

Weisenberg Elementary School Newsletter

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Mrs. Jill Berlet, Principal

Welcome To A New School Year!

Hello Parents & Guardians,

We are off to a great start of the 2023-2024 school year! It was so nice to see so many of you at Meet the Teacher Evening. Please take some time to read our newsletter each month as it contains details that relates to your child/ren and add our website link to your list of favorites, so you can visit it often as it is also a good source for information. <https://www.nwlehighsd.org/WEIS> . It is very important to remember to return your Back to School Checklist on your child's Sapphire portal. Please also read the [Back to School Packet](#) and refer to our [Student Parent Handbook](#) for information. Our district Facebook page and the Weisenberg PTO Facebook pages are also good sources of information.

Our outstanding staff of educators has so much planned for our students in our upcoming months. We look forward to partnering with you for a great school year!

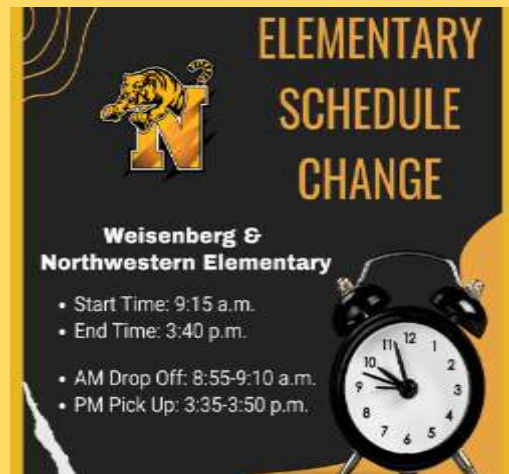
Sincerely,

Mrs. Berlet

#TigerPride

[WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL PACKET 2023-2024](#)

[District School Calendar](#)



VOLUNTEER



There are many opportunities to volunteer at Weisenberg Elementary in the classrooms, at events and as part of our [PTO](#). We appreciate our volunteers! If you would like to volunteer during the 23-24 school year, please visit this [link](#) on our website for more information on obtaining and submitting your clearances. Clearances are free to volunteers in PA and are required by our district. Clearances need to be renewed every five years.




Fall Picture Day
Tuesday, September 12th

Your child/ren's picture day is Tuesday, September 12th. Paperwork will come home next week.

To place an order, visit Dan's

Camera at www.danscamera.com/pictureday

Access order code: WEIF23

All orders are done online this year.

PARENT PICK-UP NOTIFICATION

If you plan to pick up your child from school, please send in a note to the teacher. Please only call to pick up your child if it is an emergency to avoid possible error & disruption to school instruction.

Thank you in advance for cooperation.



ATTENDANCE LINE

If a student is absent from school, parents are requested to either email weisoffice@nwlehighsd.org or telephone the school at 610-298-8661 x5110 before 9:15 AM on the day(s) their child is not in school to report that their child will be absent that day. If your child has been out for 2 or more days, homework may also be requested at this time. (The telephone call will **not** eliminate the need for written excuses for student absences.)

School Breakfast & Lunch Prices

Student Lunch \$2.90

Student Breakfast FREE

See our menu on the Food Service

Website. [website](http://www.weisenberg.org/foodservice)



Weisenberg
Roars!
Respect
Responsibility
Ready

Check out the Weisenberg Music Page on our website to save the date for upcoming Music events!

[Music Page](#)

~ Ms. Brazinski
~ Mrs. Krum
~ Mrs. Gacesa

Ms. Brazinski is our short term substitute for Mrs. Gacesa who is home for a bit longer with her baby!

~ Art reminder ~

Please send your child in on his/her art day with clothing that are dark colored or older. Smocks are provided in the art room, but sometimes accidents happen.

Thank you!
Mrs. Sacco



Please, remember to have your child wear his/her sneakers and comfortable clothing on Physical Education day!

Thank you!
Mr. Klein





MTSS Information

Welcome back! Hope you enjoyed your summer! The MTSS team is looking forward to working with your child this year.

During the month of September, the classroom teachers and the MTSS (Multi-tiered Systems of Support) team will benchmark all students Kindergarten through Grade Five using our universal screening tools in Reading and Math. The following assessments will be used:

Reading	Math
DIBELS 8th Edition	Acadience Math
iReady	iReady

Students will also be assessed using classroom assessments.

Results of these assessments will be used to identify students who need additional support in Reading and Math. Reading and Math support will tentatively begin in October.

MTSS Team

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Character Trait for September Respect

Look for our bulletin board located in our lobby which will highlight different character traits each month. During the month of September, we will focus on Respect. Students will be encouraged to demonstrate respectful behaviors and one student from each classroom will be selected and their photograph will be displayed on the bulletin board. We look forward to a great school year!
~Mrs. Skalski

Weisenberg Library

Book Check Out

- Students will have the opportunity to check out new books every time they have library class as long as their "old" books are returned
- Return books the next library day or as soon as a student is finished with it

of Books to Check Out at a Time:

K, 1st, 2nd - 2 books
3rd, 4th, 5th - 3-5 books

Helpful Information

Schedule:

Our specials are on an A-D schedule this year. The schedule ensures that our students do not miss their specials if we have a long weekend or miss a day of school due to weather issues. A calendar of the A-D schedule is posted on the Weisenberg page of the district website.

Student Dismissal:

Student dismissal is 3:40 pm. **Any time you plan to pick up your child or have your child picked up by someone else, early or at the end of the day, a note to the teacher is necessary.** This allows us to prepare for the student's early departure and know where to send the student at the end of the day.

Students without notes telling us they will be picked up will ride the bus home. A call to the office should only be made in an emergency situation.

When your child needs to leave school early for an appointment, send a note to school that morning or earlier in the week with the following information:

- Name of child and teacher
- Name of adult who will pick up the child
- Time the child will be picked up
- Reason for leaving early
- If the child will be returning to school, the same day (this is to let us know whether or not to send homework with him/her.)

End of Day Dismissal: Enter the south parking area off Route 863, near the gymnasium. Park in "Visitor" marked spots. Enter the building through the white, side gymnasium door to sign out your child/ren. Please have Photo ID available. Pickup is at approximately 3:40.

Visitor Badges and Photo ID:

A district-wide procedure is in place for identifying visitors to our buildings. When you enter a district building for any reason, you will be asked to sign in to the building and provide picture ID. You will be signing in on a district iPad and a visitor tag will be given to you to be worn while you are in the building. You will sign out at the end of your visit.

Bus Safety:

Please review the Bus Discipline Code, which includes offenses and enforcement, with your child/ren. The policy can be found in the [Student/Parent Handbook](#). Proper bus behavior will insure bus privileges for the school year.

School Board Meetings:

School Board meetings are usually scheduled one Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Administrative Conference Room. Please see district calendar.

Parking:

When parking at Weisenberg, please remember, the numbered parking spots belong to staff members. If you are visiting, please use a spot marked "Visitor" in the front of the building or in the south lot.

Absences:

You are required to submit a written excuse for the legal absence of your child within three (3) school days from the date of the child's return to school. You may also enter your excuse on your Parent Portal account or send in a note. If your excuse is not received within 3 days, the absence will be marked unexcused. Whenever possible, please make medical appointments outside of school hours. Please remember to always send in a note when you need to pick your child up at school for an appointment or for end of the day private transportation. To avoid class interruption, please only call the office to arrange for private transportation when it is an emergency. [Educational Trip Forms are found at this link.](#)

Please see [Student Parent Handbook](#) for more details.

What's for Breakfast and Lunch today?

Welcome back to school and to the 2023-2024 school year:

- Elementary Schools serve a Grab N Go Breakfast every day in the school lobby which is FREE. Student school lunch price is \$2.90.
- Students retain their cafeteria PIN each year. Your students' cafeteria PIN is also their school student identification number.
- <https://www.schoolcafe.com/NWLSD> may be used by parents to create a free account to view their child's purchases and account balances.
- Deposits to cafeteria accounts may be made by either cash or checks made payable to NWLSD Cafeteria Please list your students name and pin number on the check or envelope. In addition, you may sign up at a <https://www.schoolcafe.com/NWLSD> to make a payment with a credit or debit card, have payments made electronically when balances are low, and also receive email notifications.
- Please visit <https://www.schoolcafe.com/NWLSD> to apply for Free/Reduced Lunch Prices

For additional details on any of the above items, please refer to the Food Service Department page of our District website at <https://www.nwlehighsd.org/domain/43>. If you have any questions concerning your child's account, please feel free to contact Mrs. Parodi at 610-298-8661, ext. 1255 or parodie@nwlehighsd.org.

FROM THE NURSE:

1. Teach your children to wash their hands often with soap and water. Remember that hand washing is still the best defense against illness!
Soap, water and RUB for the time it takes to sing the ABC song.
2. Teach your children not to share personal items-drinks, food and utensils.
3. Teach your children to cover their coughs and sneezes with the bend of their elbow, arm or sleeve. If using tissues, wash their hands after disposing of the tissue in the trashcan.
4. Know the signs and symptoms of the flu/COVID: fever (100.0) or greater, cough, sore throat, stuffy nose, body aches, headache, and feeling sick.
5. Keep children at home 24 hours AFTER they are fever free without fever-reducing medications.
6. **DO NOT SEND CHILDREN TO SCHOOL IF THEY ARE SICK.** Children who are determined sick at school will be sent home. Make arrangements now for childcare in the event of such an illness.

Thank you for helping us keep all students safe and healthy this school year!

