

New York Elementary

September 2022

Calendar of Events

- Sept. 12 - Garden Cub (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Sept. 13 - Chess Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Sept. 19 - Garden Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Sept. 20- Community Safety Forum (6:00-7:30p.m.)

Location will be at the district's Education Support Center (110 McDonald Dr.)

- Sept. 20 - Chess Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Sept. 26 - Garden Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Sept. 27 - Chess Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 3 - Garden Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 4 - Chess Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 10 - Garden Cub (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 11 - Chess Club (3:05-4:30p.m.)
- Oct. 13 - PTA Meeting (6:30-7:30p.m.)
- Oct. 14 - No School Pre-K thru 12th



Dismissal Reminder for Car Riders

Please make sure when students are being picked up if they need help to be buckled in you move the vehicle forward towards the church. This helps with keeping our car rider line moving in a timely manner.



Car Tags

If you are needing extra car tags please contact the front office by phone at 785-832-5780 or email at alevings@usd497.org.



Contacting the Front Office

Please contact the office if your child(ren) will not be present for the day or will be in late. You may contact by email at alevings@usd497.org or by phone 785-832.5780. The beginning of the school day is extremely busy so you may leave a voicemail with your child(ren)'s names and the reason for the absence. If you have a change of plans for your child(ren) please contact the office **NO LATER** than 2:30p.m. (or 1p.m. for Wednesdays early dismissal). The office staff will not be able to deliver messages **UNLESS** it is in case of an emergency after those times.

Talk Safe Community Form

Lawrence Public Schools appreciates everyone who attended one of the six events in our series of Let's Talk Safety Community Forums in August. We will host another [community safety forum](#) from 6-7:30 p.m. September 20, at the district's Educational Support and Distribution Center, 110 McDonald Drive. Topics will include emergency preparedness, the role of school resource officers, mental, social, emotional, and behavioral health services and support; and the importance of relationships and communication in preventing violence.

Keeping the children and youth of our community safe is a shared responsibility. Please join us in person or participate via [livestreaming](#). We also invite staff and families to share their feedback about safety via [this online form](#), available through September 30.

Futures Planning Community Engagement Process

The Lawrence Board of Education on August 8, 2022, contracted with consultant RSP & Associates to provide school boundaries, community development, and housing analyses, as well as facility utilization and enrollment projections. RSP also will facilitate a Futures Planning Community Engagement process to develop recommendations to the board about aligning student needs with the board's strategic plan and available resources, including curricular and financial resources.

Rob Schwarz, RSP founder and CEO, explained that this will be a community-oriented process, backed by data, for examining solutions that will improve students' academic experience. He outlined [a six-month process](#) of committee meetings, school board updates, public input sessions, and a community survey. This Futures Planning Community Engagement process will begin in September and conclude by February 2023.

Lawrence Public Schools invites interested individuals to apply to serve on the Futures Planning Committee to be made up of students, parents/guardians, teachers and staff, and community members representing a broad cross-section of the school district and community. Interested in serving on the committee? Please [submit this application](#) by September 9. The committee's first meeting will be held the following week.

COVID-19 Prevention

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment updated their guidance related to COVID-19. Lawrence Public Schools has aligned its prevention measures to the updated federal and state guidance. Review the district guidelines for [students](#) and [school staff](#). The district encourages COVID-19 vaccination for all who are eligible and able. Please continue to practice and encourage healthy habits, including frequent and thorough handwashing and monitoring yourself and family members for symptoms. When ill, stay home and access at-home COVID-19 testing.

At-Home Covid-19 tests, or "over the counter" (OTC) tests can detect current Covid-19 infections and give results within a few minutes. You should test yourself if you have symptoms, have been exposed to Covid-19, or are attending a large indoor event.

How to Get an At-Home Covid-19 Test

- Order free tests at [COVIDtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov).
- Order free tests at <https://www.accesscovidtests.org/>.
- If insured, visit any pharmacy to see if you qualify for 8 free OTC tests per month through your insurance (insurance card required).

Freestate High School Homing Coming Parade

When

Friday, Sep. 9th, 4pm

Where

4700 Overland Drive Lawrence, KS



[Get Directions](#)

FREE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

HOMECOMING PARADE



SKO BIRDS!

**9 SEPTEMBER,
2022**

**AFTER SCHOOL
COME SUPPORT !!**



LITTLE FIREBIRD FREE SOCCER CLINIC & COMMUNITY EVENT

Join us for an evening of soccer fun on
September 21st

All kids in grades K-5 are invited to attend &
receive a FREE shirt!!

Come, Stay, Bring the whole family, & Enjoy the evening's event
with a Silent Auction & Concessions, too!

~Don't miss out on the FUN!!~



WHO: All kids in Grade K-5 & their families!! Sign up your whole TEAM!

WHEN: Wednesday, September 21; 6-7:30pm/Check-In begins at
5:30 (Backup/Rain-Out date: Wednesday, September 28th.

WHERE: Lawrence Free State Soccer Field

COST: It's FREE (but...donations are suggested & appreciated!)

WHAT TO BRING: Water Bottle, Soccer Ball, Shin Pads

REGISTER: Follow this link to register (or copy & paste in your browser):

<https://forms.gle/bku9ggkXo8sXPFNz9>

Registration is limited to the first 250 participants

CLINIC SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE!

LET US HANG YOUR PERSONALLY DESIGNED BANNER THROUGH NEXT SPRING'S 2023 CLINIC
& ADD YOUR LOGO TO OUR CLINIC T-SHIRTS!

Email us for more info on how to become a Soccer Backer & Clinic Sponsor!

~All proceeds to benefit the FSHS Soccer Program~

EMAIL US AT:


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for more clinic info or to find out how to become a team & clinic donor/sponsor!!




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