



# Tiger Times



Sunset Hills Elementary School Newsletter

July 2017

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## Mission Statement

The mission of Sunset Hills School, as part of a cohesive, involved community, is to provide a quality, well-rounded education by maximizing opportunities for each learner in a safe and caring environment.

## News Briefs

### Reminder

3pm Dismissal  
Every Wednesday  
of the school year



### E-MAIL

E-mail is a great way to communicate with your child's teacher.

The Westside format is as follows:

lastname.firstname@westside66.net

Sunset Hills  
Expectations:  
Be Safe  
Be Respectful  
Be Responsible

# BACK TO SCHOOL

Dear Sunset Hills Families,

I hope this newsletter finds you doing well. Hopefully you are doing a lot of playing, swimming and vacationing. Also, I hope that you're finding time to read a few new books. :-)

You may have noticed the progress that is being made on our building. The area that is being worked on will be our new gymnasium, music room, art room, office area, library and lunch room. The classrooms will be located to the south of our current building and construction on that area will begin in early fall.

We have a few staff changes for next year. The 4th grade classes will be split into two classes due to a large number of students. Mrs. Ashley-Carnes (formerly Ashley-Laing) will teach 4th grade with Mrs. Assman. We welcome Mr. Jason Fry who will teach 5th grade next year. Mr. Fry taught 6th grade at Rockbrook for the past 14 years. He will be a great addition to our already fabulous staff!

The back to school picnic and Sneak a Peek night will be on August 10th from 5:30-6:30pm. We will eat in the gym and/or blacktop area. Please bring a dinner for your family. School starts on August 15th at 8:40am! It will be here before we know it.

Have a wonderful end to your summer. I look forward to seeing you all! Ms. Patterson

The Community Club prints a family directory each fall containing the names of students by class, as well as names of parents, with their home addresses, phone numbers, and email information. Only families who submit information to the Community Club will be included in the Directory. Starting in mid-July, parents will have the opportunity to electronically submit information to the Community Club when completing the Annual Information Update online.

## Calendar Reminders

**Aug 10** Sneak-A-Peek/Back to School Picnic

5:30-6:30pm

**Aug 15** SCHOOL BEGINS- 8:40am

**Aug 15** Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm

**Aug 24** Parents' Only Night - Sunset Hills Pool - 7pm

**Sept 1** Professional Development- **NO SCHOOL**

**Sept 4** Labor Day - **NO SCHOOL**

**Sept 7** 6th Grade Outdoor Ed Parent Mtg-

6:30pm @WMS Performing Art Center

**Sept 12** Curriculum Night- 5:45-6:30pm (K-2)  
and 6:30-7:15pm (3-6)

## School Arrival

Our school day begins at 8:40 am. Students may only enter the front of the building, starting at 8:30 am. We ask that students not arrive before 8:20 am, unless:

- Participating in a school activity
- Serving on Safety Patrol
- Working with a teacher
- Attending Club 66 Before & After Care program



### WHY CAN'T I ARRIVE EARLY?

There is not supervision, as teachers are involved in team meetings, staff meetings and individual planning from 8:00-8:30 am.

## SCHOOL Attendance

Each school day begins with taking attendance. It is very important that students are in their classrooms by 8:40 am so they are not missed during this procedure.

Attendance is also taken immediately following lunch and/or recess. If students leave campus for lunch with a parent, they need to be back when attendance is taken.

The school secretary will call the home or work of parents who have not called in and reported their child(ren)'s absence. Please help us with this by calling the office at 402-390-6480. Safety is our focus in making this request.

Students coming in after 8:40 am, or after attendance is taken in the afternoon, must come to the office and sign in. Students coming or going during the day for appointments, illness, etc., must also sign in and out through the office.

Please call the school office at 402 390-6480, before 9:00a.m., if:

- Your child will be absent from school for any reason.
- Your child will be late for school.
- You would like to join your child for lunch and need to order a tray for yourself.

Often times parents will tell the teacher when their children are going to be gone, but the office needs to know as well. We would appreciate your help with this anytime you know your child will be out of school. Also, please let the office know if you are going to be out of town and someone else will be taking care of your children. In the case of an emergency, we don't want to waste precious time trying to get in touch with someone.

## Medication/Health Information

The health office must have a written, signed and dated Medication Authorization form from the parent or guardian requesting that his/her child be given medication during the school day (prescription or over-the-counter). This form is available in the office.

All medication must be brought to school and taken home from school by a parent. It must be in the original container, labeled with the child's name, date prescribed, name of medication, directions for use, dosage information and the time the medication is to be given.

Prescription medication requires doctor's signature on medication authorization form.

***Cough drops, and any over-the-counter medication must be in the original box/package, and a Medication Authorization form must be filled out. These medications are kept in the health office in a locked cabinet.***

Scrapes and cuts are washed and bandaged, if needed. We do not, and cannot, use any ointment or cleaning product on an individual. If an injury is severe or questionable, a parent will be contacted.

All medication, including cough drops, must be picked up by a parent at the end of the duration. We will not send any medication home with a child.



## Sunset Hills Dress Expectations

In order to ensure a positive learning environment where all feel comfortable and respected, please follow our Sunset Hills dress expectations. We expect our students to wear clothing that:

- Is considerate of others.
- Is free of advertisements, graphics or language with drugs, alcohol, tobacco or violence.
- Is free of sexual or disrespectful comments or graphics.
- Covers appropriately. Halter tops, bare shoulders, and short shorts are not acceptable. Students will be asked to call home for a change of clothing if not dressed properly.



## SAVE THE DATE- Aug 10



Please join us for a “Back to School Picnic”, and Sneak-a-Peek of your classrooms, at Sunset Hills on Thursday, **August 10**, from 5:30-6:30pm. Bring your own picnic dinner

## After School Plans

All after school plans should be made before students get to school in the morning. Students are expected to go directly home and should be off school grounds by 3:45 pm (3:15 pm on Wednesdays), unless accompanied by an adult. Students going home with another child after school should make plans ahead of time, as students will not be allowed to use school phones to make arrangements.

If there is a change of after school plans for your child, please call the front office at 402-390-6480.

### School Lunch Accounts:

MySchoolBucks.com is still available for your convenience. This allows you to deposit money into your child’s lunch account and receive notifications when the balance is low. You may also choose to send money to the school office. Please be sure to include your child’s name on the envelope or check.

Please watch for a web-link to the Free and Reduced Lunch Application. This application needs to be submitted every year for those who are eligible. Please keep in mind that it takes time to process the application. Until you are approved for free or reduced lunches, you are responsible for any lunches or breakfasts your child may take.

## Personal Property Reminder

All personal items, such as skateboards, ipods, toys, footballs, basketballs, etc., should not be brought to school unless specifically requested by the classroom teacher. These items are costly and could be damaged or lost. The school will not be responsible for personal items.

## 2017-2018

### School Lunch

Daily Hot Lunch = \$2.30  
Reduced Lunch = \$.40 cents  
(Free/reduced application available)  
Milk = \$.50 cents  
Student Breakfast = \$1.40  
Reduced Breakfast = \$.30  
Adult Lunch = \$3.50  
Adult Breakfast = \$2.25



### Parents for Lunch

Please notify the office before 9:00 a.m. if you plan to join your child for lunch. Please stop and pay at the office before you go to lunch. The cost of an adult hot lunch is \$3.50. Adult hot lunches cannot be taken off your student’s lunch account.

#### Lunch Times

K-1 11:45-12:05  
4 11:55- 12:15  
2-3 12:05-12:25  
5-6 12:25-12:45

#### Recess Times

12:05-12:25  
12:15-12:35  
11:45-12:05  
12:45-1:05

## Fifth Grade & Parents- Take Notes!

Your fifth grade child will have the opportunity to tryout band and string instruments during the first two weeks of school. We invite you to encourage your child to take part in this opportunity at each elementary. We will send home information to parents after each presentation and tryout experience is completed. We look forward to teaching your child to play a Band or String instrument. -Mr. Freeman & Mrs. Carpenter-Johnson





# Sunset Hills Elementary School

## 2017-2018 Supply List



### Kindergarten

- Crayola crayons - 1 pack (24)
- Glue sticks - 2 packs
- Crayola markers - 1 pack
- Watercolor paint - 1 set
- Colored pencils - 1 pack
- Student scissors (Fiskars) - 1 pair
- Dry erase markers - 1-2 markers
- Highlighter - 1
- Tissues - 2 boxes
- Pencil box (small) - 1
- Black felt tip markers 1-2
- Headphones - 1
- FOR ART- Kleenex

### First Grade

- Crayola crayons - 1 pack (24)
- Crayola markers - 1 pack
- Glue sticks - 2
- Black Sharpies - 2 markers
- Post-it-notes - 1 pack
- Dry erase markers (EXPO-thick) - 1 pack
- Tissues - 2 boxes
- Headphones or earbuds - 1
- FOR ART- Sharpie Fine Point Permanent Markers 2 Pk-Black

### Second Grade

- Crayola crayons - 1 pack (24)
- Glue sticks - 2 packs
- Post-it-notes - 1 pack
- Colored pencils - 1 pack
- Sketchbook (plain paper) - 1
- Headphones (or earbuds) - 1
- Large pink eraser - 4 packs
- Pencil top erasers
- Elmer's glue - 1 bottle
- Crayola markers (broad tip) - 1 pack
- Student scissors (Fiskars) - 1 pair
- Tissues - 2 boxes
- 1 pencil box
- 1 pencil bag
- Ziploc bags (gallon or quart) - 1 box
- Black felt tip markers - 1-2
- FOR ART- Crayola Markers 10 CT box Classic Fine Line, Crayola 24CT Crayons

### Third Grade

- Crayola crayons - 1 pack (24)
- Glue sticks - 2 packs
- Post-It notes - 1 pack
- Crayola markers - 1 pack
- Pencil top erasers - 1 pack
- Colored pencils - 1 pack
- Student scissors (Fiskars) - 1 pair
- Dry erase markers - 1-2 markers
- Highlighter - 1
- Tissues - 2 boxes
- Pencil box (small) - 1
- Black felt tip markers 1-2
- Headphones - 1
- FOR ART- Glue Stick - 2pk,
- Crayola Twistable Colored pencils 12CT

### Fourth Grade

- Crayola crayons - 1 pack (24)
- Pencil top erasers
- Glue sticks - 2 packs
- Yellow highlighters - 1 pack
- Dry erase markers - 1 pack
- Post-It notes - 1 pack
- Colored pencils - 1 pack
- Student scissors - 1 pair
- Tissues - 2 boxes
- Pencil bag (not a box) - 1
- Black Sharpies - 2 markers
- Two pocket folders - 6
- Spiral notebooks - 3
- Composition book
- Ruler
- Ziploc bags (any size)
- Earbuds (optional)
- Black felt tip markers
- FOR ART- Paper Mate Flair Felt Tip Maker Medium Point Assorted Colors 8 pk

- Specialists- (SPED, Media, PE, Music)**
- Kleenex

### Fifth Grade

- Crayola crayons - 1 pack (24)
- Large pink erasers - 1 pack
- Glue sticks - 2 packs
- Yellow highlighters - 1 pack
- Dry erase markers - 1 pack
- Crayola markers (broad tip) - 1 pack
- Post-It notes - 1 pack
- Colored pencils - 1 pack
- Student scissors - 1 pair
- Tissues - 2 boxes
- Pencil bag (not a box) - 1
- Black Sharpies - 2 markers
- Spiral notebooks - 4
- Two pocket folders - 6
- Composition book - 3
- FOR ART- Sharpie- Silver or Gold Metallic Permanent Marker, All purpose standard size hot glue sticks

### Sixth Grade

- Personal Use (labeled)**
- 1 highlighter
- 2 glue stick
- 2 composition notebook
- 2 single subject wide rule notebooks
- 2 paper 3-prong folders
- 1 1 inch poly binder
- FOR ART- Bic Mark-It Permanent markers fine point 12/pkg-color collection, pencil top erasers

### Sixth Grade

- Community Use (unlabeled)**
- 1 pack of #2 wooden pencils
- Tissues - 1 box
- Pencil top erasers

### Sixth Grade

- Optional Items**
- 1 pencil box or case (standard size)
- Earbuds
- IPad stylus
- Scissors
- Protractor



# 2017-18 School Staff

<b>Principal</b>	Ms. Michelle Patterson
<b>Secretary</b>	Mrs. Lori Farwell
<b>Kindergarten</b>	Mrs. Maria Carroll
<b>Grade 1</b>	Mrs. Kim Schmidt
<b>Grade 2</b>	Ms. Anne Guenther
<b>Grade 3</b>	Mrs. Molly McMeekin
<b>Grade 4</b>	Mrs. Jill Assman
<b>Grade 4</b>	Mrs. Beth Ashley-Carnes
<b>Grade 5</b>	Mr. Jason Fry
<b>Grade 6</b>	Mrs. Lindsey Jagels
<b>Specialists</b>	
<b>Art</b>	Mrs. Jennifer Jurgensen
<b>Band/Strings</b>	Mrs. Gail Carpenter-Johnson
<b>Counselor</b>	Mrs. Kristen Bivens
<b>ELL</b>	Mrs. Mary Ferguson
<b>EY</b>	Mrs. Lynn Spady
<b>Media Specialist</b>	Mrs. Diana Hiatt
<b>Music</b>	Mr. Mick Huntley
<b>Physical Education</b>	Mr. Andrew Mantzaris
<b>Psychologist</b>	Mrs. Abbey Sualy
<b>Speech Pathologist</b>	Mrs. Joan Tucker
<b>Resource Teacher</b>	Mrs. Kelly Collins

## **Educational Assistants**

Mrs. Dorothy Paskevic  
Mrs. Kari Finocchiaro  
Ms. Kayleigh Coleman  
Ms. Kayla Prouty  
Ms. Jana Tucker  
Mr. Louie Wilson  
Ms. Maddie Schremmer  
Ms. Sarah Osborne  
Ms. Alexis Studenberg

## **Food Service**

Ms. Dottie Bruckner

## **Building Services**

Mr. Orlando Stubblefield

## **Early Childhood**

*Site Director:*

Mrs. Joan Crum

*Assistant Director:*

Mrs. Jen Wood

## ***Preschool Teacher:***

Ms. Emily Assman

Mrs. Becca Whitlow

## ***Preschool AfterSchool Care:***

Mrs. Betty Beckman

## ***Special Needs Preschool Aide:***

Mrs. Loretta Houlton

## ***School Age Staff:***

Ms. Kelly Fuxa

Ms. Hannah Turman

Ms. Abby Turman

Ms. Maddie Schremmer

# School Activities Calendar

## 2017-18

### AUGUST

- 10 Sneak-A-Peek/Back to School Picnic  
5:30-6:30pm
- 15 SCHOOL BEGINS- 8:40am
- 15 Don & Millie's Night- 4-9pm
- 24 Parents Only Night Out- Sunset pool -  
7pm

### SEPTEMBER

- 1 Professional Development Day-  
NO SCHOOL
- 4 Labor Day- NO SCHOOL
- 5 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 7 6th Grade Outdoor Ed Parent Mtg-  
6:30pm @WMS Performing Art Center
- 12 Curriculum Night- 5:45-6:30pm (K-2)  
6:30-7:15pm (3-6)
- 19 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- 22 Spirit Day
- 25 Picture Day

### OCTOBER

- 2-3 6th Grade Outdoor Ed
- 3 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 17 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- 12-19 Bookfair
- 17-18 Conferences 4-8pm
- 20 NO SCHOOL
- 23 Professional Development Day-  
NO SCHOOL
- 27 Spirit Day
- 25 Picture Re-take & All School Photo
- 27 Halloween Parade & Parties- 2:20pm

### NOVEMBER

- 7 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 10 Veterans Day & Grandfriends Day  
2:00pm
- 17 Spirit Day
- 21 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- 22-24 Thanksgiving- NO SCHOOL

### DECEMBER

- 5 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 7 Gingerbread Houses- 3:30pm
- 19 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- 22 Spirit Day
- 22 Winter Celebration- 2:30pm
- 23 Winter Break begins- NO SCHOOL

### JANUARY

- 8 SCHOOL RESUMES- 8:40 am
- 9 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 15 Professional Development Day-  
NO SCHOOL - MLK Day
- 16 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- 19 Movie Night - 6-8pm
- 19 Spirit Day

### FEBRUARY

- 6 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 14 Valentine Parties- 2:00pm
- 19 Professional Development Day-  
NO SCHOOL - President's Day
- 20 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- TBD Art and Soup Night- 6-8pm
- 23 Spirit Day

### MARCH

- 6 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 8-14 Book Fair
- 6 Spring Pictures
- 13-14 Conferences 4-8pm
- 16 NO SCHOOL
- 20 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- 23 Spirit Day

### APRIL

- 2-6 SPRING BREAK
- 10 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 16-20 Staff Appreciation Week
- 17 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- 20 Spirit Day
- 27 Kdg Round-Up-  
No School for Current Kdg students

### MAY

- 1 Comm. Club Mtg, Media- 6:30pm
- 3 Talent Show - time TBD
- 7-13 Screen Free Week/Fun Run
- 15 Don & Millie's Night - 4-9pm
- 18 All School Family Picnic
- 18 Spirit Day
- 25 Last Day of School - 1:00pm dismissal

# Westside Community Schools

School District 66  
909 South 76th Street  
Omaha, NE 68114  
402.390.2100

## Student Calendar 2017-18

### July 2017

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### September 2017

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### February 2018

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### March 2018

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### April 2018

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### May 2018

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1:00 Dismissal

### June 2018

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**Bold dates** indicate days students will be in school.

### SCHOOL BEGINS

Semester 1: August 15

Semester 2: January 8

### Parent-Teacher Conferences

\* October 16-18

\* March 12-14

\*Elementary conference days:

**Tuesday** and **Wednesday**

\*Middle School conference days:

**Monday** and **Wednesday**

\*High School conference days:

**Monday** and **Tuesday**

### Last Day of School

May 25

1:00 Dismissal

### NO SCHOOL

Professional Development - September 1

Labor Day - September 4

Intersession - October 20

Professional Development - October 23

Thanksgiving Break - November 22-24

Winter Break - December 25 - January 5

\*Oakdale & Swanson moving days- Jan. 8 & 9

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - January 15

Presidents' Day - February 19

Intersession - March 16

Spring Break - April 2-6



Art.



The art room is looking for supplies to help fill our choice studios so we are reaching out to you! These may be items you have laying around the house and would like to donate. Below is a list of items we are in need of. If you don't see it on the list but think it may work we would love to try it! Thank you supporting art at Sunset Hills!

- Jennifer Jurgensen

### **Drawing**

Small toys (for still life drawing)

### **Fiber Arts**

Fabric  
Yarn  
Buttons  
Fabric glue  
Thread  
Embroidery floss  
Embroidery/Needlepoint hoops  
Needles (for hand sewing)  
Beads  
Crochet hooks  
Knitting needles  
Pins and Pincushion  
Sewing basket (for storage)  
Safety pins  
Burlap  
Plastic canvas  
Pinking shears  
Scissors for fabric  
Ribbon

### **Collage**

Scrapbooking paper  
Scrapbooking stickers  
Stamps  
Shaped hole punches  
Tissue Paper  
Puffy paint  
Glitter Glue

### **Sculpture**

All Purpose Standard Hot Glue Sticks  
Recyclables

- Toilet paper tubes
- Paper towel tubes
- Scrap cardboard
- Bottle caps
- Styrofoam (meat trays)
- Yogurt cups

Popsicle sticks  
Pipe cleaners  
Duct tape (any color)  
Blocks or Legos  
Wooden dowels  
Tooth picks  
Q-tips



# Little Warrior Cheer Birthday Parties



Let the Westside High School Cheerleaders make your child's next birthday party extra special!

## **Cost for Cheer Parties:**

**\$15 per kid - Minimum 8 kids or \$120**

**8-11 kids - 3 Cheerleaders Provided**

**12-15 kids - 4 Cheerleaders Provided**

**16-20 kids - 5 Cheerleaders Provided**

- \*WHS Cheerleaders will be available for 2 hour-long parties**
- \*Have your child pick their favorite high school, college, or professional team for their themed birthday party**
- \*Cheerleaders will perform a dance for the kids, teach them 1 chant, and teach them 1 cheer**
- \*Pom Poms will be provided to use during the party**
- \*Cheerleaders are there to help at your party and to make sure everything runs smoothly!**



**Want to include your take home gifts with your cost?**

**For \$10 more per child, we will provide a Bow and a pair of Pom Poms for your guests to take home in a gift bag**



**For more information  
or to schedule a  
Little Warrior Party  
Contact:  
Liz Gunderson at  
lizgundy@yahoo.com**



**All Proceeds Benefit the Cheerleading Program at WHS**

The Westside Community Council will once again organize a traditional-format Battle of the Books event for the 2017-2018 school year. This event is open to all 4th through 6th grade students in the District. Registration will begin in October, and the battle will be held March 24, 2018 at Westside Middle School.

To participate, students will form teams of three or four students. Teams may have five students, but at most four students may compete in any round. Since this is a team event, individual students do not have to read all the books on the list to participate.



Westside's Battle of the Books is part of a national reading incentive program. This program does not finalize their book list until August so we will finalize our list by September 1st. Since some students want to get a jump start on reading the books during the summer, we are publishing a **tentative** book list now. We have started with a list of 13 books so that if 1 or 2 are eliminated, we will still have a list of about 12 books for our competition. No new books will be added to the list.

Mrs. Lindsey Jagels

1. *My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George
2. *Redwall* by Brian Jacques
3. *Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer* by Kelly Jones
4. *Masterminds* by Gordon Korman
5. *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle
6. *Ella Enchanted* by Gail Carson Levine
7. *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry
8. *Wonder* by R. J. Palacio
9. *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
10. *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Muñoz Ryan
11. *On the Banks of Plum Creek* by Laura Ingalls Wilder
12. *Love, Ruby Lavender* by Deborah Wiles
13. *The Castle in the Attic* by Elizabeth Winthrop

These books are all available to borrow from the Omaha Public Library. Visit <https://goo.gl/1P9L0H> for direct links to the books in OPL's card catalog. OPL also has many of these books available as audiobooks, ebooks, or downloadable audiobooks.

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