



PSE Weekly Howl

Week of January 22nd!

Parent Information Night for Incoming 6th graders

Hello and greetings from Prairie Star Middle School!

On Thursday February 29 PSMS will host a parent information night regarding enrollment for 6th grade. This informational meeting will be held in-person in our commons/cafeteria from 6:30-7:30pm – and I look forward to seeing and meeting next year's 6th grade parent community. In the event you are unable to attend, I will share my presentation powerpoint via email on after February 29th.

Additionally, the PSMS counseling staff and administrators will be presenting enrollment information to your student(s) at school the week of February 26th. The parent meeting on February 29th is our opportunity to share much of that enrollment information with parents and answer questions. Student attendance is not necessary at the parent meeting – the kids have already heard the same information.

Enrollment choices are due back to 5th grade teachers on Monday March 4th.

On behalf of the PSMS team – welcome to Prairie Star Middle!

Desperately Seeking Yearbook Pictures:

Our January Yearbook deadline is rapidly approaching and WE NEED YOUR PICTURES!!! Please submit via this link: <https://images.jostens.com/ImageShare/upload> Not sure what to send? For this deadline we need spirit days, first days of school, PTO events, trunk or treat, holiday parties, and any school-related pics with PSE students.

Order your PSE Yearbook

If you haven't ordered your yearbook please follow this link:

<https://prairiestarpto.membershiptoolkit.com/login-form?r=%2F>. Once you log in, you will see yearbook purchase option listed under New Forms. If you do not see it listed, you likely already purchased. You can verify by looking under the My Account tab at the top and scrolling down to Previous Orders.

Safety Drill -Thursday the 25th!

As you may be aware, last winter break we were able to complete installation and training for a new layer of physical security at Prairie Star. The crisis alert system empowers all staff members to initiate a call for help. With a simple push of a button on a specialized badge, building officials are alerted to:

- Everyday events such as medical or student emergencies
- Crisis situations which require a campus-wide lockdown

We want to ensure students and staff know what to do and where to go in an emergency situation. On Thursday the 25th, we will have an opportunity to conduct a lockdown lights out drill with students and staff using our system. During the drill, students will see lights flash in every room and hallway, instructional messages pop-up on their district-provided devices and messages over the intercom.

Thank you for your support as we strive to provide the safest learning environment possible for our students.

PTO Parent Social Auction-A Night Under the Stars!

Our PSE PTO is looking forward to a night under the stars for our annual Parent Social and Auction. This year, the auction will be at Pinstripes on Friday, March 1st, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

To donate auction items, please get in touch with Andrea Musfeldt at pseparentsocial@gmail.com
Register here for the Auction: <https://pse.schoolauction.net/underthestars/>



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PSE Parent Social &
Silent Auction

Friday, March 1st 2024 6-9 pm
Pinstripes at Prairie Fire

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Free Event - o'dourves and cash bar

PSE Kindergarten Pre-Registration Form

Incoming Kindergarten Information

We are so excited to start the process to welcome our Kindergarten families for the Fall of 2024. Children who reside in Blue Valley Schools and turn 5 years of age by August 31 are eligible to attend kindergarten that school year. If you live in the PSE Elementary boundaries and will have an incoming Kindergarten student next fall, **please click on this link to pre-register:** Click Here [Kindergarten Registration Form](#).

More information will be shared with you at the end of February including welcome videos, online registration instructions, and information about Kindergarten Round Up in April.

Please pass this message/link on to neighbors that might not have a student in our system and might not yet receive our weekly emails!



INCOMING KINDERGARTEN DATES

2024-2025

Kindergarten Online Registration Begins
February 20

Kindergarten Round-Up Sessions
April 12

Kindergarten Orientation Sessions
August 13

First full day of school for Kindergarten
August 14

Contact your neighborhood school
for more information.



Safe Learning Environment

Blue Valley Schools is committed to promoting and fostering a safe environment in and around all of our schools. Through the convergence of physical and intellectual security measures, we are continuously working to prevent, mitigate, respond to and recover from a wide range of emergencies. Please check out [available ways to report safety concerns](#).

Save the Dates: Parent Teacher Conference

Our spring conference schedule is as follows:

- **Wednesday, February 7th, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm** held at PSE (Zoom or in person)
- **Thursday, February 8th, 8:15 am - 4:00 pm**, held at PSE (Zoom or in person)
- **Thursday, February 8th, 4:00 pm - 7:15 pm**, held via ZOOM

Staff will continue to utilize an online signup system as a convenient way for you to schedule conferences. All families are encouraged to sign up for a time slot.

If you sign up for a Zoom conference, a Zoom link will be emailed to you by your teacher about one week before the conference.

Our PSE PTO is on Instagram

Your PTO is now on Instagram! Follow along to see all the wonderful things happening at PSE!
@prairiestarelementarypto

Valentine's Day Party

We are excited to celebrate Valentine's Day with our students and wanted to give you some preliminary information in case you are starting to think about Valentine's Day.

- Valentine's Parties will be on **Wednesday, February 14th at 2:45**
- Students may distribute Valentine's Day cards to the entire class.
- If you are going to attach food to the Valentines, we encourage it to be from the [nut-safer list](#).
- Valentines can also have non-edible items attached or can be Valentine's card!
- All food consumed at the party (party snacks) must comply with the approved Nut Safer List.

Watch for more information from your room parents and classroom teacher in the next week or two.



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