

THE

# Scratching Post



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Auburn Elementary – 810 N Commercial St – Auburn, KS 66402

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Melinda Patterson, Principal

Dear Auburn Families,

I can't believe we only have a few short weeks until our school year is over. We have many things to pack into the rest of our year and we are excited that is looking like we can do the end of the year activities as we did before COVID!

One important task that we take care of in May is the beginning of the creation of class lists for the next year. While I do not take requests for specific teachers, I will listen to you on the best structure a teacher can give your child and try to match your student with the best type of teacher. Please send me an email if you would like to let me know any specific qualities your student needs in a teacher. I hope you understand our diligent efforts to ensure your child is matched to the teacher that best adheres to their learning style and personality.

Lastly, I want to sincerely thank all of the wonderful Auburn families for their support and contributions to throughout this year. Let's finish strong and keep up the good work!

Sincerely,  
Melinda Patterson

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### April

- 25<sup>th</sup> Vision Screenings
- 26<sup>th</sup> Vision Screenings
- 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Chorus Festival:  
9:30am-11am, WRHS
- 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Choir Fest:  
7pm, WRHS
- Last Day to turn in  
Major Savor Packets
- 27<sup>th</sup> Early Release: 3pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. String Fest:  
7pm, WRHS
- 28<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Band Fest:  
7pm. WRHS
- 29<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Bake Sale:  
1:30pm-3:30pm,  
commons area

### May

- 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Band Concert:  
7pm, Gym
- Science Fair, 6pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Gr. Wax Museum:  
6pm-7pm, commons  
area & east hallway
- 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Trip to WRMS:  
9am-11:30am
- 5<sup>th</sup> Pre-K walk to Auburn  
Library: 1:15pm-  
3:15pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL
- 11<sup>th</sup> Early Release: 3pm
- Battle of the Books  
Competition: 1pm-

## PTO MEETING DATES

NONE



Don't forget to like us on Facebook. Make sure you look for the Auburn Elementary Icon to "Like" the school. Stay informed of activities and events happening throughout the school year.

### NEW/REPLACEMENT BUS CARDS

Complete the [New or Replacement Student Bus Cards Form](#) to order a new or replacement bus card. After the first new or replacement card requested, a fee may apply.

**\*Kindergarten students do not need to order their first card.**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxZijYhexiU9e6Yx3pstmzfAGPMiyQljny6YudLPrE1wKBWA/viewform>

In order to improve access and efficiency, The Scratching Post will be posted to our school website and emailed through campus portal for future viewing (<https://usd437.net/schools/auburn/>).

### LUNCH PRICES

Guest Breakfast: \$1.65

Guest Lunch: \$3.65

Extra Milk: \$0.50

**Breakfast and Lunches are free for all students.**

### HELPFUL LINKS

#### Calendar

<https://usd437.net/calendars/auburn.html>

#### Breakfast and Lunch Menu

<https://www.schoolcafe.com/auburnwashburnusd437/menus>

### TRANSPORTATION REMINDERS:

Items **not** allowed on the bus:

- Balloons of any kind
- Large stuffed toys
- Skateboards
- Glass containers
- Animals, bugs, snakes
- Firearms, explosives, or other dangerous objects
- Skates of any kinds must be inside a bag and only then can they be transported on the bus.

**Students are not allowed to**

# LIBRARY NEWS

The end of the school year is just around the corner. It has been one fast ride. The library will start collecting books so they will be ready for next year. Starting May 9<sup>th</sup>, students will only be allowed to check out one book and on May 11<sup>th</sup> all books are due, so we can do inventory and analyze the library selection and patrons needs for next school year. Even though our school library will be closing in May, the public libraries are open all summer and will have many fun activities for students. Look for more information on the Public Library programs in May.



## STATE TESTING SCHEDULE

**March 29<sup>th</sup>:** 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. ELA session 1 (9:30a-11a)

**March 30<sup>th</sup>:** 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. ELA session 2 (9:30a-11a)  
(12p-1:30p)

**March 31<sup>st</sup>:** 4<sup>th</sup> Gr. ELA session 2 (12p-1:30p)

**April 1<sup>st</sup>:** Makeups

**April 4<sup>th</sup>:** 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. ELA session 1 (9a-10:30a)  
(1:30p-3p)

**April 5<sup>th</sup>:** 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. ELA session 2 (9a-10:30a)  
(1:30p-3p)

**April 6<sup>th</sup>:** 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Math session 1 (9:30a-11a)

**April 7<sup>th</sup>:** 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Math session 2 (9:30a-11a)

**April 8<sup>th</sup>:** Makeups

**April 11<sup>th</sup>:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. Math session 1 (1:30p-3p)

**April 12<sup>th</sup>:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. Math session 2 (1:30p-3p)

**April 19<sup>th</sup>:** 4<sup>th</sup> Gr. Math session 1 (12p-1:30p)

**April 20<sup>th</sup>:** 4<sup>th</sup> Gr. Math session 2 (12p-1:30p)

**April 21<sup>st</sup>:** 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. Science session 1 (9a-10:30a) Makeups (12p-1:30p)

**April 25<sup>th</sup>:** Makeups (9a-11a) (1p-3p)

**April 26<sup>th</sup>:** Makeups (9a-11a) (1p-3p)

4<sup>th</sup> Gr. ELA session 1

3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. ELA session 1

3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. ELA session 2

To ensure the students are set up for success during their state testing, please make sure they are getting plenty of sleep and have something to eat in the mornings. We know they got this

## USD 437/Auburn Elementary COVID-19 Protocols Updated: 1/19/22

<b>Date</b>	1/1	1/2	1/3	1/4	1/5	1/6	1/7	1/8	1/9	1/10	1/11	1/12
<b>Day</b>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<b>Action</b>	Onset or test date	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Mask	Mask	Mask	Mask	Mask	Done

- If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19 they must isolate for 5 days. The 5 days begin after the day the symptoms began or the day after the test was administered.
- If a student or staff suspects, they have COVID-19 or symptoms you can go to the district office for testing.

*\*\*\*While testing supplies last\*\*\**

Shuler Education Center  
5928 SW 53rd Street  
Corner of 53rd & Wanamaker

### Testing Hours

Monday-Friday  
6:45-9:45 AM  
11:00 AM -1:00 PM  
3:30-6:30 PM

- Do not send your child to school if they are sick. Report your child's absence to the Auburn Elementary office at 785-339-4400 and let your child's teacher know.
- If there is a positive case within your household and the student or staff is NOT fully vaccinated, then they must isolate for 5 days and continue monitoring symptoms for another 5 days. Please contact the school if this applies.

- Please monitor for COVID symptoms and get tested if you are symptomatic.
- Students and Staff must be fever free for 24 hours without the aid of medication to return to school/work.

## **SUMDAY MATH CONTEST RESULTS**

On Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup>, students from AE participated in the SUMday math contest along with 370 other students from around the country.

### **The AE students were...**

4th grade: Braxton Harvey, Doak Parker, Eli Tenbrink, Noah Parman, Corinne Parker and Gunner Sedam

5th grade: Andrew Peterson, Brody Branch, Kellen Ault, Jace Sonnier, Leila Wockenfuss, and Dominic Creevan

6th grade: Caleb Schwartz, Callie Ingalsbe, Henry Laubach, Ryan Olsen, Reese Beardslee and Lucas Penrod

*They all did a great job competing and representing Auburn!*

### **Here are the results...**

#### 4th Gr.:

Doak Parker - Top 10 on both test 1 & 2

Braxton Harvey - Top 10 on both test 1 & 2

#### 5th grade:

Brody Branch - Top 10 on both test 1 & 2

Andrew Peterson - 2nd place on test 1 and 2nd place on test 2

#### 6th grade:

Caleb Schwartz - Top 10 on test 2  
Callie Ingalsbe - Top 10 on test 2

## **YEARBOOK AVAILABILITY**

We have a limited number of extra 2021-2022 yearbooks available for purchasing in the AE office.

If you would like to purchase a yearbook, please give your payment of \$14 to the office by **EXACT CASH ONLY**. We do not accept check or card payment.

Please specify that your payment is a yearbook order either with a note or written on the envelope. We will continue to take yearbook orders until they are sold out. If you send your payment to the office and there are no more available, expect your payment to be sent back home with your student.

## **INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PHOTOS**

Individual picture proofs will be sent home with students on April 22, 2022. Please return packets to Auburn Elementary office by **April 29, 2022** regardless if you are ordering photos or not. If you are ordering photos, please complete your child's packet accordingly and return it to school. If you are not ordering photos, you may leave the packet as is and return it to school.

To order after deadline, of 4/29/22, add **\$10.00** for special handling and the proof packet must be mailed to **6224 Merriam Drive, KS 66203** and include a return address.

# SUMMER SCIENCE CAMP 2022



## What is Science Camp?

Small classes where students explore nature, wildlife and science fun. The focus of instruction is hands-on experiences emphasizing conservation, environmental education and wildlife education through activities including identification of insects, wildflowers, birds, and pond life and lots of nature hiking.

## Who is Science Camp for?

Students who will be entering 1st through 7th grades for the 2022-2023 school year. Instructors: Gifted Facilitator, Jenni Howard & 437 Outdoor Ed coordinator, Donna Sanders

## Where is Science Camp?

The camp is located at the USD 437 Environmental lab, behind WRMS.

## When is Science Camp?

**May 31 – June 3** Tues. – Fri. session 1.....8:00-10:00—cost \$80.00  
 session 2.....10:30-12:30—cost \$80.00  
**June 6 – June 9** Mon. - Thurs., session 3.....8:00-10:00—cost \$80.00

**Advanced Session: June 6-9** Mon.-Thurs., session 4.....10:30-12:30—cost \$80.00. The advanced class is recommended for students who have attended summer science camp for at least 2 years previously OR are students currently in 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> grade.



## Entry Deadline...

Registration forms including fees must be received by **May 25, 2022**. It is first come, first serve and class sizes are limited, so don't delay! Send the completed registration form and a check payable to **SUMMER SCIENCE** and mail to: Donna Sanders, 1625 SW 26th St., Topeka, KS 66611. OR scan and email the registration form to [dmsanders450@gmail.com](mailto:dmsanders450@gmail.com) and pay by Venmo to @Jenni-Howard-4 (in "what's it for" please note your child's name and Summer Science camp). Registration confirmation will be sent to you before sessions begin by e-mail, on or before May 27<sup>th</sup>. For registration questions call Donna Sanders, c: 833-8579 or email at [dmsanders450@gmail.com](mailto:dmsanders450@gmail.com). Other questions contact Jenni Howard, w:339-4459/c: 224-4252 or e-mail at [howarjen@usd437.net](mailto:howarjen@usd437.net).

## Summer Science Registration

(Cut Here and Keep the Top Half of This Form)

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Elementary School \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Work #'s (m) \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*e-mail \_\_\_\_\_



Emergency Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 List medical concerns (allergies, medications, limitations) \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Parent or Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

\*By signing this registration form you agree not to hold Summer Science Instructors & the Auburn Washburn school district liable for any injuries or accidents your child might incur. It is understood that this is an academic opportunity for your child. If the child persists in being a distraction, he/she will be dismissed from this class and no refund will be given.

## Session Preference

Please mark your 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice sessions. We will try to give you your first choice, however registration is on a first come, first serve basis and we may have to make other arrangements.

**May 31 – June 3** session 1, 8:00-10:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **May 31 – June 3** session 2, 10:30-12:30 \_\_\_\_\_  
**June 6-9** session 3, 8:00-10:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **\*Advanced - June 6-9**, session 4, 10:30-12:30 \_\_\_\_\_







ANNUAL 6TH GRADE

# bake sale

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**FRIDAY, APRIL 29**

HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE 6TH  
GRADE CELEBRATION

PRICES RANGE FROM .25 TO \$1