

The Eureka Elementary Orbit

August 31, 2023

Important Dates

- September 1- No School
- September 4- No School, Labor Day
- September 11- PTO Meeting 6:30 in the Library
- September 18-22- Homecoming Spirit Week (Details to come)
- September 22 - SJPS Homecoming Parade (Details to come)
- September 25 - Picture Day (Details to come)



Welcome from Mr. Fillwock



It is with great pleasure that I have this opportunity to serve the student, teacher, parents, and Community of St. Johns. I am excited to continue to grow relationships with everyone involved to help our students learn and reach their personal best daily.

I would like to welcome all new and returning families to the 2023-2024 school year! It was a great first week of school! It was very nice to see many of you at the open house and to have your students back in school this week.

Our teachers and staff have prepared for this school year throughout summer. I would like to thank them all especially Kim, Stacy and the custodial staff along with the grounds crews who continue to keep our building looking great daily.

This week teachers and staff have worked on setting classroom routines, social contracts, and going over our STAR behavior expectations with all students. Please ask your student(s) about

these to help us continue to make positive growth at Eureka Elementary.

I will be sending out this newsletter, The Eureka Elementary Orbit, that we will be posted as a link on Class Dojo and school website monthly.

I look forward to working with you, our students, teachers and community to make this year the best year yet at Eureka Elementary.

Go Redwings!

Joining Our Team



Kaylin Ewald, Kindergarten

We are pleased to welcome Ms. Kaylin Ewald as our new Kindergarten teacher. Ms. Ewald grew up in Caseville, Michigan and received her degree from Saginaw Valley State University. This will be her first year teaching and she is most excited to "share my love for learning with students and to begin building relationships with students, families and staff!" When she's not teaching Kaylin enjoys spending time with family at their cottage and being out on the lake.

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

8:55 am- Students May Arrive

9:10 am - School Day Begins

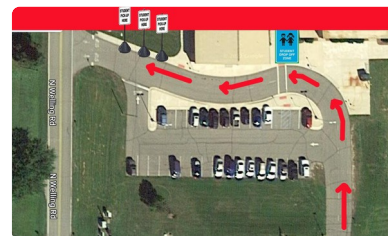
4:07 pm - Dismissal

Drop Off

1. If you are dropping your student off please stay in line and pull your vehicle up to the next available adult. Staff will begin letting students out of cars at 8:50.
2. Doors Open at 8:55. Students will use the east entrance to come into the building.
3. If your student is late to school and an adult is not out front, please go to front door and press button to be let in and sign in, in the office.

Pick Up

1. STAY IN LINE. This is for the safety of our students, staff and visitors.
2. Please Pull as far forward as you can (closest to Welling Rd.). Your student will be called from their line and come to your vehicle.
3. Please plan to have your child enter your vehicle through the passenger side of the vehicle.



4. We would like to reduce the number of walk up pickups for safety purposes.

Buses

Buses will use the back drive of the school in both morning and afternoon. Avoid these drives

Daily Schedule

LUNCH SCHEDULE

KDG 11:50-12:05/ 12:05 - 12:25

1ST 11:30 - 11:45 / 11:45 - 12:05

2ND 11:50 - 12:05 / 12:05 - 12:25

3RD 12:10 - 12:25 / 12:25 - 12:45

4TH 12:10- 12:25 / 12:25 - 12:45

5TH 11:30 - 11:45 / 11:45 - 12:05

Recess

KDG 10:20 - 10:40

1ST 3:00 - 3:20

2ND 10:20 - 10:40

3RD 3:00 - 3:20

4TH 3:00 - 3:20

5TH 10:20 - 10:40

Specials

KDG 12:30 - 1:20

1ST 1:25 - 2:15

2ND 2:20 - 3:10

3RD 10:15 -11:05

4TH 9:20 - 10:10

5TH 3:15 - 4:05



Eureka Specials Calendar

STAR Behavior Expectation

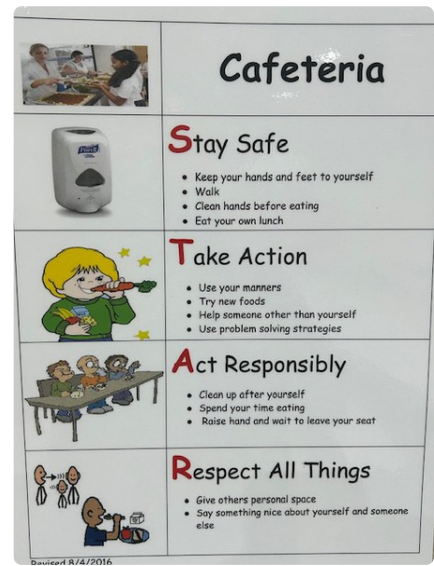
Stay Safe

Take Action

Act Responsibly

Respect All Things

More details on pages 39-41 in Student Handbook (Link Below)



Student Handbook

Food Service

Lunch and Breakfast will be free this year. Please fill out the Application for Summer EBT and Education Benefits with the Michigan School Meals Program. Completing this application takes less than 10 minutes and can help students receive important resources. Every application that is not submitted means lost educational programs and resources for our students. Even if you know you will not qualify please fill out the application. The application link is below and paper copy should be sent home with your youngest student in our building on August 31, 2023.

Application Link

September Breakfast Menu

September Lunch Menu

Mental Health Resources



In response to parent concerns about mental health and well-being, St. Johns Public Schools is partnering with [ParentGuidance.org](https://parentguidance.org) to deliver presentations developed by licensed therapists. This series will be virtual, interactive and is designed to help parents and caregivers support students. Registration, attendance and interactions are kept totally anonymous from other viewers.

Parent coaching is a confidential service provided to parents and families in our district. If your family is in need of extra support, go to [ParentGuidance.org](https://parentguidance.org), select "Parent Coaching" and select "Register for Coaching" to get started. This service is available throughout the summer months as well!

[ParentGuidance.org](https://parentguidance.org) is a free program designed to help parents help their child. This is a great starting point as you look for answers regarding your child's mental health, child development, or even your own needs. Many parents use this resource to get answers to questions about a variety of topics from licensed therapists. You can also see the Ask-a-Therapist section where you can submit questions and review therapist responses in our library of FAQ's with topics such as anxiety, suicide ideation, bullying, self-harm and more.

Mental Health Resources

PTO Corner

Meetings held 2nd Monday of month @ 6:30 pm in the Eureka Library

Eureka PTO Contact- eurekarocketspto@gmail.com

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- Vice President - Brittany Johnson
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- Treasurer - Krista Carpenter
- Hospitality - Open
- Fundraising - TBD -





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Andy is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters

