

UNION ELEMENTARY @ LA PORTE CITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

"EDUCATION TO MEET TOMORROW'S CHALLENGES"

"ALL IN - EVERY CHILD - EVERY DAY"



MAY 25, 2018

Next Week's Schedule

- Mon., May 28** - NO SCHOOL: MEMORIAL DAY
- Tues., May 29** -172nd Day of School: Day 4
- 3rd Gr. to Grout Museum
 - 2nd Gr. to LPC FFA Ag. Museum
 - PM 3rd, 4th, 5th Gr. to LPC Library
- Wed., May 30** -173rd Day of School: Day 5
- Regular Day of School
- Thurs., May 31** -174th Day of School: Day 6
- Regular Day of School
- Fri., June 1** - 175th Day of School: Day 1
(177 Counting 2 Conf. Comp. Days)
- Makeup Day #1
 - Last Day of School
 - Breakfast served, but no lunch
 - Awards Assembly 8:30 am
 - **11:10 am Early Dismissal**
 - **Summer Vacation Begins**

Upcoming Important May Dates

- May 28 - No School - Memorial Day
- May 29 - 3rd Gr. to Grout Museum
- May 29 - LPC Library Visit -PM 4th/5th/3rd
- May 31 - Regular Day of School - Make Up Day
- June 1 - Last Day of School - Make Up Day
- 8:30 Awards Assembly - 11:10 Dismissal

Next Year's Elementary Class Lists

Class lists for next year will be released at registration on August 7 & 8. We take many factors into consideration when putting together these lists. They are: number balance, gender balance, behavior balance, and academic balance, which involves Title I reading, ELP, FAST, and Resource students. **Parents had time a few weeks ago to turn in any educational requests. Just a reminder that we may not be able to meet all requests turned in due to the factors listed above. Our main priority is to keep a balance of student academics in each classroom.**

3rd Grade to Grout Museum

The third grade students will go to Waterloo to visit the Grout Museum on Tuesday. This is always a great day for our third graders.

2nd Grade to LPC FFA Ag. Museum

The second grade students will go visit the La Porte City FFA Ag. Museum on Tuesday. This is a great resource for our community.

3-5 Grades to Visit the LPC Library

On Tuesday afternoon our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students will visit our community La Porte City Hawkins Memorial Library. Our students will learn about the summer reading activities the library offers.

Last Day of School June 1 - 11:10 Dismissal

Breakfast Will Be Served - Lunch Will Not
On Friday, June 1, we will have our last day of school. Breakfast will be served again this year, but lunch will not be served. Dismissal times will be 11:10 for walkers and car riders and 11:20 for bus students.

Online Registration

Online Registration For Next Year

Once again this upcoming school year we will be having online registration for our parents. Last year was the first year to try it and we are ready to run it for another year. We are currently finalizing the process to streamline registration. As soon as it is ready to be released over the summer it will be announced via facebook and the district webpage.

Register Online

Last Day
of
School



END OF THE YEAR REMINDERS

The Count Down Has Begun - 3 1/2 Days Left of School

Yes, that is right, the students are already counting down to the last day of school. We have 3 1/2 days of school. It will be a very busy time. I know summer sports activities will be starting soon, and it is very nice in the evenings, but please try to have your child in bed at a reasonable time on school nights.

Schedule Reminders

-May 30 #1 Make up day of school

-June 1 #2 Make up day of school & the Last Day of school for students with an 11:00 dismissal. 11:10 walkers and 11:20 buses. Breakfast will be served, but lunch will not be served. Teachers will stay for the afternoon for professional development.

Last Day of School for 2017-18

Superintendent Travis Fleshner announced that based on action by the Union School Board at their April 9, 2018, meeting, the final day of school for TK-12 students will be Friday, June 1, with an 11 A.M. dismissal. District students will have met the state-mandated requirement for instructional hours and will therefore not have to return for the last three school weather make-up days that were scheduled for June 4, 5, and 6.

Lunch Accounts

It is that time of year to check your child's lunch account to see if their balance is in the positive or negative. If you have a positive balance, your money will carry over to next year. If your child will be in the middle school, your account will be carried over there. Only students that are moving will receive money back. All students' lunch accounts need to be paid in full on Friday, June 1. **We will have breakfast on the last day of school.** On the last week of school, we will have cook's choice for lunch. To help parents out, a total amount of meal prices are listed below: 3 days left for lunch at school 3×2.65 (full price) = \$7.95. 4 days left for breakfast at school $4 \times \$1.60$ (full price) = \$6.40. So a total of \$14.35 for breakfast and lunch combined.

Moving?????

If you will be moving out of our district over the summer or know of families moving into the district, please let the office know. This will help us with our planning for next year.

Reminder for Visitors

Just a reminder for parents as stated in our handbook that the last part of the year is very busy with field trips and special activities. With only 3 and 1/2 days of school left. The time finished to eat lunch at school now. Thank you for your understanding. The cooks have planned out exact numbers of meals for each day for the remainder of the year.

Summer School - July 9-20

Elementary summer school dates have been set for mornings of July 9-20. Invitations to attend summer school will be mailed in the upcoming weeks. Teachers consider Iowa Assessments, FAST, classroom assessments, and other classroom data to determine whether a child is invited to attend summer school. Please return paperwork in a timely manner as it helps to finalize class lists. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Parker or Mr. Albert.

Report Cards Will Be Mailed Home

This year the elementary buildings are trying something new with the end of the year report cards. Since the teachers will be still be working at school on June 4-6, they will be finishing up on reports at that time also. Report cards will be put in the mail on June 7. Parents should expect to get them delivered by mail the next day or so after that. Contact the elementary office if you do not get them by that next week.

Summer Office Hours

The LPC elementary building office will be open two weeks after school is out, from 7:30 - 3:00 pm. The secretaries and I will be in the office until June 20. The superintendent's central office at the high school will be open all summer long. The secretaries will start back to school on early August.

Year 13 - The Union Knight Way!!!

As I reflect on my 13th year here in the Union Community School District and the La Porte City Elementary, I think of the many wonderful opportunities that I have had. These past thirteen years have given me great experiences in learning the past traditions and rituals of our school district and community and also making new ones. I continually look for ways to make our building better to meet the individual needs of all of our students. This can be only done with the input of our teachers, parents, students, and community members. I look forward to continuing to build strong working relationships with all of you. The future is bright for our students, elementary building, school district, and community. I am so proud to be a Union Knight! I can't wait to start the 14th year of our educational journey together. Have a great summer!!!