

Emerson Elementary School
"Where Children Soar Like Eagles"

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Hello Emerson Families!

We are preparing for the start of the 2024-25 school year at Emerson. Summer School ended last week and the maintenance staff is busy preparing our building for a fresh start. Please remember to log into [Skyward Family Access](#) to complete the student update – this is a NECESSARY step before the start of the school year as it gives permissions for field trips, data release, etc. Homeroom teachers will be visible on August 19th for Kindergarten thru 5th grade.

- **Picture Day** is Tuesday, August 27th from 12:00 to 6:00 PM. Strawbridge is our photographer. Access easy online ordering at www.strawbridge.net, click on "Order Pictures and Yearbooks" and enter Picture Day code **FM415152**. Paper order forms will be available soon at Emerson in the office entryway. Retake day is Thursday, October 17th.
- **Open House** for Kindergarten thru 5th grade is Tuesday, August 27th from 4:30 to 5:30 PM (4K classroom is not open this night).
- **Preschool Craft Night** is Tuesday, August 27th at the Myrick Park brown cabin from 5:30 to 6:30 PM.
- Emerson's [School Supply List](#) is enclosed. If you have a financial hardship and need assistance obtaining supplies, please reach out to our guidance counselor (Michelle) at mtorgers@lacrossesd.org.
- Please complete the [Free/Reduced Meal Application](#) before the start of the school year (available on the district's website). A new application must be submitted annually unless you are currently receiving SNAP or TANF assistance. Families paying for lunch can add funds to a child's meal account online through Family Access.
- If your child has a **health condition or will need medication at school**, please get in touch with our school nurse, Melissa Kujak, at 789-7684 or mkujak@lacrossesd.org BEFORE school begins.
- Emerson has **limited bussing**. To inquire on routes, please call Go Riteway at (608) 881-6370. They provide an after-school shuttle to the Boys & Girls Club Mathy & Hamilton sites.
- Emerson is a [YMCA Surround Care](#) site. To inquire on availability, please call (608) 782-9622.

The first day for Kindergarten thru 5th grade is Tuesday, September 3rd. The bell to line up rings for ALL grades at 8:20AM. Teachers will be outside to greet families and escort their students into the building. Preschool families will have pre-scheduled orientations on September 3rd-4th with the first day on September 5th.

We are eager to see our families! If you have any questions about the start of the school year, give our office a call at 789-7990. Phone and email communications will be sent for important dates as they draw near. Take care and we will see you soon!

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