



LA PORTE CITY ELEMENTARY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

"Union Community Schools-Education To Meet Tomorrow's Challenges"

Friday, January 5, 2024 | Newsletter #19

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NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, January 8 - School Resumes for UCSD - 83rd Day of School - Day 5(L & PE)

- Regular Day of School for TK through 5th Grades(No Preschool on Mondays)
- PTO Meeting 6:30 in the LPC Elementary Library

Tuesday, January 9 - School Resumes for UCSD - 84th Day of School - Day 6(M & PE)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grade

Wednesday, January 10 - School Resumes for UCSD - 85th Day of School - Day 1(M & L)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grade

Thursday, January 11 - 86th Day of School - Day 2(ART & PE)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

Friday, January 12 - 87th Day of School - Day 3(MUSIC & PE)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 3 - School resumes from Winter Break

Friday, January 12 - End of 1st Semester

Monday, January 15 - NO SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Wednesday, January 24 - 1:10 EARLY DISMISSAL - TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Friday, January 26 - Report Cards Will Be Released Via JMC Email

IOWA SCHOOL ALERTS

If you are not currently receiving school alert notifications please go to the following website to signup to receive delay/cancelation notifications. Since this is a PDF document the below link will not directly take you to this website, so you will have to do a google search for iowa school alerts or public gov delivery.

<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/IAEDU6536/subscriber/new> It is also found on our Union web page under the families tab - in the school alerts information.



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SCHOOLS	DISTRICT	FAMILIES	ACTIVITIES	CONTACT
FAMILIES				
Families Home				
Calendars				
Canvas				
Communication Flowchart				
Departments				
JMC				
Lunch Menus				
Monthly Message				
Open Enrollment				
Policies, Forms & Handbooks				
Registration				
School Alerts				

SCHOOL ALERTS

Announcements about the closing of school due to weather or other emergencies will be made on the radio, television stations and social media sites listed below.

Please tune in or log on to these stations/websites rather than calling administrators, as they will be in the process of notifying their school staff members.

AM Radio | KXEL 1540 | KWLO 1330 | WMT 600 | KOEL 950

FM Radio | KOKZ 105.7 | KFMW 108 | WMT 96.5 | KOEL 92.3

TV | KWVL - Ch. 7 | KGAN - Ch. 2 | KCRG - Ch. 9

Internet | kwwl.com | cbs2iowa.com | kcrg.com

Social Media | [UCSD Facebook](#)

Text & Email | [Iowa School Alerts/GovDelivery](#)

2024 NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

It is that time of year again that people attempt to identify and then stick to a New Year's Resolution. At school we will be having each class talk about and make a plan for the 2024 year. Listed below are some ideas that parents can try. These will assist your child in practicing and improving their reading skills. Take a look at these tips and try some of them for the upcoming year. You might find that they will turn into daily habits and normal routines.

1. Read to your child on a daily basis.
2. Provide your child a quiet, comfortable place to read and study.
3. Encourage your child to develop a personal library and to add to it regularly.
4. Provide your child with a wide range of experiences.
5. Talk to your child on a daily basis about school, work, etc.
6. Praise your child for at least one success or improvement daily.
7. Hug your child at least once a day.
8. Respect your child as an individual who has unique talents and abilities.
9. Provide family activities which encourage your child to grow in different ways.
10. Encourage your child to view reading as an enjoyable and fulfilling lifetime experience.



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LUNCH MONEY REMINDERS

Just a reminder to parents to add money to your child's lunch account each month. We are getting more students running negative lunch balances. The Union Community School Board Policy 710.4 is stated below:

In accordance with state and federal law, the Union Community School District adopts the following policy to ensure school district employees, families, and students have a shared understanding of expectations regarding meal charges. The policy seeks to allow students to receive the nutrition they need to stay focused during the school day, prevent the overt identification of students with insufficient funds to pay for school meals, and maintain the financial integrity of the nonprofit school nutrition program.

Payment of Meals

Students do have use of a meal account. When the balance reaches \$-10.00 a student may charge no more than one (1) meal to this account. When an account reaches this limit, a student shall not be allowed to charge further meals or ala carte items until the negative account balance is paid. Parents or students can add money to their lunch accounts using on-line system or pay at the student's building of attendance.

HAWKINS MEMORIAL LIBRARY:

- **Story Time** is on Monday mornings at 10 AM for our youngest readers. Children preschool age and younger can participate in this fun learning program which includes stories, activities, and crafts. Topics we will read about in January include winter fun and snow, clothing, STEM, and snowmen.
- Monday, January 8 through Saturday, January 13, is **coloring week**. The library will have colors and markers, and plenty of pages and bookmarks to decorate.
- Getting cabin fever with this winter weather? Remember there is a jigsaw puzzle ready for you to work on...or puzzles to check out. It's always warm and friendly at the library.
- Thank you to the thoughtful people who donated items requested on our Wish Tree. Your gifts help support, update, and create new programs and opportunities in the library.



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LUNCH					LA PORTE ELEMENTARY					JANUARY 2024					
MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY	
HAMBURGER ON BUN															
OFFERED DAILY WITH A FRUIT / VEGETABLE BAR & FRUIT / VEGETABLE OF THE DAY															
1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8	
NO SCHOOL		NO SCHOOL		CHICKEN FAJITA PEPPERS & ONIONS CORN FRUIT CUP (2)		BREADED PORK CHOP WITH MUFFIN FRENCH FRIES PEACHES (3)		PIZZA CRUNCHERS GREEN BEANS PINEAPPLE (4)		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	
8		9		10		11		12		13		14		15	
GRILLED CHEESE & TOMATO SOUP WITH CRACKERS PEARS (5)		SOFT SHELL TACO (Taco Meat, Cheese Cup, & WG Tortilla) REFRIED BEANS 100% JUICE (6)		CHICKEN DRUMSTICK WITH DINNER ROLL MASHED POTATOES GRAVY APPLESAUCE CUP (1)		MANDARIN ORANGE CHICKEN ON RICE STEAMED VEGGIES MANDARIN ORANGES (2) FORTUNE COOKIE		PEPPERONI FRENCH BREAD GREEN BEANS PINEAPPLE (3)		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	
15		16		17		18		19		20		21		22	
NO SCHOOL		CRISPITO BURRITOS REFRIED BEANS CORN PEACHES (4)		POPCORN CHICKEN WITH GARLIC KNOT BAKED POTATO APPLESAUCE (5)		SLOPPY JOE ON BUN SWEET POTATO FRIES FRESH FRUIT (6)		CHEESE PIZZA VEGGIES WITH CHEESE PINEAPPLE (1)		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	
22		23		24		25		26		27		28		29	
LASAGNA CHEESE ROLLUPS WITH GARLIC TOAST GREEN BEANS MANDARIN ORANGES (2)		BEEF & CHEESE NACHOS CORN PEARS (3)		1:00 DISMISSAL CRISPY CHICKEN ON BUN BAKED BEANS (4) PEACHES		PANCAKES WITH SAUSAGE PATTIES HASHBROWNS APPLESAUCE CUP (5)		PEPPERONI PIZZA COOKED CARROTS PINEAPPLE (6)		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK		FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	
29		30		31											
SHRIMP POPPERS WITH CHEESE FILLED BREADSTICK BROCCOLI WITH CHEESE SLICED OR WHOLE APPLES (1)		WALKING TACO REFRIED BEANS CORN MANDARIN ORANGES (2)		CHICKEN TENDERS WITH DINNER ROLL MASHED POTATOES GRAVY ROSY APPLESAUCE (3)											

*Vegetable / Fruit Bar Contains: Fresh Romaine Lettuce, Tomatoes, Carrots, Cucumbers, & a 2nd Fruit Daily
May Also Contain Other Choices Like Celery, Peppers, And Cauliflower. All Items On Menu Are Subject To Change Based On Product Availability.



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BREAKFAST					LA PORTE ELEMENTARY					JANUARY 2024				
MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY						
1		2		3	WAFFLES	4	BREAKFAST PIZZA	5	MINI DONUTS					
					Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar		Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar		Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar					
					100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk		100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk		100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk					
					10	11	12							
					8	9	10							
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