

# Knudsen Foxes

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Phone:

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School Motto: We are safe, respectful, problem solvers!



**\*\*DATES to REMEMBER\*\***

**Starting 9/19**

**Cub Scouts every  
Monday night from  
6:30-7:30 pm**

**9/22**

**Curriculum Night:**

**K-2nd. 5:30-6:15**

**3rd.-5th. 6:30-7:15**

**9/26**

**Picture  
Day**



**SMILE**

**RETURN SUMMER  
READING BOOKS**

**DROP OFF ALL  
MEDICATIONS with  
PLAN of CARE forms. All  
medication must be sub-  
mitted to the office by an  
ADULT. Do not send your  
children with the medica-  
tions in their back packs  
etc.**

**SEND IN EMERGENCY  
CARDS signed and  
corrected**



Dear Knudsen Families:

The school year is off to a great start. The Knudsen staff and I are looking forward to working with you and your children this year. As an elementary building, our number one priority is the safety and well being of our students. Research shows that children learn best when they feel safe and secure. To keep our environment safe for all, I ask that you read the following reminders about school procedures:

**Visitor Policy** – **During school hours all visitors must sign in at the office and obtain a visitor's badge.** The badge is a way for everyone in the building to know that you belong here. Please do not be offended if a staff member asks whether or not you have signed in at the office.

**Lunch, homework, and forgotten item drop-off** - The office staff will be happy to deliver these to your child. We would like to remind you that popping into a classroom can be disruptive to instruction.

**Morning Drop-off** – the front doors will be locked until 8:40. Students should never arrive at school prior to 8:30 unless they are in Child Care. **We ask that parents do not walk children down to the classroom.** This is part of the District's safety and security policy. Tardy students must be signed in at the office. Please keep in mind that the time prior to the start of school is a very important time for teachers. This is the time they are preparing for the day or starting their day with students. The staff values your concerns and input regarding your child, but we ask that you schedule a time to meet when the teacher can give you her undivided attention.

**Afternoon Pick-up** - If you wish to pick up your child inside the building, at the end of the day, please wait in the lobby area by the office. **Please do not go to your child's classroom, as this is disruptive.** Teaching and learning are going on up until minutes before the bell rings at 3:52. Parents may not go to classroom areas until buses have been called and all students have vacated the building.

**Parking Lot Safety** – **Please do not drive through or park in the bus loop during arrival and dismissal times.** This area is for bus drop-off and pick-up only. Please follow the flow of the pick-up /drop off line on Crescent for the pick-up loop. Staff members will be outside before and after school to help the car line flow smoothly. Do not have your child run out to the street to be picked up.

Thank you for keeping our students safe,  
Laura Smith

*"Inspire, educate, and empower our students for their future"*

### **Please welcome Wendy Twardosz!**

We are happy to inform you that Mrs. Twardosz joined our Knudsen staff as our Office Assistant. She comes to us with great experience, personality and her love for children. Please welcome her when you meet her.

### **Reading with Wilbur**

The District's first Reading With Wilbur episode has been posted on YouTube. We're trying to get as many views as possible and we'd like to generate revenue through advertisement engagement. So, please watch it (and let the ads play!) and send it to your friends and relatives. Watch it on multiple devices! The videos are geared toward preschool and early elementary. However, the potential benefit will be district-wide. An article about Wilbur is scheduled to hit the Oakland Press this weekend.

<https://youtu.be/IaR32lkghHg>

### **Safety First**

#### Appropriate Dress for the Weather

Appropriate dress is required in school. Girls' tops must have straps that are three finger widths wide (no spaghetti straps), and no halter tops. In addition, shorts/skirts must be an appropriate length. We do not encourage wearing of flip flops because they are dangerous to run/play in on the playground. For now, it is best to send your children to school with a jacket since the mornings are cool. We recommend that you write your child's name in all outerwear.

### **Curriculum Night**

Please join us for Curriculum Night on Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. This is an important time for you to meet your child's teacher, learn about curriculum, and classroom procedures/expectations. There will be two different sessions:

Grades Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30-6:15

Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:15

We hope to see everyone in attendance!!