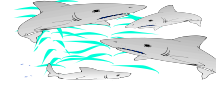
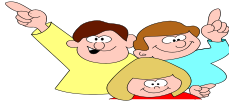


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Nelson Family Newsletter



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Michael Mitchener, Principal August News Wed., August 22, 2018

Academic Achievement Priority #1



Upcoming Events



Thurs. Aug. 23---First Day of Pre-School

Thurs. Aug. 23---Scout Leaders around to Classrooms for Boys & Girls

Mon. Sept. 3---Labor Day No School

Fri. Sept. 7---Nelson Fall Picture Day

Mon. Sept. 17---Nelson "Body Venture" Set Up

Mon. Sept. 17---7:00 p.m. B.O.E. Mtg.

Tues. Sept. 18---Nelson "Body Venture" in the Gym

Fri. Sept. 21---2:00 p.m. C.H.S. Homecoming Parade

Fri. Sept. 28---In-Service Day / No School

Thurs. Sept. 13---6:30 p.m. General P.T.A. Mtg. in the Media Center



School Hours



-School is in session from 8:25 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. for grades K-5. Pre-K Half Day students attend from 8:25 a.m. to 11:25 a.m. for the morning and 12:50 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. for the afternoon session. We ask that any students who arrive prior to 7:55 a.m. or must stay after 3:50 p.m. be signed up with the HAC Latchkey Program.



Please Notify The School...

Please remember to call the office when your student will not be in school because of illness or appointments by 8:50 a.m.. Our phone number is 554-2273. Also, please have your child sign in the office if they arrive after 8:25 a.m. In the afternoon, if you have a special message for your child, please use the notification system given to you by your classroom teacher to notify us by 3:15 p.m. to assure all messages get delivered before school is let out. We will again be utilizing an attendance recognition program to help keep our attendance up. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly needed and appreciated.

Wednesday Folders-We will be sending all regular weekly communications home in **Wednesday Folders**. Please be sure to check the contents of the folder each week, sign that you have viewed them, and then return the folder promptly on Thursday. The exception to this is Pre-School which sends the folders home on Thursday. If you represent an organization which may be sending notes home with students, please be sure these notes are approved for distribution by the central office and that they arrive at school before Monday to be sent home on a Wednesday.

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Safety Drills



-As you may know, our safety drills this year will look different from previous years. We will now have nine Crisis drills including at least one Intruder in addition to four Fire and three Tornado drills. As always, safety is **first** and foremost at Nelson School. Several special programs will be conducted during the year in this behalf. Staff and students regularly review procedures for emergency drills. Parents were given at Open House an overview of our District "Standard Response Protocol." If you have any questions about these, please visit with us.



Great Start-We are off to a GREAT START thanks to our great pupils, parents, and professional staff. We are now right at 489 students and look forward to a fantastic year!



Volunteer Back Ground Checks-We want to remind you that we need to have **Back Ground Checks** on all volunteers that may be working in the building or will be going on field trips, etc. this year. If it has been over 2 years since submitting an application, you will need to resubmit. This is just a standard procedure and helps secure the safety of all of our Nelson Students. If you will be volunteering this year, please pick up a Back Ground Check, complete, and return this to the teacher or office promptly. Please do not wait until the day before an activity to turn them in, as processing sometimes takes several days. We would like to have as many of these as possible by mid-September. Your help in this important matter is appreciated.



No School Reminder-Parents, this is just a reminder that school will not be in session **Monday, Sept. 3 for the Labor Day Holiday.** We wish you a fun time with family and friends.



Picture Day Sept. 7



-This is to make you aware, that Fall Individual Picture Day is **Friday, September 7.** Individual pictures will be taken starting at 8:00 a.m. in the gym. At 8:30, we will start with the lower grades and work up. We will be sending home picture envelopes soon. As a reminder, these pictures have to be paid for in advance if you so desire to have them.



Health Checks / Screenings this Year-USD 261 will be providing a free dental screening to all students enrolled Pre-K-5th during the school year. All students will have their vision and hearing screened during the school year. The screening will be provided at the school and will be at no charge. Should you have any questions or concerns about the screening or would prefer that your child not be screened; you can contact the school or school nurse at 554-2273. Results of the screening will be sent home by the end of the school year and should a concern be identified at the time of testing the school nurse will contact the parents.

Dental Screenings: October 9 Basic with Health Dept. and Dec. 4 with Extended Care Clinic

Hearing & Vision Screenings: October 8, 10, 11, 26-Recheck &

April 15 for New Students

5th Grade Maturity Education in Halstead: November 5

Exclusion Dates if immunizations are not current / Appt. not accepted:

Oct. 17, December 19, and March 7



Nelson P.T.A. Meeting Thursday

Sept. 13-We will be

having a General P.T.A. meeting on **Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center.** We will plan to see all of those who can come out and be a part of this important group.



Site Council Mtgs.-We encourage parents to be actively involved in the education of their child /children. An opportunity to do this, in addition to the P.T.A., is by serving on our Site Council. **The Site Council** is an advisory group that meets the first Wednesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Media Center. We will start our meetings in October. Learn more about “Your School” and participate in the important decision making processes.



Welcome New Nelson Staff

We would like to welcome our new Nelson Staff. We say a GREAT BIG WELCOME:

Casey Alderson—Fourth Grade Teacher
Angela Boese—Media Center
Danica Burke—Psychologist
Katherine Clark-Brooks—First Grade
Amanda Elder—Vocal Music
Veronica Ziegler—LD Para with Deb.

We are glad you are a part of our Nelson Family!!!

FAMILY RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT-

Release of Directory Information

If you do not want Haysville USD 261 to disclose directory information from your child’s education records, you must notify the District in writing by September 12, 2018 or within two weeks of enrolling your child. If at any point in the school year, you change your mind about disclosure of information, you must follow the notification procedures listed here.

Please send such notification to: Liz Hames, Communications Director, 1745 W. Grand, Haysville, KS 67060 AND to the principal of your child’s school. If a written notification of refusal to release directory information is not received by the District, USD 261 assumes there is no objection to the release of the directory information as designated.





Check out the District's Web. / Yearly Calendar/ Social

Media-For your convenience, the Haysville School District has a great website which is easily navigated for parent and student information. Please take time to check out the district's website and blog at <http://www.usd261.com>. We are very pleased with the district website and hope you take advantage of this avenue of communication. The district event calendar can also be accessed on the Haysville website. You should now have passwords to access student information such as grades, specific assignments and messages from teachers through a program called Power School. You will want to check out our Facebook and Twitter district sites at www.facebook.com/haysvillepublicschools, and www.twitter.com/usd261. Please take advantage of these opportunities.



Drive Procedures

We are very fortunate to have our drive area in the front of Nelson. If everyone follows a few basic guidelines it will help keep the kids safe, keep everyone from being ticketed, and / or the removal of vehicles. We respectfully ask your help in noting the following:

1. Please do not park in the crosswalk areas or utilize the handicap parking except for what it is intended.
2. The drive is one way—2 lanes going from the North to the South. Please follow the arrows and signs.
3. The drive is only a loading and unloading area for students (Not Parking--it is a Fire Zone.)
4. All loading or unloading should be done on the right side / building side.
5. We do have parking spaces designated as visitor parking at the very front of the building which can be used to drop off and pick up students as well.

If you have any questions about these, please ask. Thanks ahead of time for helping us keep our kids safe. We will have staff out front to give friendly reminders to help in this endeavor.

(Cut out and Send back if so desired)

To help in being environmentally friendly and to be cost effective, we will again this year be limiting school newspaper copies. The newsletters and other Nelson news are currently available online at the district website: www.usd261.com. If you do not have access to information online and would like to continue receiving paper copies of monthly newsletters, please complete the form below and return it to the school **by Wednesday, August 29, 2018.**

Please send paper copies of newsletter home with my child _____
(Teacher / Grade) _____ (Parent's Name) _____

