WAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 1, 2023

DEAR FAMILIES



Weekly Menu

WEEK OF 12/04/2023

MON-BAKED POTATO W/ CHEESE & BACON
TUES-BBQ CHICKEN WRAP/ BAKED BEANS
WED-MACARONI & CHEESE W/ ROLL
THURS-CORN DOGS W/ POTATO STARS
FRI-PIZZA PIZZA!

SUN BUTTER & JELLY
AVAILABLE DAILY

Upcoming Dates

LOOKING AHEAD

DECEMBER

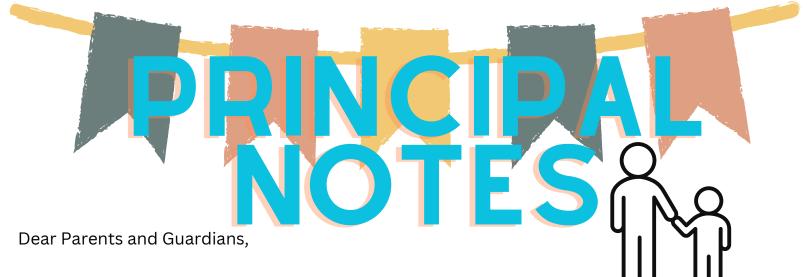
12/11-PICTURE RETAKE DAY
12/20-HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS AT
WES -YAY!
12/21-EARLY RELEASE DAY
12/22-01/01/24-CHRISTMAS
BREAK

Weekly attendance

90%

REMINDERS

PLEASE CHECK LUNCH BALANCES
SNACKS & WATER BOTTLE
SNEAKERS FOR PHYS ED
WARM CLOTHING FOR RECESS



Thank you to all the families who were able to participate in this year's fall parent-teacher conferences. At our school, we believe that open, frequent communication between parents and teachers is key to providing the best support for our students. Parent-teacher conferences are an important first step in this process, but effective communication shouldn't stop there. Here are some tips to help you engage in productive conversations with your child's teacher all year long:

- **Know the options for communication**: Email, phone calls, notes in the homework folder, or SeeSaw. Ask your child's teacher when the best times are to connect.
- **Share insights**: You have an invaluable perspective on your child's learning habits, interests, challenges, etc. Communicating these things gives the teacher a fuller picture. Sometimes just a quick note about how your child's evening or morning went can give us insight into how to best support your child.
- **Ask about class norms**: Every classroom has its own culture. Ask the teacher for information about class rules, procedures, and norms so you can reinforce them at home.
- **Pose questions openly**: If you have a concern, frame issues as questions to prompt collaborative problem-solving.
- Focus on progress: Ask the teacher for regular positive updates on your child's work habits, behavior, and social connections, not just grades.
- **Plan ahead**: For lengthy discussions, consider asking the teacher if they are available outside instructional hours. Most teachers a available to meet between 7:30-8:00 a.m. and 2:30-3:00 p.m.

Remember, frequent, positive communication supports student success! We encourage parents to engage with teachers as partners throughout the year. Please don't hesitate to reach out!

Happy Holidays, Jeanette Jacobs WES Principal



NOTES FROM THE NURSE

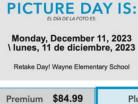
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Temperature of 100.4 or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with itching or fever	Hospital stay and/or ER visit	5 Day isolation begins with Day 0 as symptom onset or + test if no symptoms

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM									
Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication (i.e. Tylenol, Motrin)	Free from vomiting for at least 2 solid meals	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours	Free from rash, itching, or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed	Released by my medical provider to return to school	End isolation if symptoms are improving and Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication (i.e. Tylenol, Motrin				

DAILY HABITS FOR STAYING HEALTHY—
WASH HANDS
BEDTIME ROUTINES WITH PLENTY OF SLEEP
DRINK PLENTY OF WATER
3-5 SERVINGS OF FRUITS & VEGETABLES
FRESH AIR AND SUNSHINE
EXERCISE

PICTURE RETAKE DAY **MONDAY DECEMBER 11TH**



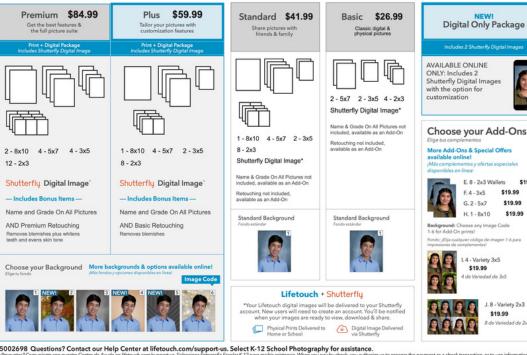


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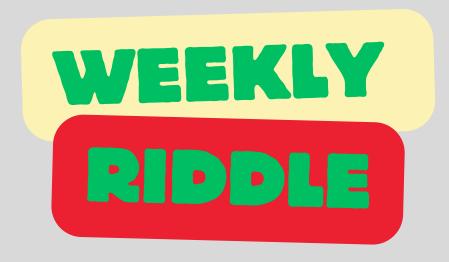
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IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE A RETAKE PHOTO. PLEASE RETURN YOUR ORIGINAL FALL PICTURES AND YOU WILL GET ANOTHER PICTURE PACKET AUTOMATICALLY, AFTER RETAKE DAY.



What has thirteen hearts, but no other organs?

WAYNE HOLIDAY STROLL WAYNE VILLAGE



December 2nd & 3rd 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Cobbie's Corner Store- 672 Main Street

All Weekend Stroll Specials Sunday Dec 3rd- Horse Drawn Wagon rides from 11:00 am-2:00 pm

Wayne Village Pottery- 540 Main Street

Guests

Milkweed Pottery Jeff Ireland, Maine Fly Fishing

Grey Goose Gourmet- 536 Main Street

Guests

The French Confection
Bragg Maple Products
Root Fire Farm
Fernwood Cottage
Dharwood Pottery

Cosmic Goat Creamery Hank's Sourdough Breads

Moore Home - 3 Memorial Park Lane

Guests

Pickles Potions & Lotions Pamela Hedden Designs Minnie's Taggies

Tubby's Ice Cream & Gift Shop- 512 Main St

Lobster Stew, Popcorn, Gifts and more..

Goodpost Refill Shop- 508 Main Street

Guests

PT Designs Jewelry
Local Artisan, Crafters & Makers:
One Moore Unpaper Towels, Playful Motherhood,
Katharine Watson Risograph's & Cards, Hearth &
Harrow, Contour Designs, Hope Learning Toys, and so
many more!

Guest Appearance by Mrs. Wayne Maine America Contestant, Kim Robertson

Kim will be "Strolling" Wayne on Saturday December 2nd

Anne Thompson Home- 521 Main St Guests

S'Mittens Wool Mittens Froggy Meadow Friends

Wayne General Store & A Small Town Bakery 506 Main St.

Guests

The Blue Collar Painter
Hazel Hill Orchards
Sgraffito Studios
Beech Hill Designs
Elliott's Best Dog Biscuits
Dasha's Honey
Bernadette's Essential Oils

Breylyn's Massage Author Deborah Emery Moonlight Maple Peg's Kitchen Handmade Christmas Stockings

👗 The Johnson House- 498 Main St

Guests

Moonglow Lavender
Magnolia's Closet
Sara Wilmot Art
30 Mile River Snowmobile Club
Backroad Threads
Small Dog Cards & Books
Jenn Hood Jewelry & Gifts
Tarot Card Readings
Tigress Training
Heartfelt Energies

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Music by "Hurry Down Sunshine"

WELLNESS and much more...

Tex-Mex Express Food Truck Tex-Mex Express Food Truck

Wayne Post Office Parking Lot

Å A Lakeside Studio Pottery- 12 Cedar Point Rd

Guests

Farm Meets Lake Author Karen Toothaker Dirigo Hill Farm

Wayne Fire Department Saturday ONLY

Sparky, Cider & Candy Canes

Wayne Community Church 22 Old Winthrop Rd Saturday ONLY

Rada Knives Cookbooks

Curated Gift Baskets

MR. ETCH-Wood turned bowls & more
Soups, Chowders & Baked Goods

William's House First Saturday 14 Old Winthrop Rd

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Books, Brunch & Boutique Brunch from 9 am-1:30 pm

Cary Memorial Library-17 Old Winthrop Rd Saturday ONLY

Friends of the Library Quilt Raffle Children's Book Author- Sara Frautten Drawing at 1 pm on Saturday Dec 2nd Kid's Craft

Christmas Caroling at the Johnson House 498 Main Street

Sunday, Dec 3rd at 4 pm Hot Cocoa & Cookies donated by A Small Town Bakery



Organized by Sustain Wayne Not a school sponsored event

NOTE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - AS WINTER WEATHER APPROACHES, PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD HAS APPROVED BOTH REMOTE LEARNING DAYS AND STORM DAYS TO HANDLE ANY SEVERE WEATHER EVENTS OR OTHER SITUATIONS THAT MAY DISRUPT NORMAL SCHOOL OPERATIONS. THE BOARD OPTED TO INCLUDE TWO REMOTE LEARNING DAYS IN THIS YEAR'S SCHOOL CALENDAR. IF THE SUPERINTENDENT DECIDES TO USE A REMOTE LEARNING DAY IN LIEU OF A SNOW DAY, TEACHERS WILL ASSIGN WORK FOR STUDENTS TO COMPLETE FROM HOME ON THOSE DATES - PLEASE SEE THE APPROPRIATE SCHOOL LEVEL PLANS FOR THE REMOTE DAY THAT WILL BE SHARED IN THE COMING WEEKS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SIGN UP FOR BREAKFAST/LUNCH FOR REMOTE DAYS PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING LINK:

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DESIGNATES TWO FULL SNOW DAYS WHEN NO REMOTE WORK WILL BE
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CHECK THE DISTRICT WEBSITE AND LOCAL MEDIA FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS
ON REMOTE LEARNING DAYS, DELAYS, OR CLOSURES THIS WINTER. IF
YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON EMERGENCY DAY POLICIES, PLEASE
CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

PLEASE RESPOND NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY DECEMBER 8TH. AFTER WE GET THE INITIAL LIST, THAT WILL GIVE US TIME TO CHECK AT EACH SCHOOL FOR ANY STUDENTS THAT SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE LIST.

SUPERINTENDENT CHARETTE

THANKS EVERYONE!



Maranacook Education Foundation 2023-24 Grant Program Funded Proposals

Mary Conlon, Readfield Elementary, submitted a proposal entitled, *Hands on Learning Experiences for ESY Students*. Extended School Year occurs every summer for qualifying students in special education and, through this funding, she will provide an exciting hands-on learning experience for the students this coming summer. A presentation from Mr. Drew and His Animals Too will give students a fun learning experience where they will learn about different reptiles, Maine wildlife, and ways to protect the environment.

Tom Ferrero, Maranacook Community High School, submitted a proposal entitled, **Pole Vice for Forging**. Due to the growth in popularity of the blacksmithing course at the high school, students are experiencing longer wait times at tools they need to complete their assignments. One particular piece of equipment that is in high demand is their single Pole Vice. This tool is necessary for many forging applications and therefore generally has a line of students waiting to use it. It is for this reason that he is requesting MEF funding to purchase a second one. This should resolve the delay in workflow.

Nicole Blake, elementary art teacher, submitted a proposal entitled, **Admiration and Presentation** - **Student Artwork Displays**. Through this funding, she will be acquiring the correct resource for displaying student artwork at the end of the year art presentations at her 3 elementary schools.. At the current time, to display student work, she has been required to make tape bubbles by the hundreds, and tape artwork up around the gyms of the schools, usually after the school the same night as the intended art show (or the night before). The tape doesn't always work well, things fall down, and sometimes it even damages the work. This takes a lot of time, and it is not the best way to showcase the hard work of her students. She will be purchasing folding room dividers, in black, which is the preferred color to be able to properly highlight all types of art. This resource will make admiration and presentation of the Elementary Arts program not only more manageable, but more successful for all involved.

Paul Sveum, Program Director for Camp KV (Kennebec Valley YMCA), submitted a proposal entitled, *Music by the Lake at Camp KV.* Snow Pond Community Arts Music Club program will offer age-specific group classes that provide developmentally appropriate music education, appreciation, and performance. Participation in interactive games and engaging activities will provide participating students with an opportunity to gain exposure to various musical genres, advance their music literacy skills, receive group instrumental instruction, and perform in both informal and formal solo and ensemble settings while having fun! Camp KV serves a number of students who attend our district's schools.

Rachael Holland-Mathieu, Maranacook Community Middle School, submitted a proposal entitled, *Math in Real Life*. Students often ask, "When will I ever use this in life?" She helps students make that connection by giving real life examples, such as bringing in receipts from grocery shopping or sale flyers from stores to teach applying decimals and ratios. The current classroom at the Middle School she uses with her students has an oven hood but no oven. This funding will allow her to purchase an electric range. This will allow her to cook with her students which not only teaches fractions, weights, measurement and ratios, but also life skills such as meal planning, budgeting, and kitchen safety.

Juliet Tinkham, Maranacook Community High School, submitted a proposal entitled, **Writer's Workshop**. This funding will provide funds to purchase on-site writing opportunities for all students during our Teen Issues Day(s). We were awarded an MEF grant last year and were able to successfully serve a

subsection of juniors in their English classes. Because it was such an amazing experience, this funding will allow the expansion of this opportunity to all students! Content of the activities, as well as the outcomes and goals, are different this year. Writing alongside the highly respected Telling Room authors will enrich the lives of our students while providing a sense of accomplishment, ownership, and creativity.

Nick Daigle, Maranacook Community High School, submitted a proposal entitled, *Gaga Pit Project.* He will be using funding from this grant to construct an outdoor Gaga pit to be used for Gaga Ball. This game is a very popular recreational game that keeps kids moving and active. They hope to have Mr. Stockford's IA classes assistance in constructing the pit so they are using the grant for the materials only.

Eric Hathaway, Readfield Elementary School, submitted a proposal entitled, **Solar Science STEM Kits.** He will use this funding to enhance the exploration of solar science with some kits that allow students to use the sun's energy to power different small devices. The current curriculum touches on both energy sources and electricity. He would like to blend the two areas with some hands-on activities that students will get excited about.

Michele Briggs, the librarian at the Underwood Memorial Library in Fayette, submitted a proposal entitled, *STEM Centers for the Underwood Library.* This library of course serves Fayette students, many of whom attend our district's schools. Libraries large and small are becoming essential hubs of STEM education for people of all ages. Through free access to the internet, computers, tablets, books, DVDs, workshops and programming, libraries remove barriers to STEM literacy and inquiry. These services are especially vital for children and youth whose families might not have the means for extracurricular STEM enrichment opportunities." (stemlibraries.org). The library has implemented children's programs this year for our community, which we were lacking. Our community members have volunteered their time to make this a success. We would like to add STEM centers to our Kid's Night program to go along with our story time nights. We serve the community of Fayette with children attending our programs from Fayette and our surrounding towns.

Jeanette Jacobs, Wayne Elementary School, submitted a proposal entitled, *Bringing our Curriculum to Life*. The district has implemented a new curricular resource for literacy instruction called Core Knowledge Language Arts. The Knowledge Strand in this resource is centered around complex narrative and informational read-aloud texts. Grade-level domains include fables and stories, the human body, early American civilizations, astronomy, and so much more! To help bring this learning to life, this funding will allow Wayne Elementary to host two educational programs from the Children's Museum and Theatre of Maine. Based on availability, we would like to bring a Whale's Tale in December focusing on Environmental Science, and Earth Rocks focusing on Geology and Earth Science in January.

Jill Worster, Wayne Elementary School, has submitted a proposal entitled, **Story Walk**. Storywalks are interactive reading experiences. Each walk is created from deconstructed books, where pages are set along a path or trail. As readers walk the path, they are able to read the story. Our walk will consist of more permanent wooden posts with plexiglass so that we can easily change out stories or even showcase student work. The story walk will be placed on school grounds so that students, their families, and the community can enjoy it throughout the seasons!

Liz Guillemette, Maranacook Community High School, submitted a proposal entitled, Live from Maranacook! Supplies for Maranacook's Media Club. She is joined in this project by Mandy Poulin and Sam Watson. The Maranacook Media Club is a new club at Maranacook Community High School. It focuses on technology, community, and collaboration. This funding will allow students to experience

projects such as interviewings, podcasts, and video production. Students will also learn production and interpersonal skills.

Cami Wilbert, Education Director for the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed, submitted a proposal entitled, *Watershed Field Experiences for Maranacook Students*. The Friends mission statement "protecting the lakes, ponds and streams of the Cobbossee Watershed through community engagement, conservation & education" helps to establish the important connection between surrounding communities and the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed. The Watershed Science Program (WSP) is an integral component of the Friends mission and features highly adaptable lessons that interweave science, social studies, language arts and math together all within the context of the local watershed. As a culminating portion of the Watershed Science Program, students within the Cobbossee Watershed have the opportunity to participate in the Friends Watershed Field Experience (WFE) at the end of the school year. The WFE enables students to experience activities that connect science, math, language arts and history to the local natural environment through hands-on exploration and data collection in the field at a local water body. This funding will allow many of our district's students to participate in this program.

Hillary Koch, Maranacook Community Middle School, submitted a proposal entitled, **German Immersion**. This grant funding will allow year-long German students to experience an immersive language experience. Through a visit to the Colby College Museum of Art, students will engage with parts of the museum's German art collection, deepening cultural awareness and artistic appreciation. Students will interact with college-level German speakers and educators. Level-appropriate activities will help students practice their skills, fostering language fluency and confidence. This experience, enhanced by indulging in treats from a local German bakery, will create an authentic cultural experience. This holistic approach will nurture students' global perspective, and ignite a passion for learning, making it a valuable, multifaceted experience.

Jean Roesner, Maranacook Community Middle School, submitted a proposal entitled, *Community Conversations about the Holocaust and Refugees*. The world we live in is experiencing humanitarian crisis after humanitarian crisis - and it often feels like we can do nothing about it. Students and community members will read Night (by Elie Wiesel) and Man's Search for Meaning (Viktor Frankl) as a way to explore and examine the experiences of ourselves and others. Our community will gather to talk about current events, what we have learned in our reading, and how we can respond to the history being forged in our time.

Music

4TH GRADE EARNED YELLOW BELTS IN RECORDER KARATE!



Good afternoon families!

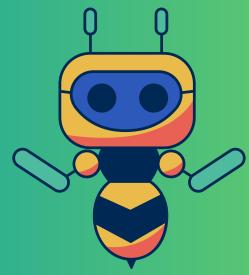
We have made it through Thanksgiving Break! Over the past few days, 4th graders have been working on a special project inspired by the Macy's Day Parade. Students designed a "balloon" made of paper, which they attached to a plastic cup. Next, students worked to move their balloons with the help of our technology integrator Mrs. Levesque. Using Sphero Bolt robots, students coded the path/trail of the parade. After a lot of problem-solving and mistakes, 4th graders were able to create a parade line.

The link to the video of our parade is here.com/heres-pictures-of-the-experience-will-be-attached-in-the-main-school-newsletter.

Have a great weekend!

Sydney Goodridge WES 4th Grade





From Fin Grades



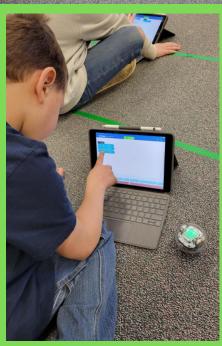










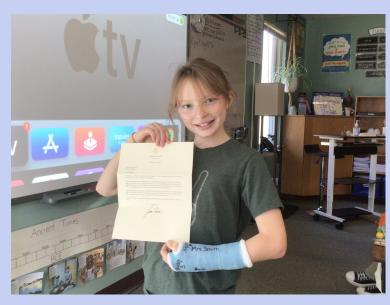






Hannah wrote a letter to President Biden about how our school should recycle to help protect the environment and our planet. He wrote back to let her know how proud of her he was and said "Because of students like you, I am more confident than ever in our country's ability to overcome any challenge we face." Good work, Hannah! Keep making your voice heard and change will happen!





Maranacook Elementary Physical Education Mr. Lajoie

We are a few weeks into our throwing and catching unit where we are learning many cooperative skills and starting some competitive games. Throwing and catching is always a student favorite as there are so many great games and activities we get to do. With all competitive games we discuss the importance of good sportsmanship, wanting to win but respecting those we get to play against and the only way we truly win in PE is by giving our best effort.

Grades K-2 are learning about underhand throws and beginning to learn how to throw overhand in a mature pattern that will lead to accuracy and greater distances. Grades 3-5 are still practicing our overhand throws with games like Boom city, Monster ball and mini games during our station day.

I always lead new skills with a talk about how we get better at things, **Practice**, **Practice**, **Practice!!!!!** Your kids are awesome so get out there and be awesome with them and let them show you their new (or old) throwing skills.



Mr. Lajoie PE Days:

Mon: Readfield Tue: Wayne

Wed: Manchester Thurs: Manchester

Fri: Readfield

Email: matt_lajoie@maranacook.com

SHOE CORNER

Cold weather means winter boots and warm gear for an active outdoor recess. It also means an extra pair of sneakers for gym class and all indoor activities.

Boots are better than crocs but still not the right gear for gym class. A wet and dirty gym floor is slippery and unsafe. Help me keep the children safe and active by sending them with sneakers. 2023

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H - SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

July 4 -	Independence Day	
September 4	-	Labor Day
October 9	-	Indigenous Peoples' Day
November 10	-	Veterans' Day, Observed
November 23	-	Thanksgiving Day
December 25	-	Christmas Day
January 1	-	New Year's Day
January 15	-	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Juliuary 15		Manual Latiner
February 19	-	Presidents' Day
April 15	-	Patriots' Day
May 27	-	Memorial Day
June 19	-	Juneteenth

Flex Day

w	Staff In-Service (no school students)
F1	First student day, Grades K-5, 6, 9, 12
F2	First student day, Grades 7, 8, 10, 11, CATC
F3	First student day, Grade Pre-K
G	Graduation

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WI	In-Service Comp Day (no school students)
ER	Designated Early Release Day (see below)

V	Vacation
L	Last Student Day (if 2 emergency days used) (1/2 day)

Aug. 28, 29	Professional Days
Aug. 30	1st Student Day, grades K-5, 6, 9, 12
Aug. 31	1st Student Day, grades 7, 8, 10-11, CATO
Sept. 5	1st Student Day, grade Pre-K
Oct. 6	Professional Day
Nov. 22	In-service Comp Day (no school)
Nov. 23-24	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 22-Jan. 1	Winter Break
Feb. 19-23	February Break
March 15	Professional Day
April 12	In-service Comp Day (no school)

April 15-19	Spring Break
June 4	Graduation
June 11	Last student day (if 2 emer. days used)
	(1/2 day)
June 12	Last staff day (if 2 emer. days are used)
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182 teacher days; 175 student days Calendar includes 2 emergency days

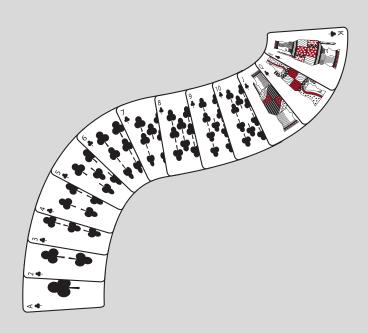
Designated Early Release Days (student dismissal at 11:40 a.m.; content to be determined by Professional Development Committee and A-Team). No Pre-K on early release days.

September 27 January 24 November 8 March 20 December 21 May 8

Adopted by RSU 38 Board: 06/07/23 (R1 06/21/23 corrected)



A deck of cards!



HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!