



# DaVinci Academy

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### Important Dates

(subject to change - see  
[online calendar](#))

**11/14 1st grade Music  
Concert 5:30 p.m.,  
2nd grade Music  
Concert 6:30 p.m.**

**11/16 Last Day of  
Trimester 1 & Last Day  
of Session 1  
Extracurricular**

**11/17 No School**

**11/20-11/24 No School**

**12/5 3rd grade Music  
Concert 5:30 p.m., 4th  
grade & 4/5 Choir  
Concert 6:30 p.m.**

**12/12 5th/6th grade  
Band/Orchestra  
Concert 5 p.m.  
7th/8th grade  
Band/Orchestra  
Concert 7 p.m.**

**12/18-12/20 Middle**

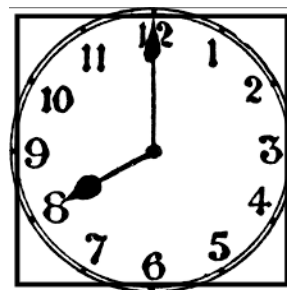
## Greetings!

To the left, you will find helpful links to important pages on our website (School Links).

## NEED TO KNOW.....

### Being On Time

Students are on time for school when they are in their classrooms at 8:00 a.m. - not walking into the building at 8:00 a.m. Teachers are ready to start class at 8:00 a.m. so students need to be dropped off with enough time for them to get to their rooms and get settled. Regardless of whether a staff member lets your child in at the east door or not, if a child enters the school after 8:00 a.m. they will be asked to bring a tardy slip to their classroom teacher.



If your child(ren) plans to eat breakfast at school, please have them to school by 7:45 a.m. That will give them 10 minutes to eat and 5 minutes to get to class.

**If your your child is arriving late, you need to sign them into the office.**

## Picture Retake Order Forms

Retake order forms are due November 1st. Please enclose the exact amount in the envelope and make checks out to Scherling Photography.

12/21-1/2  
No School - Winter  
Break

## Food Service Program

Current Lunch prices -  
including milk

Hot, Alt. or Emergency  
Lunch:

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

Vegetarian Lunch:

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

A La Carte Items -charged  
to ALL students:

- Milk-only = \$0.50;
- 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.

# Elementary Fall & Winter Music Concerts



Our elementary fall/winter music concerts are coming up! Please mark your calendar for the following concert(s):

1st Grade Fall Music Concert: Tuesday, November 14th at 5:30 p.m.

2nd Grade Fall Music Concert: Tuesday, November 14th at 6:30 p.m.

3rd Grade Winter Music Concert: Tuesday, December 5th at 5:30 p.m.

4th Grade & 4/5 Choir Winter Music Concert: Tuesday, December 5th at 6:30 p.m.

Students should meet in their classrooms 30 minutes before the concert to line up and get ready. **Concert attire is nice dress clothing (any color) for students in grades 1-4 general music.**

**Students in the 4/5 choir should wear a white shirt, black pants, black socks and black shoes. Girls can wear a dress with black tights as long as it is white on the top and black on the bottom half.** All concerts take place in the auditorium.

The students are excited to perform in our new auditorium!

[Mrs. Ashley Fohrman](#) and [Mr. Ben Hanson](#)

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## Middle School Winter Choir Concert 12/14

6th Grade Choir, 7th & 8th Grade Choir & Chamber

Choir will perform on Thursday, December 14th at 6 p.m. in the auditorium.

Students should arrive 30 minutes before the concert (5:30 p.m.) in the choir room.

Concerts are required for all choir students. If you have a family emergency or other excused event (wedding, funeral, major sickness, etc) please contact Mr. Hanson ASAP.

**All students will need to wear a white dress top, black dress bottom, black socks and black shoes.**

Girls can wear a dress with black tights as long as it is white on the top and black on the bottom half. Yoga/athletic pants or leggings/jeggings are not acceptable.

Looking forward to sharing our music with you!

[-Mr. Hanson](#)

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## Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)

[\(Ms. Sallam\)](#)

DaVinci Academy will hold its first SEAC meeting of the 2017-2018 school year on Wednesday, November 15th from 4:30-5:30 p.m. The discussion topic at the SEAC this fall will be "Sensory Strategies at Home". A SEAC (pronounced seek) is an acronym for Special Education Advisory Council, which is a group that provides input on special education issues to its local school district. Its purpose is to advise and advocate, not to decide policy.

If you have a student at DaVinci Academy who is on an IEP and receives services, this meeting/seminar might be for you! Please contact your child's case manager if you are planning on attending or if you have any questions about these meetings.

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## Eagle Bluff Details

[\(Mrs. Severson\)](#)



The middle school three day field trip to Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center is a tradition at DaVinci Academy. This year, we will be taking this field trip December 18-20. This will be our first ever winter trip and we are excited about the opportunities the winter season will provide. Students will be able to participate in the tree top ropes course as well as snowshoeing, cross country skiing and winter survival.

The last informational meeting will be held on Thursday, November 2 at 7:30 AM in room 305. Permission slips will be distributed during that meeting.

If you've already attended a meeting, please turn in your permission slip and first payment is due to your child's ELA teacher on November 1. Chaperone applications are also due November 1 and can be turned in at the

office or to Mrs. Severson.

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## HELP WANTED.....

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### Afternoon Receptionist Wanted

[\(Mrs. Fischer\)](#)

Applications are being accepted for a receptionist from 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. all school days. Please apply on our [website](#) if you are interested in joining the office staff.

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### Lunch/Recess Monitor Wanted

[\(Mrs. Kresh\)](#)

We are looking for people who like to play! Come join our lunch/recess team and get to know our kids. This is an important part of our day and we need to make sure we have enough people keeping our kids safe and active from 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. If you think you might be interested in helping out every day - or even just once in a while as a substitute, please contact Program Coordinator, [Julie Kresh](#), and/or apply on our [website](#).

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### DaVinci Den Teacher Wanted

[\(Mrs. Kresh\)](#)

The DaVinci Den is looking for a college age student or older to join the after school program team from 2:00-6:00 p.m. each day. If you, or someone you know, may be interested please contact Program Coordinator, [Julie Kresh](#), and/or apply on our [website](#).



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## NICE TO KNOW.....

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A big thank you to all of the parents who brought food in for our teachers and staff last week. We greatly appreciate it.

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## Makerspace Needs Tools

[\(Ms.Moffatt\)](#)

The Makerspace is starting to come together and we have



even had a couple classes of students try it out. We don't need a lot of supplies right now, but one need that we have is for hand tools such as hammers, screwdrivers, pliers, wire cutters, needle-nose pliers, etc. If you have any extra tools laying around and you would like to donate them to a great cause, please bring them in to Terry Moffatt.

We are also always looking for old technology (phones, computers, cameras, small appliances, etc.) that students would be able to take apart. Any donations of tools or old technology are welcome.



*A BIG thank you to those who have  
donated!*

## 2018-19 Enrollment is Now Open

We are now accepting applications for the 2018-19 school year for students who would like to attend DaVinci

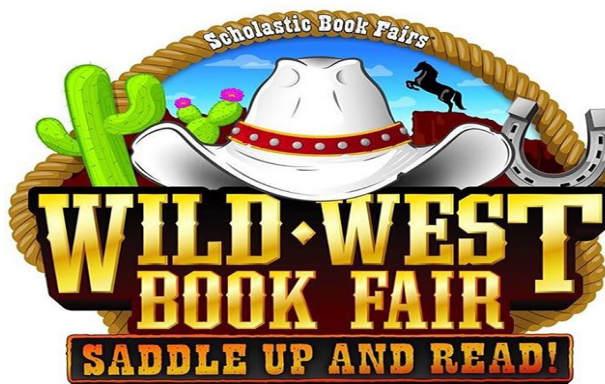
Academy for grades Kindergarten through 8th grade.

All new students who are interested and not currently enrolled at DaVinci Academy, including siblings, must complete an application. Applications are due by January 31, 2018 to be included in the enrollment lottery for the 2018-19 school year.

**To complete an application for the next school year click [here](#).** Click on Online Enrollment. Sign up through our online enrollment system and then complete and submit the application.

Our next Information session for prospective families is Thursday November 9 at 6:00 p.m. Information sessions are for those who may be interested in attending DaVinci Academy.

Please feel free to share this information with your family or friends.



A BIG Thank you to all the families that came out to the book fair! We were able to purchase many new books for our library and Ms Brown is very excited to make them available to the students!

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## ONGOING NEWS.....

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### Outdoor Attire Reminder

([Mr. Eldred](#))

At this time of year, the temperature outside can really fluctuate. I have listed below what students should be wearing outside during recess depending on the temperature.



If there is snow on the playground/field and students want to play in it, all students need to wear snow pants and winter boots. If they do not have snow pants and winter boots, they will need to stay on the sidewalk.

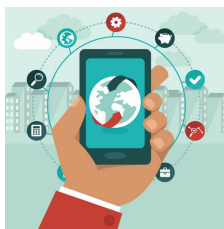


- **60 degrees or higher**  
- short/long sleeve shirts
- **46 to 59 degrees** - light jacket/hooded sweatshirts
- **45 degrees or lower** - winter coat, hats and gloves
- **Snow pants and boots required when there is snow**

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## Free Silent Dismissal App

The app developer has agreed to make the Silent Dismissal app free to DaVinci Families this year. Using the app allows you to dismiss your child to your car when you are in the parking lot - saving our fingers and phones from freezing in the winter. We would love for all families who pick up students to take us up on this offer and download the app. When you do, please email Holly Fischer and let me know what kind of phone you have. That way, I can enable the app for you. It will not work until this process has been completed.



Thank you so much!

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