

School Begins in Goodland USD 352, Wednesday, August 20

Buses will run • Lunch will be served

The beginning of another school term is fast approaching. The First Day of School will be Wednesday, August 20. This will constitute a full day, regular class schedule. We expect approximately 930 students, kindergarten through the twelfth grade, in attendance at the various centers.

Table with 3 columns: NAME, POSITION, BUILDING. Lists staff members like Mary Allacher, Anne Coon, etc.

Board of Education Members are:

- Chuck Wilkens, President
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A lot of work has been completed over the summer months. Thanks to many who have diligently worked toward getting the new school year off to a good start.

Dates within the school calendar have been designated as No School Days. (See 2008-2009 Back to School Calendar of Events Box). Dates and activities, such as parent-teacher conferences, Teacher Professional Days, athletic events, etc., are subject to change as a result of availability of certain personnel or weather conditions.

Questions

- Central Elementary: 890-6558, 1311 Main - Marshall Kennedy
North Elementary: 890-3912, 700 East 4th - Shawn Gastineau
West Elementary: 890-6163, 912 West 12th - Skyllynne Johnson
Grant Junior High: 890-7561, 11th & Montana - Linda Enfield
Goodland High School: 890-5656, 1209 Cherry - Gena Hall

Sports Participation

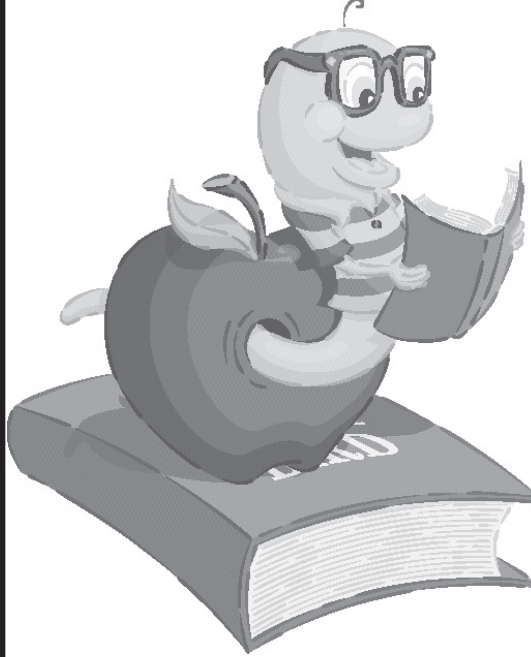
Any junior or senior high school student wishing to participate in fall sports (cross country, volleyball, football, cheerleading, or twirling) must have a physical examination form signed by both a doctor and his/her parents or he/she will not be allowed to participate.

Although serious injuries in athletics are infrequent, any serious injury is catastrophic to the injured student, his/her family, and the school itself. USD 352 wishes to advise parents of athletic participants of the risk of debilitating injury while participating in athletics.

Football accounts for about 54% of the total, gymnastics for about 26%, wrestling for 9%, and the remaining 11% are distributed between baseball, basketball, diving, hockey, and track and field.

A+ logo with text: All K-6 Elementary students will enroll at West School August 11 and 12 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Immunizations: Sherman Co. Health Dept. 890-4888



Required Immunizations PRIOR to Kindergarten entry. Boosters - DPT, OPV & MMR. Students 15 years of age must have; Booster of TD (Tetanus Diphtheria) required every 10 years. School MUST have a record of the immunization date. Special Walk-In Immunization Clinic: Friday, August 15, 8 a.m. to 11:30 and 1 to 4:30 p.m.



Asbestos Issue in USD 352
Asbestos is an issue USD 352 has been dealing with for several years. The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 was enacted by Congress. This Act determines the extent of and develops solutions for any problems schools may have with asbestos.

Elementary Enrollment:
Elementary enrollment will take place at West School between the hours of 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. - Aug. 11-12. A parent or guardian must be present to complete the enrollment for an elementary child.

K-6 in Town Transportation
7:20 a.m. & 3:20 p.m. - North to Central and West, North to Central and West.

High School Practice Schedules Monday, August 18
H.S. Football 6 a.m. and 4 p.m.
H.S. Volleyball 6 a.m. and 4 p.m.
H.S. Cross Country (Meet at High School Gym) 6 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Girls' Tennis 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Steever Park
Girls' Golf 3:30 p.m. Meet at H.S. Room 256

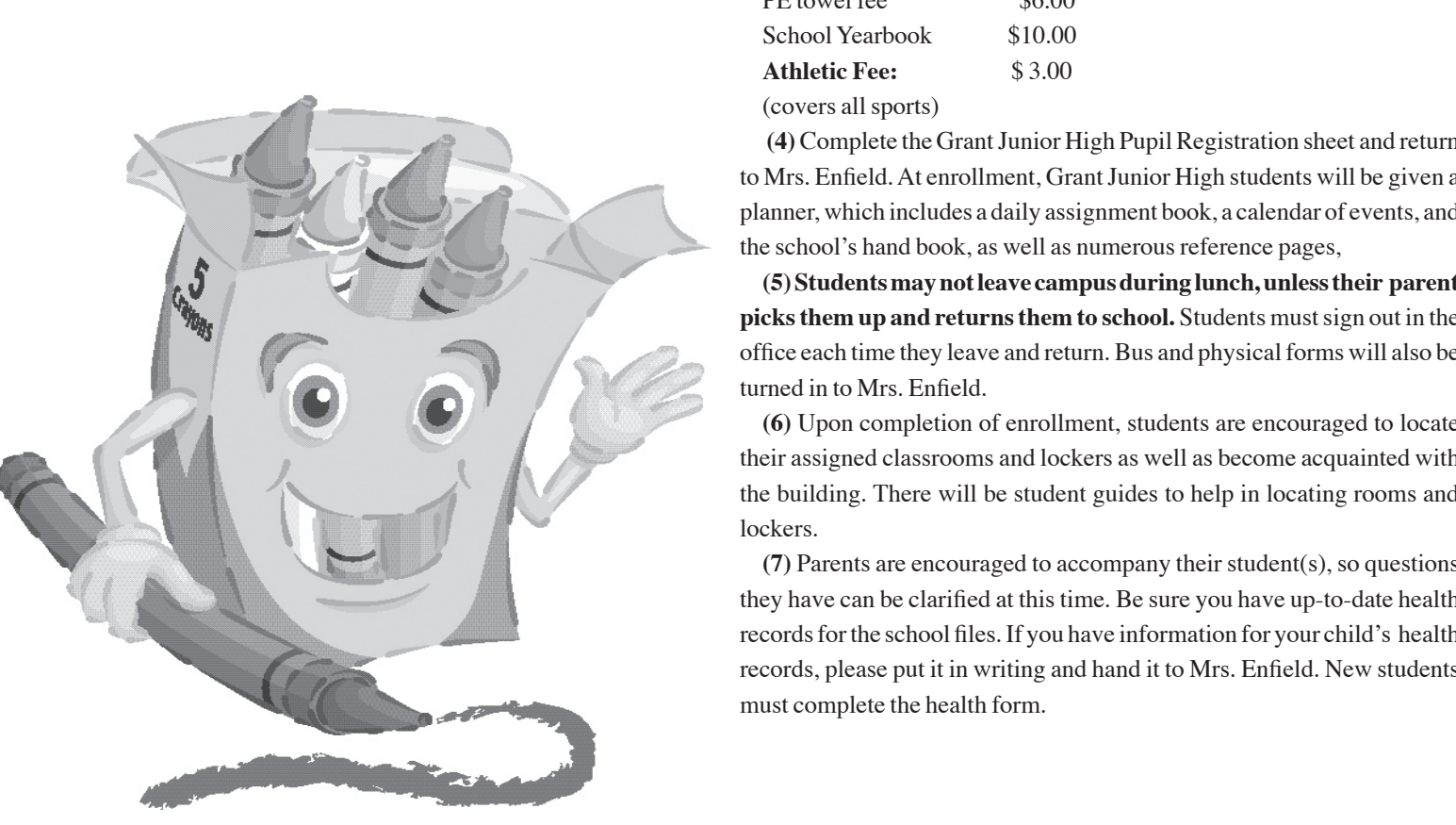
School Nutrition Program
In addition to our regular school lunch, a breakfast program will be offered in all schools for all students.
Reduced prices remain the same - lunch \$4.00 and breakfast \$3.00.
Hope you have a great school year!

Students to Finalize Enrollment in Goodland USD 352 August 11-12, 2008

2008-09 Back-To-School Calendar of Events
August 2008
4-School Offices Open
11-12-All students will enroll
11- Football Equipment Checkout 7:30 a.m.
18- First day of practice for H.S. fall sports...football, cross country, volleyball, golf and tennis.
Bring physical forms along
18- Jr. High Cross country practice-meet at Junior High office, 3:30 p.m.
13- New teacher orientation, Administration Building, 9:00 a.m.
13-19- Teacher/Staff Professional Days
20- First Day of School (full day) Buses will run on regular route time
29- Football and Cross Country Soap Scrimmage. 6 p.m.
February:
16- Teacher Professional Day / No School
March:
6- Teacher Professional Day / No School
12- K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (4 p.m. to 8 p.m.)
13- K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (8 a.m. to Noon) NO SCHOOL
23-27 - Spring Break
April:
10-Good Friday-NO SCHOOL
13- Teacher Professional Day / No School
May:
16- High School Graduation
21 - Last Day of School (full day)
22 - Teacher Professional Day
May 26, 27, 28, 29...Storm days if needed
October:
17- Teacher Professional Day / No School
November:
2- K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (4- 8 p.m.)
24 - K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (4-8 p.m.) NO SCHOOL
26- NO SCHOOL-Teacher Professional Day
27-28 - Thanksgiving Vacation
December:
24-31 - Winter Vacation
January 2009:
5 - School resumes
19 - Teacher Professional Day / No School

High School Enrollment Procedure:
All students will enroll on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 11-12.. The procedure involves correcting schedules, paying fees, getting lunch tickets, etc.

TEXTBOOK RENTAL:
As a public service, the Board of Education has waived textbook rental fees. Fees will be charged for various subject areas or activities as determined by the type of student project or the amount of supplies actually used by the student.
SCHOOL DRESS:
Clothes worn to school should emphasize that a girl is a lady, and a boy is a gentleman. Appropriate grooming and manner is expected in all dress. Lycra running or biking shorts, cutoffs, halter tops, bare midriffs/shoulders, shirts with suggestive and/or obscene material or that advertise alcohol or tobacco products are NOT appropriate dress.



Access to Student Records

Goodland Unified School District 352 will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as it regards educational records of students of the district. The Act grants the parents or guardians of any student the right to review the educational records of any dependent student. This right is granted to the student rather than the parents or guardians upon the student becoming eighteen (18) years of age.

Forms requesting access to student records are available upon request at each of the schools.

Schools may make directory information available without parent or eligible student consent. Directory information includes the following information about students:

- 1. Student's name, address, telephone number, and date of birth.
2. Student's major field of study.
3. Student's participation in officially recognized activities and sports.
4. Weight and height of members of athletic teams.
5. Date of attendance.
6. Degrees and awards received.
7. Most recent educational agency or institution attended.

If you do not wish any or all of the above information regarding your child to be released, a request not to release the information must be in writing and directed to the principal's office of your child's school within two weeks of first attendance each year. Except for the directory information, all student records are handled in a confidential manner. You will be informed of any transfer of such records in the event your child changes schools or in the event records are requested by judicial order for use in court.

A record will be kept of any authorized group or organization requesting access to a student's records and will be included with the student's educational records. All certified school staff have authorized access to records of students with whom they work.

Complete federal guidelines regarding the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act are on file in the principal's office of each school and are available for your inspection.

Daily School Hours
7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Teachers on duty.
7:45 a.m. - High School classes begin.
7:50 a.m. - Elementary School classes begin.
8:00 a.m. - Junior High School classes begin.
11:00 a.m. - Early Childhood Development classes dismissed.
12:10 p.m. - Early Childhood Development classes begin.
3:20 p.m. - Elementary School classes dismissed
3:20 p.m. - High School classes dismissed
3:25 p.m. - Junior High School classes dismissed.
Lunch periods vary from building to building. Check with the building principal for information.

Bus Transportation and Routes

USD 352 will be transporting approximately 300 students. Cooperative compliance with Kansas School Transportation Laws and USD 352 Board of Education Student Transportation Guidelines is a must in fairness to all concerned. Bus students will receive a copy of these rules.

It is the policy of the Board of Education to provide transportation for all students outside the city limits. Regular bus routes are maintained. In some cases it will be necessary that students meet the bus at some point other than their home, depending on road and weather conditions.

Get to know your bus driver, so you may communicate with him or her when problems arise. Routes are determined by many factors which include road conditions, home of driver, number of children in the area, and the least miles needed to be driven to pick up and return all children. Rather than list all of the bus routes, drivers will contact you by phone or in person and let you know the bus number and approximate time of pickup. New persons on bus routes must contact the USD 352 Bus Barn (phone: 890-3011) to be placed on a bus route.

There can be mix-ups the first day of school. If you have any questions, please call Bob Harkins (phone: 890-3011) or the USD office (phone: 890-2397) and every effort will be made to resolve any difficulties. Remember, however, adjusting your schedule so your child can be picked up later or taken home earlier, means someone else's schedule also must be adjusted. As everyone must realize, someone has to get on the bus first in the morning and get home last at night.

See K-6 Bus Schedule in the Elementary Enrollment portion of this ad.



Message Machine

The Bus Barn has a message machine available for patron use. (785)890-8507, with recorded messages regarding any change from normal routine. If there is no message, everything is as scheduled. Examples of messages would be regarding school closing, buses needing to run mud routes only, bus schedule changes, such as earlier or later departure and arrival times including the activity buses.

Equal Rights

USD 352, Goodland, Kansas, in compliance with the Executive Order 11246; Title II of the Education Amendments of 1976; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972; Title IX Regulation Implementing Education amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and all other federal, state, school rules, laws, regulations and policies, the Goodland Unified School District 352, Sherman County, Kansas, shall not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, or handicap in the education programs or activities, which said district operates. It is the intent of the Goodland Unified School District 352 to comply with both the letter and spirit of the law, in making certain discrimination does not exist in its policies, regulations, and operations. Grievance procedures for Title IX and Section 504 have been established for students, their parents, and employees who feel discrimination has been shown by Unified School District 352, Goodland, Kansas, Sherman County. Specific complaints of alleged discrimination under Title IX (sex) or Section 504 (handicap) should be referred to:

USD 352 Administration Building
Title IX and Section 504 Coordinator
The above named can be contacted by dialing (785)890-2397.
Title IX complaints can also be filed with the Office for Civil Rights:
Regional Office for Civil Rights
324 East 11th Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

All students attending Goodland Unified School District 352 may participate in educational programs and activities including, but not limited to, health, physical education, music, and vocational and technical education, regardless of race, color, national origin, age, handicap, or sex.

Needs of Exceptional Students are BEING MET

State and federal legislation specifies that all exceptional children have a right to a free public education based on their needs. Local schools must identify all exceptional children and provide the needed special education in the least restrictive educational environment possible. Exceptional children are defined as mentally retarded, specific learning disabled, gifted, hearing impaired, language or speech impaired, personally and socially maladjusted, physically impaired, multiple handicapped, deaf, and visually impaired and other health impairments. USD 352 does provide for the above, and where necessary, calls upon support agencies for additional assistance. The above is in keeping with district goals and philosophy to provide a quality educational program for all children. Parents are informed immediately upon referral of their student for special education services with the assurance that parent and student due process rights and confidentiality will be maintained. The school's regular and special education personnel work closely with the student's parents throughout all steps, testing and evaluation, writing an individual educational program for the identified student, and determining placement. If the parents disagree with the school's special service team's decision, they may request a due process hearing. This is usually not necessary if the school personnel and the parents work toward that which they have in common - the welfare of the student.

Additional information concerning USD 352's Special Education Program can be obtained by contacting your student's attendance center

