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Dear Families:

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! Our elementary open house will take place on Thursday, August 4 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Students with their last name starting with **A-J** should come between 5:00-6:00 and students with their last name starting **K-Z** should attend between 6:00-7:00. At this time, you can meet your child's teacher, see the room, and drop off supplies in your child's desk or cubby/locker space, as well as take care of any remaining paperwork with office staff.

You do not need to stay your whole designated hour. Once you've met your teacher, organized your supplies and taken care of any office related business you may leave. All of the PK-12 will be in attendance this night so to avoid overcrowding please feel free to leave once you are done.

Our first day of school is Wednesday, August 10 and will be a half day early out. School will run from 8:00-1:30 and there will be **no** Kids First After School Program that day. Breakfast will be served the first day and students may arrive to school starting at 7:30 a.m. Please do not enter the building or drop off your child before 7:30. The general school day this year will be 8:00-3:25 for the elementary. The Middle/High School will be dismissed at 3:35 and busses will leave at 3:45.

We will continue to focus on WILDCAT PRIDE and working to instill Positivity, Respect, Integrity, Determination and Empathy into our students as well as providing them great educational opportunities. Please feel free to always refer to our PRIDE characteristics when dealing with any sort of discipline issues or learning moments in your own home. Using consistent language and expectations at home and school will benefit us all including your child.

Office staff will be back daily starting Aug 1. **PLEASE** feel free to contact us to answer any questions and take care of any paperwork before the open house. Summer hours are M-Th 8-2 until then. Someone should typically be available in the HS Office that can help you. We would love for no paperwork to need to be taken care of at the open house to make the experience as casual and easy going as possible and completing all registration and bussing requests this summer would be preferred.

Your child's classroom teacher this year will be:

Reminder: Class lists are established through a team process and a wide variety of factors are considered in an attempt to create the best learning atmosphere and opportunities for ALL students. Class lists are subject to change up to the start of school if new factors arise and need to be considered. (If you did not receive this letter in the mail and would like to know your child's teacher for the year, you may call the school to inquire or find out at the open house.)

New Elementary Staff: Amber Smoot has moved from Title I to 2nd grade replacing Mrs. Pittack and we welcome Ashley Heisterkamp to 3rd replacing Miss Neiman, Allison Lester to 4th grade replacing Miss Ludwig, Mikaela Anglin replacing Mrs. Black for Spanish and Jennifer Rehn in music replacing Mrs K.

Supply lists are on our website, posted on our Facebook page and at the Fremont Walmart.

We look forward to seeing you at the open house and we look forward to this year with your children!

Ben Hansen CBPS PK-5 Principal



Welcome Families to the new school year! Please Review ALL information on this page carefully.

- *First day is a half day on Aug 10. School will begin at 8:00 and dismiss at 1:30. Breakfast begins at 7:30.
- *There is NO Kids First After School Program the first day of school.
- *Doors open at 7:30. Please, Please, Please, DO NOT send or drop off your child prior to 7:30.
- *PK-Kindergarten will report directly to their classrooms each day.
- *First-Fifth Grade will enter the main elementary entrance and report directly each day to the cafeteria.
- *All students entering Kindergarten must have their birth certificate on file with the office per Nebraska Law 43-2001 through 43-2012. Failure to provide this within 30 days of the start of school will result in the exclusion of your child until it is produced. Copies and questions can go to Mrs. Novak in the elementary office.
- *The Specials Schedule is on our website under the Documents tab and in the elementary folder. Please be aware of PE days so your child has appropriate shoes and clothes.
- *The District Calendar is also online at the top of the home page. Please keep it posted at home for scheduled days off and parent teacher conference dates.
- *The Elementary Handbook is available by in hard copy by request or online under the Documents tab and in the elementary folder. Please read pages 5-13 of the student handbook for some basic information.
- *If your child will be absent for the day, please ALWAYS notify the office before 8:30 a.m.
- *If after school transportation changes are ever needed, please be sure to call <u>before</u> 2:30 for changes to be communicated.
- *Transportation times and locations should already be established as reminders have been posted online and office staff has attempted calls over the summer to confirm/deny requests to fill routes. If you missed these calls and notices, you need to speak with our transportation director Tom Brinkman to find out if your request has been able to be met.

Even if you may have been provided transportation last year, it does not guarantee it again this year. Each year our needs, requests, routes, and available drivers all vary so each year the requests and routes are re-evaluated. We have limited space on busses and ability to meet all requests for all routes. Mr. Brinkman will make all attempts to accommodate all requests, but we unfortunately will not be able to meet every request by every family. He is available to call at the school, his email is thomas.brinkman@cbwildcats.org and he will also be in the cafeteria at the open house if you need to speak with him.

- *You must complete the online registration. Follow the directions on the page provided. This will be the third year we have done registration this way so hopefully you recall and are familiar with it. Be sure to register all your children and complete each form for each child separately and individually. This is what officially enrolls your child so be sure to complete each section. Without it being complete for each child, it can create problems within PowerSchool which includes our gradebook and information the state needs to pull district reports. If you have trouble or questions call Felicia Roumph in the high school office.
- *If you missed the notice from the spring, the free breakfast and lunch for students from the Covid Relief is done and will not continue this year. For Free or Reduced Lunches, you will need to fill out the necessary paperwork to enroll. The school is not responsible for filing this. Free/Reduced forms were mailed out in June. Contact Felicia Roumph in the high school office for help and questions you may have. Those of you who do not qualify for Free lunch MUST fund your lunch accounts again this year. Prices are \$2.50 for breakfast and \$3.00 for lunch and 50 cents for extra milk.
- *Picture Day is scheduled for Aug 18. Studio 123 out of Wahoo is the company. Any issues with pictures will need to go through them. We will distribute order forms shortly after school begins.
- *There is no school Sept. 5, 30 Oct. 14, 28 Nov. 23-25 Dec 22 Jan. 9 Jan. 16 Feb. 17 Mar. 17 Apr. 7, 10, 28.

Mr. Hansen

