

## **Dear Weller Families,**

Thank you so much for your support of your child's learning and growth at Weller. Bringing your child to school each day ready to learn and make friends contributes to their future success in life. Daily attendance and arriving on time for school matters so much for them. We are grateful for your continued efforts.



Weller continues to rely on our parents to fulfill our Substitute Teacher positions. If you are interested in supporting our school by becoming a substitute teacher, please fill out an application online. We sincerely appreciate all that you do to support our school. We can't do it without you.

We're excited to invite you to the Fall Carnival on October 14th from 1 pm-4 pm here at Weller Elementary. We hope to see many Weller families enjoy this fun PTA-sponsored event. All children must be accompanied by an adult to attend. Please remember you may not park anywhere on the curb that is marked in red. This is for emergency vehicles only and must be left unobstructed during the Carnival.

We are looking forward to sharing with you how your child is progressing during Parent Teacher Conferences at the end of the month. Conferences are on Monday, October 30th and Tuesday, October 31st. Parents will be able to schedule their 20-minute conference times through their Parent Powerschool starting October 23rd.

When you come for Parent Teacher Conferences, please check out the Lost and Found. It is *overflowing*. We have jackets, sweaters, school shoes. . . . the works. Labeling your child's things helps us a lot when they have left their belongings behind. Additionally, please make sure that they are coming to school with the right gear for the conditions. We are moving into the time of year

that requires winter jackets, snow pants, mittens, hats, winter boots, and soon, neck warmers. If you need help acquiring the appropriate gear, please let us know, we would like to support you and keep your child playing joyfully outside during recess up to -20.

Please mark your calendars for NO SCHOOL on Parent Teacher Conference Days, October 30th and 31st. Also, be sure to stay tuned for Bake for Good coming in early November. This is one of our annual service projects: baking bread for the Food Bank. We are planning on a canned food drive later this year, too!

Wishing you the very best in the weeks ahead. Please let us know how we can be of any assistance to you and your child. I am so grateful to be a member of the Weller School Community. It is a gift to be on TEAM WELLER!

Sincerely, Mrs. Kelly C. Thrun Principal Weller Elementary School

## **IT'S CARNIVAL TIME!!**

**Purchase Carnival Game Tickets Here** 



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**



# PTA MEETING Tuesday, Oct. 3rd @ 5:30 Meeting will focus on carnival planning. Hope to see you there!



~~~ October 30-31~~~

No School during conference days



~~~ October 22 -31~~~
Scholastic and UsBorne books will be sold.



You will only be successful at school if you attend school. Our aspiration is for everyone at Weller Elementary School to attend for more than 95% of the year. If your attendance is 95% or below then you will fall behind. Days off add up to lost learning. Even if your attendance is at 95% this will mean that you have missed 40 lessons in one year – the equivalent of 8 full days of lessons.

| 95% | = | 40 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days      |
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| 90% | = | 80 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR<br>16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 days |
| 85% | = | 120 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days   |
| 80% | = | 160 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days   |

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?

BE SMART BE THERE! Percentages based on 190 academic days

ANNIVERSARY SPIRITWEAR AVAILABLE



## 40th Anniversary T-Shirts and Sweatshirts Now Available

Our 40th anniversary shirts and hoodies are now available to purchase using the links below! They will be ready to pick up each Thursday before and after school once you have completed your order. *Please note the graphic on all youth sizes have the smaller graphic as shown in the photo on the right..* 

T-SHIRTS
SWEATSHIRTS

## **PICTURE RETAKES ARE OCT. 13**



During the first hour of school

If you missed picture day or would like a retake come see us!

Please bring any previously ordered picture packets with you so we can replace them.

For New Orders Use Retake Code:

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www.northskyphotographystudio.com

Order Online:







#### WELLER SCHOOL COLD WEATHER POLICY

We want students to be safe when they are at school. Because all Weller students get to enjoy outside recess until the temperature reaches 20 degrees below zero or if there are other factors that make it safer to stay inside, it is important that students arrive at school each day prepared for cold weather.

#### Students MUST be prepared for:

- Outside Recess
- Fire Drills (at all temperatures)
  - Bus breakdowns
- Unscheduled outside breaks and learning experiences

#### Students need the following gear when the temperature outside is:

#### Above Freezing (32 Degrees +):

- Jacket or Sweatshirt
- Hat if "breezy"
  - Boots if "slushy"



## STEAM CHALLENGE

## October: Create a working candy corn catapult

Materials you can use:

Candy Corn

Any materials you can find to use and a spoon for the launcher

## Work on your STEAM project at home!

When your project is completed, ask your grownup to send a picture of you and your candy corn catapult, your name, school, grade, and tell how you created your project to

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to display on your school's STEAM bulletin board and if selected, your picture could be put in the FNSBSD STEAM Ahead monthly newsletter!

Brought to Anderson Crawford Elem., Hunter Elem., Midnight Sun Elem., and North Pole Elem. by the DoDEA Stealth Sciences grant



Many wonderful businesses, community organizations, and individuals give financial and in-kind donations to schools in support of students. We're happy to share that those who Partner with FNSBSD will be recognized on the district website, on the district's social media, and at school board meetings. Your support of students matters and we want to say THANK YOU!

## Do you have concerns about your child's development?

Early Detection is very important and there are resources available.

he sooner a delay in development is discovered, the ooner help can be offered.

(907)452-2000, ext. 11448







#### **CHILD FIND SCREENING 2023-24**

Parents: Do you think your child (ages 3-5) may have problems with communication, learning, or skill development?

The Fairbanks North Star Borough School District will hold <u>Child Find Screenings</u> on: 2023/24 Child Find Dates

If you would like to schedule an appointment or need more information,

please call: 907-452-2000 ext. 11448



**SCHOOL CAFE** 

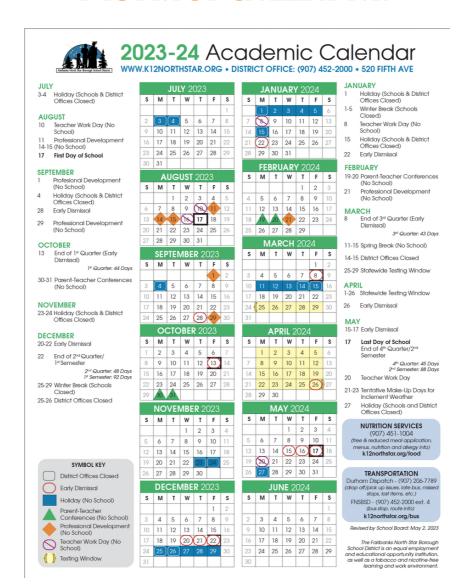
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Student and Parent Handbook Weller Elementary 2023-2024

WELLER STUDENT AND PARENT HANDBOOK

## **DISTRICT CALENDAR**



## 2023-24 Academic Calendar\_New\_Revised 5.22.23 (1).pdf

#### **Download**

190.6 KB

## **School Times and Office Hours**

Office Hours: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Student Hours: 9:15 AM -3:45 PM

Supervision on the Playground and Breakfast Service both start at 8:45 AM.

\*\*Students will be on the playground for Precess until 9:15 AM.

To notify the office for attendance prior to 9:00 AM, you are welcome to call 457-1629 and select 1 for Attendance and leave a message. For bus questions you are welcome to call Durham School Services at 907-206-7789.



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