



Elmore Elementary School

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September Newsletter

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

September

13 - Community Engagement Session – West High
19 – Kindness Adventure Assembly

October

5 –Walk to School Day
7 – 5K field trip
13 – Phuture Phoenix/ gr 5
14 – early release at 12:30
25 – picture day
28 – no school

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

Welcome back to the 2016-17 school year! We have a number of new families to our Elmore community as our student enrollment is up from last year. I met and saw a number of families on Open House night but please stop in and introduce yourself when you get a chance, if we have not met.

Our educators attended a number of trainings over the summer months to professionally grow in the areas of science, technology, mathematics and literacy. There is a renewed sense of energy as new learning is embedded into the classrooms. There is something magical about the buzz of the children learning throughout the school.

Elmore is a PBIS school. PBIS - **P**ositive **B**ehavioral Interventions and **S**upports Please visit with your child(ren) about positive behavior and our SOAR expectations. Each year we begin by practicing expected behaviors and reviewing routines and procedures school-wide SOAR. The students are doing a great job of being safe in all areas of the building.

Thank you to the many families and staff members who helped make our Open House Night a great success. Each family that attended received a free Elmore pen and magnet. The winners of the gift cards were McKenna – 4K, Trey-5K, Nayleigh-Grade 1, Zariyah-Grade 2, Jessalin-Grade 3, Savanna-Grade 4 and Olivia-Grade 5. Thank you to all who were able to participate!

Our new website is up and running and we are working on adding pictures and new links. If there is something you would find helpful on the website, please let us know.

I am looking forward to wonderful school year and know that great things are happening at Elmore.

Your Partner in Education,
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We have changed our recess and lunch times this year:

10:30-11:00	Grade 5 Recess
11:00-11:30	Grades 1, 3, 5 Lunch Grades 2, 4 Recess
11:30-12:00	Grades 5K, 2, 4 Lunch Grades 1, 3 Recess
12:00-12:30	Grade 5K Recess

Community Engagement Sessions – We want to hear from you! The Green Bay Area Public School District (GBAPS) is holding 4 community engagement sessions. The Board of Education and District administration invite you to attend an upcoming community engagement session to provide input as they develop solutions to facilities needs that will better serve our current and future learners. Please attend one of the following community engagement sessions:

- September 13, 6:30 p.m. – West High School
- September 15, 6:30 p.m. – Preble High School
- September 20, 6:30 p.m. – Southwest High School
- September 26, 6:30 p.m. – East High School

Elmore Family Support Organization (FSO) – Did you know that every parent is automatically a member of the FSO by having a child at Elmore School. Each year FSO sponsors a number of student activities and events throughout the year that includes but is not limited to classroom field trip funds, assemblies, book fairs, DARE graduation, Kindergarten celebration, spirit days, roller skating event, bowling event, Timber Rattlers game and much more. At this time we are in need of new board members for the 2016-17 school year. We are moving towards a volunteer event board; however, we still need a President, Vice-President and Secretary. If we are unable to fill those positions, we will need to dissolve our FSO organization. Please consider joining the leadership team. Please let your child's teacher know by Friday, September 16, if are interested in an open FSO position. We appreciate your consideration.

Volunteering – Elmore volunteers have an important impact on our school and community. For the safety of our students, all volunteers are required to pass a background check that is good for two years. This year we have moved to an online application. If you are interested in volunteering and want to start a background check:

- Go to “gbaps.org”
- Click on either the “Parents” or “Our Community” tab
- Click on the “Volunteer Opportunities” tab
- Click on the “SecureVolunteer” icon

If you need assistance, access to the Internet, or not sure whether you need to complete a new background check, please contact your child's teacher.

Student Learning Advocate – We added a new student learning advocate position this school year with our Title 1 funds. Mr. Corey Torres has joined the Elmore staff to support students in the areas of attendance, academics and behaviors. He has stopped into each classroom to introduce himself and make himself available for students. If you see him around school, please introduce yourself.

New Elmore Team Members – We have a few new faces at Elmore this year. Peggy Geurts is our Building Paraprofessional, Angela Whitcomb is our ESL teacher, Mary Jane Selinsky joined our Noon Hour Supervisor Team, and Sarah Hoefs is our new Gifted and Talented Resource Teacher (GTRT). Please join me in welcoming our new staff members!