



St. Francis Elementary

September 2019

We welcome our new students to our school! We have additions in first grade, third grade, fourth grade, fifth grade, and an entirely new group of kindergarteners. We have enjoyed getting to know each of you!



From the Principal:

Welcome back! We have had a wonderful start to the school year! I am so incredibly pleased with our students, as they have jumped right into a routine!

If you have not already, please take a little bit of time to review the Parent & Student Handbook that each family received at enrollment. If you have questions, please ask!

I look forward to seeing the progress that each child will make this year. Thank you for sharing your most valued possessions with us!

~Miss Raile



Sign up to receive important updates from St. Francis Elementary. Please contact your child's teacher or Miss Raile if you have questions.

Get information for St Francis Elementary School right on your phone—not on handouts.


Pick a way to receive messages for St Francis Elementary School:

A If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/draile

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.




B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @draile to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @draile to (908) 793-0103.

* Standard text message rates apply.






PTO reports that they still have the yellow Little Indian shirts available for purchase. They are \$15. If enough students have them, Mrs. Confer likes to use them for the music program.

Box top submission has gone digital! Download the app to scan your receipts for the school to begin earning money. Each boxtop is a \$.10 donation. They add up fast! Please send in any clipped boxtops you may still have at home this year also!

We have a limited number of 2017-2018 yearbooks available for purchase. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Butler in the office. They are \$20 each.



Please remember, USD 297 has a NO NUTS policy. Students, staff, parents, and the community are asked to NOT bring nuts/peanuts (or any foods that contain them) into any USD 297 schools.



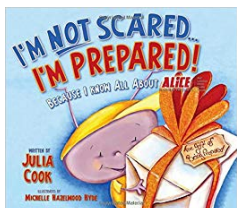
Fastbridge (we previously used DIBELS) screening began last week and will conclude before September 9. We look forward to using this data to determine individual students academic needs. Our WIN (What I Need) groups will begin soon! Be watching for more information concerning WIN groups and MTSS (Multi-Tiered Systems of Support) as the school year progresses.



Second Step will be used again this year. This is a social and emotional curriculum used in grades K-8. During our whole school assembly last week, Mrs. Queen and Mrs. Rodriguez reviewed our bucket filler system and encouraged all students to "Be Safe, Be Respectful, and Be Responsible". Second Step gives students the tools to excel in and out of the classroom. In the classrooms, students learn valuable skills that help them navigate their way through school as well as their community.



Tornado, fire, and crisis drills will be practiced routinely so students will be prepared to move to areas of safety in the event of a real emergency without panic. By law, all KS school districts are required to complete two tornado drills, four fire drills, and three crisis drills throughout the year.



In the event of an active shooter crisis, USD 297 will use the ALICE model. ALICE stands for alert, lockdown, inform, counter, and evacuate. Our goal is to have kids prepared, not scared. Therefore, each classroom will use the book I'm Not Scared, I'm Prepared during our drills.

September Classroom in the Spotlight

The Kindergarten classroom is in the spotlight for the month of September. They have been busy learning the routines of all day school. Mrs. Rieger's classroom is a lot of fun! Throughout the month, pictures will be added from their classroom to the classroom spotlight bulletin board in the main hallway.



Kindergarten

Have you checked out the PowerSchool App?

- ✓ See real-time updates on any device
- ✓ Get instant communication
- ✓ View all of your children in one parent account
- ✓ Get push notifications with grades and attendance



Mrs. Hingst
K-8 PE



Mrs. Butler
K-5 Secretary



Mrs. Milne
K-5 Para



Mrs. Moberly
K-8 Para



NEW
SUBMIT

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 NO SCHOOL Labor Day	3	4 CCHD School Health Screenings	5	6 3 rd grade field trip to the courthouse	7
8	9 NO SCHOOL Teacher Inservice	10	11	12	13 3 rd grade field trip to the food pantry	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 2-HOUR LATE START Teacher Inservice	21
22	23	24	25 Crede Repertory Theater Performance	26 K-5 School Pictures	27	28
29	30	<p>School starts are 8:20 a.m. Breakfast will be served daily (unless otherwise noted) in the cafeteria from 7:55-8:15. School dismisses at 3:40 p.m. If your child is late to school, you are required to check him/her in at the office with Mrs. Butler. If he/she had a doctor's appointment, please bring a note from the doctor.</p>				

