

August 2022

GACKLE-STREETER BACK TO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2022

August 1st:	7-12 Girls Golf	1st Practice	8:00 am- Napoleon Country Club
August 4th:	Varsity Football	1st Practice	7:30 am- Napoleon High School
August 9th	Public	GS School Board Meeting	7:30 am- GS Workroom
August 15th:	Junior High & Elementary Football	1st Practice	4:00 pm- Napoleon High School
	JV & Varsity Volleyball	1st Practice	6:00 am- Napoleon High School
August 17th:	PK-12 Students & Parents	2022-2023 Registration	9:00 am- 4:00 pm- GS SmartLab
August 18th:	Elementary Girls Basketball	1st Practice	4:00 pm- Napoleon High School
	Dual Credit Students	Help Day	10:00 am- 12:00 pm - Office
August 22nd:	JH Volleyball	1st Practice	5:00 pm- Napoleon Community Center
August 23rd:	K-12 STUDENTS	1ST DAY OF SCHOOL	8:30 AM- GACKLE-STREETER PUBLIC SCHOOL!
	Dual Credit Students	DCB Courses Begin	Online
September 2nd:	Public	Coffee with Kids	9:00 am- GS Gym
September 5th:	K-12 Students	NO SCHOOL	Labor Day
September 7th:	PK Students	1ST DAY OF PK	12:30 PM (M,W,TH)
	4th Grade Students	Field Trip	White Stone Battlefield
September 15th:	PK-12 Students	Picture Day	All Day- GS Gym

A WORD FROM MR. BERG

Welcome everyone to the 2022-2023 school year! I am excited to begin another GREAT year of learning here at Gackle-Streeter and I look forward to the opportunity of working with a quality staff and continuing to move the district in a positive direction.

As we continue to appreciate the opportunity to hold classes "in person" we must also continue the vigilant effort to keep everyone healthy. Unfortunately, there is an uptrend in new COVID cases in North Dakota right now. The district is making use of federal ESSER funds to update the facility and continue daily cleaning practices that are essential to the health and safety of students. Other normal annual maintenance that took place over the summer was having the carpets professionally cleaned, all hard surface floors stripped and resealed and updated lighting. Although there are currently no formal mandates in place, we will continue to encourage social distancing, provide hand sanitizing stations, use the CLOROX cart, minimize points of contact, and encourage families to keep a child home when he/she is not feeling well. COVID-19 Home Test Kits are available at the school office.

ESSER monies are also being used for academic recovery efforts. Gackle-Streeter School continues to support 2 full-time teachers in the elementary with the help of ESSER dollars. The district has also purchased additional chromebook computers, provided staff development training and maintained a counselor 2 days a week.

An update on the security fence project. Through a grant from federal Homeland security, Logan County commission, and local gaming funds the fencing project was able to be completed. Thank you to everyone who made this happen!

Gackle-Streeter School was also fortunate enough to receive a grant for Active-Shooter training this year. The staff at the school, as well as EMS, Logan County Sheriffs Dept., Gackle Fire Dept, and Logan County EM will participate in a one-day full scale simulation. The goal is to provide the best possible safety protocol should there every be a traumatic event at the school. This training will take place in October with no students present that day.

As long as we are talking about funding, PLEASE FILL OUT THE FREE AND REDUCED MEAL FORMS AT REGISTRATION. The number of free and reduced meals in the district is part of the funding formula to determine how much Title funding the district receives each year. That means that if your family qualifies for free or reduced lunches and you do not apply, the District loses money.

I would like to welcome the new staff members to Gackle-Streeter School. Mrs. Tina Nitschke will be returning to GSPS as the 4th grade teacher. Mrs. Nitschke is a graduate of Gackle-Streeter and we are very excited to have her joining our staff. Jamie Burkle will be moving from a paraprofessional position to the 7-12th grade Math Teacher. Ashley Ekern and Linda Gutschmidt will also be coming on board as paraprofessionals. Melissa Murdock has taken the part-time custodian/kitchen services position. These individuals will be an asset to our students and our staff. The community can be proud to have a district that is fully staffed!

Teacher professional development days will be Aug. 18th and 19th.
The first day of School for grades k-12 will be August 23rd.

PARENTS- Please be sure and register your child/children for school on Aug 17th. This is the way teachers know who is in his/her class, the cooks can plan for meals and the school can insure your child will receive the services necessary for a quality education. If you are new to the district, please be sure and contact the school as soon as possible if you have a new student that will be attending school this fall.

North Dakota is changing the way Child Neglect for school attendance is being handled. This process will now be reviewed at the state level. NDCC 15.1-20-03 makes it a Class B Misdemeanor if a child is not in attendance. For this reason, Gackle-Streeter will be using the following protocol when dealing with excessive absences per semester:

- 1) 5 days= letter home
- 2) 7 days= phone call home, turned over to local law enforcement to investigate
- 3) 10 days= 960 form will be filled by school administration.

Please stop in or call Mrs. buckeye or Mr. Berg to discuss any concerns with your child being able to be in attendance.

Parents of kindergarten students, kindergarten will follow the regular school day and calendar. Kindergarten is all day, every day.

Parents of preschool age students, preschool will be 3 days a week this year. Preschool will start on Sept. 7th. and will be afternoons only on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday.

Bus routes are currently being put together to accommodate current road conditions and ride times. As these routes come together, bus drivers will be in touch with families regarding pick up times.

With fall fast approaching and everyone getting back to school life gets busy. We will do our best to keep you informed. Please refer to the school website, the monthly newsletters or call the school with any questions.

I am looking forward to a great school year! Enjoy what is left of summer. I will see you on Aug. 23st.

Mr. Berg, Superintendent.

AUGUST MENU

AUGUST 23RD:

BREAKFAST: DANISH ROLLS & YOGURT
LUNCH: MEATBALL SUBS & PASTA SALAD

AUGUST 24TH:

BREAKFAST: SCRAMBLED EGGS & BACON
LUNCH: THREE MEAT SUBS

AUGUST 25TH:

BREAKFAST: MUFFINS & FRUIT
LUNCH: HAMBURGERS & POTATO SALAD

AUGUST 26TH:

BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST PIZZA
LUNCH: PULLED PORK SANDWICHES

AUGUST 29TH:

BREAKFAST: FRENCH TOAST STICKS & YOGURT
LUNCH: SLOPPY JOES & SALAD

AUGUST 30TH:

BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST SANDWICHES
LUNCH: ORANGE CHICKEN & RICE

AUGUST 31ST:

BREAKFAST: DONUTS & YOGURT
LUNCH: TACOS & SPANISH RICE

Meal Fees:

Student Breakfast- \$1.85
Adult Breakfast- \$3.00

Elementary Student Lunch- \$2.65
High School Student Lunch- \$2.90
Adult Lunch- \$3.75

Activity Fees:

Instrument Rental- \$50/year
Percussion Rental- \$30/year
Driver's Ed- \$125 (Summer 2023)
Student Activity Pass- \$35/year
Adult Activity Pass- \$70/year
Senior Citizen Activity Pass- \$50/year (65+)
JH Game- \$2 Students, \$3 Adults
1 Varsity Game- \$5 Students, \$6 Adults
2 Varsity Games- \$7 Students, \$8 Adults

Gackle-Streeter
Public School

Free & Reduced Meal Applications

We encourage all families to complete the meal application, as the federal program provides more than just meals:

Fill out your family's application today!

School Funding

The amount of funding our district receives is dependent on our rate of free/reduced students, as is our eligibility for additional grant funding. Ensuring our free/reduced rate is an accurate representation of our district is vital in providing a valuable education.

College Applications

Families enrolled in the free/reduced meal program are eligible for fee waivers associated with the college application process at select universities.

School Meals

Most commonly associated with the free/reduced application is the opportunity to receive free or discounted school meals for children. Eligibility is based on family size and income.

Standardized Tests

Families enrolled in the free/reduced meal program are eligible for fee waivers associated with national standardized tests (ACT, SAT, and AP exams).

Free & Reduced Meal Applications will be available at Registration on August 17th.

BUS ROUTES

We are happy to have Jon, Dale, & Nels joining us again this year as Bus Drivers!

Your student(s) bus driver will be in contact with you by August 21st regarding pick up time and location. If you have not heard from a driver by the 22nd, please contact the school office.

For updates on everything going on at Gackle-Streeter download our school app or check out our website & Facebook Page!

Pre-School

8 pack jumbo Crayola crayons
10 pack Crayola markers
2 Jumbo glue sticks
Pencil box
Children's scissors
2 Ticonderoga Pencils
2 boxes of Kleenex
2 containers of disinfecting wipes
Headphones (labeled in Ziplock bag)
2 packages of shareable healthy snacks
Change of clothes (in a labeled Ziplock bag)

Gackle-Streeter Elementary School Supplies

Kindergarten

Children's scissors
Sanitizing wipes
Kleenex
Pack of pencils
Pack of glue sticks
2 boxes of crayons
2 plastic two pocket folders
2 spiral notebooks
Pencil box
Headphones (over ear)
Painting shirt
Change of clothes
Towel



First Grade

Large eraser
Pencils
Crayons or colored pencils
Markers
6 glue sticks
1 bottle of glue
Scissors
Paint shirt (oversized shirt works best)
2 containers of disinfecting wipes
Pencil box
1 folder
1 notebook
1" binder
1 package binder sleeves
Watercolor paints
Headphones
Ziplock bags (1 box any size)
Shareable snack (optional)

Second Grade

1 pack of large erasers
Crayons
Markers
Colored pencils
Watercolor paints
Scissors
1 pack of glue sticks
1 bottle of glue
Supply box
3 Pocket folders
2 notebooks
1 3-ring binder
3 packs of disinfecting wipes
Kleenex
1 box of Gallon size ziplock bags
2 packages of shareable healthy snacks

Third Grade

Pencils
Erasers
Crayons
Colored pencils
Markers
Watercolor paint
Scissors
1 bottle liquid glue
Glue sticks
Notebook
Composition notebook
Ruler
1" binder
Disinfecting wipes
Kleenex
Headphones (optional)

Fourth Grade

Pencils
Erasers
Crayons
Colored pencils
Markers
Watercolor paint
Scissors
1 bottle liquid glue
Glue sticks
2 Notebooks
Composition notebook
Ruler
1 ½ "binder
2 Plastic pocket folders
Disinfecting wipes
Kleenex
Headphones (optional)

Fifth Grade

Pencils
Crayons
Markers
Red Pen
Supply Box
Scissors
Glue sticks
Ruler
Kleenex
Erasers
Colored Pencils
2 Highlighters
Black Sharpie
2 folders
3 spiral notebooks
Composition notebooks
Headphone/earbuds
Disinfecting wipes

Sixth Grade

1 ½ in. View Binder (White)
5tab Binder dividers
Pointed tip scissors
Lg. package of pencils
2 highlighters
Elmer's glue sticks
3 Black dry erase markers
Binder Pencil Bag
Ruler (CM/IN)
2 notebooks
markers
disinfecting wipes
small calculator
water bottle
Supply box
4 folders
crayons
headphone
Kleenex



All students need a labelled backpack and no-skid Gym Shoes

Gackle-Streeter Public School

2022 - 2023 School Year

Calendar - Approved 2/8/2022

August 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

(7 days)

- 17 Registration
- 18 PD
- 19 PD
- 23 1st Day of School

September 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

(20.5 days)

- 5 No School - Labor Day
- 7 1st Day of Preschool
- 23 1/2 day PD. Dismiss at 12:30pm
- 1st Quarter midterm

October 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

(19 days)

- 19 End of 1st Quarter
- 20 No School - State PD
- 21 No School - State PD
- 27 Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-9:30
- 28 Parent/Teacher Comp day. NO SCHOOL

November 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

(18.5 days)

- 4 1/2 Day PD; Dismiss at 12:30
- 11 No School - Veterans Day
- 24 No School - Thanksgiving
- 25 No School - Thanksgiving break

December 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

(14.5 days)

- 2 2nd Quarter midterm
- 21 End of semester Dismiss at 12:30pm
- 22 Christmas Break. No school

(20 days)

January 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- 3 Classes Resume
- 16 Full day PD. NO SCHOOL

(18.5 days)

February 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

- 3 Storm Day
- 10 3rd Quarter midterm
- 17 1/2 day PD. Dismiss at 12:30pm

(22.5 days)

March 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

- 2 Parent-Teacher Conferenes 3:30-9:30
- 3 Parent/Teacher Comp day. NO SCHOOL
- 17 1/2 day PD. Dismiss at 12:30pm
- End of 3rd quarter

(17 days)

April 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

- 7 No School - Good Friday
- 9 Easter
- 10 No School Easter Monday
- 20 4th Quarter midterm
- 21 Storm Day

(12.5 days)

May 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

- 17 Last day of school. Dismiss at 12:30
- 17 End of 2nd Semester
- 21 Graduation
- 29 Memorial Day

- 5 Staff Development Days
- 2 Parent/Teacher Comp Days: Oct. 28 & March 3
- 3 Holidays: Labor Day, Veterans Day, Good Friday
- 1st Semester ends: December 21 (79.5 Days)
- 2nd Semester ends: May 17 (90.5 Days)
- 170 days of Instruction - 182 Teacher Contract Days

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Tips Families Can Use to Help Children Do Better in School



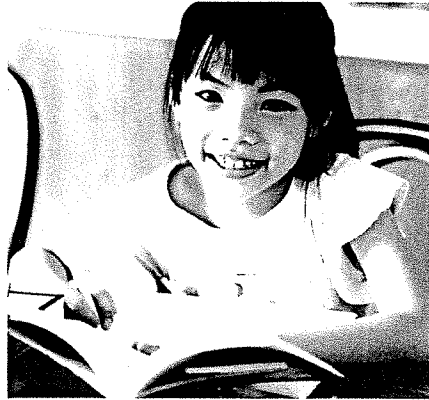
September 2022

Put simple ideas to work now to support learning all year long

Schools and families share a common goal: helping students learn, grow and thrive. And it takes both schools and families to achieve it.

At school, the start of a new year is a time to establish routines and priorities. To do the same at home and set your child up for a productive year of learning:

- **Create a study space** that is comfortable for your student. It can be at a bedroom desk, at the kitchen table or on the couch. It just needs to have plenty of light and few distractions when your child is working.
- **Make a weekly schedule.** Plan time for schoolwork, play, activities and relaxing. Be sure to include a family reading time. Reading together regularly shows your child that reading is important.
- **Keep a family calendar.** You can use a different color for each family member's activities.
- **Set up a folder** for school notices so they won't get misplaced.
- **Cut back on recreational screen time.** Set a weekly limit on time spent passively watching screen media.
- **Update contact information.** Provide your work and emergency numbers to the school. Collect teacher and attendance office contacts.



Make reading an activity your child will enjoy doing every day

Even after elementary schoolers learn to read, they must practice regularly to develop their skills. Strong reading skills will make learning every subject easier for your child. To encourage frequent reading:

- **Give your child choices.** Offer a wide variety of reading material—books, age-appropriate news articles, graphic novels etc. Let your child choose what to bring home from the library.
- **Connect reading to life.** Read together about historical events that happened near your home. Look for books related to things your child likes to do.
- **Set a timer.** If your child resists reading, say "Read to me for three minutes." Add another minute every few days.
- **Act out stories.** Help your child stage a family play or make a video of a current favorite book.
- **Read aloud.** When children listen to books, they can enjoy more challenging words and stories.

Establish a key partnership

You and the teacher are at the center of your child's daily life. Teamwork between you benefits your student. To foster it:

- **Participate** in Back-to-School Night to find out about teacher expectations.
- **Update the teacher** about changes and challenges your child is facing.
- **Show your child** you respect the teacher.

Encourage cooperation

Leadership is a positive quality in a student. But *bossiness*—being demanding, not listening, not cooperating—just makes working with classmates and teachers harder. To help your child learn to contribute in a group:

- **Have family members take turns** making some decisions for everyone, such as what vegetable to eat for dinner.
- **Set house rules.** If one person divides the cookie, the other person gets to choose which piece they want.
- **Teach fair ways** to make decisions, like flipping a coin to see who goes first.



Have your student teach

One of the most effective ways to reinforce learning is to ask your child to teach the material to you. Try these three strategies with your "student teacher":

1. **Show interest** in what your child is learning in school. Ask your student to explain concepts and read texts aloud.
2. **Take a quiz.** Let your child ask you questions about the material.
3. **Ask for help.** How does your child think you should solve a problem? What should you do first?



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Tips Families Can Use to Help Children Do Better in School

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

September 2022

Q&A How can I help my child make up for lost learning?

Q: My third grader lost ground academically during the pandemic and struggled with grade level work last spring. How can I help my child get back on track this year?

A: Your student is not alone! Studies show widespread drops in math and reading test scores since 2019. But there's also good news: There are many ways you can work with the school and your child to help recover that lost ground. Here are some ways to get started:

- **Meet with your child's teacher** as early as possible this fall. Talk about subject areas that give your student trouble. Ask what you can do at home and about school resources that can help. Many schools and districts are using relief funds to implement tutoring programs, for example.
- **Prioritize school attendance.** Don't let your child miss out on class instruction, discussions and demonstrations.
- **Help your child set learning goals** and plan steps to meet them. Every time your student completes a step, recognize the effort.
- **Plan for out-of-school learning.** Visit a historic site together. Get a book on minerals from the library and spend an afternoon rock-hunting. Building your child's base of knowledge helps with learning in school.



Parent Quiz

Are you establishing healthy habits?

Families play a vital role in helping students do their best in school. One key way to do this is by ensuring that your child gets needed rest, nutrition and exercise. Are you promoting healthy choices? Answer *yes* or *no* below:

- ___ **1. Do you maintain** a regular bedtime for your child? Elementary schoolers need at least nine hours of sleep daily.
- ___ **2. Do you feed** your child breakfast each day? Food fuels kids' brains for learning.
- ___ **3. Do you find** fun ways for your child to get moving? Daily exercise improves memory and focus.
- ___ **4. Do you review** the rules often about safely interacting with others, and make sure your child understands them?

- ___ **5. Do you teach** your child to wash or sanitize hands frequently throughout the day?

How well are you doing?

More yes answers mean you are helping your child establish habits that support learning. For each no, try that idea.

"The habits we form from childhood make no small difference, but rather they make all the difference."
—Aristotle

Mistakes are good teachers

The way your child responds after making a mistake in schoolwork makes the difference between learning and being stuck. When you see that your student has made an error:

- 1. Ask,** "Do you understand why this is wrong?" If the answer is *yes*, have your child correct the mistake. If the answer is *no*, offer guidance or suggest asking the teacher for help.
- 2. Explain** that fixing mistakes helps kids understand them, so they can avoid making them again.
- 3. Recognize** progress and remind your child that people get smarter when they learn from mistakes.

Source: H.S. Schroder and others, "Neural evidence for enhanced attention to mistakes among school-aged children with a growth mindset," *Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience*, Elsevier B.V.

Concentrate on listening

Listening and learning go hand in hand. To build your child's listening skills, be a good role model. When your elementary schooler is telling you



something, stop what you are doing. Offer your full attention. If your child asks a question, repeat the question and then respond.

Enjoy the fun of writing

To encourage your child's interest in writing, have some fun doing it together. Set a timer for five minutes then spend the time writing about one of these ideas:

- **The best birthday** I can imagine.
- **Something I'd like to try** and why.
- **The most exciting thing** I've ever done and how I did it.

Afterward, share what you each wrote.

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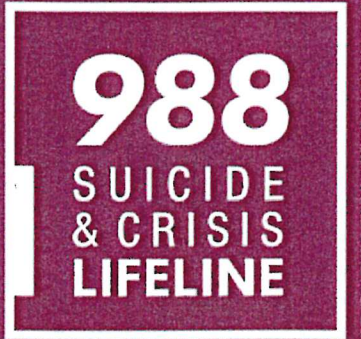
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