

Community Consolidated School District 46



Park School Campus/East & West

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Dear Park School Campus Parents and Guardians,

Our goal is for all students to achieve high academic standards within a safe learning environment. As fall begins, we would like to review our safety policies and procedures.

At the start of the school day, the doors at Park are locked and each person entering the school must go through the front office. As adults enter our facility and pass through our school office, we will be scanning photo ID's and printing a photo visitor's badge. Please bring a photo ID every time you visit our school. This safety system has been instituted in each of our district's schools and adds another layer of security for our students, parents, and staff. If you are volunteering, please allow a few extra minutes. All school personnel wear an identification badge and are instructed to ask for identification from any unknown person on school property.

Evacuation, Shelter in Place (severe weather), and lock down drills and procedures are practiced throughout the year for a variety of purposes. Not only are we teaching students how to respond in an emergency, we are also putting ourselves in various problem-solving situations. Every time we have a drill, we are assessing our system to make sure it works under as many circumstances as possible.

As part of Park's emergency plan review, we want to be certain we have your most current information, including working home, business and mobile phone numbers. If this information has changed since the beginning of the year, please update it. You may do so by calling or sending a note to the school office.

Parents can also play an important role in creating school safety by talking to children about what to do in the event of a crisis. Even the youngest children should be taught to follow instructions and to stay calm in an emergency situation. All families should have their own safety plan, which includes contact phone numbers and reunion locations. Additionally, please be careful driving to and from school. It is important that all drivers are patient during arrival and dismissal times for the safety of our students.

While it is a fact that students and staff are safer in public schools throughout the country than in most any other location, we all must continue to be vigilant and make student safety our number one priority. We all hope that our emergency plans will never be needed, but we wanted to let you know that we have plans in place should they be necessary. As always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Matt Melamed

David Dinsmore

Visit us on the web @ <http://ww2.d46.org/school-pc.asp>

Park School Campus Notes / Activities November 11, 2016



Student Arrival:

We want to remind students and parents that we open our school doors at 8:30am. We will be encouraging all students to come to school after 8:30am as we do not have supervision before school. At 8:35, the doors to the academic wing are opened and students are permitted to head to class. Thank you for your assistance.

Yearbooks:

Online Yearbook ordering information is now on our school website. We are encouraging as many parents as possible to use the on-line ordering feature as it will allow us to better track student orders. Yearbooks will cost \$18 per copy until December 18, 2015. The cost will increase to \$20 per copy after 12/18. Please order by clicking on the following link:

<http://jostensyearbooks.com?REF=A01102972>

Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) Assemblies:

On Tuesday, 11/22, Park Campus will be hosting the Trimester 1 Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) Assemblies. These assemblies are held each trimester to celebrate positive behavior throughout the school. This trimester, students will be divided into two groups, K-4 and 5-8, to play a variety of age appropriate games. Participants will be selected using Paw Prints earned throughout the first trimester. If you are available, please feel free to join us for the event. The K-4 assembly will take place from 9:00-10:00am and the 5-8 assembly will be from 10:15-11:15am.

K-4th Grade Recess Reminder:

As the weather gets colder, please make sure your children have: hats, gloves, snow pants, boots, and winter coats. As weather permits, we will have outdoor recess. The blacktop provides an area for students to play that are not dressed for the snow. We will be outside for recess unless the wind chill drops below zero degrees.

Mitten Tree:

With the holidays approaching, this time of year can be very difficult for a number of families. The Park Campus Mitten Tree will be up soon. If you wish to help a family in need, please consider picking up a mitten or send a note with your child as to how many mittens they should bring home. All mittens should be returned with a new, wrapped gift to the Park School office with the mitten attached (no other tag) by Friday, December 9, 2016.

Gifts for Park school aged children and younger can be picked up at Park Campus Thursday, December 16 and Friday, December 17.

Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity!

Park School Calendar of Events:

- Nov. 11 – Last Day of the Fall Walking School Bus
- Nov. 14 – 6th Boys Basketball @ Emmons – 4pm
7/8th Boys Basketball @ Alden Hebron – 4pm
- Nov. 15 – 6th Boys Basketball @ Gavin South – 4pm
7/8th Boys Basketball vs Emmons – 4pm
- Nov. 16 – Student Council Meeting until 4pm
D46 Board of Education Meeting – 6:30pm Park School
- Nov. 17 – 7/8th Boys Basketball vs. Prairie Crossing – 4pm
- Nov. 18 – Last Day of 1st Trimester
- Nov. 18-20 – 7/8th Boys Basketball Tournament – Emmons School
- Nov. 21 – Fifth Grade Epilepsy Presentation – 2:15pm
7/8th Boys Basketball vs. Gavin South – 4pm
- Nov. 22 – ½ Day Student Attendance – 11:45am Dismissal
PM Kindergarten Attends
PBIS Assembly K-4 – 9am
PBIS Assembly 5-8 – 10:15am
- Nov. 23-25 – Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 28 – School Resumes
6th Grade Boys Basketball vs. Gavin South – 4pm
7/8th Grade Boys Basketball at Grayslake Middle School – 4pm
- Nov. 29 – 6th Grade Boys Basketball vs. Harrison – 4pm
7/8th Grade Boys Basketball at Big Hollow – 4pm
- Nov. 29 -- Dec. 2 – Holiday Shop – Open during student lunches
- Dec. 1 – Boys Basketball vs. Grass Lake – 4pm
PTO Winter Wonderland – 6pm
- Dec. 2 – Friday Night Out – Grades 6-8 – 7-9pm
- Dec. 5 – Boys Basketball vs. Fox Lake Stanton – 4pm
- Dec. 7 – Boys Basketball at North Prairie – 4pm
- Dec. 8 – PTO Birthday Breakfast – 8:50am
Cheerleading Expo – 5pm
- Dec. 9 – 8th Gr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Gavin South
- Dec. 10 – 7th Gr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Big Hollow
- Dec. 12 – 8th Gr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Gavin South
- Dec. 13 – 7th Gr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Big Hollow
- Dec. 14 – Late Arrival – School begins at 10:05am
8th Gr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Gavin South

Park School Calendar of Events (con't):

Dec. 15 – Trimester 1 Report Cards Sent Home

7th Gr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Big Hollow

Dec. 16 – 8th Gr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Gavin South

Dec. 19 -- Jan. 2 – Winter Break

Jan. 3 – School Resumes

Musical Information Meeting – MPR – 3:30pm

Jan. 4 – PTO Meeting – Media Center – 6pm

GCHS Freshman Orientation – TBD

Park School's
Cool Tool
of the Month

November's
Cool Tool
is...

Self-
Control

Patience!

Stay
composed!

Will Power!



Taking
Turns!

Self-
Discipline!