

OCTOBER 2023

Kennedy Parent Newsletter

Update from Kristin Dresler, Principal

September was a great month at Kennedy! It was wonderful to get everyone back together and begin the journey to a successful year. We learned all about schoolwide, classroom, and bus safety. We took assessments in math and reading. We visited the media center and played on our new playground. We even had the Willmar Sr. High Homecoming royalty visit us.

October will bring many more good things. Students will be fully engaged in the curriculum and our Title I and small group lessons will be in full swing. October is the start of our Meeting of the STARS assemblies. Each month the students all come together to build community and learn practice skills that we all use to make us better citizens. In October we will practice how we can be accepting of others.

We are committed to providing an excellent learning experience for our students. If you have any questions about our programming, if you want to learn more about our mandated assessments or the qualifications of our instructors, please feel free to visit our website. You can also find our Elementary School Handbook there. Feel free to contact the office as well. We are here to help.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3	4 WALK/BIKE TO SCHOOL	5	6
9	10	11	12 Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:30 pm	13 Vision Hearing Rescreen 3rd Grade to WASO Concert at WEAC
16 Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-8:00	17	18 NO SCHOOL FOR K-8 STUDENTS Parent Teacher Conferences 7:30-12:00	19 NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS	20 NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
23	24	25	26	27
30	31	1	2	3



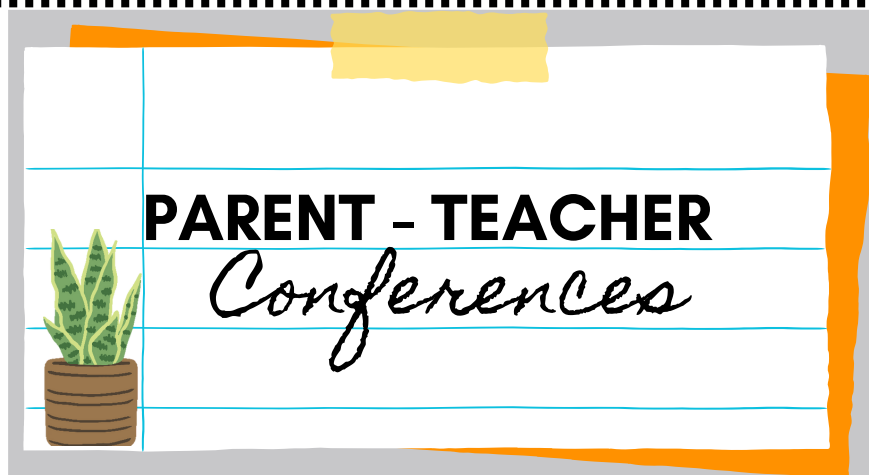
UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:



**MEA Break: No School, K-8
October 18th, 19th and 20th**

**Descanso de MEA: No hay clases
18, 19 y 20 de octubre**

**Maalmahaan iskuulka waa fasax.
Bisha tobnaad/october, 18-keeda, 19-
keeda iyo 20-keeda**



**Parent Teacher Conferences will be on
the following dates:**

October 12th, 16th, and 18th
February 8th, 12th, and 16th

**Las conferencias de padres y maestros
serán en las siguientes fechas:**

12, 16, y 18 de Octubre
8, 12, y 16 Febrero

**Shirka macalinmiinta iyo waalidka waxeey
ahaan doontaa taariikhda soo socoto.**

bisha tobnaad 12th, 16th, and 18th
bisha lawaad 8th, 12th, and 16th

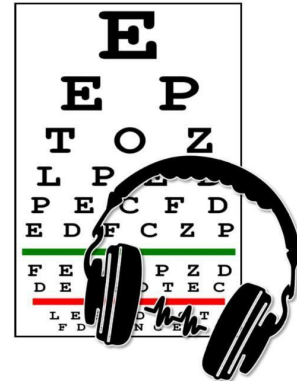


UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

**Vision and Hearing Rescreen
Friday, October 13**

**Exámenes de visión y audición
Viernes, Octubre 13**

**Baarista aragga iyo maqalka waa,
jimcaha, bisha tobnaad/octoobar, 13-
keeda**



Title I

Title I is a federally-funded program that assists schools in ensuring that all children meet challenging academic standards in reading and/or math.

Check out this great
website for more
reading resources



Student Data Privacy Notice

Willmar Public Schools uses a variety of digital resources and tools to support student learning. For reference purposes, we refer to these resources and tools as “Technology Providers,” as they are defined in Minnesota statute. Our district takes great pride in ensuring that student information and academic data is protected to the highest of standards. Our technology/teaching and learning staff routinely evaluate providers utilized for digital assessment, online testing, digital curriculum resources, and digital curriculum activities to ensure that contractual requirements that ensure the safety.

As a part of our ongoing process to inform you of the safety and privacy of the data that is held by technology providers utilized by our district, we have made a listing of the Technology Providers utilized within the school district available for your review. Included in this listing you will find the data elements that the resource stores and utilizes as well as the grade levels in which the resource is authorized for use in.

Please visit: <http://www.willmar.k12.mn.us/SDP> to access the current listing of Technology Providers that we utilize.

Please reach out to Jason Hulstein by Email hulsteinj@willmar.k12.mn.us or phone 320-231-8545 for additional questions regarding specific digital tools used in classrooms, or if you would like to arrange for an in person appointment to inspect any of our Technology Provider contracts.

WALK/BIKE TO SCHOOL

Please mark your calendars for Wednesday, October 4, as we will be participating in the annual fall Walk/Bike to School Day. Students will be sent out to walk a lap or two around the track before breakfast.





United Way
of West Central Minnesota

The Cardinal Backpack Food Program provides supplemental food for children grades PreK-5 enrolled in Willmar Public Schools whose families are facing financial hardship.

Enrollment is for the 23-24 school year and can be started at any point during the year. By signing-up, you give permission for the school to communicate food allergies. Food will be sent home by the end of each week, starting the week of October 2.

Sign-up on our website
liveunitedwcm.org/programs
or use the QR code



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