

December 2021

WEST SALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Thanksgiving has come and gone and the winter holidays will be upon us shortly, when it seems that school just started this year!

Report cards will be going home with students on Wednesday, December 8th. Please take time to review the report card with your child. The report card is a great way to communicate student growth during the year. We love seeing your child grow from trimester to trimester here at WSES, and appreciate your support in working with your child! Starting strong is good, but finishing strong is what we all strive for!

With the winter months and its snow upon us, we offer a few reminders. Have your child dressed for the weather every day. Our students will be outside for recess unless the temperature is below a real feel temperature of zero degrees. Make sure to send your child with hats, mittens, boots, snow pants, and winter coats and take the time and label all items.

Please continue using extra caution when dropping off and picking up your child. The sidewalk and parking lots can be slippery. Please make sure to slow down, look, and take a few extra minutes for the safety of all. If you drop your child off in the morning on either the North or South lot, make sure to pull up to the sidewalk as far forward as possible, and let your child off on the sidewalk side. As a courtesy to others, please do not park or get out of your vehicle. The safety of all of our children is of utmost importance. Thank you for your cooperation!

Please continue to call the office and keep your child home if s/he does not feel well - we know that cold and flu season is around the corner, and hope everyone is able to stay as healthy as possible!

Every now and then we have a situation that needs an adult team to move quickly on. This year, we have had a couple of medical situations. Please know that due to confidentiality, we will contain all communication with the families and/or grade levels involved. Please know that if something happened that we would deem necessary to communicate with all elementary families, we certainly would! We appreciate your understanding with how we keep everyone as safe as possible here at WSES!

We have had some WONDERFUL Parent Advisory and PTO meetings in the last couple of months! Our next meetings will be held here at the LMC on Thursday, December 2, at 6pm and 6:30pm. Our Parent Advisory will begin to include some great information on raising capable, grateful kids, and I am excited to share some great information! The PTO is in full-force with their pie and winter gear sales, and they have a GREAT leadership team transitioning in this year - our potential is endless, and I am so appreciative of these partnerships!!

On behalf of the West Salem Elementary staff, I want to wish all of our families a safe and joyous holiday season! We all have a great deal to be thankful for every day, and I am thankful for the opportunity to be able to work with our wonderful staff, your children, and you on a daily basis! West Salem is a wonderful community, and I am grateful to help serve the staff, students, and families!

- Tami Bagstad, Principal

NO SCHOOL
HOLIDAY BREAK

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24 -
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2021

SCHOOL RESUMES ON MONDAY,
JANUARY 3RD, 2022

Kindergarten Registration
2022-2023

If you have a student who will be five years old by September 1, 2022 and your child **does not attend** our 4K program, please contact the elementary school office at 608-786-1662 to pre-register.

All current 4K students will automatically receive a kindergarten packet.

Absences

Parents are requested to call the school between 7:30am and 8:30am whenever a child will be absent from school. You may also leave a detailed voice mail message before 7:30am. If we do not receive a call, the school office will contact you. This is done for the safety of your child, as we, along with you, need to be assured that your child is either at home or school.



Four-Year-Old Kindergarten
Registration/Screening

Mark your calendars now! 4K registration will take place in the evening on Tuesday, March 1 and Thursday, March 3. If you have a student who will be four years old by September 1, 2022 please join us.

Additional information will be shared as we get closer.

Contact the elementary office at 786-1662 to register prior to the event.

Holiday 4K Event

December 13th
6pm

4K students will meet at Village Park, kids will sing a song or two in the gazebo. Then we will walk around the block and check out Christmas lights. We will be collecting new socks and new mittens for local families.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

School District of West Salem

April 5, 2022

An election is to be held in the School District of West Salem, on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>
School Board Member	Sean Gavaghan
School Board Member	Tom Grosskopf
School Board Member	Ken Schlimgen

The term of office for school board member is three years beginning on Monday, April 25, 2022. A description of the school district boundaries can be obtained from the school district office.

A Campaign Registration Statement and a Declaration of Candidacy, must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, in the office of the school district clerk. The office of the school district clerk is located at 405 East Hamlin Street, West Salem, WI 54669

If a primary election is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2022.

A description of the school district boundaries can be obtained from the school district office.

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

Done in the Village of West Salem on November 8, 2021

Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk

**Please ask your child to check
our lost and found during the
month of December.
During Christmas break, all lost
and found items will be bagged
up and donated to Goodwill.
Thanks!**

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Thank you for sending in your pop tops in October! WSES collected 119 pounds to benefit the Ronald McDonald House of Madison! We will keep a container at the elementary school if you have more to bring in over the next few months! Thank you WSES families!

