



SOLDOTNA SENTINEL

SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT



September 2023

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

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The Soldotna Sentinel will be sent out in student folders each month and via e-mail. It will contain important information for the Soldotna Elementary community. It may also be accessed on our website. If you do not have access to email, you can pick up a hard copy at the office.



Soldotna Elementary PTO

"The Parent Pack" is our Parent Teacher Organization. It consists of parents and staff from our school. The Pack plans and executes fundraisers and community events. Funds raised, support our students, this includes the purchase of playground equipment, new library books, repair of musical instruments, field trips and much more.

The Parent pack is growing its membership. Please look for further information on how to join the PTO or become involved in Parent Pack events.

PTO ROCKS

SCHOOL SPIRIT

Every Friday we show our school pride by wearing our So El t-shirts or blue, black and gray clothing. School merchandise pre-order forms will go home the week of September 18th.



NO SCHOOL

Monday, September 4th



EARLY RELEASE

Friday, September 8h

Students will be released at 1:55 and bus riders will arrive at their stop 90 minutes early. There is no pre-school on these days

Bell Schedule

8:20am - Breakfast/Recess

8:40am - To Class Bell

8:50am - Tardy Bell

3:20pm - Parent Pick-Up Dismissal

3:25pm - Bus Dismissal



Student Drop off & Release

Drop off time for students in the morning should be no earlier than 8:20. At this time students will either go to breakfast or recess. To reduce congestion in the school, we ask parents and guardians not enter the building during drop off and pick up times.

SCHOOL ENTRANCE

In an effort to keep our school secure, KPBSD has implemented a buzz in system for all visitors and late arrivals. Upon arriving at our school, please follow the posted directions and sign in at the office. Please call the office for assistance at 907-260-5100.



Like us on Facebook for up to date information and things happening at Soldotna Elementary!



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Student Notes.....

Student notes and bus passes are sent to classes at 3:00 pm. Please send in a note or call in before 2:50 pm to ensure your student will get the message. If you want your student to be picked up by someone other than the parent or guardian, please make sure they are on the pick up list and have them show their ID to the attending staff member in the pick up line.

Weather Reminder.....

Students go out to recess every day rain, shine or snow. Please make sure that your child is properly dressed for the weather. Also make sure to mark your child's gear with their name and remind them not to leave it on the playground.



Student Meals

BREAKFAST \$2.50

LUNCH \$3.50

FREE & REDUCED MEAL PROGRAM

All households are encouraged to submit a KPBSD Student Programs Application. Applications will be available on-line at <http://mealapp.kpbsd.org/>

Welcome Back to School Everyone!

I have received a few telephone calls already asking me what the parameters for returning to school after illness are.

KPBSD has a **Symptom-Free Protocol** in place.

That means your student must be 100% symptom-free, without taking Over-the-Counter (OTC) medications for 24 hours, before they are cleared to return to school.

There are a couple of caveats that allow for attendance with symptoms. Those are:

****If your student has a medical diagnosis and is placed on antibiotics, they can return to school after 24 hours of antibiotics and are feeling well enough to actively engage in school. (Please communicate these details with me.)**

****If your student experiences Seasonal Allergies (I'll need medical documentation to support that allergy), and they take OTC Allergy medication, they can attend school with allergy-type symptoms (clear runny nose, cough...).**

It is no longer mandatory to have a COVID-19 test/result provided to me before your student can return to school after illness.

If you have had a COVID-19 test completed, you're welcome to inform me of the result but it is not necessary.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (907) 260-5105.

I look forward to a Safe & Healthy 2022-23 Schoolyear ☺

Nurse Tammy



ATTENTION ALL SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS!

To ensure all students will be as safe as possible, anyone interested in being a school volunteer needs to complete an online form and agree to a background check; only criminal activity and driving record will be checked. All information will be kept confidential and information can only be accessed by a few members of the Human Resources department. To complete the screening process, visit the District's webpage at www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us, click on the volunteer link and then follow the instructions. Please contact the Human Resources department at 714-8888 if you have questions. **(Please note: this process needs to be completed each new school year and can take up to 10 days to process.)**

PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOKS

The Parent/Student Handbook is available online

<http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/students.parents.aspx?id=28047>

If you do not have access to a computer, stop by the office for a printed copy. Please note that the *Acknowledgement of Receipt* form needs to be signed and turned in to the school.

HEALTH CURRICULUM

In accordance with school board policy, there is an opt-out procedure for health curriculum instruction. If your unsure of the opt-out procedure, please discuss health topics to be reviewed w/ teacher. If you would still like to opt-out please request a form at our school office, complete it and return the form to the principal.