



Aurora Elementary School Parent-Student Handbook



Aurora Elementary 2024-2025

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Welcome to Aurora Elementary!

We have a fantastic year ahead of us and we are looking forward to another year of excellence in achievement and citizenship. We know that children do better in school and improve their achievement when there is a positive partnership and open lines of communication between parents/guardians and the school community. When school, home, and community work together, we do our best to prepare students to be lifelong learners and have productive and fulfilling lives.

The Anchorage School District School Board has set Goals and Guardrails to prepare our students for success. Improvement in Reading and Math Proficiency, as well as, preparing our students for College, Career, and Life are goals that the school board has identified through community input. At Aurora Elementary, our staff is committed to seeing all our students achieve these goals.

This parent and student handbook contains important information about our school as well as various rules, policies, and procedures. It is meant to be a source of information for parents and students, highlighting school protocols, such as arrival and dismissal, and school rules that students must follow to be successful at Aurora Elementary. This handbook is meant to be an addition to school board and district policies and procedures, not a replacement for them. We have a very active group of volunteers and we encourage parents, guardians, and community members to become involved in our school community. Your input is greatly appreciated.

On behalf of the staff at Aurora Elementary School, we welcome you and appreciate the opportunity to serve children whose parents serve our nation.

Thank you,

Margaret Jones
Principal, Aurora Elementary

School Mission - Aurora Elementary exists to engage our diverse community by promoting growth and facilitating learning.

School Vision - Our Vision is to empower our school community to strive for excellence through perseverance, critical thinking, and problem-solving. We strive to foster a welcoming environment that demonstrates tolerance and inclusion, respect, and high standards for excellence.

Aurora Elementary School Schedule

Monday (PLC Day)

08:45 Student Arrival
08:50-09:00 Doors open for arrival
09:00 Doors close and the tardy bell rings
09:00-2:30 Students follow the classroom schedule
2:30 Dismissal

Tuesday - Friday

07:45 Student Arrival
07:50-08:00 Doors open for arrival
08:00 Doors close and the tardy bell rings
08:00-2:30 Students follow the classroom schedule
2:30 Dismissal

Aurora Elementary Staff 2024-2025

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ABSENCES

Please call in absences before 9:00 AM or log into Q Parent Connect to enter your child's absence. Robocalls for elementary begins at 9:45 if your child has an unexcused absence. If your child is tardy, walk your child directly into the building to check in at the main office before reporting to class. Children who arrive an hour or more late to school or are picked up an hour before dismissal will be marked with a half-day absence.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS & MARKS REPORTING

All students will receive a mid-quarter progress report during the quarter and a report card at the end of each quarter. Please secure a username and password for Q Parent Connect to view grades in real-time. Parents are encouraged to contact the teacher to discuss their child's progress. Parent-teacher conferences for all students are held at the end of the first quarter and in the middle of the 3rd quarter.

ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

Drop off/Pick Up is in the first half of the parking lot, before the main entrance, and signs are posted. Specific procedures will be sent out at the beginning of the year in a parent newsletter and whenever there are changes to our procedures. During arrival times, intermediate students will line up, by class, outside the intermediate entry. Primary students will form lines at the primary entrance. Students are released through their grade level exits at the end of the day. Intermediate students will make their way to pick up younger siblings by the Drop Off/Pickup lane.

Please do not drive or park your car in the bus lanes at the front of the building. This is a safety issue for students and staff. The speed limit in school parking lots is 5 mph and cell phone use is not permitted while driving on school property. Adult supervision begins at 08:45 AM on Mondays and at 07:45 AM from Tuesday through Friday. Students should not arrive on campus before this time. If your child is later than 7:50 AM (8:50 AM on Mondays), please drop students at the front door and wait for them to enter the building before leaving. The tardy bell rings at 9:00 AM on Mondays, and 8:00 AM Tuesday through Friday, and our dismissal bell rings at 2:30 PM daily.

ATTENDANCE

Students, parents, and educators recognize the importance of attendance and punctuality at school. Key reasons for regular and punctual attendance are educational benefits, safety of students, success that builds self-esteem, and employability. Our school goal is to have "9 or Less for School Success." Research shows that students who miss more than 9 days of school each year are less likely to achieve in school.

Regular and punctual patterns of attendance will be expected of each elementary student enrolled in the Anchorage School District. Letters notifying parents of 5 absences will be sent home. Students may be dis-enrolled after 10 consecutive unexcused absences. Parents must meet with

the principal after the student has been dis-enrolled to re-enroll the student and develop an attendance plan for the remainder of the year.

From time to time, students will need to be absent for an extended period of time. Your child will have sufficient time to make up any missing work when they return to school (one day for every day absent). Please understand that asking teachers for work in advance of your child's absence puts an undue burden on teachers as they do not prepare paper copies of lessons in advance and often lesson plans change based on student needs. Students will have 1 day for every day they were absent to make up work after they come back to school. Please refer to the Homework section of this handbook for ideas for work while students are absent from school.

BICYCLES/SCOOTERS

In order to avoid injuries, there is no bike riding on the school grounds between 7:30 AM and 3:00 PM. When entering or leaving the school grounds, bikes must be walked at all times. Students are required to wear helmets while riding a bicycle. (AMC 9.38.200) Bicycles/scooters need to be **locked** individually to the provided bike racks. We cannot guarantee the safety of any bike/scooter, but do our best to provide a safe place for your child to lock his/her bike/scooter.

BULLYING

"Bullying" behavior by any student at Aurora Elementary School is strictly prohibited, and such conduct may result in disciplinary action, including suspension, and/or expulsion from school.

"Bullying" means the repeated use by one or more students of a written, verbal or electronic communication, such as cyberbullying, directed at or referring to another student or a physical act or gesture by one or more students repeatedly directed at another student attending school, that:

- Causes physical or emotional harm to student or damage to such student's property;
- Places such student in reasonable fear of harm to himself or herself, or of damage to his or her property;
- Creates a hostile environment at school for such student;
- Infringes on the rights of such student at school; or
- Substantially disrupts the education process or the orderly operation of a school.

The definition of Bullying shall include, but is not limited to, a written, verbal or electronic communication or physical act or gesture based on any actual or perceived differentiating characteristics, such as race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, socioeconomic status, academic status, physical appearance, or mental, physical, developmental or sensory disability, or by association with an individual or group who has or is perceived to have one or more of such characteristics.

"Cyberbullying" means any act of bullying through the use of the Internet, interactive and digital technologies, cellular mobile telephones, other mobile electronic devices, or any electronic communications.

BUS ZONES

Please do not park or drop off students in this area, as it can be dangerous when loading and unloading students on buses and creates a safety issue with the bus driver's ability to navigate. Students will be dropped off or picked up along the sidewalk before our main entrance. The safety zone after the main entrance, including the handicap unloading area, is reserved for loading and unloading of school buses and SAP transportation. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE STUDENT DROP OFF OR BUS LOADING ZONE.** If you need to get out of your vehicle for any reason, please park in the designated parking area and get out. Unattended vehicles in active lanes keep the lanes from moving smoothly and cause safety issues. Students who live 1.5 miles or more from school, or who are safety busing designated, are eligible for bus transportation to and from school. For bus transportation concerns, including schedules and safety, please contact the ASD Transportation Department directly at 907-742-1200.

CANDY, SODA, COFFEE, AND GUM

We follow the [Anchorage School District Wellness Guidelines](#). Students are not allowed to chew gum at any location on the school grounds. Students should not bring gum, candy, soda or coffee, caffeine or energy drinks to school. Staff will not prevent students from consuming candy or soda in their lunch at the parents' discretion, in moderation, and it may not be shared with other students. Students may not buy, sell, or trade gum, candy or drinks among each other at school unless it is a school or PTA-sponsored activity.

CELL PHONE USE/ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Personal cell phones may be brought to school, however, ***cell phones and other electronic devices are not allowed to be used during school hours at Aurora Elementary.*** Aurora currently provides students with one-to-one computing devices for educational purposes. At Aurora, cell phones and personal electronic devices are "Off and Away During the School Day." If your child needs to contact you, they may ask permission from the teacher to use the classroom phone or office phone for issues such as forgotten lunches and where they need to go after school. If you need to contact your child, you may call the front office and leave a message. If the message is urgent, it will be delivered to your child promptly. Our cell phone/electronic device rule is for the safety of all of our students and a violation of this rule will result in a referral to the principal.

CLASSROOM PARTIES

Each classroom may schedule party dates for various reasons and are limited to three celebrations during the year. Parents who have been cleared can volunteer to help with refreshments, crafts,

games, and clean up after the party. We encourage the recognition of birthdays at school, however, the school day is not a time for birthday parties. Please reserve birthday parties for family and friends outside of the school. If you would like to bring treats for the classroom for your child's birthday, parents can drop off these items at the front office. Flowers and balloons will not be permitted due to allergens and the disruption these items cause to learning. Please follow the Anchorage School District Wellness Guidelines when providing treats for birthdays or celebrations and make arrangements with your child's teacher before bringing items into the school. Classroom teachers will be able to alert parents to prohibited food items due to allergies, as well as the best time to drop these items off. Be mindful of student allergies in classrooms where posted.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

Students with contagious diseases need to remain at home for the duration of their illness. If a student becomes sick at school, a parent will be notified to pick up their child as soon as possible. Please keep emergency contacts updated. Please contact our school nurse with any questions you may have about student illnesses or other healthcare needs.

DISCIPLINE

Discipline is the process of helping a child develop desired character traits and habits. The Anchorage School District is organized and administered for the purpose of helping each individual student reach the maximum of his/her potential. By having a consistent discipline policy, the goal of educating children can be most efficiently reached. In short, no student shall interfere in the instructional process either by interfering with another student's right to learn or by preventing a teacher from doing his/her job.

We believe that:

- Teachers have the right to teach and students the right to an excellent learning environment.
- Parents and teachers should maintain open communication, mutual support, collaborative problem-solving, and constructive involvement.
- All students are required to behave in a positive manner that does not interfere physically or mentally with their own educational welfare or the educational welfare of others.
- All students will attain a level of self-discipline that is motivated from within the student.
- Progressive discipline allows students to learn and grow from their mistakes while holding them accountable for their actions.

Classroom teachers will all have a behavior and classroom management plan that will be followed in their classroom. Students are expected to follow the expectations within their classroom and minor incidents will be taken care of in the classroom. Incidents that will be immediately reported to the principal will include, but are not limited to:

- Repeated Minor Infractions
- Physical Altercations

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- Safety issues such as threats or verbal abuse
- Destruction of Property
- Suspicion of being under the Influence
- Weapons

We encourage students to take responsibility for their behavior and to accept the consequences of their actions. A progressive discipline approach will be used to deal with inappropriate behavior.

This may include:

- Oral reminders
- Review of expectations
- Contact with parent(s)/guardian(s)
- Written reflection
- Work detail
- Conflict mediation and resolution
- Referral to the school counselor

We recognize that each student is a unique individual and that every situation that requires disciplinary action has its own set of extenuating circumstances. All factors that may have affected a student's behavior will be considered before progressive discipline is implemented. Only the school principal will have the authority to assign In-school or Out-of-School suspensions.

DRESS CODE

At Aurora Elementary, we believe that students perform better when they feel good about themselves. Part of a student's self-image is expressed through his/her appearance. As part of ASD's School Board Goals and Guardrails, College, Career, and Life Readiness is something we will help to instill in every student and abiding by a dress code helps us achieve this goal. We encourage students to dress in a way that reflects the importance of their education and does not interfere with the learning process. The following are **unacceptable**:

- Clothing that depicts alcohol, tobacco, gangs, drugs, or any other inappropriate material
- Spaghetti straps, half shirts, halter tops, cut-off shirts, or mesh shirts
- Shorts or skirts (without leggings) that are higher than the tips of your fingers when placed by your sides
- Pants that have excessive holes or saggy bottoms
- Sheer clothing
- Hats or hoods inside school buildings

For safety reasons, shoes should have a strap on the back, sneakers are recommended. For health and safety, outside winter gear, including boots, must be removed when in the classroom. Students will have the option to call home to get a change of clothes or borrow from our limited supply of emergency clothing if they violate the school dress code.

EMERGENCIES

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENT TO PROVIDE THE OFFICE WITH AN ACCURATE LIST OF EMERGENCY CONTACTS FOR EACH STUDENT. CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE IMMEDIATELY WITH ANY CHANGES OR UPDATES IN INFORMATION. Please ensure anyone picking up your child is added to permissions in our database. Student cell phones are off and away during the school day. If a student needs to be contacted during school hours due to an emergency, please inform the school office and the appropriate school personnel will contact the child.

HOMEWORK

Teachers may assign homework as a practice for skills learned in the classroom. Routine is very important. Parents and students should designate a time and space at home for homework to be completed. Students should spend a reasonable amount of time on homework. If students are struggling with assignments, please contact the classroom teacher. Often, homework will include:

- Daily reading.
- Daily math or spelling practice.
- Collection of materials or information not easily collected at school.
- Completing projects not easily completed at school.

Parents can also ask their child specifically what they are learning at school. Encourage your child to read for enjoyment each night. While listening to your child read, ask questions to check for understanding.

FIELD TRIPS

In recognition of the educational value students receive from well-planned activities, it is our intent to encourage the participation of staff and students in worthwhile educational excursions. Formal permission slips signed by parents are required for all field trips. Most trips are bussed but occasionally parent transportation or walking field trips may occur. All children, with permission from parents, will be eligible to go on these trips. Parents who do not wish their children to participate can contact their teacher. Students who do not attend will stay with another class and participate in activities that would be deemed equitable to the lessons from the field trip. Field Trips are considered learning opportunities. We will make every effort to secure transportation for field trips. However, there will be times when teachers will need to ask for parent volunteers to drive. Appropriate paperwork and volunteer forms will be provided to parents if drivers are needed for transportation.

FOOD SERVICE

For your convenience, you may pre-pay for any number of meals in advance on your Q Parent Connect account. The Anchorage School District participates in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program. This allows families the opportunity to apply for Free and Reduced Price

Meal Benefits. We highly encourage every family to fill out this form, whether you believe you qualify or not. Based on our qualified need through the Free and Reduced meal program, we may qualify for wholesome snacks to be delivered to our school twice a week. Applications for Free and Reduced meals and monthly menus can be found at www.asdk12.org under the Student Nutrition section of the website.

Current prices for breakfast and lunch are \$4.00 and \$5.75 respectively.

Breakfast

Breakfast will be served in the MPR between 7:45 and 8:15 AM (8:45 and 9:15 AM on Mondays) provided that we have a Cafeteria Manager. Breakfast ends when the tardy bell rings and instruction will begin promptly afterward. To ensure that your child is ready for instruction, it is important that students who plan to eat breakfast at school are on time.

Lunch

Our cafe offers a balanced hot lunch and monthly menus can be found on the Anchorage School District website. Students who bring their lunch may buy milk. Currently, students will be eating their lunch in the classrooms. If you would like to eat lunch with your child, please let the teacher know so they can inform you of their schedule and routines.

The cafe manager will send out a reminder when a lunch account has a low or negative balance. Parents may also check on student balances or add funds to their child's account by checking the Q Parent Connect. Please check asdk12.org for current meal prices and menus.

Once a month, our school hosts Lunch with a Loved One where parents can eat their lunch with their child at school. Please understand that children will only be allowed to eat lunch during their lunch time. Parents who have more than one child and cannot stay for each lunch are encouraged to make a rotating schedule with their children so that every month at least one child is able to participate.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Administration will determine if the current weather conditions are safe for students to be outside during inclement weather. As a school staff, we recognize the difference between "uncomfortable" temperatures and those that present a health hazard to our students. Anchorage School District guidelines are that recess is canceled when the temperature reaches -10 F or below. The front office continuously monitors our weather conditions for the safety of our students and we make decisions accordingly. Rainy or snowy weather does not preclude recess. We have found that when students are able to go outside during recess time, the fresh air and change of environment gives them a break that helps them feel renewed when they come back in.

Please prepare your child for Alaska weather by dressing him/her properly for the day.

If your child is ill, the best place for him/her is at home. It is ASD's general policy that if your child is too sick to be outside, then the child is also too sick to be in school. A doctor's note is required to keep your child inside when recovering from an illness or injury.

LOST AND FOUND

Personal items such as coats, sweatshirts, gloves, etc. which are found and have no identification will be placed in the Lost and Found bin located near the MPR. Students who are missing items are encouraged to check this area.

Lost glasses or other small items will be located in the front office.

Lost and found items will be donated to local agencies at the end of each semester.

Please label your child's clothing and lunch boxes.

MEDICATION

Students who receive medication during the school day must have the medications brought to the office by a parent, who will then complete a form indicating the medication, dosage, and duration of time the medication will be administered.

- ALL MEDICATION MUST be provided in the original prescription container with proper labeling.
- NO MEDICATION of any type will be administered by any school staff without being provided by the parent to the school nurse and accompanied by the appropriate documentation or permission. This includes any over-the-counter medication and remedies like cough drops.

MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS

If it is necessary to reach a student with a message or emergency information during the school day, please contact the school office. We will do our best to get the information to the student before the end of the day or sooner, depending on the situation.

Messages received near the end of the school day may not be delivered due to time constraints.

Thank you for requesting delivery of messages only in critical situations. We understand that occasionally after school pickup plans change, however, plans to visit friends after school should be made prior to attending school that day.

Please refrain from having deliveries such as flowers, food, balloon bouquets, or food (DoorDash, Postmates, etc.) made to your child at school. Their delivery proves to be disruptive to the entire classroom.

NEWSLETTERS

A school newsletter with a calendar of events will be sent out to parents bimonthly through email. The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you informed of upcoming events, provide you with information about the operations and safety of the school, and give you ideas on how you can help support your child's learning. Additionally, a weekly email will be sent out to remind parents/guardians of upcoming events and give information about happenings at the school that may not have made it into the bimonthly newsletter. You can expect to receive monthly classroom (or more frequent) newsletters from your child's teacher with information specific to your child's learning in the classroom.

PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTA)

Aurora has an active PTA who coordinates and sponsors many fine activities that benefit our students. Feel free to contact the school office for information on how to become involved in our PTA.

2023-2024 BOARD MEMBERS

President - Marna Johnston

Vice President - Amanda Carlson

Treasurer - Jennifer Seagrove

Secretary - Stephanie Howell

Volunteer Coordinators

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Students are discouraged from bringing personal property to school (e.g. soccer balls, stuffed animals, cell phones, hand-held games, toys, trading cards, Pokémon cards, etc). The school is not responsible for any of these items. If confiscated, parents will be notified and may pick these items up at their convenience as they will not, as a general rule, be returned directly to the students. These items are also not allowed on the playground during recess.

PROHIBITION OF WEAPONS

The Anchorage School District has "zero tolerance" for students who bring weapons or other objects/substances to school which are a threat to the health and safety of other students, staff members, visitors, or are a disruption to the educational process. Possession and/or use of these objects/substances at Aurora Elementary School will result in disciplinary action. This includes, but is not limited to, toys or other items that resemble weapons.

SAFE SCHOOLS

Providing a safe learning environment for students is of the utmost priority at Aurora Elementary. To better accomplish this task we need to know who is in the building at all times. Aurora is a secured building. Please buzz the intercom for entry. **All visitors, volunteers, as well as district staff are required to sign in and obtain an identification badge upon arrival at the building. Visitors are asked to sign out before leaving. This is done to ensure the safety of our students and staff, as well as your safety.**

SAFETY DRILLS

Students will participate in regular fire, earthquake, stay-put, and intruder drills throughout the year. All teachers and students will be given information about safety procedures appropriate for such situations. Students are required to become thoroughly acquainted with the procedures for all emergency drills. All teachers are required to give information and practice safety procedures at the beginning of each year and as necessary afterward. Parents, students, and staff will be notified in advance of the day Aurora performs any *intruder drills (ALICE)*, all other drills will be unannounced.

STREET CROSSING SAFETY

Children must respect and use the crosswalks provided by JBER. We do not have any Crossing Guards on duty during arrival and dismissal. Staff will be stationed in the parking lot to help your child navigate through the lot. Help your child select the safest route to and from school and insist that it be followed.

SPECIAL CLASSES

Physical Education –

Instruction in a variety of developmental physical education activities is provided to all students. All students are required to participate in physical education classes unless temporarily excused with a note from a physician. Children are asked to wear clothing appropriate for physical education activities on P.E. days. Often, P.E. will be held outside throughout the year. Students must be prepared to be indoors or out, especially during the rainy months or winter. Non-marking soled shoes are a requirement. Shoes can either be worn or brought to school on P.E. days. Students are allowed, and encouraged, to keep a pair of gym shoes for use inside the building.

Music –

Students receive an hour of weekly instruction in music. There are at least 2 performances students can participate in throughout the year. We have a very active music program and opportunities for students to participate in extracurricular activities are usually provided.

Art –

Students will engage in a variety of art projects and activities. We recommend that children not wear their best clothes on days when they will be having art class. Students will have numerous opportunities for their work to be entered into local contests or art shows.

Library –

Each class has a scheduled period in the school library each week to check out materials and books. Books are checked out for one week and students are allowed to take books home. Students must turn in overdue books before checking out other books. For lost or missing books, please contact the librarian for information about fees and/or checking out books.

Counselors -

Aurora School Counselor and Military Family Life Counselor (MFLC) are involved in many aspects of the school and education program. The counselors teach classroom lessons that relate to Social Emotional Learning and follow our SEL Curriculum (Second Steps). These lessons help promote socially appropriate behavior, self-esteem, and enthusiasm for learning. Our counselors are available to work with individual students as needed and can refer parents to outside resources if a child or family has a particular need. Please call the school counselor or MFLC with any questions or concerns.

STUDENT TRANSFERS

Please inform the office in advance if your child will be transferring to another school or out of the district. Students do not take their official permanent school records. If enrolling in another Anchorage School, the receiving school will contact Aurora after enrollment is complete and the records will be sent. If enrolling at a school outside the Anchorage School District, the records will be transferred to the new school once Aurora has been contacted by that school.

TITLE IX POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of the Anchorage School District, in subscribing to and promoting the principles of equal protection under the law, that neither the Board of Trustees, nor its designated agents will discriminate in employment or in the equal delivery of educational services and opportunities against any person because of race, color, sex, religion, age, birth, ancestry, national origin, family relationship, personal or political patronage, or handicap.

VISITING CLASSROOMS

Parents and guardians are encouraged to maintain open communication with their child's teacher. Occasionally, you will want to visit your child's classroom. We ask that you contact your child's teacher to set up these visits before your arrival. If the need arises, please contact your child's teacher to make an appointment to meet to discuss your child's progress or any concerns you may have. It is helpful to make appointments to talk in person or over the phone as staff often have meetings or other commitments outside of the student's day and this will give you both time to properly prepare to share information.

VOLUNTEERS

Aurora welcomes and encourages parent volunteers. Parents can enhance their child's education in numerous ways both at home and at school. For more information on how parents can become involved at school, please contact the school office or go to asdk12.org/volunteers. All volunteers are required to complete a [volunteer application](#) before they participate in activities with other students. It can take up to two weeks for clearance as a volunteer so it is best to fill out the application as soon as possible.

Home of the Aurora Eagles