Background Checks: Visitors to school that want to visit classrooms or eat lunch or breakfast in the lunchroom must have a background check done and on file. Parent Chaperones must also have a background check and sign a Chaperone Policy Agreement before you can be allowed to be with students. If you need to complete a background check form—please visit our office.

Attendance - It is very important that your children come to school every day on time and ready to learn. Important instruction takes place at the start of each and every day. Please remember to call the office when your child is sick or tardy. If tardy please tell us if your child needs a hot lunch. The order is placed at 8:45 so if you call after that—you will have to provide a cold lunch. The office number is 359-6319.

Special points of interest:
- Breakfast begins at 7:35 in the morning. There is no supervision provided for students that arrive before that time. So please do not send your child to school too early in the morning. We want everyone to be safe. Breakfast closes at 8:00. Please make sure your child arrives with enough time to eat and leave the lunchroom by 8:05.

Principal’s Message

Dear Parents,

We are a PBIS school—Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports. The students call it Positive Behavior in School. We are teaching our students to Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be Safe. You may hear your child talking about earning feathers at school. When other adults in the building notice a classroom exhibiting these behaviors, they award the class with a Falcon Feather. When the class earns 15 feathers they enjoy a reward of their choosing. Many have already enjoyed such activities as extra recess, a treat, stuffed animal day, show and tell day or a pizza party. It is a positive way to acknowledge their positive behavior at school. At the same time we are teaching problem solving skills and appropriate responses to behaviors that occur at school. If you have any questions or want to know more about PBIS—check out the website PBIS.org or ask your child’s teacher.

If you ever have any questions or concerns please contact me at 359-6319. I am always willing to listen and address your questions or concerns.

Luanne Rohde, Principal

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Please stop in the office to sign in when you come to school. This is a safety measure for all to follow. We want to ensure that your children are safe at school. We appreciate your help in making that happen.

- Playground supervision begins at 7:55 in the morning and ends at 3:20 in the afternoon.

News to Note: October

Oct. 7—Conference Slips and Midquarter Reports go home
Oct. 9—FPSA Action Territory Night
Oct. 12—Picture Retake Day
Oct. 13—Fire Safety House
Oct. 14—Chess Club
Oct. 16—FPSA Fall Festival
Oct. 21—Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30–6:30 PM
Oct 22—Parent/Teacher Conferences—Student dismissal at 12:00 today.
Oct. 23—No School for students. Parent/Teacher Conferences 7:30 - 9:30 AM
Oct. 28—Chess Club
Oct. 29—5:30 - 7:00 pm Pumpkin Science for Prek-grade 2 students
Oct. 29—End of 1st Quarter
Oct. 30—No School for students

Our attendance goal is 95% this year. Please help us meet our goal! It is very important that your children come to school every day on time and ready to learn.

Students enter the building every day at 8:05. The tardy bell rings at 8:10. If your child is entering school after that they are tardy.

Please note that Fridays are counted as a full day of absence.
Fuel Up to Play and Walking Club

We are so happy to be back at Forest Park and offer our students another year of Fuel Up to Play activities. Fuel Up to Play is a program sponsored by the NFL and the Milk Marketing Board. The program asks kids to take a pledge to exercise for 60 minutes a day and eat healthy with a 2015 theme of Fueling Greatness. Two of our initiatives at Forest Park this year will be the Mighty Miler program and a Taste Testing day. The Mighty Miler program will meet in the gym on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 7:30 to 7:50 and during recess on Mondays. Running and walking will be outside as weather permits. The program encourages kids to walk or run and accumulate miles. As they reach mileage milestones, they will receive small incentives from the New York Road Runners running club. It’s a great way to start their day and get 60 minutes of exercise. Although all students are invited to participate in our activities, please go to FuelUpToPlay60.com to take the pledge and join us in making our school a healthier place to be. More to come on the Taste Test events and other Fuel Up to Play activities.

Thank you,
Mrs. Vanderford
Mrs. Myrum
Ms. O’Hara

Attendance News:

Did you know that students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to graduation?

Showing up to school has a huge impact on a student’s academic success starting in kindergarten and continuing through high school. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and on the job.

Elementary school is the place where children start to develop life long habits. We understand that it can be difficult at times to keep children on a schedule. However, not only do we find it critical that our children be on time and present in school, but it is also a state law. Parents of children ages 5-18 are required to send their child to school on time.

If your child cannot attend school for whatever reason, parents or legal guardians must contact the school’s main office and report the reason for the absence. If a call is not received your child will be marked truant.

If you need assistance or have a special concern regarding attendance, please contact the principal, Luanne Rohde, lrohde@kusd.edu or our school Social Worker, Barb Anderson, blanderso@kusd.edu at the school office number 262-359-6319.

Pick up and Drop off has been working smoothly.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in providing a safe environment for all students.

Please remember that dogs are not allowed on school property. This is to keep all students safe. Some students are allergic, some are afraid, and some may be over zealous and frighten the dog by their approach. This rule needs to be followed for these reasons. Thank you for complying with this important procedure.