Fox Prairie Enews

August 14, 2020

Welcome Back!

Dear Families,

In the Spring when schools closed and we moved to online learning and we did it quickly and as we could. However, after reflecting on the strengths and areas of growth from our first pass at virtual instruction, we have thoughtfully made some changes for the beginning of this school year. In an attempt to



provide students with more meaningful connections with staff and peers and to provide more consistency for our students and families we will be changing from the format of our online learning that was familiar from last spring.

This fall we will be holding synchronous learning sessions Monday through Friday during the morning. During this virtual time, the phrase "synchronous instruction" means our teachers will teach and record their lessons live at specific scheduled times and post them in their learning management system after the conclusion of their morning lessons (Seesaw for K-2, Google Classroom for 3-5). The posting of these lessons enables students and families to watch and rewatch these lessons if they are unable to attend synchronous lessons, or if they want to take another look.

At all three elementary schools during the mornings there will be regularly scheduled synchronous core instruction sessions that will also be recorded. These lesson times will be as common as possible to help neighborhoods, families, and childcare facilities know when to help students log into their classes. During the afternoons students will then have access to encore opportunities in Physical Education, Art, and Music, enrichment activity time, and intervention time for identified students.

As always, our mission is to "Create conditions today for every student to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally for unlimited opportunities." This new plan strives to fulfill this mission. Please look in the upcoming weeks for communications from your individual schools for more detailed information. Thank you for your continued flexibility during these unprecedented times. We look forward to seeing you at each of our back to school events and working with you to make it a great school year

Sincerely,
Stoughton Elementary Principals
Erin Conrad, Krista Huntley Rogers, Bob Johnson

SAVE THE DATE! MEET THE TEACHER

- Kindergarten Pictures and Meet the Teacher: August 18.
- **Grades 1-5 Meet the Teacher:** August 26 and 27. Sign-ups for conferences will be sent out the week of August 17.
- Materials and Technology Pick Up ALL STUDENTS: August 26 and 27

SCHOOL PICTURES

Only Kindergarten student will have pictures taken on August 18th. We will arrange a time for all other students to have their pictures taken during the school year. Please ignore the messages from Lifetouch.

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS OPEN - NEEDED FOR ALL STUDENTS



www.stoughton.k12.wi.us

Annual Central Registration for Current Students - Stoughton Area School District

SUPPLY LISTS

We have reduced our supply list drastically for our virtual start. Here is a <u>Supply List pdf</u> if you want to download the list.

FOX PRAIRIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2020 – 2021 - Virtual Instruction Start

KINDERGARTEN SUPPLIES NEEDED - Virtual Instruction Start

#2 pencils	scissors	
(1) spiral notebook	(2) glue sticks	
Inexpensive headphones (earbuds often fall out of young children's ears)		
Supplies for ENCORE Classes-Virtual Instruction Start		
(1) 8 pan watercolor set with brush		

FIRST GRADE SUPPLIES NEEDED - Virtual Instruction Start

scissors	(2) glue sticks		
(24) pencils	Headphones (if they want them for their computers)		
Clipboard for 8 1/2 by 11 paper	(1) supply box (if they want to keep their stuff in it)		
(1) box of washable markers	(4) single subject wide ruled spiral notebooks		
Supplies for ENCORE Classes-Virtual Instruction Start			
(1) 8 pan watercolor set with brush			

SECOND GRADE SUPPLIES NEEDED - Virtual Instruction Start

Headphones (optional)	(1) single subject wide ruled notebook		
(1) pad of standard sticky notes	(1) 3 subject wide ruled notebook		
Glue sticks or 1 liquid glue	#2 pencils sharpened (as needed)		
erasers	pencil sharpener		
(1) box of crayons (as needed)	Scissors (as needed)		
printer paper (as needed)			
Supplies for ENCORE Classes-Virtual Instruction Start			
(1) 8 pan watercolor set with brush			

THIRD GRADE SUPPLIES NEEDED - Virtual Instruction Start

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Headphones	(4) wide-ruled, 1-subject notebooks	(2) glue sticks
Computer Mouse	(1) wide ruled composition book	(1) pack of pencils
Markers	(1) folder	(1) large eraser
Pencil Box	medium size scissors	(2) pads of post-it notes
Supplies for ENCORE Classes-Virtual Instruction Start		
1) 8 pan watercolor set with brush (1) box of crayons or colored pencils		

FOURTH GRADE SUPPLIES FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING - Virtual Instruction Start

(1) pencil pouch or box	(2) composition notebooks	(1) package Index Cards (3x5)
Inexpensive earbuds or headphones	(4) 3-subject spiral notebooks	(2) pads of sticky notes (3x3)
(3) folders	Pencils (consider buying mechanical pencils or a pencil sharpener)	
Supplies f	or ENCORE Classes-Virtual Instruc	tion Start
(1) 8 pan watercolor set with brush	(2) glue sticks	
(1) pair of scissors	(1) box of markers	

FIFTH GRADE SUPPLIES FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING - Virtual Instruction Start

(3) folders	(1) pkg. of pencils	(1) pencil bag/pouch
(2) single-subject spiral notebooks	(1) pkg. pens any color	92.00
(1) 3-subject spiral notebook	ebook (1) inexpensive earbuds or headphones	
Supplies for ENCORE Classes-Virtual Instruction Start		
(1) 8 pan watercolor set with brush	(1) box of markers	(1) pair of scissors

TEACHING AND LEARNING

We will continue to provide rigorous, grade-level academic content to all students while also working to fill in any unfinished learning from last year. To do this:

- Grade levels have departmentalized instruction, which means 1 teacher will be primarily
 responsible for teaching Math (Bridges), 1 teacher will be teaching English Language Arts
 (Wit and Wisdom), and 1 teacher will be teaching phonics, handwriting and science/social
 studies. All students will still continue to have an assigned homeroom teacher.
- In the morning we will offer: synchronous core instruction (English Language Arts, Phonics, Bridges). Core lessons will be recorded and posted for students who are unable to attend live instruction.
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- Specialist lessons in PE/ART/Music
- Enrichment opportunities will also be offered including edutyping, EpicBooks,
 Recorded ReadAlouds, Dreambox and additive math practice with Bridges learning apps.
- Synchronous Intervention will be offered in the afternoon for students needing additional support.
- Please note: Times for synchronous instruction will be the same across all three elementary buildings. We also are working to ensure that each zoom has multiple staff supporting the instruction.
- **Grading:** We are still working on grading guidance for the upcoming school year. Stay tuned.

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

- SeeSaw for k-2 and Google classroom for 3-5 will be used for assigning, collecting and giving feedback on student work.
- SeeSaw will be used for communication across all grades.
- Stay tuned for more information





Seesaw for Parents

web.seesaw.me

Stay connected with your child's learning through Seesaw. Get realtime notifications about your child's progress and easily interact. Available for iOS, Android, Email, SMS and all computers.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

- Attendance will be taken each day by classroom teachers.
- Attendance for the day is submitted by the classroom teacher at 3 p.m.
- Students will be marked present if they participate in virtual synchronous Math/ELA instruction and/or they submit daily work to their grade levels learning management system.

TECHNOLOGY

Before the school year starts, each student will get a device that they can use for virtual learning. All kindergartners will get an iPad, and all students in grades 1-5 will get a Chromebook. The district will also be offering a limited number of hotspots for families that do not have internet. If you are in need of a hotspot, please keep your eyes out for a Google Form sent out by the SASD technology department. Families that fill out the form will be given

a hotspot that should provide adequate internet coverage for students to complete their virtual learning. More information about students getting their device will be coming soon

INFINITE CAMPUS PORTAL

Is your Parent/Guardian Infinite Campus Portal account set up and active? Is your household information accurate? Please take a moment to verify by going to this <u>site</u>.

This is a great tool to have to review your child's student information (attendance, grades, lunch payments, schedules, etc) as well as for registration and contact purposes. If you discover you do not have an account, cannot remember your login information or other related questions, please contact the Stoughton Area School District Infinite Campus Specialist:

Amanda O'Brien

Infinite Campus Specialist | Open Enrollment Coordinator Stoughton Area School District P: (608)877-5045 (Please leave a voicemail)

Fox Prairie Shout Outs

If you would like to recognize a staff member here at Fox, please complete this <u>form</u>. We love to celebrate our great staff!



Fox Prairie Elementary School

Mrs. Rogers, Principal (877-5101)

Mrs. Wolf, Dean of Students (877-5124)

Ms. Durtschi, School Psychologist (877-5106)

Mrs. Luedtke, School Counselor (877-5135)

Mrs. Kolb, School Social Worker (576-6375)

Mrs. Hanson and Mrs. Schroeder-Zywicki, Health Assistants

(877-5104)

