



Walthill Public School



August/September 2012 Newsletter

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT:

School is just around the corner. I look forward to seeing everyone and hearing about your summer activities. I hope you found a way to stay cool during this hot summer! Summer seems to go too fast but we are excited about our school year. The new school year starts Wednesday, August 15. We will be dismissing the students at 1:30 on Wednesday, August 15 followed by an open house from 2:00-4:00. Come and meet your child's teacher and the rest of our staff.

On behalf of the Walthill Public Schools Board of Education, the administration, and the staff, I would like to welcome everyone back for another educational school year. Please contact me or one of the principals if you have any questions or concerns. Marty Slaughter is the elementary principal, Ed Ross is our secondary principal, and Sandy Ostrand is our assistant principal.

Please take the time to thank the custodial staff for their efforts in providing our students and staff with a clean and safe environment. The custodial staff worked through some really hot summer days this year. I really appreciate their time and effort in making our school look so nice. They never complain and find a way to get it done. Thanks!

I would like to welcome the staff members back to another school year at Walthill Public Schools and extend a welcome to the new members of our school system. Ed Ross will be our secondary principal. Lauren Persson will be our art teacher. Betsy Bobenmoyer will be in our Sped department. Teri Greenleaf will be our science teacher. Heidi Meyer will be our JH math teacher. Tabbi Hawk and Wendy Simpson will be our kindergarten and pre-school teachers. Leah Klug, Brenda Anderson, and Nancy Anderson will be para professionals.

The mission statement is "We the people of Walthill Public School District are committed to generating a caring, respectful, and safe learning environment, which promotes positive self-realization and high academic success" The staff believes that when we follow this mission statement we can provide each and every student the opportunity to become successful in life's endeavors. Every school year allows us the opportunity to positively affect the mental, physical, and social development of the children in our community.

The staff at Walthill Public Schools is excited about our students and the opportunities we can provide for them. We hope that you will visit our school and support our students in their academics and activities throughout the school year. The school website is <http://walthweb.esu1.org/> Take time to visit our website to see more of the academic and activities achievements throughout the school year.

Thanks to all the families who are working with us to improve our daily attendance and improve our academics. We can make a difference if we work together!

Sincerely,

Ed Stansberry
Superintendent

Important Information

Registration for Students:

Aug. 6th-8th 8am-12pm & 1pm-4pm

ALL STUDENTS MUST REGISTER!

Please bring ALL required documentation when registering.

Those needing physicals are:

Kindergarteners (eye exam also)

7th graders

New students/those coming from out of state

Our lunch program has changed. Families who received letters from the school with a lunch application must fill it out and return it to the school. All new students will need to fill out a lunch application when registering

School will begin at 8:10am and Breakfast will start at 7:30am

First Day of School: Aug. 15

we will dismiss at 1:30 on this day

Cedar Ceremony: Aug. 15, 9:00 in gym

WPS Open House: Aug. 15 2pm-4pm

**Come meet your student's teachers
and the WPS staff!**



Picture Day!

Elementary will be taken on September 11th

Secondary will be taken on September 13th

Child Find

The Walthill Public School requests your help in locating handicapped children. The school implements the Federal Handicapped Children's Act (PL 94-142) which guarantees a free appropriate public educational program for all children between the ages of 0 and 21 years of age. If you have a student or know of any young person with special needs between 0-21 years of age that is not enrolled in an appropriate public education program, please call 402-846-5432 or write to:

Shannon Burgett

Special Education Coordinator
PO Box 3C
Walthill, NE 68067

Is your child getting enough sleep?

Young children need about 11-12 hrs a sleep a night to be alert, interested, and able to enjoy going to school. Between the ages 6-9, most can get along on about 10-11 hrs of sleep a night. By the age of 12, they usually need about 9 hrs. All children should have the opportunity to get the amount of sleep that seems right for them. It is a good idea to have a definite bedtime and stick to it as closely as possible. A youngster who has trouble going to sleep might enjoy reading a book or listening to quiet music when getting into bed. This helps the child unwind and relax.

Back to School Prep

- *About 2 weeks before school starts, begin going to bed and getting up on a school schedule.
- *The weekend before school starts, don't make any stressful plans for big events or trips.
- *Don't forget to check out the bus schedule
- *Make sure to get all immunizations and physicals completed.
- *If you have medical concerns, make sure to meet with the school nurse prior to the first day, especially if medicine must be given at school
- *Make a check list of items easily forgotten at the last minute and hang it in an obvious place.
- *Put up several hooks for jackets and backpacks.
- *Label all items that will be taken or worn to school.
- *Go over school rules with your child.
- *Place a calendar in a visible spot and fill in events and school vacations.

Class Supply List

Kindergarten

1 Backpack w/ Child's name inside
1 Clear plastic shoe box OR large plastic crayon box
2 Pink pencil erasers
1 Dry erase marker
2 Large boxes of Kleenex
2 (4oz) Bottles of Elmer's Glue
1 box Crayola Markers
4 (24 ct) Boxes Crayola Crayons
2 2- Pocket Folders
Please get suggested name brands
Optional: (will be used by whole class)
Colored pencils
Glitter Crayons

1st Grade

1 Backpack
4 (24 ct) boxes Crayola Crayons
4 Erasers (or box of cap erasers)
4 Packs of 12 (or more) Pencils
8 Glue Sticks OR 2 (4oz) Bottles
4 Dry Erase Markers
1 Box Crayola WIDE tip Markers
2 Large boxes of Kleenex
1 Plastic Pencil Box
1 Pair of Scissors

2nd Grade

NO TRAPPER KEEPERS
1 Backpack
1 Box of 24 Crayons
2 Large Erasers
1 Small Pencil Box
12 #2 pencils
1 Box of Colored Pencils
1 Pair of Pointed Scissors
4 Glue Sticks
Notepaper
2 Dry Erase Markers (NOT Black)
2 2-Pocket Folders

3rd Grade

3 Folders
3 Boxes of 24 ct Crayons
1 Box Colored Pencils
4 Large Erasers
2 Packs of Pencil Erasers
1 Pencil Box
24 #2 Pencils
2 Packages of Loose Leaf Paper
WIDE RULED
6 Regular Spiral Notebooks
WIDE RULED
1 Pack of Thin Markers
1 Pack Wide Markers
3 Packs of Dry Erase Markers
12 glue Sticks
3 Boxes of Kleenex
1 Pair of Scissors

4th Grade

Back Pack or Book Bag
1 Pack of #2 Pencils
Non Spiral Notebooks OR Loose Leaf Paper
Pencils and Paper will need to be replenished throughout the year
4 Spiral Notebooks
Red Pencils or Pens for correcting Erasers
Crayons
Markers
Colored Pencils
Chisel Point Dry Erase Markers (LOW Odor and NO Yellow)
4 Big Boxes of Kleenex
1 Pencil Box
1 Ruler (Standard/Metric Measure)
Glue Sticks
3 Pocket Folders

5th and 6th Grade

#2 Pencils (Box of 20)
1-3 Ring Binder (at least 2 inches)
6-2 Pocket folders
Red Pencil or Pen for correcting
NO BLACK OR BLUE PENS
Erasers for Pencils
Crayons or Colored Pencils
2 Packs of Markers
Dry Erase Markers (Low Odor)
Eraser for Dry Erase Board
Loose Leaf Notebook Paper
2 Big Boxes of Kleenex
4 Spiral Notebooks
1 Pencil Box

Students must have supplies the first day of school. When Students are out of supplies, they need to be replenished throughout the year.

TEACHERS WILL LABEL YOUR STUDENT'S EXTRA SUPPLIES SO ONLY THEY CAN USE THEM.

August 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Teacher In-service	14 Teacher In-service	15 First Day of School Early Dismissal at 1:30 Cedar Ceremony 9am WPS Open House 2-4pm	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 VFB home vs. Santee at 3:00	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 VFB home vs. Arcadia at 3:00	



September 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 No School	4 VVB home vs. Bancroft/Winside at 5:00	5	6 VVB at Winnebago at 6:00	7	8
9	10 VVB at Siouxland Christian at 6:00 JHVB & JHFB home vs. Bancroft at 3:30 and 4:30	11 Elementary Pictures	12	13 Secondary Pictures VVB home vs. Omaha Nation at 5:30 JHVB at Bancroft at 4:00	14 VFB at St. Edward at 7:00	15 VVB at Cedar Bluffs at 9:00 am
16	17	18 JHVB & VVB at Santee at 3:00 & 5:00	19	20	21 VFB at Elkhorn Valley at 3:00	22
23	24 Native American Day No School for Students.	25 VVB home vs. Omaha Nation/Winnebago at 5:00	26	27 VVB at Allen at 6:00	28 VFB home vs. Silver Lake at 3:00 Homecoming	29
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Go Blujays!



School Meals Are Changing – New School Meal Requirements

You may have heard there are new requirements for school meals starting this year. The new requirements will help Walthill Public School provide more fruits, vegetables, whole grains and healthier entrees in our school cafeteria. This is a nationwide attempt to promote healthier eating habits and thus healthier children.

Some of the New Requirements Include:

- Increasing the amount of fruits and vegetables
- Reducing the sodium in meals over the next 10 years
- Setting calorie limits
- Increasing whole grains
- Limiting the Amount of meat/meat alternatives and grains bread

Students will now be required to have ½ cup of fruit and/or vegetable on their tray for it to count as a full reimbursable meal. We plan to offer a variety of fruits and vegetables daily to give students more options hoping their choosing fruits and vegetables be made easier.

Schools are now limited on how much meat/meat alternate and grains bread can be offered. Remember there will be more fruits and vegetables available to fill the meal and ensure students will have plenty to eat!

Walthill School has already made much progress towards meeting the new meal pattern requirements.

These are some of the things we are doing already:

- Fresh fruits and vegetables are served every day
- We serve whole grain bread in some of our sandwiches
- Whole grain pasta is used in some of our casseroles,
- Milk is available in low-fat or fat free only
- Main dish recipes have been changed to reduce sodium
- Dark green, red and orange vegetables are served each week
- Dried bean have been incorporated into some recipes, or served as the vegetable
- Our salad bar includes lettuce salad made with romaine lettuce and spinach and a large variety of other fresh vegetables.

We face some tough challenges in meeting these new requirements, but our school nutrition staff will work hard to make these healthy changes and still make meals our students will enjoy!

How Can You Help?

Parents can support this effort by encouraging your child to give these healthier meals a try, talk about the healthy options, or simply introduce your child to these healthier options at home. When they see you choose healthy foods, they are more likely to try them as well. Your children nutrition is our primary goal, and to see them be healthier!

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Breakfast: Offered Daily:
Milk and Juice, Canned or Fresh Fruit
Lunch: Offered Daily:
Milk and K-6 Veggie Bar / 7-12 Salad Bar

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		15 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Sausage Pizza Romaine Salad Mix Banana Ice Cream	16 Fruit Turnover/Cereal Crispito w Cheese Sauce Spanish Rice W/G Corn Pineapple Tidbits	17 French Toast/Bacon Tater Tot Casserole With Green Beans Roll Cherry Crisp w Topping
20 Breakfast Bites Chicken Nuggets Sweet Potato Puffs Corn Fresh Grapes	21 Omelet/Bacon/W/G Toast Spaghetti w Meat Sauce Garlic Bread Green Beans Diced Pears	22 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Orange Chicken W/G Rice Filaf Stir Fry Vegetables Pineapple Tidbits	23 Yogurt/Cereal/W/G Toast BBQ Pork on Bun Tri Tater Baked Beans/Cole Slaw Diced Peaches	24 Pancakes/Sausage Beef Bean Burrito Garnishes Jell-o Fruit Cup Rice Krispie Bar
27 Breakfast Pizza/Fruit Cheese Burger on Bun French Fries Tomato/Lettuce/Pickle Rosie Applesauce	28 Breakfast Burrito/Salsa Chili/Crackers Cinnamon Roll Veggie/Dip Diced Peaches	29 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Ham in Au Gratin Potatoes California Blend Pineapple Tidbits Roll	30 Muffin/Cereal Corn Dogs Tater Tots Corn Mandarin Oranges Cookie	31 Waffle Sticks/Sausage Taco Salad Garnishes Corn Chips/Salsa Banana Ice Cream

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 Labor Day! No School!	4 Bacon/Egg/Cheese Sand. Goulash W Meat Sauce Bosco Stick Green Beans Diced Pears	5 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Chicken Fajita W/G Garnishes Spanish Rice W/G Diced Peaches	6 Cinnamon Roll/Cereal Hot Dog on Bun Macaroni & Cheese Peas & Carrots Apple	7 French Toast/Bacon Chicken Alfredo Broccoli Jell-o Fruit Cup Roll
10 Ring Donut/Cereal Chicken Nuggets French Fries Baked Beans Rosie Applesauce Cookie	11 Sausage/Egg/Cheese Biscuit Vegetable Beef Soup Biscuit Cheese Slice Apricots	12 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Roast Pork in Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Peach Crisp w Topping	13 W/G Pop Tart/Cereal Crispito w Cheese Sauce Spanish Rice W/G Corn Pineapple Tidbits	14 Pancakes/Sausage Fish Sandwich Macaroni & Cheese Peas & Carrots Jell-o Fruit Cup
17 Breakfast Bites/Fruit Ham & Cheese on Bun Assorted W/G Chips Veggies & Dips Melon Chunks	18 Omelet/Bacon/W/G Toast Spaghetti w Meat Sauce Garlic Bread Broccoli Diced Pears	19 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Chicken Strips Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Tropical Fruit Roll	20 Yogurt/Cereal/W/G Toast Turkey Tetrizzini Glazed Carrots Pineapple Tidbits Roll	21 Waffle Sticks/Sausage Pepperoni Pizza Romaine Lettuce Mix Banana Pudding
24 Native American Day No School! Curriculum Day	25 Breakfast Burrito/Salsa Chicken Noodle Soup W/G PB & Jelly Sandwich Veggies/Dip/Crackers Apple	26 Sausage Gravy/Biscuit Chicken Fried Steak Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Diced Peaches Roll	27 Muffin/Cereal Hamburger on Bun French Fries Tomato/Lettuce/Pickle Diced Pears	28 French Toast/Bacon Taco Salad Garnishes Corn Chips/Salsa Strawberries & Bananas White Cake

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ENCLOSED

**August & September
Calendars for Activities and Lunch
are enclosed**

Important Dates to remember



Aug 6th-8th ~ Pre Registration, ALL students must register
Aug 15~ FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 1:30 dismissal
Aug 15~ Cedar Ceremony, 9:00am
Aug 15~ WPS Open House 2pm-4pm
Sept. 3~ NO SCHOOL
Sept. 24~ NO SCHOOL

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