

PSE WEEKLY HOWL

WEEK OF MAY 1ST!

FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for Field Day on May 24th. 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

[Volunteers for Field Day.](#)

REGISTER FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR TODAY

[Elementary school registration](#) for the 2023-24 school year is open and [online now](#) for current students. Registration is required annually and is the time to update your child's information and pay fees. Completing registration confirms that your child will attend school in August. Thank you for providing important information as part of the registration process. For more information about registration, visit www.bluevalleyk12.org/registration.

PSE SPRING BOOK FAIR 2023

Thank you to Chelsea Anderson, Lindsay Osterhaus, and crew for volunteering during our amazing book fair this week. The PSE community is so thankful for you!

DONUTS WITH DIVAS

Donuts with Divas was a success, thanks to Maggie Heilman for all of her hard work to make this happen. Thank you to all the Divas that could attend and enjoy those donuts with your sweet babies.

AUTHOR BRIDGET HEOS IS VISITING OUR SCHOOL!

Students will learn the following:

- How a picture book is made
- That they are using the same writing process as the author use
- That creativity and perseverance go hand in hand
- How to turn real life into a story

If you'd like a book signed, please purchase it from Amazon or a bookstore of your choice and send it with your student the day of the visit, May 16th!

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 8TH-12TH

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 8th - May 12th**.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4aafad2ea20-pse2023#/>

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 8th, and Friday, May 12th.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ilfkaStjOrlGtgoCu8EgEpOBA3mmj-vfG3N6cqCocP8/edit?usp=sharing>

LATE NIGHT AT THE STAR-MAY 5TH

The last Late Night at the Star is May 5th. Each Friday night class costs \$50 and will run from 4:00-6:30.

Please assume your child is enrolled in each requested class unless you hear from Mrs. Bonner.

Registration closes on May 4th at 6:00 pm!

I appreciate your support of Late Night at the Star. We look forward to this exciting session and many more to come.

To enroll in camps, please see the website link:

<https://prairiestarpto.membershiptoolkit.com/home>.

Camp scholarships are now available. Please get in touch with Mrs. Sperry for more information.

All Late Night at the STAR questions goes to Melissa Bonner. Her email is mabonner@bluevalleyk12.org.

Competitions and Water Fun-Purcell, Wayland, and Philips (K-5)

Are you ready for some fun? Join us for an evening full of great outdoor activities and water fun! Let's get messy through some creative competitions for all ages! Dinner will also be provided!

Cinco de Mayo Fiesta-Arquieta (K-5)

¡Viva México! ¡Viva la Fiesta! Join us as we review the real history of Cinco de Mayo and celebrate Mexican culture. We will enjoy Mariachi music, Ballet Folklórico, making arts and crafts, playing games, and a taco bar! "Taco about" a fun time!!

Candy STEM-K Team (K-5)

Do you have a giant sweet tooth? If so, this Late Night is for you! Enjoy an evening of science experiments and STEM activities with CANDY! Activities will include "Candy Cars," "Nautical Nightmare," "Bubble Trouble," and more. We will have pizza for dinner and candy treats, of course!

Solar Sun Prints! Wilson (K-5)

We will create some really cool images (called "photograms") using light-sensitive paper and our big beautiful sun! The process is called a CYANOTYPE, and it's an almost magical process. I say almost because it's really just a beautiful blend of science and art! We will have pizza and sweets as usual, and students will go home with several solar sun prints and the knowledge to make more at home!

WOLF WALK 23-24 SCHOOL YEAR

Hard believe we're already at this point, but it's time to start planning for next year's Wolf Wellness Week! Please consider joining the committee; sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4EA8AF2EABFD0-2023>

ORDER SCHOOL SUPPLIES FROM OUR PSE PTO FOR THE 23-24 SCHOOL YEAR!

Prairie Star Elementary School has partnered with 1st Day School Supplies to simplify school supply shopping! Use the following link to purchase a school supply kit for your PSE student. School supplies will be delivered to PSE in August and distributed before the first day of school. The order deadline is July 1 - no exceptions. If you have questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with Jessica Cartwright (jcart1105@gmail.com)

PRAIRIE STAR ELEMENTARY

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Your Teacher Requested

✓ Name Brand Products Like:



Pre-Order Today at: 1stDaySchoolSupplies.com

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR PSMS-INCOMING 6TH GRADE STUDENTS!

Prairie Star Middle School has partnered with 1st Day School Supplies to simplify school supply shopping! Use the following link to purchase a school supply kit for your PSMS student. School supplies will be delivered to PSMS in August and distributed before the first day of school. The order deadline is July 1 - no exceptions. If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact Erin Briggeman (erin_boomer@yahoo.com). [PRAIRIE STAR MIDDLE STUDENTS: Order Your School Supply Kit Now!](#)

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[Your pre-built school supply kit is ready to order with the exact school supplies your teacher requested. Click ...](#)

PSE SENIOR RETURN

Prairie Star would like to welcome back all graduating seniors. Please plan to join present and past faculty as we reminisce and celebrate your accomplishments! Don't hesitate to contact Rebecca Wayland @ rwayland@bluevalleyk12.org if you have any questions.

4:00- 5:00
Prairie Star Elementary Library
3800 W. 143rd Street
Leawood, KS 66224

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9TH!**

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May 9, 2023 | 4PM-8PM

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Offer valid only on select date(s). Only non-profit organizations are eligible to participate in the Freddy's fundraising program. Freddy's will donate 15% of qualifying food and beverage sales to the organization. Tax, gift cards, catering and delivery are excluded from the donation. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant. For more information about fundraising, email fundraising@freddys.com.

INCOMING KINDERGARTEN SUMMER CAMPS

Meet the Kindergarten Teachers, Make New Friends, and Learn "How to do School!"

We are excited to offer K Camp to your incoming Kindergarten student! During the session, your child will have an opportunity to learn and reinforce "whole body listening," taking turns, following the "plan," and other important skills needed for a smooth transition to Kindergarten.

Two Sessions Available...

Session 1: Monday, **June** 12 - Thursday, **June** 15, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Session 2: Monday, **July** 10 - Thursday, **July** 13, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Both sessions will be held in the Kindergarten classrooms at Prairie Star Elementary!

More Information...

*Tuition for each session is \$175. You can Venmo Sue Rasette (@Peggy-Rasette) on or before the first day of camp.

*Snack provided each day (please inform us of any food allergies)

*Daily written reports are provided for parents, and a comprehensive report at the end of each session.

*Daily outdoor play

Sign Up Here!

Complete the following form to sign up: <https://forms.gle/qoRy1nX8WEJ4axjJA>

PSE KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION

Hello, Incoming Kindergarten Families-

We are excited to welcome your new kindergarten student for the 2023-24 school year.

Please review/complete the steps below. Your timely registration will ensure our team is prepared. We will send more information about Kindergarten Round-Up in a future message.

Step 1: Please watch this school welcome video. [PSE Kindergarten Video](#)

Step 2: Do you have questions about kindergarten programs in Blue Valley? (Click on the blue links below)

What do kindergarten students experience during a typical day?

What opportunities are provided within our partnership with Greenbush for Virtual Education?

How can I learn about the Chinese immersion option?

Step 3: Is there another language spoken in your home?

If so, please complete this form. Otherwise, move to step 4.

Step 4: How do I register my child?

 To view registration instructions in a language other than English, click here.

To begin the registration process for the 2023-24 school year, simply go to www.bluevalleyk12.org/registration and click New Student Registration in the Useful Links. Families new to Blue Valley will be asked to create an online parent account. Online registration will take approximately 20 minutes to complete, and it is an important step in getting your student started with kindergarten! You will be asked to pay fees later this spring. Please note: If your child is currently enrolled in the Blue Valley early childhood program, you will not complete online registration at this time. Families transitioning from early childhood to kindergarten will have an opportunity to verify the information and complete the registration process later this spring.

To make Blue Valley's Online Registration process smooth and convenient, please have the following information available:

- Student proof of identity (birth certificate, passport or VISA)
- Emergency contact name(s) and phone number(s)
- Doctor, dentist and preferred hospital contact info
- Immunization record and health assessment (physical)
- Proof of residency (purchase contract, lease or current utility bill)
- Custodial documentation (if applicable)
- Previous school records and contact info
- IEP or 504 Plan (if applicable)

Tip: As soon as your child's registration is complete, you will receive all-school communication items that will help welcome you and your family into the school community.

If you have any questions, please call the PSE Elementary office at 913-239-7100.

Important Dates for Kindergarten Families

Kindergarten Orientation Sessions | Wednesday, August 16

First full day of school for Kindergarten | Thursday, August 17

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 4th

- PTO @ 8:30 am

May 5th

- Last Late Night at the Star of the YEAR

May 18th

- 5th-grade talent show matinee 9:15
- 5th-grade talent show for parents 6:00 PSE GYM

May 19th

- 5th-grade farewell @ 9:00 PSE GYM

May 24th!

- Field Day 12:45-3:15

May 26th

- Last 1/2 Day of school

SAVE THE DATES -END OF YEAR FUN!

5TH GRADE TALENT SHOW

WHEN

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH, 6PM

WHERE

**3800 WEST 143RD STREET
LEAWOOD, KS**

MORE INFORMATION

5th grade will perform extraordinary acts. It starts promptly at 6:00!

Students are working hard to present their talents to parents on Thursday, May 18th, at 6:00 p.m. in the PSE Gym. They will perform for the school on Thursday, May 18th, at 9:15 a.m.

5TH GRADE FAREWELL

WHEN

FRIDAY, MAY 19TH, 9AM

WHERE

**3800 WEST 143RD STREET
LEAWOOD, KS**

MORE INFORMATION

We will say farewell to our 5th-grade students with a small ceremony in the gym.

This will be a fun day full of celebrations. We will start with the 5th-grade ceremony in our gym. After the ceremony, the class and families will enjoy a selfie station and a donut truck. Yum! Then in the afternoon, we will have a grade-level pizza party before launching into a kickball tournament. Parents are welcome for the pizza party and kickball.

5th-grade parents can enter the main doors at 8:45. We would like to start our day with students in their classes before the parents enter. Thank you for understanding this.

PSE FIELD DAY

WHEN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH, 12:30PM

WHERE

**3800 WEST 143RD STREET
LEAWOOD, KS**

MORE INFORMATION

Best day of the year. :)

Field Day - Wednesday, May 24th - Parent Volunteers
Needed-[Volunteers for Field Day](#).

- Field Day will be during the school day on **Wednesday, May 24th, from 12:50-3:20** (weather permitting).
- All students can **wear a PSE t-shirt, fun!**
- **Please apply sunscreen before school or send sunscreen that they will use themselves.**
- Students may wear a hat if they wish!
- Volunteer for a couple of hours by using this sign-up genius: [Volunteers for Field Day](#).

5TH GRADE CLAP-OUT MAY 26TH

We are starting the 5th-grade clap-out on May 26th 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.

ENROLL IN BV SUMMER PROGRAMS

Is your child enrolled in one of Blue Valley's Summer Programs courses? Fees will be posted in [ParentVUE](#) for all Summer Programs and available for payment starting April 10. All Summer Programs fees are due by May 1. Visit bluevalleyk12.org/summerprograms for more information.

