DELWOOD

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Important Dates

Monday, September 4 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

Friday, September 15 Grandparents Day 1-3pm

Monday, September 18 School Board Meeting 5:30pm

Wednesday, October 11

Early Dismissal 1:30pm Parent-Teacher Conferences 2:00-6:00pm

Thursday, October 12

Early Dismissal 1:30pm Parent-Teacher Conferences 2:00-8:00pm

Friday, October 13

NO SCHOOL

Monday, October 16

School Board Meeting 5:30pm

Tuesday, October 17

Fall Pictures

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Are you interested in becoming a member of Delwood's School Board?

Information packets are available in the school office. The filing period is August 28 through September 21.

You can find more information at https://elections.clintoncounty-ia.gov under the Elections tab.

PICTURE DAY

All students will be photographed on Tuesday, October 17.

Orders can be placed online at:

https://halverson-photography.hhimagehost.com/2023DelwoodElem

Morning Arrival

If your student arrives at school before 7:45am, they will need to go to the Before School Program in the gym.

September 2023

Equity Statement

It is the policy of the Delwood Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, creed, marital status (for programs), national origin, religion, socioeconomic status (for programs), age (for employment), disability, gender identity or sexual orientation in its educational programs and employment practices. If you believe you have (or your child has) been discriminated against or treated unjustly at school, there is a grievance procedure for processing complains of discrimination. Please contact the District's Equity Coordinator, Superintendent Chris Fee, 311 Delmar Ave., Delmar, IA 52037, 583-674-4164.



The Viking Voice



DELWOOD MISSION STATEMENT

Striving to meet the individual needs of children in a family atmosphere, promoting positive and creative learning.

To the Delwood Community,

It has been a great week having students in the building and students are learning the routines quickly.

We have a few new staff members this fall. Ashley VanderHeiden is our 1st grade teacher, Lynn Goddard is our new bus driver and Jeff Raab has joined us as our Technology Director. We are very excited to have added these three to the Delwood family.

I just wanted to inform everyone about the behavior matrix that teachers will be using this year for different behaviors that happen. Attached is the behavior matrix so you have a visual of what all teachers will be using when dealing with behaviors this year. We have shared this with all students and we will be using this matrix to determine if students are able to participate in fun activities during each quarter of the school year.

In September, we will be taking our FAST assessments that we take in the Fall, Winter, and Spring. These assessments are in math, reading, and fluency. Please remind your child to do their best on these assessments and any other assessments that we do throughout the year. This helps the school plan for interventions or enrichments for your child.

Just a reminder for everyone again of the morning procedures that are in place when students arrive at school. Due to staff coverage in the mornings, students that come before 7:45am will have to attend the before school program and there is a charge for students attending this program. The buses will not arrive at school before 7:45am. K-6 students arriving after that time will line up outside the main doors and preschool students should go to their classroom door on the north side of the building. Breakfast starts at 7:46am and ends at 8:05am.

Like aways if anyone has any questions feel free to call the school or email me.

Sincerely, Marty Marshall mmarshall@delwood.k12.ia.us 563-674-4164

PBIS

Delwood will again be utilizing PBIS this school year. PBIS stands for Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports. Our PBIS team has made some revisions to the behavior matrix that will be used for students. A copy of the updated matrix can be found on the page following this note.

We will also be using Stop & Think sheets with students this year. Following a behavior incident, students will work with their teacher to complete a Stop & Think sheet, which will help determine the reason for their actions, the consequence of their actions and offer them an opportunity to reflect on what could have been done differently in the situation. Stop & Think sheets will be sent home for parents to review, sign and return to school. Parents will be notified via email or phone if their student will be bringing a Stop & Think sheet home from school.

As in the past, the PBIS committee will be planning monthly assemblies to recognize students who are displaying good behaviors and making good choices in our building. Each month, we will focus on a different area of our Delwood ROCKs expectations, which are:

- Respects self, school and others
- Overcomes obstacles
- Celebrates Success
- Keep doing your best

Our focus for the month of September is "R" for respect! This is a good opportunity to bring attention to any time you notice your child showing respect and have conversations about it at home too!

The PBIS committee will also be planning quarterly activities for students, as they have done in the past (dodgeball, movies, field day, etc.).



🕏 2023-2024 Delwood Elementary Discipline Matrix

Behavior	First Time	Second Time	Third Time	Fourth Time	Fifth Time	Sixth Time
Verbal - Teasing - Name Calling - Cyber Bullying - Electronic Violation Classroom - Disrespecting Peers - Not Following Classroom Expectations/Refusal - Electronic Violation Social/Relational - Gossip/Rumors - Purposeful Exclusion - Swearing - Harassment - Verbal Threats	Think Sheet Parents are notified by email or text through JMC of think sheet by teacher	Think Sheet Loss of Recess Parents are notified by email Parents are notified or text through by email or text by teacher Think Sheet Think Sheet Parents are notified Or text through JMC of think sheet through JMC of think by phone call by the sheet by teacher. sheet by teacher	Think Sheet Loss of Recess Parents are notified by phone call by the student/teacher.	Think Sheet All Call to Principal Parent Notified by Administration	Think Sheet All Call to Principal Parent Notified by Administration and a meeting set up with the student, the teacher, and parents	Think Sheet All Call to Principal Parent Notified by Administration and a meeting set up with the student, the teacher, and parents
Physical - Hitting, Kicking, Intent to Harm Others - Damaging Property	Depending on consequences will the ir	Depending on the severity, the consequences will reflect the extent of the incident.	All Call to Principal	All Call to Principal Parent Meeting	Following Behavior Supports Plan and the Consequences in	Following Behavior Supports Plan and the Consequences in
- Weapons	Parents will be notified in	notified in all cases		Student Supports Representative	the Plan	the Plan

*** Loss of recess needs to be done in the classroom, with the teacher enforcing the consequence.

*** During the first recess, fill out and discuss the sheet. During the 2nd recess, revisit or continue your conversation making sure they understand what student *** K-6th Grade students are required to complete a think sheet to reflect on their behavior (students may need assistance and that is ok) actions put them in this situation and how to better handle these situations in the future.



Delwood Stop & Think Sheet



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Parent Signature
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JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN! FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH FROM 1-3PM

WANTED:

VOLUNTEER GRANDPARENTS OR SPECIAL FRIENDS
FROM THE COMMUNITY TO JOIN THOSE STUDENTS
WHO MAY NOT HAVE SOMEONE WHO CAN
ATTEND. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN
VOLUNTEERING, PLEASE CONTACT MELINDA
HACKMAN AT 563-574-4164 TO LET HER KNOW
YOU'LL BE JOINING US!