Knudsen Connection

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Dear Knudsen Families,

Thanks to everyone who attended Parent /Teacher Conferences on November 11th and 17th. Knudsen teachers love your support and are happy to share your child's progress with you. We appreciate you taking time from your hectic family schedules to attend your child's conference. If you've not scheduled your conference, please contact your child's teacher. Conferences will also be on Tuesday, November 23rd in the afternoon.

As Thanksgiving nears, I would like to let you know that I am very thankful to be a part of the Knudsen community. Every day I give thanks for being able to work with such an awesome staff, great group of children, and supportive families. It is truly a pleasure to work in such a positive school environment! On behalf of the Knudsen staff, I wish you and your family a relaxing and enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday!

Laura Smith

Annual Goodfellows No Family Without A Christmas program

*Sign up will be done through a link on the Goodfellows Facebook page, and will run from Nov. 24 to Nov. 30, 2021. Applications MUST include a copy of a report card from one Waterford student in the household (If more than one student attends school, only one report card is needed).

*Pick up will be done drive-thru style on Dec. 18th at the Waterford Recreation Center located at 5640 Williams Lake Road, Waterford. Families will be assigned a pickup time and be emailed that information. This year, families will be given a gift card for food.

* La registración se realizará a través de un enlace en la página de Facebook de Goodfellows, y estará disponible desde el 24 de noviembre hasta el 30 de noviembre de 2021. En las solicitudes DEBEN incluir una copia de la libreta de calificaciones de un estudiante de Waterford por familia (si es que hay más de un estudiante que asiste a la escuela, sólo necesita incluir una libreta de calificaciones).

* La recogida se hará al estilo drive-thru el 18 de diciembre en el Waterford Recreation Center ubicado en 5640 Williams Lake Road, Waterford. A las familias se les asignará una hora para que vayan a recoger y se les enviará esa información por correo electrónico. Este año, las familias recibirán una tarjeta de regalo para comida.

LOST AND FOUND

Families– the lost and found is filling up fast! Please label your child's items so they can be returned when found. Please encourage your child to check the lost and found. At this time of year, lots of things are left on the playground and if they are not labeled, they get put in the bin and forgotten.

Parent Portal

Now is a good time to make sure you have access to your parent portal. Please go to https://mistar.oakland.k12.mi.us/waterford/parentportal/

Enter your pin and password. Here is where you will view your students emergency information, schedule, and grades. This is also how you register for the next school year over the summer.

If you don't have a pin and password, because you are new to the district or just have never gotten them, click the **Need Your Login Information?** link below the PIN and Password boxes, enter the email address the District has on file for you, and your PIN and Password will be sent to that email address.

If you need assistance, please call (248) 682-2648.

Masks should be brought from home every-day. Students should have a mask on before they walk into the building or step onto a school bus. Please help us follow the recommendations and guidelines set by the OCHD and the Waterford School District to help keep our children safe. We have been extremely lucky with few cases in our building. All of you are doing your part to keep sick children, and children who have been exposed to Covid at home until they have quarantined. We appreciate your efforts at this time.

Afternoon dismissal...

Please call before 3:30 if you need to make changes to how your child will be going home. After 3:30 it is difficult to get messages to the rooms on time and it is difficult on the students and teachers when they do not know the plan each day.

facebook

We have a new Facebook page. Please join our page "Knudsen Elementary-Home of the Foxes" and stay connected and up to date with activities at Knudsen. Once we get 200 members, all students will get an extra recess. So far we have 151 members.

Dear Knudsen Families,

Please remember that the pick up loop is for grownups to pick up students while staying inside their vehicle. If you would like to park your vehicle and walk to pick up children, please contact the office before 3:30 and meet your children by the front door. This is for the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff at dismissal. Thank you for doing your part in making dismissal a safe and pleasant experience for everyone!

Knudsen Elementary
2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

No School for Students

9/3-9/6.....Labor Day Recess
11/2.....Professional development
11/24-11/26 .....Thanksgiving Break
12/22-1/2 .....Winter Break
1/17 ..... Martin Luther King Jr Day
2/18-2/21 .....Mid-Winter Break
3/28-4/1.....Spring Break
4/15 .....Good Friday

1/2 Days for Students

10/29.....District-wide
11/5.....Elementary
11/23 .....Elementary
1/21.....Elementary
2/17 ..... .District-wide
3/9 ..... .District-wide
3/25..... .District-wide
5/27 ..... .District-wide
6/10.....District-wide

Dismissal time on half days for Knudsen students — 11:57 a.m.

November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 No school	3	4	5 1/2 day of school	6
7	8	9	10 Picture retake day	11 PM conferences	12	13
14	15	16	17 PM conferences	18	19	20
21	22	23 1/2 day of school Conferences	24	25 No school for students. Happy Thanksgiving!	26	27
28	29	30				

December

2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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Covid Reminders...

*At this time, NO VISITORS will be allowed in the school buildings. If you need to meet with someone, please call and make an appointment.

*Do not send you child to school if they have a fever

*Pick up your child promptly if the school calls stating he/she is ill or exhibiting symptoms.

*Ensure your child wears a mask everyday.

ATTENDANCE

If your child appears ill, please keep them home. If your child is absent due to COVID reason it is imperative that you let the office know when you call them in.

*Masks should be worn appropriately, covering both nose and mouth.

*Students and staff are expected to provide their own face masks.

*Cloth masks should be washed daily and disposable masks should be thrown away.

Transportation

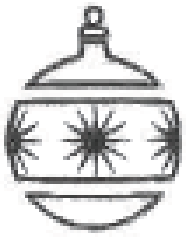
At this time we are following updated guidance for return to school and will continue to monitor the latest county and state safety recommendations and guidelines. Please understand it will be necessary to continue to follow safety measures such as:

* All students, drivers and staff must wear a face mask on the buses

*All buses having hand sanitizer dispensers installed

* All students will be assigned a seat

Knudsen Elementary
Giving Tree



The Giving Tree is a donation program that helps brighten the holiday season for Knudsen families that could use a little extra support.

How it Works:
Each ornament on the tree has an item listed on it for a Knudsen family that is in need.

Check the box below and we will send an ornament (or more if you would like) home with your child.

Purchase the item **($10 minimum)**, wrap it and tape the ornament to the gift and then drop off the present(s) of at the office or have your child bring it to school.

If you would like to help, but may not have the time to shop, we will gladly accept monetary donations or gift cards. Your donation will be used towards the purchase of items for our families.

Please return your gift for **The Giving Tree** no later than **Thursday, December 16th.**

The generosity of our families is what helps make our school so special. Our goal is to ensure that every student has a wonderful holiday!

If you have any questions please email **knudsenpta@gmail.com** .

_____ **Yes**, please send _____ ornament/s home with my child.

Child's Name: _____ Teacher:_____