

# PSE Weekly Howl

Week of April 22nd!

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**No school tomorrow as staff will have professional learning. See you Monday!**

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## **Donuts with Divas**

*Join us for Donuts with Divas! Bring your favorite "diva" in the cafeteria on April 24th and 25th from 7:30-8:30. Students can attend with a parent, or another amazing adult to enjoy a free breakfast which includes donuts, fruit, milk, juice and coffee. Last names A-M come on April 24th and N-Z on April 25th. If you need to switch days, that is fine. We are just hoping to have about half of the families on each day to spread out the crowd and help with parking.*

*April 24th- A-M*

*April 25th-N-Z*

*7:30-8:30 Donuts with Divas (cafe)/ Book fair (library)*

***Reminder: Diva's must stay with their student until 8:25 \****

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## **Spring BOGO Book Fair**

Spring BOGO Book Fair will be April 24th-25th and the PTO is looking for volunteers!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4AAAFAD2EA20-48995593-pspring#/>

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**The PSE PTO wants to hear from YOU!**

Please complete this short survey to make sure the PSE PTO can support the PSE community and plan engaging events for next year! Please complete [this survey](#) by April 24th!

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### Staff Appreciation Week May 6th-10th

Let's celebrate our Prairie Star staff during teacher appreciation week! We are asking families to consider *adopting a staff member* and spoiling them during the week of May 6th - May 10th.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4BAFAF2EA0FF2-48922658-pse2024>

Thank you for ensuring all our PSE staff know how much we appreciate them!

Please see the link for "Favorite Things" lists for ideas! Please drop off all gifts between Monday, May 6th, and Friday, May 10th.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fdacpb56lD4mOKMPp8EgchfDsL3QV\\_0-5na-1RBc2hQ/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fdacpb56lD4mOKMPp8EgchfDsL3QV_0-5na-1RBc2hQ/edit?usp=sharing)

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### Registration for 24-25 is open!

Blue Valley families,

Early childhood, elementary and middle school registration for the 2024-25 school year is now open [online](#) for current students and families. During registration, you will review/update your child's information (phone, email, emergency contacts, health information, etc.). Simply log in and click the registration tab to begin!

#### Important items of note

- Families have access to pay all required and optional fees except middle school course fees. Middle school course fees will be assigned in September.
- The Early Childhood program requires an advanced application for new students only. More information about the program and application process is available [online](#).
- High school registration opens July 8, 2024.

Completing registration and fee payments helps the district appropriately staff classrooms. As we prepare for the new school year, we look at paid registration as a commitment from a family regarding their attendance for the upcoming year.

Thank you for providing important information through registration.

Blue Valley Schools

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#### Event Information

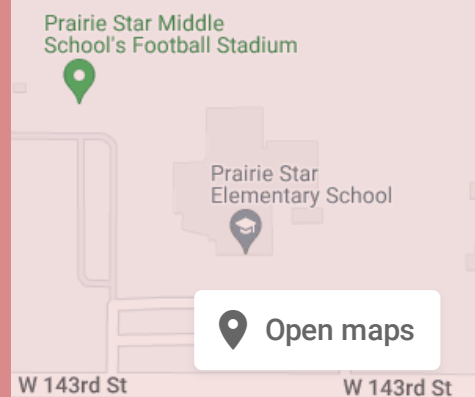
### 5th Grade Talent Show @ 6:30

When?

**Thursday, May 16, 2024, 06:30 PM**

Where?

**Prairie Star Elementary School, West 143rd Street,  
Leawood, KS, USA**



#### Event Information

### 5th Grade Farewell @ 9:00

PSE gym at 9:00

When?

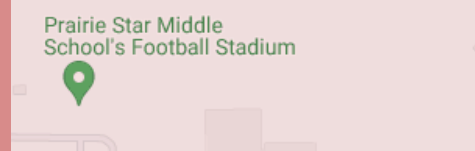
**Monday, May 20, 2024, 09:00 AM**

#### Event Information

### Talent Show Matinee

5th grade talent show at 9:00

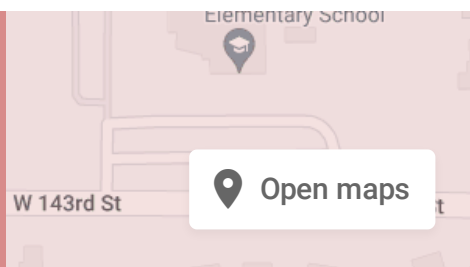
When?



Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 09:00 AM

Where?

**Prairie Star Elementary School, West 143rd Street,  
Leawood, KS, USA**



Event Information

### **Field Day-May 22nd 12:45-3:20**

Volunteers are needed for Field Day on May 22nd. Please consider volunteering to work at a station for a couple of hours. We need you from 12:45-3:30. Thank you in advance! ~Coach and Stacey

[Field Day Volunteer](#)

When?

**Wednesday, May 22, 2024, 12:45 PM**

Event Information

### **5th Grade Clap-Out on May 24th!**

We are starting the 5th-grade clap-out on May 24th at 11:00. All 5th-grade parents that would like to attend need to line the sidewalk from the parking lot (by PSMS track) to the playground by 11:00. We will walk outside from the old recess doors. When you see your child, please join them and walk with them. If you cannot attend, those students will step back in the front doors and to class and be dismissed as usual. This will allow us to keep everyone safe during dismissal and enable you to spend time with your child on the last day at PSE.

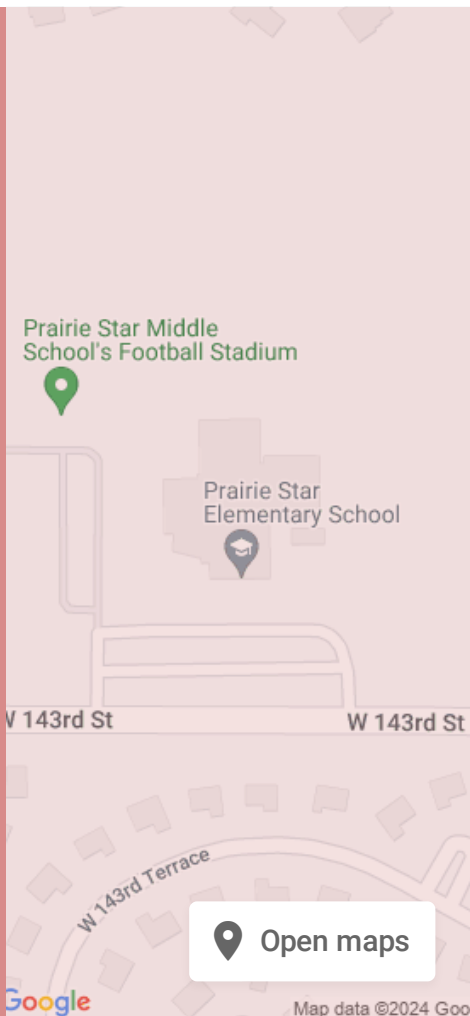
Grades K-4 will be dismissed starting at 11:35.

When?

**Friday, May 24, 2024, 11:00 AM**

Where?

**Prairie Star Elementary School, West 143rd Street,  
Leawood, KS, USA**



**Champion for Student Award**

Do you know an educator who cultivates a learning environment where relationships are the cornerstone, where kindness and compassion are guiding principles, and making a profound difference in the lives of young people is not just a goal but a lived reality? Now is your chance to recognize those educators whose impact extends far beyond their role, shaping the trajectory of our students' journeys and leaving an enduring legacy of excellence.

**Nominations are officially open for BVEF's new Champion for Students Award.** Anyone in the Blue Valley Schools' community is welcome to nominate an educator (any staff member, e.g., teacher, paraprofessional, administrator, kitchen manager, etc.) for this prestigious honor. [Nominate a Champion for Students today!](#) <https://bit.ly/BVEFCFS2024>.

Winners will receive one of the following:

\$2500 cash prize (subject to tax)

\$2500 grant for their learning environment

\$2500 tuition reimbursement for credit hours

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## **Important dates for our incoming Kindergartners!**

Kindergarten Orientation Sessions | Tuesday August 13

First full day of school for Kindergarten | Wednesday, August 14

Here is the the Kindergarten Smore with all the information from Round-Up!

<https://www.smores.com/n/ue70s>

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## **PSE Flower Planting and Campus Beautification**

Thank you to Liz Kamali, the girl scout troops, and volunteers that spent their Friday afternoon making PSE beautiful. We appreciate you.

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## **PSE School Supplies-Order today! Last Day to order is July 1st!**

Parents, it's time to buy your 1st Day School Supplies. I know it seems early, but before you know it, summer will be here. It's important you order your supplies before it's too late or supplies run out. Start the school year with the exact supplies your teacher requested, and give your child the confidence they need to conquer next year! Get them today before it's too late! If you have any questions, please email Jessica Cartwright at [jcart1105@gmail.com](mailto:jcart1105@gmail.com).

<https://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?>

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**Attention Current 5th Grade Families- Here are the PSMS School Supplies!**



Prairie Star Middle School has partnered with 1st Day School Supplies to make school supply shopping fast and easy! If you wish to purchase a school supply kit for your PSMS student, use the link below and be sure to save your receipt. School supplies will be delivered to PSMS in August and distributed before the first day of school. Order deadline is July 1 - no exceptions. If you have questions, please contact Erin Briggeman ([erin\\_boomer@yahoo.com](mailto:erin_boomer@yahoo.com)).

<https://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=41494>

# The **BEST** Way to Buy Back-To-School Supplies!



- ✓ The Exact School Supplies Your Teacher Requested
- ✓ Name Brand Products Like:



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[1stDaySchoolSupplies.com](https://1stdayschoolsupplies.com)

## Ability Showcase-Save the Date!

Ability Showcase

April 26th

Art show 6:30/ Stage show 7:00

[Ability Showcase Flyer and Application](#)



## Calling all Performers and Artists!!!

The Blue Valley Ability Showcase is back!!! Any Blue Valley SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENT or STUDENT WITH A DISABILITY that is interested in participating in the Blue Valley Ability Showcase on the evening of April 26, 2024, at Blue Valley West High School, please visit the link below for more information and to apply:

<https://forms.gle/m7VzrGZCaKpjtrbs9>

**Deadline to apply is April 12, 2024**

### Future Voter Sticker Contest

The Johnson County Election Office is running a contest for K-8 students to design a sticker to be distributed to youth at advance voting and Election Day polling sites. The submission deadline is May 3. Contest rules and required forms are included in this [Sticker Contest Packet](#) as well as at this [link](#).

### Some of our excellent PSE Staff run summer Camps at PSE!

Kindergarten Camp for our Incoming Kindergarten students, please visit this link for all the information, <https://www.smore.com/n/8quxf>.

Miss Nick's Storybook Steam Camp for 2nd and 3rd grade students. See picture below.

Summer Camp with the SPECIALS teachers!  
<https://www.smore.com/n/cwk40>

**MISS NICK'S STORYBOOK STEAM CAMP**  
\*FOR INCOMING 2ND & 3RD GRADERS\*

**PROJECT-BASED ENGINEERING DESIGN EXPERIENCE**  
Do you love to tinker, create, and problem solve? Then join Miss Nick for a memorable week! We will start our time with some fun technology, complete challenges, read great STEAM stories, use teamwork, research, design, and write about our creations!

**Camp Information:**  
July 8th - 11th  
Cost: \$175 Per Session  
2 Sessions: 9 - 12 AM and 1 - 4 PM  
Prairie Star Elementary  
Miss Nick's Room

**Signup**  
Please scan the QR code for the google form.  
menicholson@bluevalleyk12.org



# CHICKEN N PICKLE®

**GIVE BACK NIGHT**

**APRIL 23RD 2024**

**6:00 - 8:00 PM**

**BENEFITING**

**PRAIRIE STAR ELEMANTARY**



**10% OF FOOD & BEVERAGE  
PURCHASES WILL BE DONATED BACK**

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**Stacey Sperry**

Stacey is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters