

THE HERO HERALD

VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

IT'S THE JAGUAR WAY

MR. DOUG PIESCHEK, PRINCIPAL



It is hard to believe that we have completed two months of the school year already! We are off to a great start and look forward to continuing to work with our students and families for the remainder of the school year. As we head into November, our warm fall weather is slipping away and the cooler fall weather has arrived. Please remember that students play outside for recess each day when the temperature is above zero, so send your child dressed to play outside. With weather being somewhat unpredictable this time of year, it never hurts to pack a hat and gloves just in case!

Our fall parent-teacher conferences will be held in person and virtual on Wednesday, Nov. 1 and Thursday Nov. 2. If you choose virtual you will receive an email at approximately the time the conference is scheduled to start, informing you that the teacher is ready and with a link to join the conference. This process went very smoothly last year. We look forward to the opportunity to discuss your child's progress with you. As always, please feel free to ask any questions you have about your child's classroom or your child's learning during your conference. You can contact your child's teacher or the school office if you need assistance signing up for conferences. We will also be offering the book fair this year on Nov. 1st and 2nd during our parent teacher conferences. All book order proceeds support our Valley View library.

Our fall PTO Club Choice fundraiser this year was an amazing success! We raised a profit of \$14,000. These funds will be put to use to support transportation to field trips, continue to add to our playground, to support our Jaguar Way program, to support RIF book giveaways, and to support student learning in other ways. We are truly thankful for the work that our PTO, especially Meegan Kaster, did to make this fundraiser a success and are equally thankful to each of our families for supporting our PTO.

As always, we would like to thank you for the support you provide to our school community each and every day. Your dedication to your child's education and to a safe learning environment is appreciated.

SAFE MORNING ENTRY INTO SCHOOL

All students should be entering school at the back of the building each morning by their grade level doors. Breakfast students will be allowed to enter at the back of the building starting at 7:45am. The front doors will be opened only from 8:08-8:15 to allow students in. For safety reasons, it is suggested that students are dropped off by 7:50am and walk to the back playground. This will allow for students to have some social interaction with peers and enter with their classroom when the first bell rings. This will also help to alleviate any additional stress of dealing with last minute traffic at the front of school and students making the dash up the front walk into school. Your cooperation is much appreciated!

IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 1
Parent/ Teacher Conferences
4:00-7:30pm

Nov. 2
No School
Parent/ Teacher Conferences
12:30-7:30pm

Nov. 3
No School: End of Quarter 1

Nov. 7
• Quiz Bowl 3:15-3:45pm (Room 336)
• Winter Musical Practice 3:15-4:30pm

Nov. 9
World Culture Club 3:15-4:15pm

Nov. 10
Early Release: Dismissal at 1:15pm

Nov. 14
Winter Musical Practice 3:15-4:30pm
Coding & Gaming Club 3:15-4:15pm

Nov. 15
Square 1 Fundraiser

Nov. 22-24
No School: Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 28
Winter Musical Practice 3:15-4:30pm



STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY

If your child needs to leave school during the day please send an email to vvattendance@ashwaubenonk12.org prior to or the morning of the early release.

The email should include:

- the student's full name and teacher
- the time and date they will be picked up
- who will be picking them up
- the reason for leaving

Sending an email will eliminate classroom interruptions and maximize instructional time. Any student leaving during the day must be signed out by an adult. Please note that leaving school before the 3:15 dismissal bell will reflect on the student's attendance record as a tardy early release (TER).

SCHOOL DAY START TIMES

Please help and encourage your children to arrive at school on time. The entry bell rings at 8:08 a.m. Students must be in their classroom ready to work by 8:15 a.m. Students not in their classrooms by this time need to report to the office for a tardy slip. Even a couple of minutes late can be disruptive to the class and the student could miss morning instruction. Teaching our children to arrive on time, even early, is a great life skill. The regular school day runs from 8:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT SINCE PLAYGROUND SUPERVISION DOES NOT START UNTIL 7:45 A.M., STUDENTS SHOULD NOT BE AT SCHOOL BEFORE THAT TIME.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Valley View School Parent Teacher Conferences will be held VIRTUALLY and IN-PERSON on November 1, 2023 from 4:00-7:30 pm and November 2, 2023 from 12:30-7:30 pm. Conferences are scheduled utilizing Conference Manager, an on-line conference scheduling program being used by the Ashwaubenon School District. The scheduling window for November conferences is open from Monday, October 16, 2023 at 12:00 noon and will remain open until Tuesday, October 31, 2023 at 6:00 pm. The scheduled appointments will be for fall conferences only. More detailed information is available on our website at <https://www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/families/parent-teacher-conferences.cfm> and in our Weekly Wednesday email.

BREAKFAST WITH THE CHIEF WINNERS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRE SAFETY POSTER CONTEST WINNERS! FIRST PLACE WINNERS HAD BREAKFAST WITH THE CHIEF AND RODE TO SCHOOL ON A FIRE TRUCK ON THE MORNING OF OCTOBER 17TH. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

KINDERGARTEN – THEODORE ROTTER
1ST GRADE – ANGEL MELENDEZ
2ND GRADE – PENELOPE ZOBRO
3RD GRADE – EMMA STEFFEK
4TH GRADE – MYLA SMITH
5TH GRADE – JOSIE JOHNSON



CONSISTENT DAILY AFTER SCHOOL PLAN

We are asking all parents to work as a family to develop a consistent after school plan. A consistent family plan avoids confusion and ensures that students always know how they get home each day. When in doubt, school staff will always dismiss children based on the plan that was communicated to the teacher at the beginning of the school year.

- If a student simply tells his/her teacher he/she is not to ride the bus but wait for a ride, the classroom teacher will place the student on the bus as usual unless this change is communicated to the teacher by the parent.
- If your student typically goes to the Y program after school, we ask that you come into the school and sign your student out with the Y rather than calling into the school office to change after school plans.
- If your child typically takes the bus home, we ask that you pick your child up at the bus stop rather than calling into the school office to change after school plans.
- Due to varying class schedules and the inability to contact classes, messages left with the office after 2pm can not be guaranteed to get to the student by the 3:15 release time.

This is not meant to inconvenience you, but rather to ensure the safety of your child and that we have the correct information of how your child is to get home.