

West Salem Elementary School

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OCTOBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



My Favorite Color is October!

Fall is a special time of the year in the Coulee Region. Please take the time to enjoy the weather, the scenery, and time with family and friends.

October is "Parent-Teacher Conference Month" here at the elementary school. Conference dates are Tuesday, October 18th and Thursday, October 20th. Conference times can be scheduled through [Skyward Family Access](#) starting October 4th. Those of you who discovered virtual conferences during the pandemic and wish to continue this practice can still do so. Simply email your child's teacher after you have set up a time and let them know you would like the conference to be virtual.

The change in season offers a good time for health and safety reminders including the need to monitor the "cold and flu season" and to remind your child of the importance of washing their hands and covering their cough. A silver lining of the COVID-19 pandemic may be a re-emphasis on personal hygiene and a cultural acceptance for wearing masks. Stay safe!

Please take note of the "Calendar of Events" included in this newsletter. This time of year includes a number of trips and schedule changes. It never hurts to double check.

Finally, we offer our appreciation to our students, parents, and staff for a wonderful start to the school year. West Salem Elementary School is a remarkable place due to our dedicated and talented staff members, superstar students, and wonderful families. Thank you all for making every day a great day to be a Panther!

Troy Gunderson, Co-Interim Principal
Roger Fruit, Co-interim Principal
Charlie Alexander, Associate Principal



REMINDER.... EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

Please remember to keep the office informed of any changes in your contact information as soon as possible. It is important for us to be able to contact you in the event of an emergency.

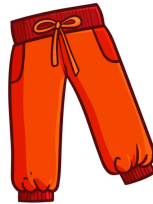
Late Students

Students entering the building after 8:00am will need a pass to head to class. Late students should be accompanied to the office by a parent or sent in with a note stating the reason for being late. If your child is going to be late, please call ahead and notify the office personnel.

Thanks for your cooperation!

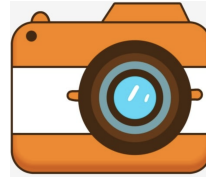
Accidents happen and when they do, children do often need to change their clothing. It is always a good idea to have an extra set of clothing packed in your child's backpack in case an accident should happen. The nurse's office appreciates any donated clothing. We are especially low on socks, boys and girls underwear (size 4T-8) and pants size 4T-10 (kids love elastic waist bands).

Thanks in advance for your help!!



Now that fall is upon us, temperatures can swing quickly. Please have your child dress for changing conditions. When temps are below 50 degrees, make sure your child comes dressed in layers including pants and long sleeves. Also, **PLEASE LABEL** your child's coat/hat/gloves/etc. Hundreds of items get donated at the end of the season because they are not claimed or labeled.

PICTURE RETAKE DAY



WILL BE HELD ON
TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 4th

NEWS FROM PE

Family PE Week is Oct. 3-7th. Look for information to be sent home with students.



The Walking School Bus will resume this year!
Our goal is to get students to walk to school.

Here are the basics of our Walking School Bus:

There will be 4 walks scheduled this fall
Oct 7 & 14 and Nov 4 & 11 (FRIDAYS)

We will meet on the corner of Tilson and Hamlin Streets at 7:20am. Parents are free to drop off their walkers or join us for the walk.

The walk begins promptly at **7:30am**.

*There is an additional walk on **Wednesday, October 12**, which is **National Walk to School Day**.*

Students who participate receive a Walking School Bus punch card and can earn prizes based on their participation.

October 7, our special guests are The WSHS Marching Panthers, Drum Majors, and the Panther!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at tischler.amy@wsalem.k12.wi.us

**EARLY RELEASE DATE FOR
OCTOBER**

October 12
Students are dismissed at 12:20,
Buses leave at 12:30

**NO SCHOOL DATES FOR
OCTOBER**

October 21
October 28

Office hours are
7:15am to 4:00pm.
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NOTICE FOR ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

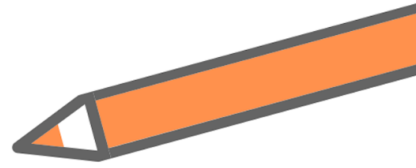
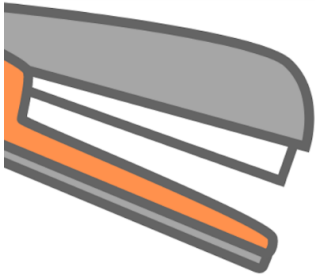
Notice is hereby given to qualified electors of the School District of West Salem, that the Annual Meeting of said District for the transaction of business will be held in the Marie W. Heider Meeting Room at 405 East Hamlin Street, West Salem, Wisconsin on the 24th day of October, 2022 at 6:30pm.

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the School District of West Salem that the Budget Hearing will be held in the Marie W. Heider Meeting Room, 405 East Hamlin Street, West Salem, Wisconsin on the 24th day of October, 2022, at 6:00pm. Detailed copies of the budget are available for inspection in the District's office, 405 East Hamlin Street, West Salem, Wisconsin from 7:30am – 3:0pm.

Please find all school menus and other school nutrition items on the [School Nutrition Website](#).

October 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	ES - Day 5	ES - Day 1	ES - Day 2	ES - Day 3	ES - Day 4	
	ES - Family PE Week	ES - Family PE Week	ES - Family PE Week	ES - Family PE Week	ES - Family PE Week	
	ES - Gr1 to the OEC	ES - Picture Retake Day	ES - Gr1 to the OEC		ES - Walking School Bus	
		ES - Gr1 to the OEC				
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	ES - Day 5	ES - Day 1	EARLY RELEASE	ES - Day 3	ES - Day 4	
			ES - Day 2	PTO Meeting	ES - Walking School Bus	
			ES - Early Release			
			ES - Walking School Bus			
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	ES - Day 5	ES - Day 1	ES - 4K to the corn maze	ES - Day 3	ES - NO SCHOOL	
	ES - KDG to the OEC	ES - Parent Teacher Conferences	ES - Day 2	ES - Parent Teacher Conferences	NO SCHOOL	
		ES - KDG to the OEC	ES - KDG to the OEC			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	ES - Day 4	ES - Day 5	ES - Day 1	ES - Day 2	ES - NO SCHOOL	
		ES - KDG to the Corn Maze	ES - Gr2 to the OEC	ES - Gr2 to the OEC		
			ES - KDG to the Corn Maze	ES - KDG to the Corn Maze		
				ES - 4k Outreach		
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
	ES - Day 3					



WEST SALEM ELEMENTARY PTO

MONTHLY MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

This month we'll be discussing several upcoming events happening in November.

October 13, 2022 | 6:30 PM
Elementary School LMC

Zoom option available, email the PTO for the link
westsalemppto@wsalem.k12.wi.us

Can't wait to see you!



CAMP READ-A-LOT

November 17, 2022
5-7 p.m.

West Salem Elementary School



YOU ARE INVITED TO AN EVENING OF
CAMPING THEMED FUN AS WE
CELEBRATE LITERACY AT
WEST SALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS
PORTION OF THE PAGE TO YOUR CHILD'S
TEACHER IF YOU PLAN TO JOIN US!

Student Name(s):

Grade Level(s):

4K K 1 2 3 4

Number of Family
Members attending:

