



Deposit School District 2019-2020

Elementary Back to School Newsletter

Dear Parents, Guardians and Elementary Students:

Welcome back to school! We hope you have had a fun-filled summer with your family. Deposit School District's administration and support staff have worked throughout the summer to prepare for another exceptional educational experience for each child. As the school year approaches, our teachers are returning to the buildings to work their magic and create engaging learning environments. All we need now is our students!

Our school year starts on September 5th for students.

As the school-year approaches, we wanted to share a few items that may assist you in preparing for the year. We encourage you to review the resources in this newsletter to learn more about our school hours, food service programs, daily schedules, report cards, and to meet our new staff!

We look forward to another school year full of learning and adventure!

Kelli Vosbury
Elementary Principal



STANDARDS-BASED REPORT CARDS

Deposit Elementary School is proud to introduce Standards-Based Grading for this school year. The change to a Standards-Based Grading system comes from our district's desire to provide clear communication to our parents to ensure meaningful feedback on your child's growth, both academically and socially. Standards-Based Grading communicates where students are currently at with understanding of a skill vs. an average of how students did in the beginning and end of a unit. This also eliminates student's numerical grades from decreasing due to late assignments or one bad test. Standards-Based Grading communicates how students are performing at the given time of the report card. Please continue to read common Q&A's to Standards-Based Grading further in our newsletter! Deposit Elementary believes this will help all parents to have clear communication about their child's progress!



BREAKFAST

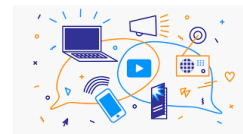
Breakfast is free and is served at school every day in your child's homeroom! A nutritious breakfast energizes students so they are more alert and can learn in class. Breakfast offers servings of fruit, whole grains, and milk and provides the recommended calories needed for lasting energy to help students succeed in school. Eating breakfast at school can also help families with busy early morning routines and provide a shorter time period between breakfast and lunch.



COMMUNICATION & INFORMATION

Our teachers do an excellent job of communicating information regarding our programs. Here is where you can stay informed proactively:

- Teacher, School and District Websites
- Deposit Facebook
- Class DoJo
- Newsletters, Information and Flyers. A phone call or an email is an efficient way to communicate with your child's teacher. Please remember that our teachers are with students throughout the day and will return the call/email as soon as they are able. At times, this may be the next school day.



WHEN IS LUNCH?

One of the most common questions asked by students at the start of the year is, "When is lunch?" Below you will find the start times for lunch for each grade level:

Kindergarten: 10:50

1st Grade: 10:55

2nd Grade: 11:00

3rd Grade: 11:35

4th Grade: 11:40

5th Grade: 12:10



MEALS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Please remember that breakfast and lunch is free for all students this year! Also, school supplies will be provided for all students. We only ask that your child brings his or her book bag to school opening day. If assistance is needed with providing a book bag, please do not hesitate to call the main office.



DAILY SCHEDULES

Your child's daily schedule will be sent home through your child's homeroom teacher. Remember with our exciting change this year that teachers in grades first through fifth will be uniting to create a team teaching approach to student learning. With the team teaching approach, students will continue to have traditional homerooms and leave for science/STEAM and specials as usual. In addition, grade level teams will collaborate to deliver ELA and Math instruction. This is an exciting approach that has proven to show academic gains in schools and involves minimal changes to our students' current schedule. This will allow for teachers to become content specialists and allow for all students to have a team of teachers who are dedicated to their learning and success!



BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Back To School Night is quickly approaching. Take time to meet your child's teacher and learn about the exciting school year ahead:



October 17th
6:00 – 7:00PM
See you there!