



# *Schwegler Cub Corner*

## **2019-2020 Welcome Back Edition**

**July, 2019**

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*“WELCOME” parents and students to another year at Schwegler Elementary School. As I enter my thirteenth year here and 21<sup>st</sup> in education, I am very excited about the opportunities we will have this year. Some of these opportunities include: continuing our work through our CI3T plan for academic, behavioral and social/emotional support for students, our second year of working on our KESA (Kansas Education Systems Accreditation) plan, and continuing our equity work with staff and through our PASS and Equity Allies meetings.*

*We have high expectations of ourselves as a staff, our students, and our school community. We believe that by working collaboratively all students will learn at high levels. Together we welcome and look forward to your involvement in your child’s education and a great 2019-2020 school year at Schwegler Elementary School!*

*Respectfully,*

*Dr. Jared Comfort,  
Schwegler Principal*



**SCHOOLS BEGINS** daily at 8:45am. It is important that all students are in their seats and ready to start the school day at 8:45am.

### **SCHOOL HOURS**

Kdg. – Fifth 8:45-3:50

Wed. Early Dismissal

Kdg. – Fifth 8:45 – 2:20

**Students eating breakfast at school may arrive after 8:20am, students NOT eating breakfast should NOT arrive before 8:35am; except for school sponsored activities. Students arriving to school after 8:45am will be considered tardy and need to obtain a tardy slip from the main office in order to be admitted to class.**

Punctual attendance is an important piece of academic success, please ensure success for your student by seeing they arrive on time and ready to learn everyday!

### **Schwegler Summer Reading Challenge**

This year we have asked all families to help us avoid what is called the “summer slide” in reading by having all students participate in the reading challenge. Please see the documents in this newsletter for more information.

**AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup> -- SNEAK PEEK/PARENT ORIENTATION**

**Classrooms open to students and parents to meet their teacher and drop off supplies. See schedule below.**

- 6:00 – 6:30pm Families with the last name beginning with A – K**
- 6:30 – 7:00pm Families with the last name beginning with L - Z**
- 7:00 – 7:30pm PTA providing refreshments on the South playground.**

Families with multiple children enrolled may choose times to visit classrooms.

If you are unable to attend Sneak Peek, class rosters will be posted at the main entrance of the school after 4:45pm, August 14.

**ARRIVAL**

Unless students are in the Boys & Girls Club program, they shall not arrive to school before 8:20am. At 8:20am students eating breakfast may proceed to the cafeteria.

**22<sup>nd</sup> St. is a “Loading and Unloading” zone, NO PARKING from 8:00-9:00am and 3:00-4:00pm.**

Those students in grades K-5 not eating breakfast and arriving prior to 8:35am are supervised in the gym. Teachers not on supervision at these times are working in their classrooms and getting ready for the day.

**DISMISSAL**

Students are expected to observe the plans parents have provided teachers. If transportation plans change for students, the school needs **24 hours advance notice in writing**. This is necessary to insure student safety.

Each afternoon approximately 400 students leave the school through a number of exits in a remarkable fifteen minutes. In order to insure all of them end up safely at home, we have adults on duty to assist them in reaching your vehicle. As you are waiting, please exhibit patience and follow the flow of traffic.

Parents in both the Northwest and South lots line up to pick up their students. Some parents in these lots also choose to park and walk up to the school to pick up their child/ren. Thank you for your assistance in insuring a safe and secure environment.

**VISITOR PARKING LOT**

Our visitor parking is located on the SE side of the school, where you can also drop off and pick up your student before and after school.

**SCHOOL FEES**

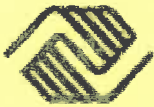
Lawrence Public Schools will mail fees invoices in August. You have the option of paying school fees in full or choosing a payment plan. If it is not convenient for you to come to our office to pay fees, you may either mail your fees or go to the Lawrence Public School website and pay on-line ([Online Fee Payments link](#)).

## CALENDAR

- July 26**      **School office opens**  
*8-12:00 and 1-4:00 (Mon. – Fri.)*
- Aug. 8**        **Kdg. Orientation Session 6-7 pm**
- Aug. 12**      **Kdg. Orientation Session 5-6 pm**
- August 13**    **SNEAK PEEK**  
*Class Rosters posted, 4:45pm*  
*School Main Entrance*
- August 14**    *First full day of school grades K-5,*  
*dismissal at 2:20 due to Wednesday*  
*early dismissal schedule*
- Sept. 2**        **No School, Labor Day**
- Sept. 3**        Site Council, 5:30pm  
PTA, 6:30pm
- Sept. 26**      **Individual Student School Pictures**

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

School supply lists are posted on the school district's website. Several local discount stores have supply lists as well. A good resource if you need help with obtaining school supplies is the Douglas County Community Center, 2518 Ridge Court, 841-3357.



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

## BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB – BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Boys & Girls Club before school program begins at 7:00am, and the after school program runs from school dismissal to 6:00pm.

The cost is \$32.00/week with scholarship applications available for everyone. Enrollment forms will be available at the school office after August 3, or at the Boys and Girls Club main site, 1520 Haskell Ave. Online enrollment is also available at: <http://membership.bgclk.org>.

## ENROLLMENT

**Please share this information with any new families in your neighborhood:** *Families who are new to Lawrence Public Schools* should call the Welcome and Enrollment Center, 832-5000 to make an appointment. The center is located at 110 McDonald Drive.

Children already enrolled in Lawrence Public Schools, attended Kindergarten Roundup this spring, or are moving from one school to another within the Lawrence school district, are not required to register at the Welcome and Enrollment Center.

Schwegler's office will open July 26th. Please feel free to stop by between 8:00am and 4:00pm. (Please call first to make sure we have moved back in). You can pay school fees, drop-off forms that are needed to complete your child's enrollment, tour the building, pick up meal/fee waiver applications, or put money in your child's meal account.

## LUNCH/BREAKFAST

All children eating a school breakfast or lunch must have paid in advance or have an approved current free/reduced-price meal application on file.

- **Breakfast begins at 8:20am.**
- **Lunch/Breakfast payments need to be mailed, brought to the school office, or paid online on or before August 18. If paying by check, meal payments must be separate from school fees.**

Current meal prices and the monthly menus will be listed on the District's website and in the *Lawrence Journal World* newspaper prior to the start of school

## **SCHWEGLER PTA WELCOMES YOU!**

“Welcome” to all new and returning Schwegler families. Schwegler is a GREAT school and our PTA is ready for another exciting year. Membership in PTA shows your child you care about them and teaches them that volunteers make a difference.

### **APPLICATION FOR FEE WAIVER**

#### **FREE MEALS/REDUCED MEALS**

Enclosed is an application for Fee Waiver and Free Meals/Reduced Meals.

**If you make application, it is very important that you:**

- **Complete all questions**
- **Check all the appropriate services that you are applying for (Optional Benefits include school fees).**
- **Be sure that you sign your application.**

**Failure to fully complete and sign your application will delay processing.**

- **Sneak Peek** is the first event and one of the most exciting of the year.
- **Fall Festival** is a super-fun family event.
- **Scholastic Book Fair** is an event that helps bring new books to the library and classrooms
- **Schwegler Schwag** is an opportunity to purchase Schwegler gear and show school spirit
- **Tile Painting** is a fabulous artistic fundraiser where students can put their artwork up on the walls of the school.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week** is in May. It's a great opportunity to show the teachers and support staff how much we appreciate their work.
- **Fundraising Activities** – Box Tops for Education, , HyVee receipts, Checker's receipts, Square 1 Art, and other projects.
- **Fifth Grade Recognition** is typically coordinated by parents of 4<sup>th</sup> graders – a May celebration for the “graduating” 5<sup>th</sup> graders.
- **Movie Nights** are scheduled throughout the school year for the entire family.
- **Dine-Out** – Two to three times a year, on a designated day and time frame, a local restaurant will donate a percentage of their sales to our school.

### **SITE COUNCIL**

Schwegler is committed to continuous school improvement. Join our collaborative team of Site Council members as we meet the first Tuesday of every month to discuss our vision, values, and goals for Schwegler.

Site Council is a group that includes a parent representative from each grade level, staff members, the principal, community members, and a school board member. These members help facilitate positive relationships between the community, parents, staff, and students. Call the Schwegler office at 832-5860 if you have questions or are interested in becoming a member.



A calendar of events, membership information, monthly meeting dates and times, and volunteer opportunity information will come home with your child shortly after the beginning of school.

**All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. We would like your input, ideas and support.** Free childcare will be provided.

*-Your PTA Board*

**2019 - 2020 Schwegler PTA Board Members**

President	Megan Bost
Vice President	Amber Baranski
Secretary	Nicole Rundle
Treas./Fundraising	Megan Poindexter
Member @ Large	Misty Barclay
PTA/Faculty Liaison	Christy McWhirt

**FERPA**

*(Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act)*

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Annual Notice. Attached is a FERPA notice. Please contact the school office if you would like to complete a FERPA form.

**PPRA**

*(Protection of Pupils Rights Amendment)*

Attached is a PPRA form. Please contact the school office if you would like to complete a PPRA form.

**Schwegler Staff 2019-2020**





## **2019-2020 Schwegler Staff**

### **Principal**

Jared Comfort

### **Kindergarten Teachers**

Alyson Cistola  
Kelsey Dick  
Kathryn Willer

### **First Grade**

Laura Johnson  
Kathy McCall  
Sherrie Murray

### **Second Grade**

Amanda Brown  
Sheri Crabtree  
Christy McWhirt

### **Third Grade**

Susan Lomshek  
Hanna Moews

### **Fourth Grade**

Jannah Bauswell  
Amanda Lovett  
Kristal Wilson

### **Fifth Grade**

Lucie Costanza  
Sabrina Long  
Kristin Oswald

### **ESL Services**

Rita Beyer  
Christine Cate  
Sarah Kelly

### **Special Teachers**

Trey Johnson, PE  
Jana Mekus, Nurse  
Kiley Luckett, Counselor  
Erin Martin, Art  
Lindsay Taylor, Music  
TBA, Library/Media  
Kristin Hase, Instr. Coach

### **Special Services Staff**

Christina Brown, Soc. Worker  
Nicole Conforti, Speech &  
Language  
Ryan Ellett, Resource  
Tawney Carter, Resource  
Catherine Korbel, Gifted  
Sandy Foster, Resource  
Cheyenne Hansen-Marlow,  
Psychologist

### **Title Services**

Donna Calderon  
Kristen Jackson  
Carrie Mugridge  
Lisa Parnell  
Amy Shellhorn, Title Parent  
Facilitator  
Lindsey Vail  
Catherine Huebner

### **Clerical Staff**

Kristi Alexander, Secretary  
Laura Hollinger, Library  
Media Asst.  
Nancy Rothwell, Health Aide  
Julie Martin, Ad. Asst.

### **Para-Educators**

Whitney Wrestler, Title  
Jennifer Day, Title  
Cinda Schneweis, Resource  
William Owecke, Resource  
Victoria Kaye, Resource  
Xiaoyan Liu, Resource  
Wendi Brillhart, Resource  
Hussam Mohammed, Resource  
Riley Wohlrab, Resource  
Shirley Sheppard, Resource

### **Custodial Staff**

Claudia Sanchez, Head Custodian  
Katie Bastemeyer, Custodian

### **Food Service**

Kim Arnett  
Darrell Hessler,  
Lunch Room Supervisor  
Sherry Hoch, Manager  
Jacqueline Vogl

### **Boys & Girls Club**

#### **On-Site Director**

*(not employed by LPS)*  
Lindsay Simms

### **Site Council**

Jared Comfort, Principal  
Trina Ramirez, Chair  
Grade Level Staff – serve on  
a rotating basis  
TBA, Dist. Liaison  
Amy Shellhorn, PIF  
TBA, Bd. of Ed.

### **District Office (ESDC)**

TBA, District Liaison