



Elmore Elementary School

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Mission: *Elmore Elementary School is an educational community that empowers students to be lifelong learners by valuing their unique talents and learning needs.*

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School Hours
5K-Grade 5 - 7:52am-2:30pm
AM 4K - 7:40am-10:45am
PM 4K - 11:25am-2:30pm

Mark Your Calendars

December

8 – Holiday concert
8-- Parent Focus Group
14 – Student Council bell ringing
16 –early release 12:30pm
20 – cookie decorating
22 – Holiday Store
22 – Spirit Day
26-2 – winter break

January

3 – classes resume
16 – no school
27 – early release 12:30

December/January Newsletter

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

Thank you to all the families who were able to join us for our parent teacher conferences in November. A special thank you to all the families for completing the after school survey and District Facilities Needs Survey. The information collected from the After School Survey will be used for future planning.

We are going to have a Parent Focus Group on Thursday, December 8, immediately following the morning concert in the LMC. The purpose of a parent focus group is to gather feedback from parents about what is working well and areas we can improve on at Elmore. The input session will last about 45 minutes. Please consider joining us to share feedback.

We have an early release on December 16. The staff will be receiving professional learning in Restorative Practices and Add+Vantage Math Recovery (AVMR) assessments. We will continue that learning during our January Early Release time.

Our 98% attendance wall is growing each month Each month we take pictures of the students at each grade level who have 98% or better attendance. The pictures are located between Room 110 and the gym entrance on the first floor. At the end of November we had 172 students who had 98% attendance so far this school year. Keep up the great work Elmore Eagles!

Thank you parents and families for all that you do to support your child(ren) each and every day. As the holiday months have arrived, please have a safe holiday season and enjoy your time with family and friends.

Your Partner in Education,

☺ Stacy Norman



INTRA-DISTRICT TRANSFER WINDOW - The application windows for students requesting to attend a different Green Bay Public School (other than the one in their attendance area) for the 2017-18 school year are as follows:

Preference Window: January 3 - February 3, 2017 – Application submitted during this window will be considered prior to those submitted through Open Enrollment.

Additional Window: February 6 - April 28, 2017 - Applications submitted during this window will be considered at the **same** time as applications that are submitted through Open Enrollment.

Information Letter and Application form:

- The information letter and application form can be found on the Green Bay Area Public School District webpage (www.gbaps.org) by clicking on the Parents tab and then choosing Forms, or at a district school building starting December 1, 2016.
- Applications will not be accepted before January 3, 2017.
- **Applications should be submitted to the Green Bay Area Public School District, Central Registration – Room 116, 200 South Broadway, Green Bay, WI 54303.**
- Students who have previously completed an Intra-District Transfer Application and were approved are not required to reapply unless the approval was for the current year only.
- Students who were placed on a waiting list but *not accepted* for intra-district transfer during the 2016-17 school year *must reapply* if they wish to be considered for attendance at the requested school for the 2017-18 school year.
- Questions? Please contact Jenny VandenPlas at 920-272-7069.

Holiday Store – This year we are trying something a little different for our Holiday Store. We are working with a company called Penguin Patch. Watch the Tuesday envelope for a flyer to sign up and send in money for shopping.

December Winter Choral Concert –Thursday, December 8

- 5K, 2, 5 Winter Concert Time - 8:45-9:45am
- 1, 3, 4 Concert Time – 1:15 – 2:15pm

District Calendar Correction – Spanish Version - We would like to inform you that we have corrected an error on the Spanish version of the District's 2016-2017 Family Calendar. Students will have a recess day on Friday, April 14, not Monday, April 24. School will be in session all day on April 24. You can view the corrected version of the calendar at www.gbaps.org.

Wisconsin School Report Card - Wisconsin School Report Cards became public on November 17. Our school scored a 66.6% on a 100 point scale, which meets expectations. We will have our new school report card posted on our website as soon as possible. We will be sending out a more detailed communication about the school report cards as well as a copy of the school report card in January. In the interim, if you have any questions, please contact Stacy Norman, principal.

February/March Conferences – Please note that our next conferences dates are Tuesday, February 21, and Thursday, March 2. This is not an error in the calendar -- there is a full week between conferences.

Cold Weather – The cold weather is coming soon so be sure to have coats, snow pants, hats and gloves daily for recess. Once the snow flies students will need snow pants and boots to go on the snow hills and play in the field. If you need help getting winter clothing, please contact Amanda Moriearty-Mleziva, School Social Worker. Please note that she now has a direct line (920) 272-7633.

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) – During the month of November we continued to practice Safe, Organized, Attentive, Respectful and Responsible. The prize cart was also rolled out in November for the students to purchase prizes with their Eagle tickets. (SOAR) expectations. We did re-teaching when needed and practiced in all areas of our school. We also added a new incentive in the lunchroom in November. In addition to having a chance to eat lunch on the stage using their Eagle Tickets, students have the opportunity to earn an extra recess. The class(es) that meet the SOAR expectations at lunch get a check or a star. The class from each lunch hour with the most checks or stars will win a recess in December. As part of our PBIS Staff Appreciation initiative, staff were surprised with cut out turkeys on their door that had thankful messages on them from colleagues. You may have noticed them around the school during conferences. Coming up at the end of December, we will have an all-school celebratory assembly on Thursday, December 22.

5th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball – This year we have girls' and boys' basketball teams. Our girls' basketball coach is Coach Ruben and the boys' basketball coach is Mr. Corey. Practices begin in December and games will be during the months of January and February. As a reminder, students who would like to come support our team on game days will need to have an adult present to attend the games.

After School - If your child's after school plans change, please send a note or call the office. Be sure to call the office before 2:00pm to be sure the message gets to your child prior to dismissal. Safety is our number one priority and we need to be informed to be sure your child gets home safely.

Parking Ordinances - There are a variety of posted parking ordinances around schools but did you know that there are various other parking ordinances that are not posted. The following are some:

- NO parking within 15 feet of a crosswalk.
- NO parking within 4 feet of a public or private driveway.
- NO parking within 15 feet of a safety zone.

Please check out the City of Green Bay's parking ordinances website at greenbaywi.gov/publicworks/parking/parking-ordinances/ for a more detailed list. Please help keep all people safe around schools.

