

Denmark Elementary

Welcome Back to School!

Update Parent Portal

Please make sure you complete the Annual Student Information Update as soon as possible. This can be completed through your Infinite Campus Portal. It is crucial to complete these online forms so that we have the most up-to-date information for your student and your family. If you do not have a parent portal account created, please contact the elementary office at :920-863-4050

Contact Information

Principal

Angela Hager
(920) 863-4051
hagera
@denmark.k12.wi.us

Elementary Office

(920) 863-4050
Office Hours:
7:30am -3:30pm

School Nurse

Amber Kapinos,RN
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Bus Information

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School Counselor

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Social Worker

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Dial '1' for Attendance

To report an absence, simply call the Elementary School at (920) 863 -4050 and press "1" to leave us a message on our attendance voicemail.

This message should include:

- Your child's name
- Date of absence
- Reason for absence





From The Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians,

On behalf of the staff at Denmark Elementary School, I am happy to welcome you to the 2022 – 2023 school year! It was so nice seeing so many of you at our Open House on August 24. We are all looking forward to another rewarding and exciting school year.

The dedicated team at Denmark Elementary School has worked tirelessly to get ready for the start of the year. This year we are fortunate to have new curriculum materials for English Language Arts (reading, writing, phonics, vocabulary, etc.). These resources are aligned to our ELA standards and are designed to foster academic success.

We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure all students achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our students need support from both home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make all the difference in your child's education. We ask that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that he/she:

- 1) Attends school daily and arrives on time, ready to learn
- 2) Completes all homework assignments given by teachers
- 3) Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills
- 4) Shares school experiences with you so you are aware of his/her school life
- 5) Informs you if he/she needs additional support in any area or subject
- 6) Knows that you support and partner with his/her teacher and you expect him/her to succeed in school

We understand that communication is key. As you may have noticed, our website had a major overhaul this summer. Our goal is to have everything you need at your fingertips. Please check it out.

To keep the lines of communication open, teachers will be using SeeSaw as the main form of communication with you. If you have not joined the Elementary School's SeeSaw, look for information from your child's teacher about how to join his/her class so you don't miss any classroom newsletters. SeeSaw also allows you to check out what your child has been learning and some of their work.

I will usually be outside in the morning during drop off, please stop by and say hello. I have enjoyed getting to know so many of you over the past two years. It is my honor and privilege to serve as your principal. The amazing staff at Denmark Elementary School and I feel privileged to be a part of this school family. Together, I know we will make this school year one of growth and achievement for all children.

We thank you for your support and look forward to partnering with you!

Mrs. Hager



Parents/Visitors Check In at the Office

Parents will not be allowed in our buildings unless you have scheduled an appointment ahead of time. All visitors must report directly to the main office once you enter the building.

We welcome volunteers, as long as you have a scheduled time and have an approved background check on file. Background checks can be found on the district website under the menu in the "Families/Students" section.

If you have something you need to drop off for your child, you can bring the item to the office and we will make sure your child receives the item.

If you need to pick up your child early, please call the ES Office at 920-863-4050 ahead of time so that we can have your child ready at the designated time.

Upcoming Events

September 1st ~ First Day of School!

September 5th ~ No School

October 3rd ~ Picture Day 

October 11th ~ Smart Cow Day

Reminder

Student Fees Due

Please remember that the student fees are \$10.00 per student. This fee is payable by September 16th and can easily be made online via your Infinite Campus Portal.

If you would like to send cash or check, please make sure the envelope is clearly labeled with your student's full name.

Volunteer Background Check/Chaperoning

If you plan to volunteer at school, we will need a current volunteer background check on file, and a Chaperone Agreement for for the 22-23 school year. You can find these forms on the Denmark Elementary Website under the menu in the "Families/Students" section.



Allyson Ward
1st Grade Teacher



Jenna Bruss
2nd Grade Teacher



Astina Christensen
3rd Grade Teacher



Taylor Schreiber
3rd Grade Teacher



Rick Havlovits
Custodian



Ashley Lacenski
Admin Assistant



Jaclyn Chervenka
Admin Assistant



Kristin Hansen
Instructional Coach



Jessica Brice
O.T.



Sara Nellis
Reading Resource Teacher



Danielle Tauscher
School Counselor (1st Grade)



Brittany LaCourt
Special Education Teacher

We are so glad you are here!



Contacting Teachers

Teachers will not be answering their telephones during the school hours, except in the case of an emergency. Parents may leave a message and ask the teacher to call them back as soon as possible.

Ask your child's teacher if they have a preferred method of contact (Phone, Email, Seesaw Message, etc).

Birthday Treats

Birthday treats are fine for you to send in with your child but we do ask that it is pre-packaged from a store.

If your child has a food allergy, you may send in some safe "treats" for your child to eat when there are birthday events.

Please note, many students may not have a diagnosed food allergy but a sensitivity to lactose, red dye, etc. We encourage all parents to work with their child's teacher to consider alternative ways to make your child feel special on their birthday.



Save The Date!

Upcoming Music Concerts

December 1st ~ 3rd grade

December 15th ~ 1st & 2nd Grade

February 21st ~ 5th grade

March 23rd ~ 4th grade

April 27th ~ Treble Maker Choir



Leave Toys At Home

Please make sure your students are leaving all toys, balls, trading cards (Pokemon Cards), and fidgets at home. Toys that come to school end up as a distraction, lost, broken or fought over by their classmates. Thank you for leaving toys at home!



Denmark School District Covid Information:

The district will no longer be tracking covid cases or mandating testing. We will be reverting back to pre covid health guidelines, where if you are sick, stay home. If a student has a temperature of 100.4 or above they will be sent home.

When a student or staff does receive a positive covid test, they are to get a return to work or school date from their doctor. Guidelines will be modified throughout the year, if needed, and families will be updated.



Student Illnesses

Students are not to be sent to school if they have a fever (above 100.4 F), diarrhea, vomiting, etc. There is a more comprehensive list below for your reference. In the event students become ill or injured while at school, staff members are to bring students to the office and office personnel will notify parents/guardians or persons designated to act on their behalf to come to school to pick up the ill student.

Keep your child home from school when:

- Fever (above 100.4 F)
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- The illness keeps them from participating comfortably in activities at school
- The illness results in a greater need for care than teachers can provide without affecting their ability to teach the other children in the classroom
- The child appears to be severely ill
- Head lice or nits, until after the first treatment

2022-2023 Parent and Bus Drop Off

We are going to have one designated car drop off area and a bus drop off area.

The goal is to make our morning drop off as smooth and safe as possible. Please take time to read the following:

Bus Drop Off 1st - 12 Grade:

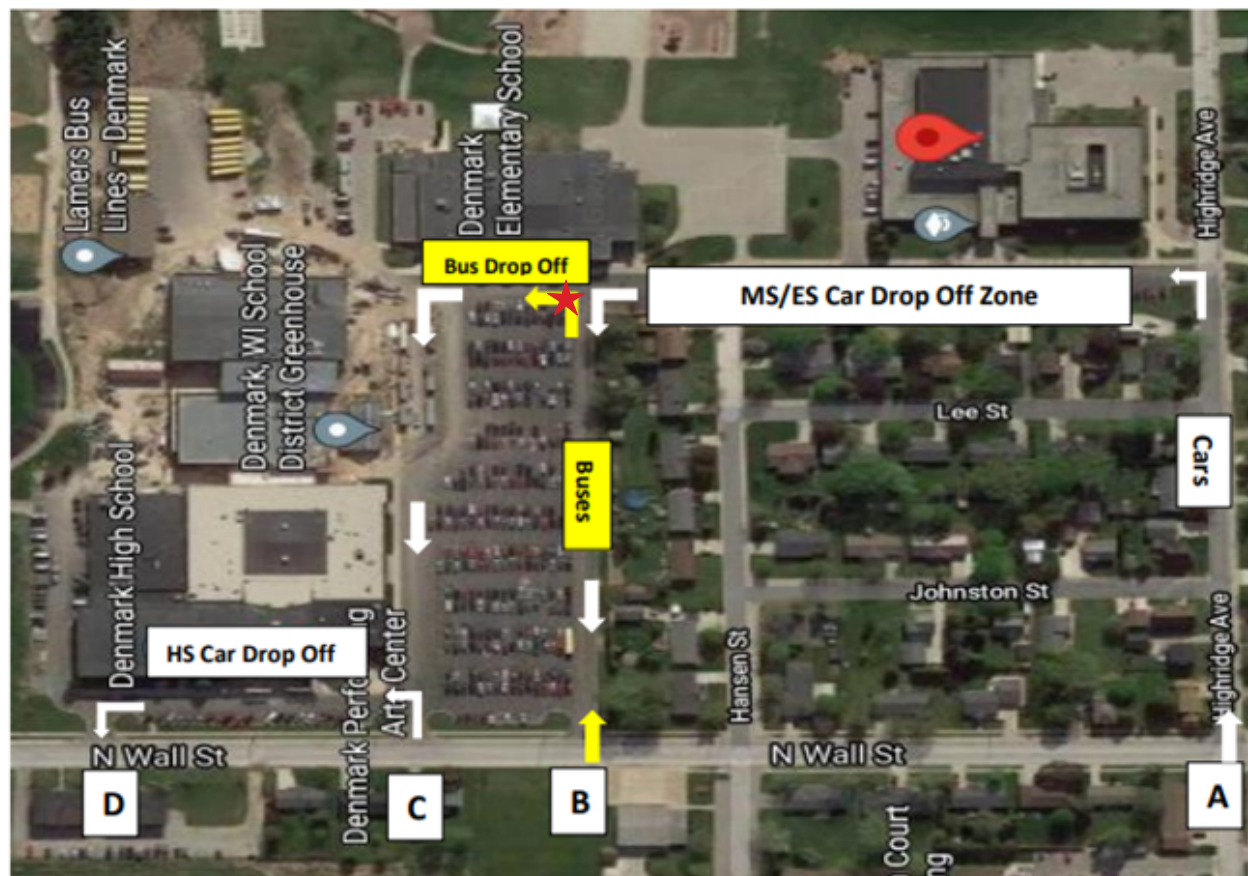
All Buses will be entering entrance B and dropping off all 1st - 12th students directly in front of the Elementary School

Elementary and Middle School Parent Drop Off:

All parents dropping off their elementary and middle school students will enter entrance A and drop off in front of the Middle School or Elementary playground. After drop off, all cars will exit B or possibly D if you are dropping off a student at the highschool.

High School Drop Off Only:

Enter entrance C to drop off students in front of the Highschool and exit D.



The red STAR on the map by the bus drop off area indicates a crosswalk. The other crosswalk is located between the Elementary and Middle Schools. For the safety of everyone, please use the crosswalks when walking to the Elementary School.

2022-2023 Parent and Bus Pick Up

The route to pick up your child after school is exactly the same as the Drop Off procedure. If you decide to park your vehicle, please do so in the School parking lot. Students and Parents **must use the cross-walk**. Please do not "wave" your child across to you~ our crossing guards will ensure they cross safely.



Safety Tips:

SLOW DOWN!

The speed limit in school zones is 15 MPH. Please remember to **SLOW DOWN** when approaching our school grounds.

CROSS SAFELY!

There are two crosswalks to use before and after school for Students and Parents to cross safely. **Please only cross at a crosswalk.**





Message From Food Services:

We are excited to start the new school year with you!

New news and information:

Funding for free meals has come to an end.

Free/Reduced applications can be found on the school district website under Families > food service. They can also be picked up in any school office.

Breakfast \$1.80/ Reduced \$.30

Lunch Price \$2.75/ Reduced \$.40

Milk (Extra Milk not included with meals) \$.55

Deposits can be made through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal (Bank charges a \$2.00 fee for service)

Cash or check (made out to The Denmark School District) sent to school in an envelope with the family account number, last name associated with account or child's/children's name. Deposit boxes are located in each building.

We will not be responsible for any misplaced payments.
Meal menu website is Denmark.nutrislice.com

We will send out reminders for approaching low balance, low balance and negative balances.

As always, we look forward to feeding your children and appreciate you!

Jody Behringer
Food Service Director
920-863-4220



What are we learning in Guidance in September?

We will be reviewing what a school counselor does and the safety tools needed in an unsafe situation. This includes fire drills, tornado drills, and if there is an unsafe person in the building. More information will be provided at a later date regarding this lesson.



Tips and Tricks for Parents

With the start of the school year quickly approaching, we want parents and students to feel prepared and ready to start off on the right foot. From getting a nutritious breakfast to managing back-to-school anxiety, we've got a few quick tips to help kick off the new school year on a positive note.

5 Back-to-School Tips

Allow time for and find a good space for homework. It's important that children have a quiet and consistent work space (a specific spot at the kitchen table or a little nook in a bedroom). In addition, allowing plenty of time to study, complete homework or assignments and prepare for the next day can help them feel ready and successful each day.

Be prepared for the day and eat breakfast. Whether children are provided with a meal at school or home, it's key that they start the day with a healthy and filling breakfast. When children eat a good breakfast, it helps them to stay concentrated and focused throughout the morning and into the rest of the day.

Ensure you are getting enough sleep. If kids don't get enough sleep each night throughout the week, it can be challenging to stay focused on tasks during the day or even throughout class time. Depending on the child's age the optimal amount to sleep can range from eight to 12 hours of sleep a night.

Keep an eye out for Back-to-school anxiety. Returning to school after extended time away can be a source of stress and worry for kids and parents. For many children – especially those with existing mental health and behavioral challenges – adult support and understanding can help. Acknowledging the signs of anxiety and knowing how to provide support can make a great impact for those with these worries.

Stay safe on the way to and from school. Whether you're riding the bus or bike, or going by car or by foot, it's important to keep safety top of mind and be aware of your surroundings. Use safety equipment like seatbelts in the car and on the bus and a helmet while biking. Remember to walk on the sidewalk and stay seated while on the bus.



**NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY**

It is the policy of the School District of Denmark that no person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's gender, color, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, gender orientation, physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

English: If you need this information in your native language, please contact Deb Kralovetz at kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us or 920-863-4034.

Spanish: Si necesita esta información en su idioma materno, póngase en contacto con Deb Kralovetz en kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us o 920-863-4034.

Hmong: Yog tias koj xav tau cov ntaub ntawv no ua koj hom lus, thov hu Deb Kralovetz ntawm kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us los sis 920-863-4034.

Mandarin Chinese: 如果您需要使用母语提供的这些信息，请联系Deb Kralovetz，电子邮件地址为 kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us 或 920-863-4034。