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## Important Dates

8/9 First Day of School 1st-  
8th Grade

8/11 First Day of School,  
Kindergarten

8/12 Picture Day

## Food Service Program

Current Lunch prices -  
including milk

Hot, Alt. or Emergency  
Lunch:

- Full Pay = \$3.50;
- Free/Reduced = \$0.00

Vegetarian Lunch:

## Greetings!

To the left, you will find helpful links to important pages on our website (School Links), and will provide a quick list of upcoming events (Important Dates.)

## Urgent Action Required by Monday 9 a.m. - Transportation & Busing

[\(Holly Fischer\)](#)

104 students have registered with Silent Dismissal to set their after school transportation plan. That's great! But, there are over 300 more student who need to be registered on that system so that teacher know, on the first day of school, how each child will be getting home. If you have not already done so, please go to the [Silent Dismissal](#) website to set up your account and choose your preferences **no later than Monday, August 8 by 9 a.m.** All of the information you need about how to do that was mailed to you this week with the back to school information.

Additionally, please see the bus routes and stops map here: [Bus Route Map](#) (*Bus stops are not published on the website. **Link disabled**, contact the school office for information*).

If you click on a stop, it will include when the drop off and pick up times are and also let you know where parents may park their cars in order to safely wait for the bus. Some of the stops from last year have been consolidated in order to keep our routes as efficient as possible and you will need to choose which stop you are planning to use IN THE AFTERNOON on the Silent Dismissal system.

If you have any questions please check out our [transportation page](#) or contact [Holly Fischer](#).

## Online Registration

You should have each received an envelope with back to school registration information, either by mail or in person at last night's

- Full-pay = \$4.50;
- Reduced-price = \$0.40;
- Free = \$0.00

A La Carte Items -charged to ALL students:

- Milk-only = \$0.50;
- Pre-Ordered Extra slice of pizza = \$1.50,
- Emergency meals = \$3.50
- Extra Entree (Grade 6-8 only) = \$1.50

Current Breakfast Price:

- Full-pay = \$1.75
- Kindergarten = \$0.00
- Reduced-price = \$0.00
- Free = \$0.00

Go [here](#) to apply for free or reduced-price meals or to find out more about the food service program.

## PTO News

Link [here](#) to the PTO website or download the most recent [newsletter](#) (dated April 2016) for recent information.

## Label All Apparel

Help reduce our lost and found! Please label all clothing, outdoor and lunch boxes.

(Consider using [NameBubbles](#))

open house. If you did not, please contact the school office on Monday. **It is imperative that some of these items are completed prior to the first day of school.** The items included are:

- Silent Dismissal instructions and dashboard identification tags - **prior to 9 a.m on Monday, August 8**, ALL families must set end-of-day transportation specifications (bus riders and parent pickup/carpool).
- Online Registration instructions, including Infinite Campus Parent Portal access key and instructions. In order to complete back to school registration and to have access to your student's online information, you must set up a parent portal account on Infinite Campus. This replaces both Powerschool and K12Online.
- School Picture flyer - school picture day is Friday, August 12. Picture proofs will be sent home prior to ordering.
- Fee Envelope - please complete the outside of the envelope according to the instructions provided and return all fees to school at the Open House (8/4) or the first day of school.

***It is critical that all families (new and returning) complete the back to school registration process.*** This allows families the chance to:

- review and update all student, parent and emergency contact and medical information
- review important school policies and procedures
- review and update transportation elections
- plus receive other important documents and details

**Note for parents of new students:** While you may have recently completed the online enrollment process, you will also need to complete the back to school registration step.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

## Carpool Matching Service

Interested in forming a carpool? A parent volunteer will work to connect interested families. We have already had many families show interest in this option!



Send an email to [DaVinciCarpoolers@gmail.com](mailto:DaVinciCarpoolers@gmail.com) with the following information:

Subject: Interest in Carpool

*Copy the following into the body of your email:*

name  
address  
email address  
phone number (if there are questions)  
# of children and grades

## School Supply List

([Lee Swearingen](#))

School supply lists can be found [here](#).

For new families, please note that the supply list is broken down into a left side and right side. Left side are primarily housekeeping supplies and pencils. In order to conserve storage space, we prefer that you pay the school for these items and then we order them as needed. The right side are items that you will need to purchase and bring to school during Open House (see [above](#)).

If any part of the school supply purchase is a financial burden to your family, please contact [Terry Moffatt](#) to make other arrangements.

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## Food Service

[\(Lee Swearingen\)](#)

All students that want to have school provided breakfast or lunch are **required** to order meals. Please see the food service [webpage](#) for details on ordering and paying for meals.

Emails were sent out on July 21 and July 22. If you did not get both the breakfast and the lunch order emails and would like to order meals for August, please send a request [here](#).

Meal prices have not increased from last year. See the left side bar or the food service webpage for details. If you want to apply for free or reduced price meals, please complete and return this [Application for Educational Benefits](#).

**Note for new students/families:** although we allow for online payments for food service accounts, new students will need to pay with check or cash for the first month's meals.

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## Does Your Child Have Health Insurance?

If not, help may be available. Click [here](#) for more information.

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## 6th-8th Grade Retreat to Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center

We have scheduled a three day, two night retreat for our sixth, seventh and eighth grade students from August 29 to August 31. This required retreat is at Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center located in Lanesboro, Minnesota.

The cost for this retreat is \$120 for the first student in your family;

each additional student in your family will cost \$80. Scholarships will be available for families that qualify; contact [Terry Moffatt](#) to discuss.

For more information about the location and program, please see the Eagle Bluff [website](#).

More details and forms will be provided after the first day of school. If you have immediate questions or concerns about this trip, please contact [Mr. Eldred](#).

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