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SHAWNEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



It is my great privilege to welcome you and your child to Shawnee Elementary and to the 2022-2023 school year. At the beginning of every school year, I am filled with optimism about the possibilities and potential for that year and it is my hope that you also share these feelings. It is my belief that the staff at Shawnee Elementary is prepared to partner with you to provide your son or daughter the high quality education he or she deserves.

The mission of Huron Schools is to engage, equip and empower students as global citizens to positively impact the future. All facets of our educational community is looking forward to partnering with you to ensure that this vision becomes reality. I believe that the 2022-23 school year is going to be fantastic.

Shawnee Elementary is home to an outstanding team of dedicated teachers who work diligently to ensure all students grow socially, emotionally and academically. Throughout this year, we will be committed to providing every child with the best educational experience. The relationship between home and school is an essential part to enriching your child's education. Please help us create this impactful experience by reading with your children, doing homework, and most importantly congratulating them for their effort.

If at any time you have questions or concerns, please contact me by phone at 419-433-1234 ext. 5502. . . or by email at bkucbel@huron-city.k12.oh.us.

Respectfully,
Brian J. Kucbel

"WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL" CELEBRATION!

Huron City Schools and the City of Huron are hosting a Back to School Celebration and Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 18 from 6-7:30 pm at the Huron Boat Basin. Parents, students, community members and district staff are invited to an official kick off to the 2022-23 school year.

- Class lists posted
- HHS Cheerleaders
- Tiger Marching Band
- Parent/Teacher Org.
- Tofts Ice Cream
- Huron Boosters and Health Dept. to answer questions

HURON PTO NEWS and EVENTS

The Huron PTO is a nonprofit parent/teacher organization whose membership includes all parents, legal guardians, and staff at Shawnee, Woodlands and McCormick Schools. The Huron PTO's mission is to promote open communication and understanding between parents and staff. Our efforts serve to enhance and maximize the education of every child while aiding them in achieving their highest potential.

If you want to become involved in this incredible organization, please come to the Ice Cream Social and/or attend our first meeting September 8, 6:00 pm at Faben's Park. We look forward to seeing you this school year!

- Check out our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/thehuronpto/>
- Or email us at: thehuronpto@gmail.com

ALONE WE CAN DO LITTLE, BUT TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH MORE!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 18	Ice Cream Social (see above article)
August 22	Open House (see page 2)
August 24	The school year begins in Huron
Aug. 24-25	Kindergarten Assessments
Aug. 24-25	Grades 1 & 2 'Staggered Start' (information was sent to your email)
Aug. 26	All students in grades 1 & 2 attend
Aug. 26-29	Kindergarten 'Staggered Start'
August 30	All kindergarten students attend
September 5	Labor Day—No School
September 6-7	Preschool 'Staggered Start'
September 8	All preschool students attend
September 20	School pictures
October 10	In-Service Day—No School
October 21	End of 1st quarter

OPEN HOUSE

Shawnee's Open House is scheduled for Monday, August 22

In an effort to maximize our time with parents/guardians, we are asking that you sign-up for a designated time to attend. The homeroom assignment for 1st & 2nd grade will be released on Thursday, August 18th, at our back-to-school celebration @ the boat basin (6:00-7:30) and posted at Shawnee. Kindergarten and preschool families have already received this information.

To schedule a time for open house, follow the directions below:

1. Go to Shawnee's website:
http://www.huronhs.com/shawneeelementary_home.aspx
2. On the left-hand side of the screen, click on "Open House Scheduler."
3. Click on your child's homeroom teacher's name
4. Complete the scheduling form

To maximize our time during the open house, we are having a supply drop-off for 1st and 2nd grade. This will be a drive-through and you will not be entering Shawnee. Information regarding supply drop off was sent to families through email and is posted on Shawnees website. Kindergarten families can bring supplies in during their KRA/Orientation time or open house.

SCHOOL STARTING DATES

School starts on Wednesday, August 24, 2022. First & second grade will have a 'staggered start' this year, where approximately one-half of your child's class will attend on either Wednesday, August 24 or Thursday, August 25. An email was sent in July identifying your child's staggered start day. August 26 will be a full school day for grades 1 & 2, beginning at 8:20 am and dismissing at 2:55 pm. Students arriving between 8:20-8:40 will be marked as tardy. The cafeteria will serve breakfast & lunch beginning Wednesday, August 24.

KINDERGARTEN students **WILL NOT** be attending the first two days of school, August 24 & 25, as Kindergarten assessments will take place these days; individual appointments have been sent to parents. Kindergarten will also have a 'staggered start' this year, where approximately one-half of your child's class will attend on either Friday, August 26 or Monday, August 29. A letter was sent in July identifying your child's staggered start day. **The first full day for all kindergarten students will be Tuesday, August 30.**

Preschool teachers will be making zoom/home visits August 24-September 2. Preschool classes will begin Tuesday or Wednesday, September 6 or 7 as assigned for their 'staggered start'. All preschool students attend September 8.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

The price of a student lunch is \$3.00. Milk will be \$.60. Breakfast is served daily for \$1.80. A yearly menu will be sent home and/or available on website. Since we are now using a computerized debit system, feel free to add money to your child's account at any time. Please go to our website and click on [PaySchools Central Lunch & School Fees](#) under the Parents drop down menu or send a check or cash in an envelope marked with your child's name and teacher.

Free and reduced lunch applications will be available online (Huron City Schools website) and should be completed no later than September 20. Contact the District Food Service Director with questions. 419-433-1234 ext. 5007.

FINAL FORMS EMERGENCY MEDICAL FORM

"Emergency Medical Forms" are expected to be filled out each year. In previous years, these forms were completed by hand. We have transitioned to an on-line system using "Final Forms". You should have received an account confirmation email from FinalForms. Please click the link, follow the steps to login, and access your student(s). If you have not received an email, this indicates that we do not have a current email address on file for you. Please contact Amy Shafer or Luanne Maschari at 419-433-1234 (extension 5005 or 5000) respectively, to get your information set up.

BUS CHANGES

Please contact the school if your child will be going to a babysitter or any other care facility. This is particularly important if your child went somewhere other than their home at dismissal last year since we cannot assume your plans will remain the same this year. Children must be picked up and dropped off by the school bus at the same place five days a week.

It is important to remember the **District Bus Policy:**
Only ONE change of home bus stop permitted per year.

(Change of home bus stop forms may be obtained in the school's office or on the district website under *District Forms and Information*.)

BUS TRANSPORTATION

Refer to the list for bus routes and bus numbers posted on the Huron City School website, in Final Forms and on Facebook. Please allow for late buses the first few weeks of school until the drivers and students become accustomed to their routes.



Our school buses will be utilizing the one-way drive in front of Shawnee. The buses will

enter the west entrance from Cleveland Road East, dropping the students off in the front of the building and exiting back onto Cleveland Road East. Students riding the bus will enter & exit Shawnee using the front entrance.

Parents should not park or stop in the front driveway to drop-off or pick-up students. (Please see *Student Drop-off and Pick-up* for information on this procedure on page 3 of this newsletter.)

An approved adult must be present at the bus stop for our preschool, kindergarten and first grade students. The **first** time an adult is not present the student will be returned to the school. Any additional occurrences will result in the student being taken to the Huron Police Department for parent pick-up.

If you need to contact the transportation department, please call 433-1234 ext. 2002.

STUDENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

Your child's safety is our number one priority. We have designed a student drop-off and pick-up plan that will not only limit the number of unauthorized people in our building during our busiest times, but it will also provide a safer parking lot environment for our small children.

Parents who wish to drop-off or pick-up their children in a vehicle before or after school **MUST** enter the Shawnee school grounds from Berlin Road and immediately turn onto the blacktop area on the right. Parents should form three single file lines of vehicles following the traffic flow arrows. Please remain in your car to keep the procession of vehicles flowing.

In the morning, students may start to enter the building at 8:00 am. Your child should remain in your vehicle until you reach the south entrance and a staff member greets your child at the door. In the afternoon, your child will be dismissed to the south hallway and will leave through the same door, after you have been cleared as someone authorized to pick up the child by a staff member at the exit.

****In order to improve pick-up, please write your student's name on a BIG piece of paper so our teachers are able to read it. Please write as large and legibly as possible and be ready to display it in the front window of your automobile as you pull up to the doors.***

If during school hours you need to drop-off/pick-up children or make a quick stop at the school, you may park in our visitor parking in front of the school. **Please schedule early pick-ups only between the hours of 8:30am and 2:45pm due to bus traffic.**

Children walking to school will enter the property through the east pedestrian gate and will be greeted by a staff member at the east hallway entrance. At the end of the day they will exit the building through the same door to an adult authorized to pick-up the child.

If you have any questions concerning these procedures, please contact the school office.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

We're on the Web:
www.huronhs.com

Just a Reminder:

- Please call the school each day your child will be absent or tardy
- 419-433-1234 ext. 5500



STUDENT HANDBOOKS

Student / Parent Handbooks will be available on the Huron City School website only. A copy will also be kept in the Shawnee office and library.

We hope the handbook will be valuable and answer many of your frequently asked questions.

Please take time to review the handbook with your child.

22-23 SCHOOL FEES

FEES WILL BE COLLECTED BEGINNING IN OCTOBER

- NO PAYMENT IS NECESSARY AT THIS TIME.
- **INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS YEAR'S FEES WILL BE SENT HOME AT A LATER DATE**

SHAWNEE TITLE I

You are invited to Shawnee Elementary's Title I Parent Meeting on August 22 during Open House. Our Title I teachers will be sharing information about parent involvement, school-parent compact and Title I funds. Our teachers want you to be informed and have an opportunity to provide feedback. Mrs. Mischler and Mrs. Riedy will be located on the blue carpet between preschool and the kindergarten and first grade hallway. As always, we look forward to seeing you there.



MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION POLICY



If your child is in need of medication while at school, the following procedures must be followed:

- All medication must be brought to the school nurse in the container in which it was dispensed by the prescribing physician or pharmacist.
- Containers must be labeled with student's name, name of the drug, time, dosage, and method of administration.
- **ALL MEDICATION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COMPLETED PHYSICIAN'S ORDER FORM.** These are available at the school nurse's office as well as doctors' offices.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
TO REMEMBER THESE IMPORTANT DATES**

**HURON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

August 22	Open House at Shawnee - make appointments online
August 22	Open House at Woodlands - 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
August 24 & 25	First & Second Grade 'Staggered Start' - as assigned
August 24 & 25	Kindergarten Orientation
August 26	All First & Second Grade Students attend
Aug. 26 & 29	Kindergarten 'Staggered Start' - as assigned
August 30	All Kindergarten students attend
September 5	Labor Day (No School)
September 6 or 7	Preschool 'Staggered Start' - as assigned
September 8	All Preschool students attend
October 10	Teacher Comp Day (No School)

PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES (End of first grading period):

November 1	Evening Conferences 3:30-6:30 p.m. (School in session)
November 3	Evening Conferences 3:30-7:30 p.m. (School in session)
November 21-22	In-Service Day (No School)
November 23-25	Thanksgiving Break (No School)
Dec. 22-- Jan. 2	Winter Break (No School)
January 3	School Resumes
January 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No school)

PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES (End of second grading period):

January 10	Evening Conferences 3:30-6:30 p.m. (School in session)
January 12	Evening Conferences 3:30-7:30 p.m. (School in session)
February 17-20	Presidents' Day Weekend (No School)
April 7-14	Spring Break (No School)
May 29	Memorial Day (No School)
June 1	Last Student Day