

West Burlington Elementary Falcon Flier



September 2018

Principal's Corner

Welcome back to the 2018 – 2019 school year! We have had a fabulous start to the school year. The lines of communication are always open. Feel free to share positives or concerns with me at any time. This is going to be a fabulous year! ~ Mrs. Kirkman (Same face. New Name!)

Please "like" the West Burlington Elementary Principal's page on Facebook. (Titled: Elem Principal West Burlington) This will be used to communicate and highlight activities, events and information for West Burlington Elementary.
<https://www.facebook.com/elem.westburlington>

Parent Teacher Conferences October 30th and November 1st

Teachers will meet with parents at scheduled times between 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Those times will be sent home with Kindergarten through 4th grade students the first part of October. 5th grade teachers will be available to meet with parents but will not schedule conference times and be on a drop in basis.

Pick Up/Drop Off Reminders

For the most part things are going great! We continue to strive to make this process fast, efficient and safe for students and families. Please help do your part!

A few reminders:

1. Please make sure you pull up as far as you can in the pick up/drop off lane. Stopping at the back of the parking lot to drop kids off or pick kids up prevents traffic from running smoothly. Please, be respectful of other cars waiting in the lot to drop off or pick up.
2. No pick up or drop off on the red painted curbs. (Note: That pretty much covers the whole front of the school.) If you choose to drop off on a non painted curb, please pull all the way over to the curb.
3. Use the cross walk to cross the street. This applies to parents and students between 7:45 – 8:15 a.m. and 3:25 – 3:40 p.m.
4. Drop off and pick up at the cross walk is not allowed.

We strongly encourage all families to use the pick up/drop off lane.

Thanks again for helping us achieve our motto of Kids First!

September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					31 Early Out 2:15	1
2	3 No School Labor Day	4 Preschool Begins	5	6	7 Early Out 2:15	8
9	10	11	12	13 Picture Day	14 Early Out 2:15	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Early Out 2:15	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Early Out 2:15	29
30	October 1	October 2	3	4	5	6



PICTURE DAY IS COMING!
THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 13TH!

We have a new photographer this year - StudioK.

Picture forms were sent home this past week.

Please read the directions and return the envelope the day of pictures or before. There is contact information in the envelope if you have any questions.

Home Football Games

Students are expected to sit with their parents at all times

No balls or other toys will be allowed.

Anyone attending WB sporting events must present their sport's pass for entry. No exceptions. If you leave the game, you will be expected to pay to re-enter.

- Without your pass, you will be required to pay to enter the game.
- If you lose your pass, it can be replaced by contacting Shawna at the Superintendent's Office.

Mark your calendars:

Grandparent's Day is scheduled for Monday,
November 5th

SCHOOL COUNSELOR ^{CT}

Elementary School Counselor News

Dear Parents & Guardians,

I am so excited to serve you as the West Burlington Elementary Counselor! While new to West Burlington, I've worked with elementary students for most of my adult life. I have loads of resources for students and parents alike. Stop in and introduce yourself and please don't hesitate to call or e-mail me with questions, comments or concerns.

Aaron Wagner
School Counselor

Birthday Treat Guidelines



Please coordinate bringing birthday treats with the classroom teacher. We will no longer require them on a designated Friday the month.

All treats must meet one of the following:

- **Prepared at Grocery Store Bakery or Licensed Restaurant** (ex. HyVee, WalMart, Pizza Hut, Little Caesars, etc.) **Baked good items must be in the original containers, sealed with the tag and marked with the item it contains.**
- **Prepacked and store bought** (Ex. Goldfish Crackers, String Cheese, Little Debbie's Snacks)
- **In-home/Independent Bakeries will require a certificate stating that the bakery has been inspected by the County Health Department.**

No exceptions will be made. Treats that do not meet one of the above requirements will not be served to the students. If you have a question about a particular bakery, you are welcome to call and see if we have a certificate on file. If we do not, please ask the bakery to fax a copy to the elementary office at 758.6768.

Flowers/Balloons

The school requests that no flowers or balloons be delivered to students at school. If deliveries do occur, they will be given to students at the end of the school day.

Nurse's Notes

Welcome to the new school year. I am looking forward to a great year with all the students. We have seen several types of illness already these past few days. Please remind your children to wash their hands frequently and cover their mouth when coughing or sneezing.

Symptoms to keep your child home include: fever, vomiting and diarrhea. Your child must be fever free for 24 hours (without medication) and should not come to school if they have vomited in the morning. Please call the school and leave a message if your child will be missing school.

Head Lice: The Department of Public Health recommends parents check students for head lice once a week. We have a pamphlet in the office explaining procedures and remedies.

Medications: If your child has to take medication at school we have a form that needs to be filled out. If you are sending medication to school, even if it is short term prescription or over the counter, we must have a note with the following: Name of student, Original box with directions, Last dose given, Next dose needed, and whether to send home or keep at school. There are very strict regulations from the state for the dispensing of medications to our students. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Please call me if your child has any health conditions or health concerns that I need to know. If your child is taking any medications at home, please call me so that I can be aware and assist in the care of your child as needed.

Stephanie King

WB Elementary School Nurse



Library Newsletter

Welcome back to school! I hope everyone enjoyed their summer and are ready to get back into school! I can't wait to get books back in the student's hands! Below are a few details about what will take place in the library this year, along with a few library policies! I am looking forward to a great year! If you have any questions, please email me at brandee.roelfs@wbschools.us.

Library Check Out

Students in Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten will be allowed to check out one library book. Students in grades 1st through 5th grade will be able to check out three books at a time. These books are due back in two weeks from their check out date.

Book Care

Each year we have several books lost and damaged. In each class we talk about good book care. Please remind your children to keep the books in a safe place at home so the book doesn't get lost, spilled on, or damaged. Also, when done reading the book the best place to store them is in their school bag so they are brought back to school each day.

Curriculum

The first few weeks of school every grade level will focus on the following topics.

- Book Care
- Finding good fit books
- Using Destiny Library to search for books in the library and ebooks
- Accessing MackinVia to read ebooks
- Developing a love for reading!

This summer we held a Summer Reading Program. The goal for students was to read 20 minutes a day to help prevent the "summer slide." We had 33 students complete the Summer Reading Program which is an increase from last year! We will be going to Kenny's Roller Ranch to reward those students!

West Burlington Elementary PTO Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

September 2018

17- First PTO meeting (5:30)

21- T-shirt orders due

27- Bottle & Can drive (7:45-8:15am)

Our first meeting is September 17th @ 5:30 in the teacher's workroom!

Welcome back students!

Get Active in the PTO!

All parents are welcome to join PTO! We encourage a combination of parent and teacher participation. Our meetings are typically held on the 3rd Monday of each month in the teacher's workroom. **Join our Facebook page for up to date information!**

PTO Meeting: Monday, Sept. 17th @ 5:30 p.m. in the teacher's workroom.

You can order your Falcon gear and pay by debit & credit by visiting this website:

<https://thirteenx.store/collections/west-burlington-falcon-gear>

Meet your new 2018-2019 officers:

President: Janelle Kramer

Vice President: Stephanie King

Secretary: Nichole Bergman

Treasurer: Lisa Bence



Cans 4 Kids

Don't forget--Any easy way to make money for our school is dropping off your cans and bottles in our collection bin. This is **FREE** money for our school! Drive up using the Superintendent Office/Preschool door entrance. The large white bin is located on the right-hand side! Hope Haven collects the cans and bottles and sends us a check. You can also drop off cans/bottles at Hope Haven and let them know you'd like your refund to go to West Burlington PTO. We are having a bottle/can drive September 27th! Drive thru the drop off lane and donate your cans & bottles anytime between 7:45-8:15am.



Box Tops For Education

The **BoxTops for Education** program is one of our continuing fundraising activities and is so simple to help with. Simply cut out the BoxTops label found on many of the food products that you are already purchasing and send them in with your child. Last year our school raised almost \$700 in just Box Tops alone! This year we want to double that amount! Don't forget to turn in your summer collection packets! Plus, check out the new Box Top bulletin board located towards the front entrance! Happy clipping!



GET YOUR FALCON GEAR ORDERS IN!!

ORDERS ARE DUE SEPTEMBER 21ST!

TURN IN ORDER FORMS TO HOMEROOM
TEACHERS OR THE OFFICE. YOU CAN ALSO
ORDER ONLINE AND PAY BY DEBIT/CREDIT.

[HTTP:THIRTEENX.STORE/COLLECTIONS/WEST-BURLINGTON-FALCON-GEAR](http://thirteenx.store/collections/west-burlington-falcon-gear)

LOOK FOR THE CAN/BOTTLE DRIVE FLIER

COMING HOME!!!

SEPTEMBER 27TH FROM 7:45-8:15 AM

DRIVE THRU THE DROP OFF LANE AND DONATE YOUR REDEMPTION
BOTTLES & CANS! PTO WILL BE LOCATED AT THE BIKE RACK TO TAKE CANS
& BOTTLES. ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO OUR PTO!