

# Oriole News



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Lennox Elementary  
605-647-2203 option 3



**Our school hours are: 8:20 AM - 3:30 PM.**

\*\*\*Students will be counted tardy if they enter their classroom after the 8:25 tardy bell.

\*\*\*Students should not arrive at school before 8am.

49 degrees and lower – coat 50-59 degrees – jacket/sweatshirt 60 degrees and above – short sleeves

## Important Lennox School District Links

[Lennox Elementary School Webpage](#)

[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

[District Activities Calendar](#) - continually updated

[2025-2025 Handbook](#)

[Student Discipline Matrix](#)

Please be sure that your student has tennis shoes at school to wear during PE or other times of physical activity! We do see more injuries when students are wearing sandals on the playground, so you may want to consider tennis shoes for recess as well.

## Looking Ahead:

\*Homecoming Monday Sept 15<sup>th</sup> @ 8 PM

\*Homecoming Parade Friday Sept 19<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 PM, Dismissal immediately after.

\*September 24<sup>th</sup>- Early Release – Common Planning



## Oriole News – September 2nd, 2025

### Breakfast

Breakfast is served from 8:00–8:15 AM only. Students should arrive by 8:00 to have time to eat.

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### Dismissal & Pick-Up

Contact the office before 3:00 PM with any changes to dismissal plans. Late changes may not reach your child. Pick-up by 3:35 PM is required. Students not picked up will be sent to Totally Kids (parent pays). If picking up before 3:30, call the office at least 30 minutes ahead. No arrival before 8:00 AM unless enrolled in Totally Kids.

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### Homecoming

Homecoming is Monday, Sept. 15 @ 8 PM. The Parade is Friday, Sept. 19, 1:30 PM, with dismissal immediately after. Buses will run normal routes but may arrive earlier than usual.

Trailers are needed for floats—contact Shannon Keatley at [shannon.keitley@k12.sd.us](mailto:shannon.keitley@k12.sd.us).

Dress-up days will be September 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>.

Monday Sept 15 – Mickey & Minnie Monday

- Wear black, red, white, or polka dots

Tuesday Sept 16 – Toy Story Tuesday

- Dress like a cowboy or cowgirl

Wednesday Sept 17 – When You Wish Upon A Star Wednesday

- PJ Day!

Thursday Sept 18 – Thready Thursday

- Silly Sock Day

Friday Sept 19 – School Spirit Day

- Wear school colors
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### Picture Retakes

Wednesday, Sept. 18. Students retaking photos must return their original packet. Students who missed August picture day will be photographed. Order online at [www.scherling.preorderphotos.com](http://www.scherling.preorderphotos.com).

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## Student Directory form:

We will be creating a student directory for families with students in Preschool - 4th grade. If you submit your info you will receive, via email, a directory with others who have submitted their information. Only provide the information you want other families in our school to have access to.

YOU WILL NEED TO FILL THE FORM OUT FOR EACH Student in preschool - 4th grade if you want them included on their class page.

Please use the link below to submit your information.

Please use this directory as a way to plan play dates or birthday parties.

**Reminder: Birthday party invitations are not allowed to be distributed at school as it creates many hurt feelings, if noticed, invites will be returned home to be distributed another way.**

Deadline for submitting your information is Wednesday, September 10th at 8pm.

Click this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/Emp3i6P6XP>

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## Safety & Traffic

Review bike and road safety with your student. Staff monitor crosswalks from 8:00–8:20 AM and after school until buses leave. The drive-thru loop is for drivers who stay in vehicles only. Walk-in families should park in the north lot or east of the gym.

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## Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are on Thursday, Oct. 9. Sign-up opens Sept. 17 (8 AM) and closes Sept. 25 (8 PM). Scheduling will be through Sign-up Genius (link coming in a donotreply@k12 email).

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## **Illness Policy Highlights**

Students must remain home until fever-free for 24 hours without medication. COVID/flu symptoms require improvement plus 24 hours fever-free. Vomiting/diarrhea requires 24 hours after the last episode. Strep requires 24 hours of antibiotics. Head lice require treatment and no nits. Pink Eye, Ringworm, and Impetigo require 24 hours of medication. Chickenpox, Shingles, Pertussis, and Mono follow district guidelines.

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## **Family Support**

At Lennox Elementary, we care deeply about the well-being of all our students and families. We understand that some families may be experiencing challenges related to food insecurity. Please know that you are not alone, and we are here to help. Our school has partnered with Feeding South Dakota to provide additional resources and support for families in need. These programs are designed to ensure that children have access to the nutrition they need both at school and at home. If your family is facing difficulties or if you would like more information about how we can assist, please reach out to the school office. All inquiries will be handled with care and confidentiality. Thank you for allowing us to partner with you in supporting your child's growth and success.

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