

## Welcome Back to School!

*Roosevelt September News*

### **Fall Conferences & Fall Book Fair:**

Thurs., Oct. 13rd: 3:30-7:30

Mon., Oct. 17th: 3:30-8:00

Wed. Oct. 19th: 7:30-12:00



### **No School:**

Thurs., Oct. 20th and Fri., Oct. 21st

Thurs., Nov. 24th and Fri. Nov. 25th

### **New School Entryway:**

We have a new entry door this year. When you enter the school, please enter the door marked "visitor." When you enter the door, please ring the bell to talk to a staff member. The staff member will assist you. If you are dropping off your child after school has started, we recommend that you bring your child to the door & help them with the entering process.

### **Important Numbers:**

Roosevelt Main Office: 320-231-8470

Roosevelt Attendance Line: 320-231-8481

Kari Elseth- Roosevelt School Nurse: 320-231-8482

Fadumo Abdalla- Cultural Liaison: 320-894-4585

Diana Torres- Cultural Liaison: 320-894-4608

Cheryl Bosch- Roosevelt School Social Worker (gr 3-5): 320-231-8471 (ext 7573)

Katie Sordahl- Roosevelt School Counselor (preK-2): 320-231-8471 (ext 7628)

### **Parent Pick-Up and Drop-Off:**

- The official School day is 8:30 am- 3:20 pm. Prek classes also start at 8:30 am.
- Students are NOT to arrive at school prior to 8:15 am. The door will be unlocked at 8:15 am for students to enter.
- If you need to drop off your child prior to 8:15 am, please look into Cardinal Place. Call Allie at Cardinal Place 320-231-8490 to ask about signing up for Cardinal Place.
- Parents can arrive for pick-up around 3:10. Parents will not be able to wait inside the school. Students will be dismissed at 3:20 pm.
- Kindergarten: See the handout from the teacher; they'll be picked up at the West Parking Lot.
- Grades 1-5 will be exiting out the main front entrance at the end of the day.

- Any communication to teachers changing pick-up plans needs to be done by 2:00

### **Bus:**

- Teachers walk students to the bus. Teachers need to observe their students load the bus. There is no need for siblings to meet or wait for each other; all are to go to the bus with their teacher.

### **Safety:**

- Outside doors are locked during the school day, and you will be asked to show your ID if you are to enter the building or to pick up a student. Examples of some acceptable forms of ID are: Driver's License, State ID, Military ID, etc.
- Emergency Practice Drills take place during the school year. We complete 5 Fire Drills, 5 Lockdown Drills, and 1 Tornado Drill.
- Students will go outside for recess unless the air temperature is below 0°, or the wind chill creates a temperature below -10° F. Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing for cold weather, including jackets, hats, mittens, boots, snow pants, and scarves.

### **Handbook:**

Our student/parent Handbook is part of the student planner and will be given to your child. Please read through your handbook carefully. Most of the important information is located in the handbook. It can be found here:

<https://www.willmar.k12.mn.us/cms/lib/MN01909723/Centricity/Domain/448/2022-2023%20Elementary%20Handbook.pdf>

### **Job opportunity @ Roosevelt: Americorp Tutor** <https://americorps.gov/serve/what-to-expect>

Our children are in need of tutors, both in Math and Reading. The position(s) are paid, and hours vary to accommodate your schedule. You DO NOT have to be an expert, we train you! Tutoring a child is rewarding, and the relationships matter. You make a difference!

Please consider applying at

<https://join.readingandmath.org/careers-home/jobs?page=1&state=Minnesota>

### **Lunch and Recess:**

- Students will have 20 minutes for recess and 20 minutes for lunch
- All students will be provided breakfast, and a snack (fruit or vegetable) free of charge
- Lunch will be \$2.15 for K-5 students. Children may qualify for free or reduced-price meals. A new application must be submitted each year. **Families must pay for all meals until your free and reduced application is processed and approved.**

### **Payment options**

#### Pay Online using Parent Portal

Log into your Parent Portal account and select Payments on the left.

#### *New for 2022!*

#### Recurring Payments using Parent Portal

Log into your Parent Portal Account and Select Recurring Payments.

WEAC District/Roosevelt Drop Box: Front of the building: Anytime

**Successful Learners, Teamwork, Accepting, Respectful and Safe (STARS):** Our students and staff model and demonstrate behavior and choices that are positive, respectful, and safe. We strive to create and reinforce an environment that is conducive to learning and success. We follow certain expectations and rules to ensure all students and staff members can work in a healthy and equitable environment. We ask that you, too, as parents support our STARS choices and reinforce them at home. Examples are: keeping your hands and feet to yourself, walking in the hallways, following the teacher's direction, respecting others and being kind to one another, staying seated in the classroom and asking permission to leave the classroom....etc. Thank you in advance for your support of our school-wide STARS behaviors.

### **Parenting Hints:**

Set a bedtime routine. Make sure electronics are not plugged in in the bedroom. Research has shown it is even beneficial to turn off any screen 1 hour before bedtime. Aim for a minimum of 8 hours of sleep each night.

Give your child adequate time to get ready in the morning. It takes them longer than adults to get ready. If needed, start an incentive chart to help motivate them and cause less arguments and tears.

New school years may cause anxiety. Try to ask your child open-ended questions about their school day. Here are some examples

- What was your favorite part of the day?
- What did you need help with today?
- What made you laugh or smile today?

Make a routine to check their backpack daily. Sign up for your classroom teachers' remind app.

- On your smartphone go to: [rmd.at/rooele20](https://rmd.at/rooele20)
- If you don't have a smartphone get texts by: texting the number 81010 to @rooele20 - OR - text @rooele20 to (919)241-8125

Sign up for TWITTER @WillmarRoos





**Cardinal**  
**S.T.A.R.S.**



Cardinal S.T.A.R.S. are successful learners who practice teamwork, acceptance, respect, and safety.

	<h1>Classroom</h1>
<h2>Successful Learner(s)</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Keep their eyes and ears on the teachers</li><li>*Come prepared</li><li>*Participate in all activities</li><li>*Participate actively</li></ul>
<h2>Teamwork</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Share and cooperate</li><li>*Help others and be a good friend</li><li>*Raise hand quietly and wait their turn</li><li>*Participate in group discussions</li><li>*Work to be a classroom community; a team</li></ul>
<h2>Accepting</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Include others in activities and conversations</li><li>*Use kindness towards everyone</li><li>*Accept the differences in others as we are a diverse school</li></ul>
<h2>Respectful</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Follow directions</li><li>*Raise their hand</li><li>*Use appropriate language</li><li>*Use an appropriate tone of voice</li></ul>
<h2>Safe</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Keep their hands and feet to themselves</li><li>*Use materials appropriately</li><li>*Stay in their assigned area(s)</li></ul>

We look forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. Please feel free to contact us at any time.

*Lori Lockhart- Principal*  
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