

New York Elementary

OCTOBER 2022

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Oct. 3 - Picture Day
- Oct. 3 - Garden Cub (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 4 - Chess Club (3:30-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 5 - Marathon Club (7:30-8a.m.)
- Oct. 5 - NY PTA Chiptole Fundraiser (4-8p.m./Mass St. Location)
- Oct. 7 - Student Leaders (3:05-4:15p.m.)
- Oct. 10 - Garden Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 11 - Chess Club (3:30-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 12 - Marathon Club (7:30-8a.m.)
- Oct. 13 - PTA Meeting (6:30-7:30p.m.)
- Oct. 14 - No School PreK-12th
- Oct. 17 - Garden Club (3:05-4:30p.m.) Last meeting for the Fall session
- Oct. 18 - Chess Club (3:30-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 19 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 20 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 20 - No School PreK-12
- Oct. 21 - No School PreK-12
- Oct. 24 - No School PreK-12
- Oct. 25 - Chess Club (3:30-4:30p.m.)

Upcoming Events

- Nov. 3 - PTA Meeting (6:30-7:30p.m.)
- Nov. 7 - Picture Day Retakes/Make-up
- Nov. 17 - Dental Clinic
- Nov. 21 thru Nov. 25 - No School/Fall Break



P/T CONFERENCE S

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be October 19 & 20. Please contact your student(s) teacher for more information if you do not see their sign-up link below.

Lara Hosek:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BA4AC2FA1F5C34-adultteacher>

Kensley Williamson:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AACAD2EABFEC52-fall>

Brittany Sowers:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AACAD2CA5FBC E9-parent>

Lisa Strauss:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F45AEAE2CA5FD0-fall>

Karen Branum:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AACAA2DA1FAC07-fall>

Amanda Kile:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f48ada62da0fec43-kile2>

Crystal Harris:

FALL PARTIES

Classrooms will be having Fall Parties on Monday, Oct. 31st from 2:15-2:45. Please watch for information coming from your student(s) teacher(s).

No costumes will be worn and no volunteers will be needed.

CONTACTING THE FRONT OFFICE

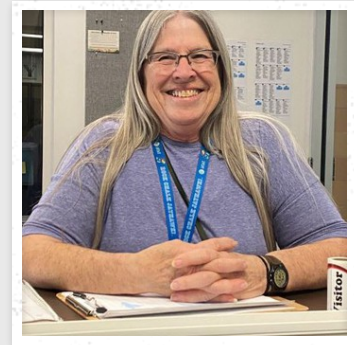
Please contact the office if your child(ren) will not be present for the day or will be in late. You may contact by email at alevings@usd497.org or by phone 785-832.5780. The beginning of the school day is extremely busy so you may leave a voicemail with your child(ren)'s names and the reason for the absence. If your child(ren) need to leave for an appointment please contact the office **AT LEAST 30 minutes** ahead of the pick-up time. If you have a change of plans for your child(ren) please contact the office **NO LATER than 2:30p.m. (or 1p.m. for Wednesdays early dismissal)**. The office staff will not be able to deliver messages after those times **UNLESS** it is in case of an emergency.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044FAEAC2BA7F85-45conferences>

MEET OUR NEW PARENT FACILITATOR

Hello!

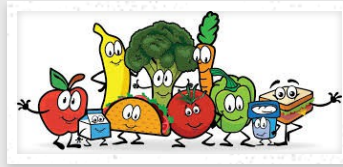
My name is Linda Kucza and I am your New York Parent Involvement Facilitator (PIF). My job is the BEST EVER! I get to help make sure your child has everything they need to be a successful learner here at New York! Ask me about school events, BackSnacks, our food pantries, services in our community, reading and math tips, and anything else you might need (like school supplies, winter coats, etc.). I'm here to help! If I don't know the answer to your question...I will find out for you!! Before taking the job as the PIF, I was New York's building substitute. I had just entered my eighth year of substitute teaching this fall when the opportunity to be the Parent Involvement Facilitator came up. Prior to working as a substitute, I was a teacher right here at New York Elementary. I taught 4th grade or Title Math until my retirement, at this very school!! When I am not working at New York, I stay busy with my two roommates, DaisyRona (Golden Retriever) and SnowPants (Siberian Husky). I also keep busy with family since my three children all live in Lawrence along with a lot of wonderful grandchildren and even GREAT-grandchildren!! I'm a lucky person to be able to extend my caring to the New York students and their families!! The people at this school have been my extended family for many years! Call me (785-832-5780) or stop by my office...it's the first door on your left as you enter our building. I hope to meet you soon!!





LOST AND FOUND

Please remind your child(ren) to check the lost and found for any items they are missing. We will have lost and found items out during conferences on the 19th and 20th. Any items not claimed by the end of conferences on the 20th will be donated.



OUTSIDE FOOD/COMPETITIVE FOOD RULES

Competitive food is any food or beverage service available to students that is separate and apart from the district's nonprofit federally reimbursed food service program. The school board has adopted the following policy. Fast Foods – Fast foods in the building detract from the emphasis placed upon the Child Nutrition Program and District Wellness Initiatives. The district encourages students to participate in the district's meal program. However, parents have the option to send food for breakfast or lunch if they prefer not to participate in the district's meal program. The district does not recommend students or parents bring fast foods to school; however, if fast foods are brought to school, they may not be in the original packaging.



LEARNING COMPACTS

Title 1 Learning Compact forms were sent home with students. Please make sure that you have yourself and your child(ren) sign the compact and return back to school. If you have any questions you may contact our PIF Linda Kucza.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Download the app Box Tops for Education to help out New York Elementary. Proceeds we receive go directly back into our classrooms for all students!

BOX TOPS EDUCATION **BOX TOPICS** OCTOBER 2022
Easy ways to make a difference for your school.

MONSTER CEREAL MADNESS SWEEPSTAKES

HALLOWEEN REFERRAL BOONUS

40 BOX TOPS FOR YOU... AND THEM.

One week only! Use the Box Tops app to refer friends to sign up for the Box Tops Rewards! Offer ends 10/31 and each referral earns 40 Bonus Box Tops for your school when they meet their Box Tops goal.

5 SCHOOLS WILL WIN 5,000 BONUS BOX TOPS!

They're here! Celebrate the return of these classic Halloween characters with a chance to win \$500 for your school this month. Scan your receipt to enter. Sweepstakes ends October 31, 2022.

DIGITAL RECEIPTS JUST GOT EASIER!

Now you can use the Box Tops app to scan digital receipts from the Box Tops Rewards! Offer ends 10/31 and each receipt earns 40 Bonus Box Tops for your school when they meet their Box Tops goal.

PLUS:

Earn an extra 5 Bonus Box Tops for your school when you buy any box of Wheaties™ Cereal from 9/28 through 10/31. See your school's Box Tops goal and more details.

GET THE BOX TOPS APP AND START GIVING NOW!

EARN CASH FOR SCHOOLS WITH BOX TOPS
TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

For over 25 years, Box Tops for Education has given families an easy way to earn for schools with products they already buy. Today, you can find thousands of participating products throughout the store – and all you need is the Box Tops app.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

BUY BOX TOPS PRODUCTS
Earn for schools with the brands you love.

SCAN YOUR RECEIPT
Use the Box Tops app to submit your receipt within 14 days of purchase.

EARN CASH FOR SCHOOLS
Box Tops products are identified and earnings are credited online.


ONLINE SHOPPERS CAN EARN WITH BOX TOPS, TOO!
Whether you order groceries for delivery or pickup, shop through your smart app, or request an email receipt at checkout, you can earn for your school no matter where you shop.

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT THE BOX TOPS APP AT BTE.COM

DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS APP? YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW!

THE BOX TOPS APP MAKES FALL GIVING EASY.

BUY **SCAN** **EARN**

The Carnival is back!

Please save the date for Nov. 20th, 2022, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Location: Gray-Little Hall – The University of Kansas

This **in-person** event will bring back favorites such as *SLIME*, *Oobleck*, and *WHOOSH*!

A special focus will be dedicated to *Fabulous Fibers: The Chemistry of Fabrics*

Please join us at the **2022 Carnival of Chemistry** for an afternoon filled with science and fun!

We look forward to seeing you!

For Details or Volunteering Contact - Dr. Jason Applegate; jca@ku.edu

UH OH!

There are some nasty **viruses** attacking
our Raspberry Pi!

Help us find and trap them all at...

KU Women In Computing

GIRLCODE

Saturday, October 22nd
from 1 pm - 3 pm
in LEEP2 room G415
KU School of Engineering

Questions? Email **alexism.ng@ku.edu**

To sign up...
scan the QR code
OR
follow this link: <https://tinyurl.com/tyycrc52>

COVID-19 PREVENTION

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment updated their guidance related to COVID-19. Lawrence Public Schools has aligned its prevention measures to the updated federal and state guidance. Review the district guidelines for [students](#) and [school staff](#). The district encourages COVID-19 vaccination for all who are eligible and able. Please continue to practice and encourage healthy habits, including frequent and thorough handwashing and monitoring yourself and family members for symptoms. When ill, stay home and access at-home COVID-19 testing.

At-Home Covid-19 tests, or "over the counter" (OTC) tests can detect current Covid-19 infections and give results within a few minutes. You should test yourself if you have symptoms, have been exposed to Covid-19, or are attending a large indoor event.

How to Get an At-Home Covid-19 Test

- Order free tests at [COVIDtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov).
- Order free tests at <https://www.accesscovidtests.org/>.
- If insured, visit any pharmacy to see if you qualify for 8 free OTC tests per month through your insurance (insurance card required).



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