15th NO School---Inservice

22nd First Grade Field Trip Rose Theatre

## May

4th PTO Spring Event

9th 5th Grade ERMS Visit

6:00pm---5th Grade Parent ERMS Visit

10th West Bay Gym is a Polling Place

11th 6:30pm---PTO

18th 4th Grade Lincoln Field Trip

5th Grade Track and Field Day-ERMS

20th West Bay Fun Day!

26th \*\*\*Currently marked as the last day of school. The last day will move to the 24th if there are less than 2 more days missed due to inclement weather. School Board decision on this will be coming at the April 11th meeting.

## Lunchroom News

This week we will begin transitioning the lunchroom back to more traditional seating arrangements. Students will be seated next to friends they choose to line up by for lunch. They will also be seated four students to a bench and facing peers across the table. We are excited to allow students the opportunity to interact socially in a more normal cafeteria setting enjoying conversations with a wider variety of peers. We are also excited to again welcome parents in to eat lunch with their child. Prior to joining your child in the cafeteria, please note the following:

1. Parents may bring outside food into the cafeteria for themselves or their own child.
2. Parents will be invited to sit at the guest table with their child in the cafeteria.
3. If planning to eat a school-provided meal, orders should be called into the school office no later than 9:00 AM on the day of the visit. Meals will be charged at a rate of \$3.85/adult and \$2.65/child (for any non-school children) to your child's lunch account. Please ensure that sufficient funds are available in your child's lunch account prior to your visit. Cash payment cannot be accepted.
4. Upon arrival, all visitors must first go to the main office to sign in and receive their visitor badge.



# ATTENTION

## PARENTS/GUARDIANS AND VISITORS

If you are taking photos or video during school hours (including class trips and events), please note these are allowed for personal use only. Videos and images should not be shared in any form without appropriate consent from the student's parent/guardian. Obtaining consent is the sole responsibility of the person taking the photos or video.

Elkhorn Public Schools is not responsible for obtaining consent or for controlling how such images are shared.

Please be respectful of all students and families in our school community by not taking or sharing photos or videos of students other than your own.

## *A Note from the Nurse...*

- If you received a **health screen referral letter** within the last few months please visit the appropriate medical professional and have them complete the bottom portion of the letter and return it to school with your child.
- Please continue to notify the office if your student has had an exposure to someone with COVID-19 or is symptomatic and follow [district guidelines](#).

## *It's time to start scheduling your child's school and sports physicals!*

- Students who will be entering **Kindergarten** in the fall or who are **new students from out of state** will need to submit a **physical exam and vision exam** (including test for strabismus, amblyopia, and acuity) dated on or after **February 17, 2022**, as well as a current immunization record including the Kindergarten booster shots. Here is the [Summary of the School Immunization Rules and Regulations](#)
- Students entering middle school and wanting to participate in a sport at the middle school level, must have a **sports physical** completed sometime after **May 1, 2022** and uploaded to [rschool](#).

**Forms can also be uploaded to PowerSchool during the registration process in August but please click "Actual Size" or use the scan feature when uploading with a smartphone.**



*Thank you!*

Elizabeth Page, RN, BSN

[epage@epsne.org](mailto:epage@epsne.org)



# **Kids Heart Challenge Update**

**THANK YOU WEST BAY FAMILIES! Way to go!!** 🧡💙

91 kids raised money

\$6,349,80 was raised

Mrs. Peterson's class had the most kids raising money at 10 kids

Mrs. Kassmeier's class raised the most at \$749.88

Shout out to **Kennedy Phillips (2K)** for being the individual who independently raised the most money! \$308.32



# COMMUNITY AGENCY SHOWCASE

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**Tuesday, April 26, 2022**

**6:00-7:30pm**

**Millard North High School**

**1010 S. 144th Street, Omaha, NE 68154**

**Millard Public Schools invites ALL metro area families with students in special education to join us for a Community Agency Showcase.**

**Opportunities to Learn About and Connect With:**

- **Community Resources**
  - **Organizations**
  - **Agencies**
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**For more information, contact:**

**Staci Raddish**

**[sraddish@epsne.org](mailto:sraddish@epsne.org)**

**(402-289-2579) Ext 10021**

# West Bay Student Council Online School Store

## How to Place an Order:

1. Complete your order by filling out the Google form that is linked on this page.
2. Orders will be accepted each week no later than Thursday morning.
3. Please have kids turn in the money in a labeled baggy or envelope (child's name & teacher's name) to their teacher.
4. Student council members will deliver the orders on Friday mornings to classroom teachers.

**Note:** If we don't receive the money, your order will not be processed. If there is NO school on Friday, orders will NOT be delivered on Friday mornings.

**Thank you for your support. We are excited for this new school store experience!**

[School Store Link](#)

# West Bay PTO Information



## Stay Connected

Website: [www.westbaypto.com](http://www.westbaypto.com)  
Facebook: West Bay PTO – Parent Teacher Org  
Email: [westbaypto@gmail.com](mailto:westbaypto@gmail.com)  
Remind: Text @wbaypto to the number 81010

## West Bay PTO Board

President: Amy Snodgrass  
Vice President: Ashima Choudhary  
Treasurer: Katie Palmer  
Secretary: Melissa Erdei  
Community Liaison: Crystal Swafford

## UPCOMING PTO MEETING- DATE CHANGE!!!

**Monday, April 11th- 6:30 pm**  
**West Bay Media Center**

All parents are members of the PTO and are invited to join us!!!! We always look forward to hearing new ideas and seeing new faces. We hope to see you there!!

## THE GOOD LIFE FAMILY FUN NIGHT

**Monday, April 11th 5-8 pm**  
**1203 S. 180th Street**

Skip the dishes and help our school earn FREE money by eating at The Good Life Sports Bar & Grill!!! Mention you are with West Bay Elementary when ordering and 20% of eligible proceeds will be donated back to our school!

## 2022-2023 APPAREL PRE-ORDER SALE

Get a jump start on ordering your favorite West Bay apparel for the 2022-2023 school year. Pre-orders are due **April 10<sup>th</sup>** and purchases can be made using the link below. Pickup will be at Open House in August. Contact Amy Snodgrass at [snodgrassamy@gmail.com](mailto:snodgrassamy@gmail.com) with questions. <http://stores.blue84spirit.com/WESTBAY>

## NOTHING BUNDT CAKES PICKUP

Bundt Cake pickup will be held on **Thursday, April 14th** from **3-5 pm** in the **West Bay Media Center**. Congratulations to **Olivia Nickerson** (1st grade) who was the top West Bay seller and has earned a bundtlet tower prize!!! Thanks to all who supported the PTO by purchasing cakes!!!

## OPEN PTO BOARD & COMMITTEE POSITIONS

West Bay Parents! We need your help making fun happen in the 2022-2023 school year. We are in need of volunteers to fill open board and committee positions for the next school year. Immediate needs are for: Co-chair Corporate Sponsorships, Yearbook, Family Fun Nights and Bengal Fun Run. Board nominations are still open and we still need a candidate for the role of Vice President. Elections are April 11th. You can find a full listing of Board and Committee descriptions at <http://westbaypto.com/> under the "Committees & Volunteers" tab. Contact Crystal Swafford [crystalswafford@gmail.com](mailto:crystalswafford@gmail.com) if you are interested or would like more information.

## STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK THANK YOU

March 7-10th was an awesome week of showing our West Bay staff how much we appreciate their hard work and dedication to our students. Staff was treated to an afternoon snack/drink cart, a breakfast and beverages from Jo-on-the-Go, a lunch from Jimmy John's and a gift card. We are incredibly grateful to the amazing staff of West Bay for all that they do to provide an exceptional educational experience for our students. A big THANK YOU to the many parents and families that volunteered their time and provided donations of food, drinks and other supplies.

## 2022-2023 CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

It is the time of year when we look for corporate sponsors for the following school year. If you would like to see your business featured and contribute to the success of West Bay Elementary by supporting the students and staff with a tax deductible donation, fill out the sponsorship form <http://westbaypto.com/> (Link to flyer on website) and return it to Anne Inzerello by **Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**.

\*\*Current sponsors who are interested in continuing their sponsorship for another year should also complete the form by **June 10<sup>th</sup>\*** Thank you in advance for your generous support!

## SCHOOL SUPPLY PACKS

Save time and money buying your 2022-2023 school supplies. Packs include district requested and teacher approved name brand school supplies by grade delivered direct to your child's desk at Open House. Order online by **May 27<sup>th</sup>**. <https://www.educationalproducts.com/ShopPacks/>. West Bay school code is **WES377**. Questions? Contact Katy Bode at [katy.bode@gmail.com](mailto:katy.bode@gmail.com)

## SPRING SOCIAL EVENT

Join us **Wednesday, May 4th** from **5-7:30 pm** as West Bay Bounces into Summer! It will be a night of outdoor fun including food trucks, inflatables, games and a DJ! Mark your calendars now and look for more details to come soon.



# West Bay PTO Information



**WEST BAY PTO  
CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS  
2022-2023 School Year Participation Form  
Please complete and return by June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Website:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Contact Name and Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone Number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsorship Level/Donation Amount: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle One:**

<u>Royal Tiger</u>	<u>Bengal Tiger</u>	<u>Orange &amp; Blue</u>	<u>Tiger Cub</u>	<u>Paw</u>
\$750	\$550	\$350	\$250	\$100
Social Media/T-Shirt/Event Sponsor (5"x 8" ad & logo)	T-Shirt/Event Sponsor (5"x 8" ad & logo)	T-Shirt Sponsor (5"x 4" ad & logo)	(2.5"x 4" ad & logo)	(logo only)

- Please make checks payable to West Bay PTO
- Business logos/ads may be emailed in Vector (.ai or .eps) format [aminzerello@gmail.com](mailto:aminzerello@gmail.com) by June 24th, 2022
- Donations to West Bay PTO are tax-deductible. Tax ID #61-1698980
- Questions? Please contact Anne Inzerello at (301) 801-3105 or [aminzerello@gmail.com](mailto:aminzerello@gmail.com)
- Thank you for your support!

**If you are interested in a corporate sponsorship, return this form with your check to:**

**Anne Inzerello - West Bay PTO Sponsorship  
2010 South 193<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Omaha, NE 68130**

**\*\*All donations are tax deductible.\*\***

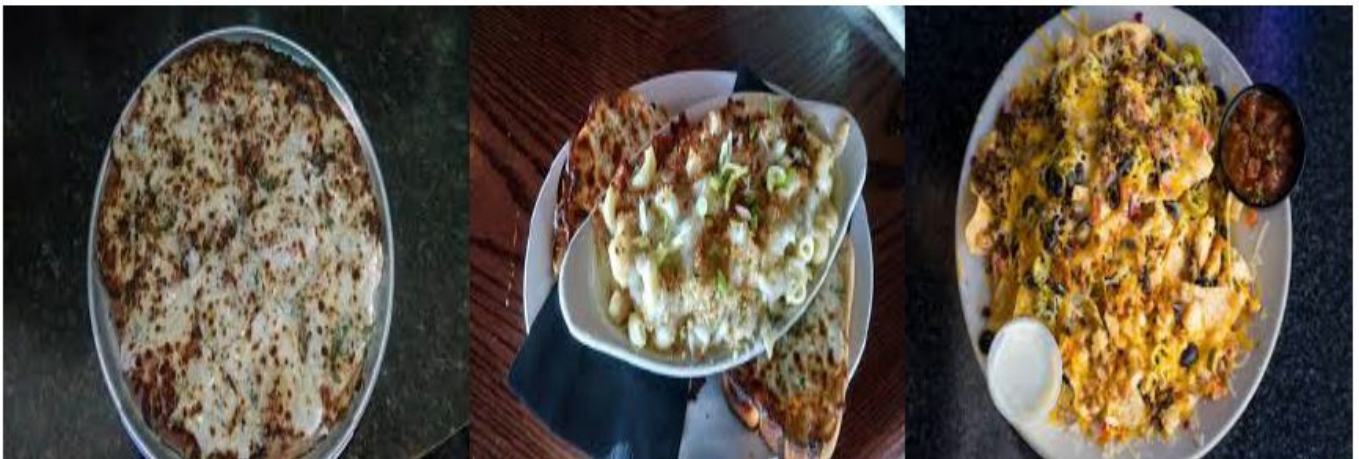


West Bay Elementary  
**FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

Monday, April 11th  
5:00 – 8:00pm

The Good Life Sports Bar & Grill  
1203 S 180<sup>th</sup> Street

20% of All Food & Drinks will go to West Bay PTO when you mention West Bay to your server. Half Price Pizza on Mondays!  
Dine in or carry out (402) 933-2947







Actual pack contents will vary.

Educational Products, Inc. 

# SCHOOL SUPPLY SALE

**BUY YOUR PACK TODAY!**

Save Time & Money on School Supply Shopping.

## WEST BAY ELEMENTARY 2022-2023 SCHOOL SUPPLY ORDER FORM

Grade Level 2022-2023	Cost Each
K Boy	\$49
K Girl	\$49
1st	\$47
2nd	\$52
3rd	\$52
4th	\$49
5th	\$46

### ONLINE ORDERS ONLY

#### Order Securely Online

**ONLINE ORDER DEADLINE IS MAY 27, 2022**

1. Go to [www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks](http://www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks)
2. Enter the school ID: **WES377**
3. Follow the directions to complete your order.
4. Keep your online confirmation as your receipt.

The school supply pack will be in your student's classroom, on their desk for open house.

School Supply Pack Program organized by West Bay PTO.

For questions, please contact  
Katy Bode [katy.bode@gmail.com](mailto:katy.bode@gmail.com)

The school supply pack for each grade include all supplies on the district supply list EXCEPT for the following:

K - Book bag, Art shirt, towel for resting, and headphones (no Earbuds or Bluetooth)

1st - Book bag, Headphones (no Earbuds)

2nd - 5th - Book bag, Headphones or Earbuds

\*ALL proceeds from the school supply pack program will be donated to the Elkhorn Womenade School Backpack Project which provides backpacks and school supplies to less fortunate Elementary, Middle, and High School students within the Elkhorn Public School District.

# WILL YOU TAGG FOR US?

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Create your account by April 15th and TAGG will add 20 rewards points to your new account!

- Login at TAGG.today
- Create an account and use the referral code: **WESTBAY20**
- 20 points will be added within 5 business days!



# District Reminders

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## **Tech Savvy Parent Tip: Balancing Technology Use**

Parents often look for new ways to create a balance between learning and using technology appropriately, and participating in other activities that are essential to a child's development. Finding that balance between the two can be the difference between a healthy relationship and an unhealthy reliance. Several strategies exist to ensure that a healthy relationship with technology is built beginning with the early stages of use.

### **Understand your pattern of use and create boundaries:**

Most people don't realize the amount of time they spend using technology unless it is pointed out to them. Take an inventory of your family's use and understand when, why, and how you're using technology. Is all of it necessary? Are you and/or your family benefiting from that time spent with technology? Understanding your pattern of use is the first step in creating boundaries that both you and your family can stick to.

**Be intentional in determining downtime:** Being constantly connected can hinder active learning, as one becomes passive in taking in new information because he or she is constantly "learning" new things. Taking a step away from technology and the absorption of information allows one's brain a needed break and creates an active learning environment. By being intentional in determining technology downtime, you are giving your brain that break to be able to focus on other things.

**Be the example and set the expectation:** Kids learn by following an example - following the same technology use rules you set for your children is the best way to show them a healthy relationship with technology. Setting usage time limits, creating intentional face-to-face opportunities, and implementing device-free zones are all ways to ensure too much time isn't spent on technology for entertainment purposes.

## **SmartGen Society:**

### **Smart Digital Family Plan**

SmartGen Society is an Omaha-based organization focused on bringing preventative and proactive resources to offset negative implications of social media use in youth.

One feature of their resources is a Smart Digital Family Plan, which encourages families to have meaningful conversations about the use of technology in their homes and guides those conversations through several social media and technology issues.

View the full plan [here](#).





WEST BAY



# TIGER TICKET WINNERS

These students were caught doing something great at school! Students who follow the school rules: 1. BE SAFE 2. BE RESPECTFUL 3. BE RESPONSIBLE are rewarded and recognized with TIGER TICKETS. Each week these tickets are deposited in the office where we draw names for paw pencils or erasers and a certificate. Way to go Bengals!

## KINDERGARTEN

Scarlett Plouzek	Kora Krumwiede
Penelope Hudson	Liam Wyant
Ben Holloway	Bowen Cooper
Vaughn Bell	Sawyer Luedders
Parker Swim	Carmen Martinez
Takeru Hirai	Paige Dowell

## FIRST GRADE

Emma Kemp	Josiah Gallant
Reed Borgeson	Lilly Halls
Sutton Joslin	Leah Lin
Harry O'Keefe	Jason Dewitt
Ivan Young	Sloan Palmer
Mohitha Narasingam	Kyler Krumwiede
Logan Zaversnik	Gavin Rozovics
Noah Ostransky	Quinn Rowan
Alex Dondzila	

## SECOND GRADE

Lennon Maxey	James Gallant
Everett Roberts	Vivian Weiss
Hadley Hunt	Charlotte Cizek
Solomon Howard	Lincoln Karre
Jensen Swafford	Andrew Johnson
Wyatt Straatmann	Kylie Jahn
Evalyn Dudzinski	Kendall Sharp
Yuna Hirai	Kapil Venketraman
Elodie Fochler	

## THIRD GRADE

Vanessa Irvin	Ellie Agnew
Ethan Englund	Colette Thielen
Corbin Hager	Gavin Toffle
Summer Luttrell	Tyler Wees
Peyton Kankousky	London Brown
Zack Taylor	Remy Swartz
Rylin Auch	Ameen Ahmed

## FOURTH GRADE

Luke Mullen	Marin Wyant
Bella Carey	Abby Acquazzino
Ryan Sumner	Sahana Iyer
Kade Stallmann	Olivia Boll
Lexi Wilson	Kaaviyan Narasingam
Finn Shipp	Madison Scott
Gabi Wilson	Caleb Johnson
Avery Borkowski	

## FIFTH GRADE

Gavin Gleue	Emilia Koehler
Drew Acosta-Trejo	Naiah Robertson
Alan Guo	Macy Inzerello
Mairen Williams	Cameron Johnson
Mara Hill	Archie Bond
Jovi Thomalla	Rahman Azimi
Madison O'Dowd	Alyssa Stansberry
Rielle Fisher	Cella Guthmiller



# WOMENADE CLOTHING DRIVE

Please drop off your donations at any Elkhorn Public School during the week of May 2<sup>nd</sup> through May 6<sup>th</sup>.

This is a great opportunity to go through your closet, to move on your gently used garments, and to help families in our Elkhorn community.

If you would like to help, we need volunteers to transport donations from the schools to the COPE facility, to help set up the clothing "store", and to staff the Grand Opening.

Transport Clothes: [www.signupegenius.com/go/20f084fafaf2ea02-womenade1](http://www.signupegenius.com/go/20f084fafaf2ea02-womenade1)

Set up "Store": - <https://www.signupegenius.com/go/20f084fafaf2ea02-womenade2>

Staffing for Grand Opening:

<https://www.signupegenius.com/go/20f084fafaf2ea02-womenade3>