

January 18, 2023, Newsletter

Scenic Park Elementary

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Message from the Principal

Happy New Year Scenic Park Families!

I hope you all enjoyed the winter break with family and friends. It is great to be back at school and continue to observe the amazing learning happening at Scenic Park!

As we begin the second half of the school year, we will continue to focus our attention on student attendance. I can't stress the importance of students attending school. Attendance will continue to be monitored throughout the remainder of the school year. We appreciate your support in getting your child to school.

Students will begin an ice-skating unit in PE. Please see the flier with more information regarding appropriate gear for ice skating. We will culminate the ice-skating unit with our family skate night on Friday, January 27th, followed by our Skate-A-Thon on, Friday, February 3rd. Please look for more information regarding these exciting events.

To make up missed instructional time, due to snow days last month, the district is proposing a plan. The plan includes:

- January 30th to March 9th: 30 minutes will be added to the end of the instructional day (Restores 3 days of instruction)
- February 22nd and 23rd: Full instructional days in lieu of the scheduled parent-teacher conferences (Restores 1 day of instruction)
- February 24th: Full instructional day. That would be in lieu of the professional development day (Restores 1 day of instruction)

Scenic Park is working to provide remote learning for our students, should we face inclement weather/emergency closure days in the future.

Thank you all for your continued support in your child's education.

Sincerely,
Marco Christian,
Principal

Upcoming Events

January 22nd
Chinese New Year

January 27th
PTO Family Skate Night

February 3rd
Skate-A-Thon

February 17th - 23rd
The Spring Scholastic
Book Fair

Next Week Spirit Week for Chinese New Year

Monday, Jan. 23rd
Year of the rabbit
(bunny ears, tail, etc.)

Tuesday, Jan. 24th
Wear Red

Wednesday, Jan. 25th
Wear Yellow

Thursday, Jan. 26th
Chinese Zodiac Animal

Friday, Jan. 27th
Scenic Pride Colors
Blue/Gold

Important Announcement

8:40- Students having
breakfast only.

8:50- First bell rings,
students enter building.

9:00- Tardy bell rings,
classes begin.

11:15-1:05- Lunch
schedule

3:30- Dismissal



Message from the nurse: When to stay home:

Please keep your student home if they have:

Fever- please remain home until fever free for 24 hours without the help of a fever reducing medication.

Vomiting/nausea- If your student is vomiting, looks or acts ill, has a fever, please keep them home.

Diarrhea- please keep your student home until they can participate in a regular schedule at school.

For other concerns, call the Nurse for case-by-case evaluation. Further details can be found at <https://www.asdk12.org/Page/6622>

[Wellness Services / When to Keep Your Child Home from School](#)

Healthcare Services. Care Plans/Meal Accommodations; Helpful Links; Immunization Requirements; Infectious Disease Mitigation; Medications at School; Registration Requirements

www.asdk12.org

Coughing- Your student does NOT need to stay home for a cough. After illness, a cough may linger for weeks or longer. If you have concerns, please contact Nurse Katie.

Please continue to practice good hand hygiene, do not share food or drinks with friends, and stay home when meeting our illness criteria.

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More Important news



Want to help or volunteer in our school? Please click below to submit your volunteer application. Applications are good for one school year.

<http://www.asdk12.org/Page/13771>

Skate into 2023

The ice rink is open for the season and conditions are just about right to have a great time. The Scenic Park staff and PTO have done great job helping get the ice rink up and running. We will be kicking off 2023 with a skating unit in Physical Education classes. The three-week unit will be on the ice from Jan 17th - Feb 3rd (weather permitting). Skating can be a lot of fun and a great way to exercise but getting good at any endeavor will take practice.

When learning to skate, **safety** is always the number one concern. If you would like to send any safety equipment with your student(s) to school, that would be perfect. Helmets are a great idea for protection from the ice. Bike helmets work great if you don't have a hockey helmet. **Students will need to dress in winter attire with gloves and hats (snow pants are always a good idea while on the ice).** If student(s) have skates at home, feel free to bring them; please include guards.

It would be a huge help if any family member would be willing to assist with a class or just come and skate. **(This is where you would fill out a volunteer application. ASD is requiring those who want to help to fill out a volunteer application.** <http://www.asdk12.org/Page/13771>) The extra adult is nice to have, especially with all the falling that will most likely happen. The K-2nd grade students will really need some extra time getting started. If you would like to come in or have questions, please contact Mr. Armstrong (armstrong_scott@asdk12.org) or homeroom teachers for PE times during the week.

Scott Armstrong --- Linda List

Calendar:

Armstrong- Jan. 17th - Feb. 3rd Skate outside
List- Jan. 17th - Feb. 3rd Skate outside

UPDATED DATES

Message from our music teacher:

I'd like to give parents and students a heads up that percussion ensemble will begin **January 24th**. The group will be **open to 4th and 5th grade students** (with a **cap of 18** due to the number of instruments available). Parents and students can look for more information and a permission slip the week of January 9th. **Practices will be from 3:30-4:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning on the 24th and continuing into late April/early May, ending with a performance somewhere in that timeframe.**

Kirsten Belloni
Scenic Park Elementary,
Music

"Music gives wings to the mind, flight to the imagination." - Plato



News from our librarian

Mark your calendars. The Spring Scholastic Book Fair will be here soon but due to the snowpocalypse in December, we will be changing our format a bit. Our dates will be:

Friday, February 17th, during the school day and from 3:30 to 5:30 afterschool

Tuesday, February 21st, during the school day

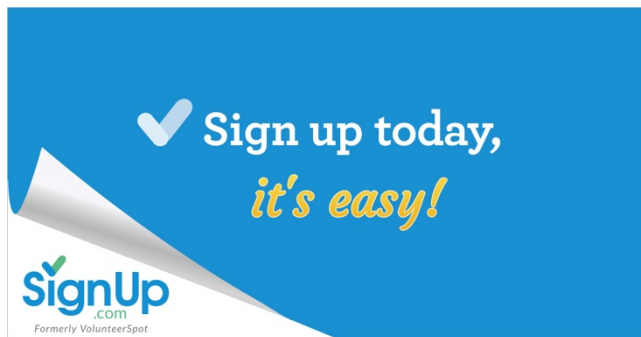
Wednesday, February 22nd, during the school day

Thursday, February 23rd, during the school day

Students will be shopping at the book fair during their library class time. The AMAZING PTO is working on an option to allow families to pay in advance online, so students won't have to bring cash with them to school.

In the meantime, I need LOTS of volunteers. (**before volunteering sign up with the ASD application**, <http://www.asdk12.org/Page/13771>) I am envisioning helpful adults with clipboards and calculators helping students add up their purchases as well as the usual volunteer stockers, cashiers, set up crew, and pack up crew.

Please sign up to help. Use this link to schedule a spot to make our Spring Book fair a fabulous success. <https://signup.com/go/PAVjaPq>



[Scenic Park Spring
Scholastic Book Fair](https://signup.com/go/PAVjaPq)
signup.com

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