



WEST BAY

Better Together

May
2022



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

West Bay Families,

As this year comes to a close I'd like to share some staffing announcements for next year.

Please join me in congratulating Carla Farley (Kdg) on her retirement this May. She has taught for an outstanding 26 years in our district, 30 years total in the teaching profession. What an amazing career of service to so many children and their families. Congrats Mrs. Farley!

Additional staff members who are leaving West Bay and moving on to new endeavors include Taylor Boosalis (PreK Speech), Erin Gangwish (PreK), Julie Trout (PreK TA), Jenny Oligmueller (2nd), Allie Beberniss (2nd), Jenn Kilzer (5th), Brad Clay (PE), Michaela Gallo (Special Ed.), Mia Lincoln (Special Ed.) and Adriana Blount (Elem. TA). We wish them all the best!

We are looking forward to the fun "end of the year" days listed to the right! Please note that there is a lunch order form included in this newsletter for additional guests on Fun Day. There are also important reminders from *Sodexo, *school nurse, *PTO and *Student Council (Womenade Clothing Drive: May 2nd-6th).

We've got lots of fun ahead as we close out another successful school year! Thank you for your ongoing support. It's been an honor and a pleasure to serve as West Bay's principal. Have a fun, safe and reading filled summer!



Jen Cottvet



If you are moving over the summer please contact Jane at jgreve@epsne.org or 402-289-9045 to update your address.

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!
 - 24th Last Student Day! Dismissal at 11:30 AM
- Report cards will go home with students.

The end of year preschool information will come from classroom teachers.

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/Fay1Na4nLV5JqCjd6>

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.

Lunch Account Reminder

Dear Parents,

As the school year winds down, we strongly encourage parents to check the balance(s) on their student(s) lunch accounts. If an account is **negative**, **please make a payment**. We ask that no account is left negative over the summer.

If you have a graduating **Senior**, you can request a refund or balance transfer the Monday after graduation. **Please cancel the auto deposit function on your Seniors' lunch account to prevent a payment from posting after it is cleared.** **There is a separate notification in your High School newsletter for Seniors.**

If you have not received an email from us this school year, please make sure the school has the most current email address on file.

MAKING DEPOSITS

- **SETTING UP AN ONLINE ACCOUNT** will allow you to make deposits, view the account, set reminders and add an auto-deposit option if preferred.
- EPS now partners with **SchoolPay** for student lunch accounts. To add funds, go to **www.schoolpay.com** and log into to your user account. If you do not yet have a **SchoolPay** account, a link can be found on the EPS website under the Parents tab. Please select Lunch then scroll down to Lunch Account Portal for the instructions link.
- **MAIL CHECKS:** payable to EPS, that **include your student name and student ID number** to EPS Food Service, 1401 Veterans Drive, Elkhorn, NE 68022
- **SEND LUNCH MONEY WITH YOUR STUDENT TO SCHOOL:** **include your student name and student ID number** preferably in an envelope for elementary students to give to their teacher.

Any funds that are currently on a student account will remain in their account and carry over year to year while the student remains in the Elkhorn School District.

Sodexo Dining Services/Elkhorn Public Schools

1401 Veterans Drive

402-289-0443

Lunch@epsne.org

West Bay Elementary

Fun Day and Picnic

Friday, May 20, 2022

Picnic lunch includes: Hot dog, pretzels, carrots, apple, cookie and milk.

Please note that the published Sodexo menu for May 20th will NOT be offered

Grade	Lunch	Recess
K-2	11:30-12:00 Lunch	12:00-12:30 Recess
3-5	12:00-12:30 Lunch	11:30-12:00 Recess

Parents are welcome to join us for the activities and picnic. If you would like to purchase a lunch, please complete the form and return to school along with your payment by **Friday, May 13th**. You may also bring your own sack lunch. Students will be eating in their classrooms or with their class.

(Please return this portion to the office – one per family)

Guest Meal (\$3.85) # _____ \$ _____ (total)

() I have enclosed a check or cash for the extra lunch(es).

() Please charge the extra lunch(es) to my child's account. # _____

Guest's Name

Teacher's Name



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...

- Summer is on its way which means lots of end of the year activities!
- Remember on **outdoor activity days and field days**, apply **sunscreen** to your child before he/she comes to school to avoid the risk of sunburn.

******* 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 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.

~ Medication Pick-up ~ The school is not able to store medication over the summer. So please remember, all student medications **must be picked up by a parent/guardian**, from the health office no later than **Tuesday, May 24th by the end of the day** or it will be properly disposed of.

Have a fantastic summer!
Elizabeth Page, RN, BSN
epage@epsne.org

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
Facebook: West Bay PTO - Parent Teacher Org
Email: westbaypto@gmail.com
Remind: Text @wbaypto to the number 81010

West Bay PTO Board

President: Amy Snodgrass
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Community Liaison: Crystal Swofford

WEST BAY BENGAL BOUNCE SPRING SOCIAL

Join us as we celebrate the end of the school year on **Wednesday, May 4th** from **5-7:30 pm**. All West Bay students and their families are welcome to attend this free outdoor social event. Join us for a DJ, two inflatable obstacle courses, an art and spirit zone, and several food trucks for those wishing to purchase meals at the event. See the attached flyer for more information. A handful of volunteers are still needed...Please help us make this event a success by volunteering an hour of your time. Sign up to help via the following link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d49a4af29aaf85-bengal3>

*****PLEASE NOTE: IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, THIS EVENT WILL BE CANCELLED *****

WEST BAY BEAUTIFICATION

Cub Scout Pack 736 & the Girl Scouts are hosting a spring clean up event on **Friday, May 6th** from **6-7 pm** to spruce up the school grounds for spring. Gloves and trash/lawn bags will be provided. Students are welcome to attend with a parent. Contact Danisha Hurst at danishwithana@gmail.com with any questions.

WEST BAY FUN DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Mr. Clay is seeking parent volunteers to assist with this year's West Bay Fun Day that will be held on **Friday, May 20th** from **9:30-1:45 pm**. Volunteers will need to check in at the office at 9:15 am to receive station assignments. There will be a lunch break from 11:30-12:30 pm. A picnic lunch will be available to volunteers for purchase- See the attached flyer for more information.

Sign up to help via the link below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49A4AF29AAF85-west>

2022-2023 PTO PLANNING MEETING

Wednesday, May 11th- 6:30 pm
Javi's Tacos - Lakeside Plaza

All parents are welcome to attend and join us for an evening of tacos and brainstorming! Committees and events for the upcoming school year are already in the works. We would love to have your input and hear your ideas. All attendees will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 Javi's Tacos gift card. Hope to see you there!

JAVI'S TACOS FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Wednesday, May 11th
4-8 pm

2559 S. 171st Street- Lakeside Plaza

Skip the dishes and help our school earn FREE money by eating at Javi's Tacos!! Mention you are with West Bay Elementary when ordering and 15% of eligible proceeds will be donated back to our school!

DAIRY CHEF FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Thursday, May 26th
11-8:30 pm

3223 N. 204th Street - Elkhorn

Celebrate the end of the school year with ice cream and other delicious treats from Dairy Chef and West Bay will earn 5% of eligible purchases! This event will run ALL DAY from 11-8:30 pm. Be sure to mention you are with West Bay Elementary!

FREE KONA ICE & KETTLE CORN!!!

Tuesday, May 24th 11:30-1 pm
3218 S. 188th Street

Join Joe Evans of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, Ambassador Real Estate as he provides FREE Kona Ice snow cone treats and kettle corn to all West Bay elementary students and staff after dismissal on the last day of school. The treats will be available 1 block east of West Bay Elementary at the address listed above.

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 10th**.

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

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SCHOOL SUPPLY PACKS

Save time and money buying your 2022-2023 school supplies. Purchase school supply packs that include district requested and teacher approved name brand school supplies that will be delivered directly to your child's desk at Open House in August. Order online by **May 27th**.
<https://www.educationalproducts.com/ShopPacks/> West Bay school code is **WES377**.
Questions? Contact Katy Bode at katy.bode@gmail.com

EXTRA YEARBOOKS AVAILABLE

We have a limited number of extra yearbooks that are available for purchase on a first come, first served basis. To reserve your copy, please click on the link below and complete your purchase with payment.
<https://westbaypto.membershiptoolkit.com/form/m/181229>

OPEN PTO COMMITTEES

West Bay Parents! Are you looking for an opportunity to get more involved? We have immediate volunteer needs to fill on the following committees: School Supply Kits, Yearbook, Teacher/Staff Appreciation, Bengal Fun Run, and Fall Social.
A full listing of committee descriptions can be found at <http://westbaypto.com/> under the "Committees & Volunteers" tab.
Contact Crystal Swafford at crystalswafford@gmail.com if you are interested or would like more information.

2022-2023 WEST BAY PTO BOARD

Congratulations to the newly elected 2022-2023 West Bay PTO Board members!

- *Co-President- Amy Snodgrass
- *Co-President- Andrea Dorsey
- *Vice President- Allison Kemp
- *Co-Treasurer- Cherie Kubie
- *Secretary- Sheena Dinsdale
- *Community Liaison- Crystal Cizek



2021-2022 END OF YEAR THANK YOU

Thank you, West Bay families, for your continued support of the West Bay PTO! We are in the final stretch of the school year! With amazing leadership and creativity from our staff & parent volunteers, we were able to pull out all the stops to make this year memorable for all our West Bay students and staff! The Bengal Fun Run was record breaking, the Fall Social brought out lots of smiling faces and our Staff Appreciation committee showed our teachers and staff that they are the best in class. Your generous financial contributions, support and hundreds of volunteer hours will make lasting contributions to West Bay Elementary.

This year, the PTO was able to purchase IXL Science (5th) and Flocabulary (K-5) subscriptions, new Safety Patrol gear, rocking chairs (K & 1st), art storage cabinets, visual barriers (Pre-K) and additional percussion instruments. Other PTO contributions this year include discretionary spending for our teachers and staff, second field trips, Halloween & Valentine party snacks and supplies, quarterly teacher and staff appreciation celebrations, meals for parent teacher conferences, library books, birthday gifts, recycling, 5th grade graduation, yearbook, classroom and event volunteers, West Bay t-shirts for all students and staff and upgrades to the staff lounge. The PTO also made donations to support Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation Hall of Fame banquet, Bids 4 Kids event and Womenade of Elkhorn Backpack Program.

Thank you all for supporting the mission of the West Bay PTO! We look forward to making the 2022-2023 just as memorable!

West Bay PTO Board

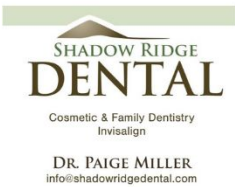
THANK YOU 2021-2022 WEST BAY SPONSORS



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We love to see you smile!



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WEALTH MANAGEMENT

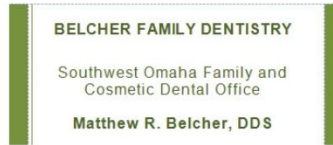


AVITURE

Braddock Finnegan Dermatology



Omaha Dance Center
BALLET * JAZZ * TAP * HIP HOP



DEADLINE SOON

EPI

School Supply Sale

- Teacher Approved
- Delivered Before the First Day of School
- Save Time & Money

SHOP NOW

Main Order Deadline **5/27**

Our School ID **WES377**

www.EducationalProducts.com/ShopPacks

West Bay Bengal

Bounce

Wednesday, May 4th

5:00 – 7:30PM

*This event will be cancelled in the case of inclement weather.

ACTIVITIES

Inflatables • DJ

Art & Spirit Zone • Selfie Station

FOOD TRUCKS

Streetside Foods

streetsidefoods.net

The Corn Dog Company

thecorndogco.com

Carson's Cookie Fix

ecreamery.com

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR EVENT CORPORATE SPONSORS!



SHADOW RIDGE
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Cosmetic & Family Dentistry
Invisalign

DR. PAIGE MILLER
info@shadowridgedental.com

Braddock Finnegan Dermatology

AVITURE



WEST BAY ELEMENTARY FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Wednesday, May 11th

4-8 pm

Javi's Tacos - Lakeside
2559 S 171st Circle

Join us here for the last PTO meeting of the year @ 6:30pm. Mention West Bay when you pay & Javi's will donate 15% of the profits.
Dine in, Carry Out or Order Online at Javistacosomaha.com



This fundraiser was organized by West Bay PTO. Questions contact Liz Borkowski at blborkowski@hotmail.com

West Bay PTO Information



**WEST BAY PTO
CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS
2022-2023 School Year Participation Form
Please complete and return by June 10th, 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 & 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 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
- 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 193rd St.
Omaha, NE 68130**

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



Invite your friends to celebrate!

Family Fun Night

Dairy Chef

3223 N 204th St

Thursday, May 26th

(11:00am – 8:30pm)

West Bay PTO will receive 5% of the profits for the entire day when you mention our school when you pay.



This fundraiser was organized by West Bay PTO. Questions contact Liz Borkowski at blborkowski@hotmail.com



District Reminders

Last Student Day Information

The last student day of the 2021-2022 school year will be Tuesday, May 24, 2022. Additional dismissal details will be provided by building principals. For reference and planning, approved calendars for future school years can be found [here](#).

2022-2023 Online Registration Reminder

For the upcoming 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, 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 to the primary PowerSchool account email address when online registration is available.

If you have an account created but need to add additional students, please follow this link for directions on doing so: <https://bit.ly/2wDNJuT>.




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

Together We Transform Lives

TEAMMATESSM

MENTORING
of ELKHORN

TO BE A MENTOR

 <p style="font-size: 1.2em;">What?</p>	<p>One-to-one, school-based mentoring program</p> <p>Weekly meetings during non-core class time</p> <p>Focused on building a trust-based relationship with a student.</p>
 <p style="font-size: 1.2em;">Who?</p>	<p>Adults ages 18+ are eligible to apply.</p> <p>Pass background check and reference checks.</p> <p>Willing to meet with a student once per week during the school year.</p>
 <p style="font-size: 1.2em;">How?</p>	<p>Learn more about the program and apply online at www.teammates.org.</p> <p>The need exists, as there are currently students waiting to be matched with a mentor.</p>

Have questions? Contact Kara Perchal at kperchal@epsne.org.





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

Arya Decker	Amina Kholik
Rylan Parsons	Lyla Hudson
Baylie Bohannon	Logan NewMyer

FIRST GRADE

Damian Guy	Grayson Degenhardt
Jordyn Bingham	Kai Sommers
Josiah Gallant	Grayson Sass
Tinsley Holmes	Colin Rutter
Derek Feuquay	Oliver Cerny
Alex Dondzila	

SECOND GRADE

Madelyn Frans	Jordynn Gallinger
Sam Meyer	Kate Acquazzino
Jace Frasier	Wyatt Richter
Kenna Smith	Deacon Parsons
Max Koehler	Berlyn Schooley
Leandro Garcia-Hernandez	Kylie Jahm
Charlotte Cizek	

THIRD GRADE

Bennett Olsufka	Pyper Songster
Camryn Randone	Kaylee Boll
Alexa Kothari	Eleanor Arnold
Rylyn Gleue	Greyson Farmer
Brady Belcher	Micah Plouzek

FOURTH GRADE

Sloan Smith	Eli Hamilton
Addison Weber	Megan Lovewell
Scarlett Arnold	Micah Borngrebe
Julia Sceals	Beckett Schooley
Jett Josoff	Caetano Marcelino
Miles Ogren	Blair Zaversnik

FIFTH GRADE

Aiden O'Dowd	Gabe Carey
Jayde Murray	Sritan Reddy
Lily Weier	Allie Ogren
Ben Cerny	Sam Neily
Jules Jansen	Camaryn Anzalone
Rylan Meier	Lucas Schultz

Womenade Clothing Drive

Got any Elkhorn Swag?

*If you have any, please drop off
along with your clothing donations at
any Elkhorn Public School during the
week of May 2nd through the 6th.*

*We could sure use your 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.signupgenius.com/go/20f084fafaf2ea02-womenade1

Set up “Store”: – <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f084fafaf2ea02-womenade2>

Staffing for Grand Opening: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f084fafaf2ea02-womenade3>