



EAGLE NEWS

Lost Creek
Elementary
(402) 563-7045

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Welcome Back!

The Columbus Public Schools Mission is **"Engaging All Learners to Achieve Success."** The word "Learner" includes students and staff. I invite our Lost Creek patrons to support our efforts. Please contact us whenever you have a concern or plan to visit the school.

School Day Schedule

Grades K-4 8:00 a.m. – 3:25 p.m.

Children arriving early for breakfast are admitted into the cafeteria at 7:25 a.m. through the main (west) entrance. Students in 1st through 4th grades assemble at these doors to enter at 7:55 a.m. Kindergartners may assemble near their homeroom doors located on the east side of the school. Students arriving after 8:00 a.m. must report to the office to sign in and receive a tardy slip. At the end of the school day, students need to be picked up by 3:35. On early dismissal Wednesdays students need to be picked up by 2:25. We ask that the red curb stalls near the canopy be reserved for busses.

School Lunch Prices

The price for a student lunch is \$2.65. The cost for parents to eat lunch with their child is \$3.70. Milk is available for 45¢ (no pop please). Please pay for lunches in two-week or monthly payments. Check or money sent to school for lunches should be put in an envelope with your child(ren)'s name on the outside with the amount you would like put in each account.

The breakfast program begins at 7:25 a.m. every day. The price for a student breakfast is \$1.90. Reduced prices are: lunch .40¢, breakfast .30¢.

Dates to Remember

- Aug. 15 – 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Open House
- Aug. 16 – First Day 1st – 5th Grade
11:45 a.m. Dismissal
- Aug. 17 – First Day for ½ of the
Kindergarteners
- Aug. 20 – First Day for ½ of the
Kindergarteners & Preschoolers
- Aug. 22 – 2:15 p.m. Dismissal
- Aug. 29 – 2:15 p.m. Dismissal
- Sept. 3 – NO SCHOOL, Labor Day
- Sept. 5 – 2:15 p.m. Dismissal
- Sept. 12 - 2:15 p.m. Dismissal
- Sept. 13 - Picture Day
- Sept. 14 – 11:45 a.m. Dismissal
Preschool No School
- Sept. 18 – 3:55 -7:45 p.m. Parent/Teacher
Conferences
- Sept. 20 – NO SCHOOL, 1:00 – 6:45 p.m.
Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Sept. 20 – NO SCHOOL
- Sept. 26 - 2:15 p.m. Dismissal

Reminders to Parents

Please remember to contact the office the **day before or the day of your child's absence from school.** We become very concerned when a student is absent from school without an explanation from the parent or guardian. There are three ways parents can inform the school if and when their child is absent from school.

1. Send a written note with your child before the day of the absence.
2. Call the office (402-563-7045) after 7:30 a.m. (preferably before 8:30 a.m.) to report your child's absence.
3. E-mail us at: bosk@discoverers.org

PowerSchool Access

Parents of students have access to "PowerSchool." If you would like to receive instructions with password and login for your child, please contact the school office at 402-563-7045.

PowerSchool Access give you access to your child's daily attendance, grades, school bulletin, and lunch account balance. PowerSchool also has an app you can download once you are signed up.

PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)

PTO meetings are scheduled for the school year on the 2nd Tuesday of every month, September 11th will be the first one, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Lost Creek School Library. All parents are invited to attend.

Columbus After School Program

Caityln Byrnes is our site director this year. Her staff is looking forward to another fun-filled year of academic, hands-on, educational activities, and much more. The Columbus After School Program staff collaborates with classroom teachers on academic activities, especially the core subjects of Math and Reading. Extend your child's learning in a safe and stimulating environment at the Columbus After School Program! Student information forms and enrollment registration paper must be completed and turned into the UNL Extension Platte County Office located in the lower level of the courthouse prior to attending. For more information, brochures are available in the school office, or call Stacey Whiting or Lori Marking at 402-563-4901.

Principal's Corner

I am very excited about the upcoming school year! I am looking forward to continuing the tradition of excellence put forth by our teachers and staff at Lost Creek Elementary. I expect a school year filled with excitement, learning, and growth and I'm getting eager as the summer comes to an end and another adventurous school year begins.

Being born and raised in Columbus and a Lost Creek Eagle alum, I am already being reaffirmed that Lost Creek Elementary has a very dedicated staff that is always positive and willing to do what it takes to meet the needs of all of our students. I have also already met a lot of parents and patrons and I am proud to be your principal. Columbus community members have been very supportive to my family and myself and I am honored to work with all of you to provide our kids with the best opportunities to strive to be successful.

Please feel free to stop in anytime to see me or give a call if you have any questions or wish to discuss any concerns and/or strengths of our school. I am always exploring ways to improve student achievement and continue our excellent academic success.

J.P. Holys
Principal

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