

The Ardmore Connection

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WELCOME FROM MRS. BLOCK

On behalf of everyone at Ardmore I want to welcome you to the 2009-2010 school year. The year is off to a wonderful start! The children seem eager and happy to be back at school and we look forward to a great year filled with new and exciting challenges.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or myself at any time during the year at 445-4160, Ext. 2110.

ARDMORE STAFF

We are happy to welcome back our staff to the 2007-2008 school year.

Kindergarten

Mrs. Ansted (1/2 day)
Mrs. Cass
Mrs. Rossi

Grade One

Mrs. Collins
Mrs. Smale

Grade Two

Mrs. Johnston
Mrs. Selden
Mrs. Tomich

Grade Three

Mrs. Cunningham
Ms. Teagan

Grade Three/Four

Mrs. Carlton

Grade Four

Mrs. Landino
Mr. Puma

Grade Five

Mrs. Gilsenan
Mr. Cabe

Mrs. VanDellen returns as Resource Room teacher. Ms. Mueller will be the Speech Pathologist at Ardmore. In addition, Mrs. May will be the Health instructor. Mrs. Laporte will be here for Music instruction and Mr. Schultz as the Art teacher. Mrs. Torey will be our Physical Education/Health/Spanish teacher. Mrs. Pelloni continues as our Reading Specialist. Ms. Morisette will be the Counselor at Ardmore and Mrs. Coon, our Media Aide.

SIGN OUT LOG

Whenever it is necessary for you to pick up your child before dismissal time, please come to the office first. We are requesting that you sign a log. This will let us keep appropriate records showing to whom your child has been released. We will then call the child to the office for you. Thank you!

Your cooperation is appreciated with our lunchtime procedures aimed at keeping our children safe at noontime. Please be sure to sign your child out on the table outside the office if you are picking him/her up for lunch.



ACCESS THE LUNCH MENU ON THE WEB

<http://my.calendars.net/scslakeview>

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

If your child is ill and will be absent from school, please call Ardmore School (445-4160), by 9:00am. This

VISION SCREENING AT ARDMORE IN SEPTEMBER—GRADES 1, 3, 5—MORE TO FOLLOW

STUDENTS WHO CROSS JEFFERSON MUST CROSS WITH THE CITY CROSSING GUARD AT JEFFERSON AND ARDMORE PARK. PLEASE DO NOT WALK YOUR CHILD ACROSS AT ANY OTHER SPOT ALONG JEFFERSON. HELP KEEP ALL CHILDREN SAFE.

PLEASE HELP

Parents are reminded to continue to wait outside of school at dismissal times to pick up children and to drop off at the door at arrival times. Your cooperation will help us limit congestion in the halls and ensure safe and orderly movement of our students.

Thank you!

LUNCH CHARGES

Don't forget your lunch money!! Children who forget money for hot lunch may 'charge' a lunch. If it is necessary for your child to do this, we ask that you please remember repayment is due the following day. The cost is \$2.50.

LUNCH PRICES

This year hot lunches are \$2.50. This includes entree, vegetable, fruit, bread and milk. Additional milk, white or chocolate, is \$.50. Extra entrees may be ordered for \$1. **PLEASE NOTE: WHEN TACOS ARE SERVED EXTRA ENTRÉE WILL BE \$.25.** Please do not send pop as a beverage for your child or any glass containers.

Lunches may be pre-paid on a weekly basis each Monday morning.

FREE LUNCHES

All children who wish to receive free or reduced lunches must submit a completed application to the principal's office for approval.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS AND VISITORS

Ardmore students and staff are so fortunate to have such a large corps of parent volunteers. If you have volunteered in the past, or are a new classroom helper please remember to stop by the office and pick up your visitor badge and sign in. This really helps us keep track of building visitors and locate volunteers if home emergencies should arise. Thank you for your cooperation.

All classroom volunteers and Field Trip chaperones need to complete the Volunteer Consent Form that was sent home with each child. After processing, this form is kept on file.

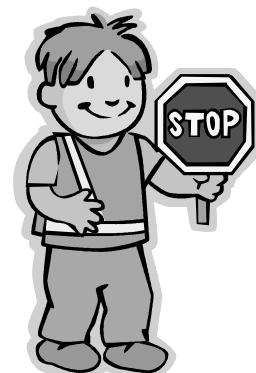


SAFETY FIRST....

A few safety reminders to ease the traffic flow at arrival and dismissal times:

- Please keep the drop-off lanes moving, with backpacks packed and lunches in hand;
- Please do not turn onto Louise at dismissal after picking up carpool;
- Please refrain from walking in the parking lot;
- Please continue to cross at cross-walk in front of school;
- Please continue waiting outside the lobby entrance and stand back from entry so classes may exit.

Your help in this regard will be truly appreciated in keeping our children safe.





Counselor's Corner



Dear Ardmore Parents and/or Guardians:

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Barbara Jo Morisette and I am the counselor for Ardmore Elementary. School counselors provide a variety of services to students and families. My services include, but are not limited to the following:

- Assisting students in adjusting to a new school.
- Assisting families with personal and academic concerns.
- Working with small groups of students on various life skill issues such as friendships, conflicts, changing families, self-esteem and grief and loss.
- Teaching academic, personal and/or career skills within the classroom setting.
- Assisting individual students with personal issues.
- Providing students with a place to share important news.
- Connecting families and community agencies for assistance with finances, parenting classes, counseling, food and clothing, or other concerns, upon request.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I welcome your visits or calls.

I look forward to working with you and your child, or children, as they begin their new school year here at Ardmore Elementary. It is a wonderfully exciting place to learn and grow!

Sincerely,
Barbara Jo Morisette
Elementary School Counselor

LUNCH TIME AT ARDMORE

This year our lunch hour has taken on some new procedures that I would like you to be aware of. Firstly, the lunch hour is from 11:25 until 12:15. Grades 1 and 2 and Ms. Teagan's 3rd grade eat from 11:25-11:45 and the rest of the students eat from 11:45-12:10pm.

As always, our common sense rules apply.

PLAYGROUND RULES

Keep hands and feet to yourself, (No pushing or pulling).
One person going down the slide on their bottom only.
One person on a swing at a time, no jumping off.
No jumping off equipment or running on play structures.
Tag on the equipment is not permitted.
Play may be restricted if shoes are unsafe.
Follow all directions given by the staff.

CAFETERIA RULES

Follow all directions given by an adult.
Raise your hand when you need help.
Use good table manners and clean up your space when finished.
Sharing of food is not permitted.
Soda pop in cans or bottles is not permitted.
Remain seated with your feet under the table until you are dismissed.
Line up quietly when excused.

WE AGREE TO THESE CONSEQUENCES

THE FIRST REMINDER WILL BE A WARNING.

THE SECOND REMINDER WILL BE A 5 MINUTE LOSS OF RECESS.

THE THIRD REMINDER WILL RESULT IN A LOSS OF THE ENTIRE RECESS AND COMPLETION OF A CONTRACT.

FOURTH REMINDER – FLIP FLOP LUNCH EATING SCHEDULE AND PARENT CONTACT.

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHILD.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

PARENT SIGNATURE