



NEWS FROM THE NEST




Emmons Lake Elementary

March 14, 2025

Educational Excellence... Every Day, Every Child!

THE WEEK at a glance



MON.	TUES.	WEDS.	Thurs.	FRI.
3/17	3/18	3/19 Spring Concert 1st & 2nd 	3/20	3/21 Popcorn Day 
3/24 COFFEE with the Principal 9:30am 	3/25 Kinder Connect Night	3/26	3/27	3/28 Read and SOAR Ends SOAR T-Shirt Day



A note from the Principal:

Emmons Lake Community,

Spring is in the air! Our students and staff have been enjoying the warmer weather and the gift of time spent outside. This is the time of year when we shift into full “go mode” academically. With the end-of-year testing window quickly approaching, students are working hard to master both content and test-taking strategies to ensure they are best prepared to show what they know on district and state assessments.

If you are interested in learning more about end-of-year testing, data updates, school safety, and more, I look forward to connecting with you in person at our next Coffee with the Principal event on March 24 at 9:30 a.m. See you then!

Contact Us:



Nancy Andreano
Angela Royce



616-528-8100

Upcoming Events:

Emmons Lake Calendar

3/19 Spring Concert 1st & 2nd

3/25 Kinder Connect Night

3/28 Read and SOAR Ends

4/3 Read and SOAR field trip

4/4 Spring Break Begins

KINDER/Y5

03.25.25

Connect NIGHT

5:00 - 6:00 PM for Kindergarten

More Info Here:

5:30 - 6:30 PM for Young Fives ONLY



Beginning & End:

Breakfast: 8:30 am EndTime : 3:45pm
Doors Open: 8:35 am Half Day: 12:00 pm

Students arriving after 8:50 am will need a hall pass.

S.O.A.R.

Safety, Ongoing Kindness, Act Responsibly, Respect



Table Talk :

Ask your student how they are S.O.A.R.ing at school.

Things to Know:



Illness:

If your child is out due a fever, vomiting or diarrhea, they must be symptom free for at least 24 hours, without the aid of any medication, before they can return back to school.

Helpful Links Below:

[Morning and Afternoon Drop Info](#)

[Birthday Treats in the Classroom](#)

[School Health Program & Med Forms](#)

[Emmons Lake Website Here](#)

[District Calendar](#)

[Mobile App Support](#)

[PowerSchool](#)

[Volunteer Forms](#)

[Food Service Website](#)

[Printable Breakfast & Lunch Menu](#)



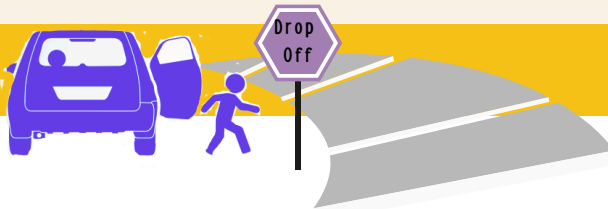
Important

Parent Drop Off & Pick Up Reminders:

For the safety of our students, it is important that everyone follows guidelines below for parent drop off and pick up.

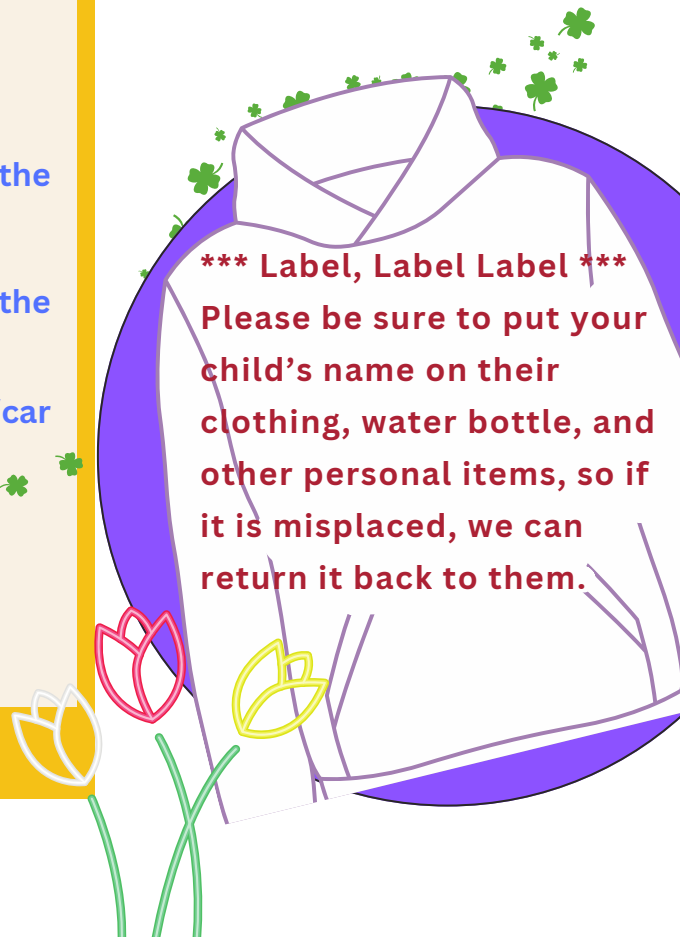
Parent Drop Off/Pick Up Guidelines

- * Continue to move towards the front of the line (by the dumpsters) until your child(ren) come out.
- * For Safety Reasons all students need to exit and enter the vehicle on the **PASSENGER SIDE ONLY**
- * If you need to assist your student with their seatbelt/car seat, please move into a parking space before doing so.
- * Do not leave your car unattended in the pick up line.
- * Please be courteous and respectful of other drivers.



***** Label, Label Label *****

Please be sure to put your child's name on their clothing, water bottle, and other personal items, so if it is misplaced, we can return it back to them.



Hello from the PTO!

Spring is definitely in the air and the PTO has a lot going on. We hope you can squeeze in a PTO meeting into your busy schedules next week. Join us next Tuesday, March 18 in the cafeteria at 4pm.

We are in full swing with our Read and Soar Around the World this month. Please help your students keep track of reading minutes so they can join us at the bowling alley on April 3rd! If you would like to help us chaperone the event please sign up here:

[Read and Soar Chaperone Sign Up](#)

Make sure you have your volunteer background check turned in. If you need a form, you can access one here: [Volunteer Form](#)

Did everyone get a chance to check out our new Emmons Lake Book Club? [Link is here if you are interested: Emmons Lake Book Club!](#) We are always looking for new clubs in our Emmons community, If you have an idea you would like to lead please reach out to us!

Enjoy this lovely spring weather!

Emmons Lake PTO Board

As always, reach out to the PTO with any questions!

Emmons PTO Board: Emily Murphy ~ President, Josie Young ~Vice President, Candice Harig ~ Treasurer, Ashley Marchand ~Secretary, Loreliss Williams~Committee Chair, Tarah Bernatche~ Teacher Rep.

<http://emmonslakepto.weebly.com>

Upcoming PTO Events:

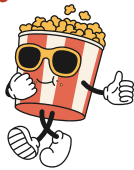
3/18 PTO Meeting

3/21 Popcorn Day

3/28 Read and SOAR Ends

4/3 Read and SOAR Field Trip

Popcorn Squad will be in next Friday March 21st, we hope your child has enjoyed this fun monthly treat from the PTO!



From the Community . . .



Healthy Kids Running Series
Join Us for 5 Weeks of Racing Fun This Spring!



Bricks4Kidz
calschools.org/resourcecenter.
PDF FileBricks4Kidz Flyer

Community Flyers

OUR PROCESS

1

VISIT OUR WEBSITE
Community flyers will be posted on our website and pushed out to our app for families to view upcoming events and community information.

2

SUBMIT A FLYER
The district accepts submissions of non-curricular flyers that have a social, recreational, or educational value for students

3

SUBSCRIBE
Follow the Community Section on our app, or subscribe to be notified by email on our website.

www.calschools.org/community/community-events-flyers

We're Digital!



[Find more things going on in our community here . . .](#)

Caledonia Community Schools
ENROLL NOW!

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Enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year is open for all new school-age students entering Young 5's through grade 12.

To complete a pre-registration request to enroll, please go to the School Age Enrollment tab [HERE](#).

New for the 2025-2026 school year:

Approved pre-registration applications will need to have the enrollment process completed within 21 calendar days from the date of request. Please be sure to read the enrollment completion instructions carefully in order to meet this timeline.

KINDER/Y5

03.25.25

Connect **NIGHT**



5:00 - 6:00 PM for Kindergarten
At Your Zoned* Elementary Building

More Info Here:

Caledonia, Dutton, Emmons Lake, Kettle Lake and Paris Ridge

5:30 - 6:30 PM for Young Fives ONLY
at Caledonia Elementary

KNOW YOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ZONE FOR KINDERGARTEN NIGHT!

Planning to attend Kindergarten Night? To help new parents determine which elementary school their child will attend, we have a map on our website showing our elementary school zones. This map is based on the geographical location of your home address and will guide you to the right school for your visit.

To find the map and learn which school you should visit, go to www.calschools.org/enrollment/ and look for "Elementary School Zones." Click on the map for a larger, detailed view.

If you have any questions about school zones or enrollment, please reach out to our Enrollment Department at washburng@calschools.org. We can't wait to welcome you and your future kindergartner!



***Elementary School Zones**

Visit our website to view Elementary Boundary Lines
calschools.org/enrollment/elementary-zones



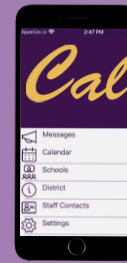
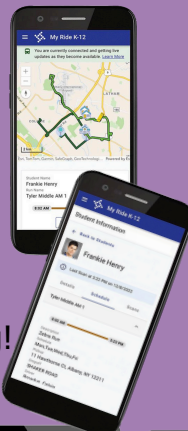
Questions?

Contact our Enrollment Department at 616-891-8185

My Ride K-12 App



- Download the My Ride App
- Create an Account
- Select CCS
- Enter Your Student ID #
- Select Your Student's School
- Add Siblings the Same Way



DOWNLOAD

the CCS Mobile App!

- School Calendars
- School Directories
- Parent Quick Links
- Communication
- Newsletters
- Athletic Information
- And more!

Download today for bus routes and real-time tracking!

www.calschools.org/resources/my-ride-support/

www.calschools.org/resources/app-support/



Looking for ways to help students in need?

SHARE SOME LOVE TO MEET BASIC UNMET NEEDS

Caledonia Education Foundation Foundation ESSENTIALS FUND

The Essentials Fund is available for school staff to use when they hear of a student's need, eliminating the need to use their own money. Examples of student needs may include personal items, clothing, groceries, gas cards, car and/or home repairs.



GIVE TO BUILD THE FUND TODAY!

caledoniacef.org/essentials-fund.html

Did you know?

All CCS students receive free meals this school year, but **completing the Free & Reduced Lunch Application still unlocks additional benefits** for your family and our schools!

The Federal Free/Reduced Meal Application determines the amount of federal funding for the district, impacting **ALL students**.

\$ It's more than just free meals...

Why Apply?

- **Extra Funding:** Supports your child's school and programs.
- **Fee Discounts:** Save on college applications, tests (SAT/ACT/AP), credit recovery, and Chromebook Care Plans.
- **Athletics:** Reduced fees for pay-to-participate sports.
- **Tech Access:** Boosts funding for technology and internet access.



It's Easy to Apply!

Visit caledonia.familyportal.cloud or call our Food Service Department at 616-891-0227 for assistance. Even though meals are free this year, submitting the application helps **ALL students** in our district. Let's work together to make the most of this opportunity!

