[FRIDAY] May 3

Westridge Carnival

[TUESDAY] May 7

PTO Meeting- 6:30 @ WR Library

[FRIDAY] May 17

Field Day

[THURSDAY] May 23

Talent Show @ 1:30

[THURSDAY] May 23

Book Swap 8:30-10:30

[FRIDAY] May 24

Last Day of School

All School Assembly @ 8:45

5th Grade Graduation @ 10:30

Dismissal @ 11:30

Preschool Doughnuts &

Diplomas: AM class @ 9,

PM class @ 10:30

Principal's Message

Hello Westridge Families,

They say time flies when you are having fun, but time also flies when you are working hard. I think that is why every year the school year seems to go by so fast. We certainly have a lot of fun throughout the school year, but students have also been working very hard. I am so proud of all of the progress that our students have made throughout this year.

We have MAP testing scheduled for next week. This involves students in grades 2nd-5th. We will start testing on Tuesday. This will be the last of the standardized tests for this year.

Another aspect of closing out the school year is staffing changes. This year we have three classroom teachers that will be leaving us at the end of the year. Mrs. Peterchuck has taken a reading interventionists position with the school district. Mrs. Jakub will be moving with her family back to David City, where she will be teaching 5th grade. Finally as some of you know, Ms. Bellows got married this year, and is now Mrs. Fleischer. She is taking a position working with her husband in the financial sector. We will miss all three of them every much, and thank them for all they have done for our students this year.

We have hired teachers for all three positions. For kindergarten, we have hired Frances Cammarota. In second grade, we have hired Alexa Feiereisel and Joy Fuller. I am very excited about these three teachers joining our staff next year. Please help me in welcoming them to the Westridge family.



In an effort to create life-long learners, the staff at Westridge Elementary School working closely with parents and community strives to realize each child's fullest potential in the areas of personal, social, intellectual, emotional, and physical development.



Visiting for Lunch

If you have a family member or friend that is wanting to come to school to have lunch with your child, but they are not listed as a contact in Powerschool, we do need you to call and notify the office. We ask all visitors to state their name and purpose for their visit when they come to Westridge. If we know ahead of time that we should be expecting a visitor to have lunch with your child, that will help us identify visitors that are coming to school. If we did not receive any prior communication, we will make a phone call to the parent/guardian to confirm the visit.



Westridge Carnival

The Westridge Carnival is almost here! The Carnival will be on Friday, May 3rd from 5:00-8:00 PM. Pre-sale punch cards and arm bands are on sale now. You can purchase punch cards for \$10 pre-sale or \$12 day of. One punch card is 40 punches. Arm bands are \$10 pre-sale or \$12 day of. The arm bands get you unlimited fun on the inflatables.

Concessions can be paid with punch cards or cash. There will be two meal deals available: TNT Walking Tacos and water will be \$5 or 20 punches, or a hot dog, chips, and water will be \$4 or 16 punches. Kona Ice will be available for purchase with cash only, no punch cards.

We will accept pre-orders until April 30th, so turn in your order as soon as you can. Also, we are still collecting items for the sweet/pop walk and looking for volunteers to help with the carnival. Here is the link for the signup:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4eafa922abf do-westridge



You can find more information about Westridge Elementary online.

https://www.elkhornweb.org/westridge/



https://facebook.com/ElkhornPSWR/



@ElkhornPS_WR

PSW PRINTS



Hello Westridge Families!



THE CARNIVAL IS COMING FRIDAY MAY 3rd, 2019

The Westridge Carnival is fast approaching and we hope to see everyone there! PLEASE mark your calendar for FRIDAY MAY 3rd from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Please help us by considering to volunteer for one of the half-hour time slots! We understand you want to be with your children and families but so appreciate you taking the time to help us make this evening possible. Here is the link again just in case! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4eafa922abfd0-westridge

Reminder ALL presale order are due no later than April 30th in the office! There will be chances to purchase cards and wristbands at the door! The presale form is included again just in case you missed it when they come home in backpacks!

PLEASE help us by bringing in items for the **POP AND SWEET WALK** this coming week! We will be collecting items all week for your child to potential walk to win on Friday night!

Thank you so much for your generosity and help!:)



We will have wonderful bounce houses, great games, pop and sweet walk, FOOD and the KONA Ice truck! Hoping for beautiful weather and a great night together. Thanks so much for all your help and donations to make this night possible! Any questions please don't hesitate to contact Ashley Holt at (asholtz01@gmail.com) or me (Erin - egangwish@epsne.org).

WESTRIDGE PTO AND PLANNING MEETING

Our PTO meeting this month is Tuesday, May 7th from 6:30-7:30 pm at The Good Life Sports Bar and Grille on 204th and Maple. NO childcare is provided this evening. We hope to see you there as we discuss items for this coming school year and introduce our PTO board members for the 2019-20 school year!



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Westridge Elementary Carnival Friday, May 3rd 5:00-8:00 p.m.

PUNCH CARD & UNLIMITED BOUNCE PRE-SALE

RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE AT CARNIVAL \$1 EACH, 6 for \$5 or 4 PUNCHES

Pre-Sale Punch Cards and Bounce Armbands are on sale NOW until TUESDAY, APRIL 30th!

Punch Cards-\$10 pre-sale or \$12 day of Carnival One Punch Card=40 punches

Arm Bands- \$10 pre-sale or \$12 day of Carnival for unlimited fun on the inflatables

12 punches=inflatables, airbrush tattoos, crazy hair
8 punches= pop/sweet walk, plinko, par one golf, 5-pin bowling, slap shot
4 punches= pig races, bean bag toss, bottle ring toss, blitz football
2 punches= lollipop tree, spin a prize, rainbow roller ball, pitch til u win

Concessions can be paid with <u>punch cards or cash</u>. There will be two meal deals available:

TNT Walking taco and water = \$5 or 20 punches

Hot dog, chips and water = \$4 or 16 punches

Kona Ice will be available for purchase with *cash only...no punch cards*

Return the form below with payment. Pick up punch cards and armbands at the "will call" table at the carnival just north of the school main entrance.

-----Please cut along this dotted line and return this bottom form with your payment-----

CARNIVAL PUNCH CARD/ARMBAND ORDER FORM

Student Name(s)	Teacher
# of Punch Cards(\$10 each):	Total Price Cards
# of Bounce Bands (\$10 each):	Total Price Bands
Cash:or Check #:	Total Included
Checks paya	able to Westridge PTO.
When paying cash,	please pay the exact amount.
Any amount over the total ,will be given as a do	nation to the Carnival Fund:
Donation Value	



CLASSROOM RAFFLE

BASKETS

Dear Classroom Parents,
Returning by popular
demand...Classroom Raffle Baskets! Each
Westridge classroom will create their own
themed raffle basket. Each class will be
participating in collecting items to make a
themed basket to raffle off at the carnival
on May 3rd. Each classroom has been given
a fun exciting theme. Each theme has a

Our raffles offer a fun and affordable way to win amazing packages! Each raffle will be sold at the carnival \$1 each or 6 for \$5. We rely on our raffle items to ensure we keep carnival costs low for everyone to enjoy.

variety of options, feel free to get creative

Please email Erin for specifics questions!

Please bring your item(s) to your classroom by Thursday April 18th! Carnival Representatives will collect the donated items, build the basket and bring them to the carnival for display.

Thanks so much for your support! We couldn't do this without all of you!
Which basket will be your favorite?

Teacher Grade Theme	
Miss Britnee and	
Miss Mallory Preschool Glow in the Dark	
Miss Steele K "I" Scream, "You" Screa	m
Miss Shook K Now That's Crafty	
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Mrs. Peterchuck K Water Day Adventures	5
Mrs. Casas 1 Pool Party Fun	
Mrs. Mejstrik 1 Fun in the Sun	
Mrs. Nelson 1 Rainy Day Fun	- 7
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Mrs. Bellows (Fleischer) 2 Super Scientists	
(Fielscher) 2 Super Scientists	
Mrs. Hague 2 Color Me Silly	
Mrs. Jakub 2 I "Pic" You	
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Mrs. McWhirter 3 It's All Fun and Games	
Mrs. Zabawa 3 Got the Baking Bug	-
Mrs. Weaver 3 Sports Fanatic	
Mrs. Barmettler 4 Day at the Spa	and the second
Miss Murcek 4 A Night at the Movies	
Mrs. Sorensen 4 The Garden Spot	
Mrs. McGregor 5 Builder City Fun	
Mrs. Zabrowski 5 Camping in the Great Outd	loors
Mrs. Lane 5 Book Worm	

Westridge Elementary Carnival Committee

Westridge Elementary 2018 – 2019 Yearbook

It's time to place your yearbook order!
For \$20, you'll get school memories to treasure forever!
Order form and money will be due **no later than Friday, April 26** in order to guarantee a yearbook.

Please make checks payable to Westridge PTO.
*No previous orders have been taken this school year.

Detach bottom portion and turn it in to your teacher with the correct amount.

Order for	rm is due Friday, April 26. ent's first and last name on the order form.
Student:	Teacher:
	Quantity: x \$20 = \$
Please mark:cas	h check check #
For office use only	
Received by:	Date:

From the Nurse...

~ 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 by **May 24th by the end of the day**, or it will be properly disposed of.

~ Medication for the 2019-2020 school year ~

If your student requires any medication (over-the-counter and/or prescription) while at school, <u>each</u> medication must have a Medication Authorization form (link below) signed by the parent and a physician, before we can administer. All medications must be unexpired and provided in the original packaging and/or pharmacy container. For prescription medication, please only provide a **maximum of 30 day supply** at a time.

Link to print blank medication authorization form:

https://www.elkhornweb.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Medication-Authorization.pdf

Link to print blank self-carry asthma/anaphylaxis medication:

http://nebula.wsimg.com/30e77791e1e3ec0212bd429715dd787b?AccessKeyId=32029651ABF AD3DBF315&disposition=0&alloworigin=1

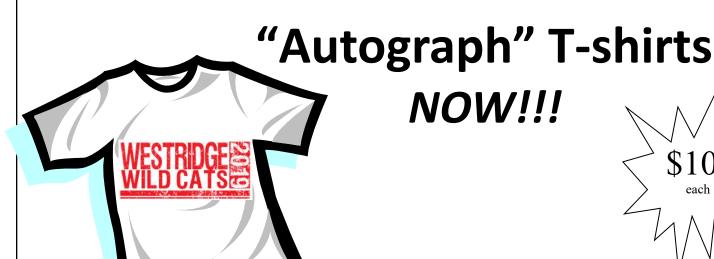
~ Students with Asthma, Severe Allergies, Diabetes, and/or Seizures ~

If your child has asthma, severe allergies, diabetes, and/or seizures, please submit an emergency action plan signed by your physician. **Plans must be updated annually**. Blank forms can be obtained at the school office, clicking on link below, or your physician's office can use whatever form they prefer.

Link to print blank Asthma/Anaphylaxis Action Plan:

http://nebula.wsimg.com/cfbaa74b1585069c3e62e082be27a34c?AccessKeyId=32029651ABFA D3DBF315&disposition=0&alloworigin=1

Order your Annual End-of-Year



Orders only through the online store.

Order by Friday, May 10th, 2019!!!

(NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED)

White Shirts with Red Lettering

Go to the online store at:

https://cishirts.com/shop/stores/westridge-elementary

Or go through www.cishirts.com (look for "Team Stores") and find our school name there.

Show Your Westridge Spirit!!!

Proceeds will help fund the Elkhorn Elementary D.I. Teams participating in Global Finals in May.

This fundraiser is not sponsored by the PTO.



Check out this month's TAGG winners!

Top Classroom:

Pre-K

Individual TAGGer:

Tori Colwin

Help us reach our 2018-19 goal of \$2,500! We've raised \$485.30.





Are you TAGGing your purchases? Every time you upload a picture of your receipt from participating businesses to the TAGG app, you are helping your school raise funds and each TAGG is entered to win!

Thanks to Jimmy John's for donating a gift card to this month's winners!



District Reminders

Last Day of School Information

The last student day of the 2018-2019 school year for Elkhorn Public Schools will be Friday, May 24; students at all levels will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. that day.

The 2019-2020 school year calendar is available for review by clicking here.

PowerSchool Online Registration Reminder

For the 2019-2020 school year, Elkhorn Public Schools (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 set up, please follow this link for directions on how to create an account: https://bit.ly/2KqcSLh. However, you will not be able to complete the online registration process until July. An email will be sent out when online registration becomes available.

If you have an account created for your 4th-12th grade student(s) but need to add younger students, please follow this link for directions on adding additional children: https://bit.ly/2wDNJuT.

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

Tech Savvy Parent Tip: 5 Simple Steps to a Healthy Media Diet

As summer and extended periods of free time approach, focusing on a healthy media relationship becomes even more important! Common Sense Media has a few simple reminders about ensuring a healthy media diet:

- 1) Choose the Good Stuff: if you're using it anyway, make it quality and age appropriate material
- 2) Use it Together: if your kids are using it, be there to see what they're absorbing
- 3) Walk the Walk: set an example by modeling good media habits yourself
- 4) Balance: mix tech-time with other educational and exercise activities
- 5) Watch the Clock: establish time limits and tech-free zones throughout your home

Elkhorn Public Schools Policy 507.13—Internet Safety Policy was written in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act. Tech Savvy Parent tips are intended to inform and educate parents of technology that may be available to their students. Tips may feature apps that are educational as well as those that may be a cause for concern to parents.



Open to incoming **1st-8th grade students** in the

Elkhorn Public Schools District.

Registration is now open

Now offering 2-day **Red Cross Certified Babysitter**course!





ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

June 10-14, 2019 | July 8-12, 2019







For additional information or to register, please visit summerenrichment.elkhornweb.org

WESTRIDGE PTO

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2019
 Meeting Location: Media Center

3. **Meeting Time**: 6:30

4. **Call to Order:** Welcome and introduce attendees

5. **Minutes:** Minutes from previous meeting were reviewed. Kelsey Arens motioned to approve minutes and Andrea Bakenhus second it.

6. Officers' Reports

- a. Principal's Report: Butter braid pick up is April 10th. No school day on April 19th for teacher-in-service. Mid-quarter comes out on April 24th. Online auction will be April 19-21st. Two preschool makeup dates are April 12th and 26th. The school is looking at improvements in math strategies.
- b. President's Report: no report
- c. Vice President's Report: school supply list is ready for next school year. Major Saver card coming soon. Kick off on Thursday and sales start April 11th-15th.
- d. Treasurer's Report: Started March with \$30,446.26 and ended the month with 34,684.04. TAGG for March we earned 26.16 and 485.30 overall. All classroom reimbursements are due 4/15/19.

7. Committee Report

- a. **Directory**: Melissa McMurray no report
- b. **Yearbook**: More to come on Yearbook. Likely no Back to School 101, school pictures would then be during school day.
- c. Teacher Appreciation: no report
- d. Volunteer: no reporte. Book Bingo: no report
- **f. Restaurant Night Fundraisers:** Oscars (in Lakeside only) Family Food Night, Tuesday, April 9th. Dine in or carry out.
- g. **Carnival**: Ashley Holtz talked about carnival. It will be held May 3rd, airbrush face painting, hotdogs, Kona Ice will be there (which is not included on punchcard)
- **h. Carnival Auction:** Nicole Everingham talked about auction. It will start on April 19th and go through 22nd.
- i. **Kindness**: no report
- j. **Hy-Vee**: no report
- k. Classroom Parties: no report
- Walk-a-thon: no report
 Unfinished Business: None
- 9. Announcements: none

10. New Business:

- a. Nikki Steele field trip for all kindergarten classes to go to the zoo on Tuesday, May 7th. The cost would be 420.00. Motion to approve the funds by Megan Scobie and second by Nicole Everingham
- b. Board nominations were voted on. President is Erin Gangwish, Vice President is Nicole Everingham. Secretary is Jackie Merryweather. Treasurer is Andrea Bakenhus. Motion to approve results by Ashley Holtz and second by Kelsey Arens.
- c. The drawing for carnival tickets was held. The winners are Claire Shook and Priti Gandhi. Kendra Brandt was the winner of the Westridge Wildcat drawing.

11. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Ashley Holtz and second by Nicole Everingham	