



THE BEAR FACTS

Scotia Union School District Monthly Newsletter/September, 2021

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year, Scotia School families! We are welcoming many new students and families this year, and look forward to another great year! Masks will again be required while on campus.

NEW THIS YEAR-

▶ **Student Drop Off and Pick Up:** Beginning soon, the area around the gym will be a construction zone for the next few years, so we are changing our student drop off and pick up to avoid the area around the gym. Please plan to drive up B Street (in front of the Medical Center), turn onto 1st Street and pull to the curb where the bus usually parks, have your child get out of the car and walk along the sidewalk, and then drive down Church Street. Parking around the school will be limited, and there will be no visitor parking available in the lower area in front of the staff parking lot. Please park going down Church Street, or on 1st street at the end closest to B Street. The front and back parking lots are for staff use only. Our classes are walking to and from multiple outdoor learning spaces throughout the day, so please help keep them safe and do not pull into the front or back parking lots at any time during the day.

▶ **ASES Student Pick Up:** Please remain in your vehicle and call one of the phone numbers provided in the ASES handbook. Older students will be sent down, and younger students will be escorted down to meet their family member.

▶ Our After School Program is almost full. If you plan to enroll your students in ASES, please fill out the ASES registration paperwork and return it to the office.

▶ After the first day of school, we ask that parents help us by saying good-byes out front, as only students and staff will go beyond the gates after the first day of school. We appreciate your understanding!

▶ We welcome 3 awesome new teachers to the Scotia School family! Miss Freeman- 1st Grade, Mr. Timmerman- 3rd Grade, and Mrs. Cherry - Music. Mrs. Cherry will be on campus on Tuesdays.

▶ Miss Ross will still be providing reading intervention support on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

▶ Miss Moriah will be on campus Mondays and Fridays for counseling

▶ We will be serving free breakfast and free lunch to all students. Friday's lunch will be "grab and go".

Students enrolled in ASES will be served a daily super snack/supper!

▶ Students are welcome on campus each morning beginning at 8:00. Breakfast will be served outside the classrooms beginning at 8:00. When arriving on campus, students are to pick up breakfast, and then go to the area outside of their classroom to eat.

▶ Every Friday is Spirit Day -Don't forget to wear Scotia Blue! Every Friday is also 1:00 Dismissal.

▶ Dismissal Times:

TK/K-1:30 1-3 Grades-2:30 4-8 Grades-3:05 ASES-6:00 Fridays-1:00

▶ The bus will be leaving the school each day at 3:10. Bus riders in the primary grades can go to ASES until it is time to catch the bus to go home.

▶ Fall sports will be starting immediately. We hope to have a volleyball team and a soccer team, depending on numbers. All athletes must have a current physical (within the past year), and will take regular COVID-19 rapid tests in the school office in order to participate in school sports.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS-

Monday, September 6

LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL

Thursday, September 9

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, September 30

END OF MONTH AWARDS (TK-5th Grades)

Thursday, October 7

PICTURE DAY

Friday, October 8

FIRST TRIMESTER MIDTERM

October 11-15

PARENT CONFERENCE WEEK and BOOK FAIR

PLEASE-

▶ keep your child(ren) home if they are ill. Call the school when your child is tardy/absent. Our automated system will call you if your child is marked absent

▶ send your child(ren) to school with a mask

▶ send your child(ren) to school with a full water bottle

▶ return Back to School paperwork as soon as possible

▶ label your child's clothes/backpacks/water bottles

▶ sign up and sign in to Schoolwise - all parents were given activation codes - please contact your child's teacher if you need your activation code or assistance setting up your parent account. Check Schoolwise

for your students' attendance, CAASPP test score results, and upper grade students' grades

▶ be patient as we work through this year and the guidelines we must follow to keep our students and staff as safe as possible

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