

THE

Scratching Post



05/06/22

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

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Melinda Patterson, Principal

Dear Auburn Families,

Music programs, science fairs, wax museums and more! Just as we are winding down the year, things start to wind up. I have enjoyed seeing everyone again in person. I want to let you know that this year's talent show and field day will be open for parents/visitors to attend. In addition, parents may attend the sixth grade party and awards (the sixth grade teachers will send out more information).

The staff and other community members would like to send our students off for the summer in style. Please put on your calendars to attend our annual "Summer Send Off Parade". The parade will be on May 25th and begin at 2:30pm. I know our staff and students look forward to the parade every year. The parade route will be printed in this issue of *The Scratching Post*. We can't wait to see you there.

If you could do me a favor and talk to your students about appropriate bus behavior, it would be much appreciated. This is the time of the year our students tend to get a little more "spirited" on the bus and sometimes choose to do things that are not very safe. I know our bus drivers would appreciate your support.

As always, thanks so much for sharing your precious kids with us every day and thanks for your continued partnership.

Warm Regards,

Melinda Patterson
Principal, Auburn Elementary

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May

- 10th Mrs. Juencke's Class Picnic Lunch
Kona Ice Awards:
2:15pm-3:15pm
- 11th Early Release: 3pm
Battle of the Books Competition: 1pm-2pm, Library
All Library Books Due
- 12th Mrs. Noble's Class Picnic Lunch
- 18th Battle of the Books Winners Lunch: 12p-1p, Gambino's
- 19th Kindergarten Egg Drop: 2:30p-3:30p, gym
- 20th Talent Show: 9a-11a, gym
- 23rd Field Day!
- 24th Staff vs. 6th Gr. Kickball: 2p-3p
- 25th **LAST DAY!**
6th Gr. Party: 9am-12pm, gym
Staff BBQ: 1pm
Summer Send Off Parade: 2:30p

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/1FAIpQLSfxZljYhexiU9e6Yx3pstmzfAGPMiyQljny6YudLPrE1wKBWA/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 ride home with other students.

LIBRARY NEWS

It is May and many exciting activities are happening in the Library. Please cheer for our William Allen White teams as they compete for the Battle of the Books on May 11th. These students have organized their teams and read all the William Allen White books. It takes lots of communication, planning, and time to fulfill the requirements to participate and they have all done a great job.



6th Grade Teams

The Book Worms: Andi Hibbert, Reese Beardslee, Annie Henderson, Callie Ingalsbe

The Burnt Bananas: Landon Wykert, Ethan Koci, Caleb Schwartz, Ryan Olsen

5th Grade Team

The Amigos Flaming: Reagan Whisenhunt, Carter Drimmel, Madison Perez, Turner Dunford, Kellen Ault

4th Grade Teams

The Gamers: Taber McBurney, McClain Allison, Kayley Long, Karson McCart, Lara Loughney

The Rose: Kinley Bahr, Jocelyn Cantrell, Izzy Sonnier, Lillianne Harris

The Home Run Readers: Eli Tenbrink, Corinne Parker, Josie Ingalsbe, Lily Hopkins, Connor Beardslee, Braxton Harvey

On May 16th, the Lion's Club will be taking randomly chosen students in 3rd-6th grade who met their reading goals for the school year to lunch to celebrate their success. Let's celebrate our students' achievements and remind them of how proud we are of their hard work.

Happy Reading!

Rachel Dial

Auburn Elementary Librarian

USD 437/Auburn Elementary COVID-19 Protocols

Updated: 1/19/22

Date	1/1	1/2	1/3	1/4	1/5	1/6	1/7	1/8	1/9	1/10	1/11	1/12
Day	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Action	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.

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

The deadline to order individual student pictures was April 29th, 2022. **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. For more detailed information, please refer to your child's packet.

NEWS FROM PTO

Poppin' Squeeze will be at the Auburn Ball Fields on 5/16/22 from 3pm-6pm.

A portion of the proceeds will go to Auburn Elementary.

School Supply Kits

<https://1stday.sale/40425>

We are looking for volunteers for Field Day on 5/23/22.

Kindergarten-2nd Gr.: 9am-11am; 15 volunteers needed

3rd Gr.-6th Gr.: 1:30pm-3:30pm; 15 volunteers needed

To sign up please go to [SignUpGenius.com](https://www.signupgenius.com) & search under Aepto437@gmail.com

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: MAY 25TH, 2022

Our last day of school this year is a half day of school. Students will be dismissed at 12:45pm on May 25th, 2022. Car riders and walkers will need to be picked up by 1pm. We will serve breakfast on the last day but we WILL NOT serve lunch. If your student rides the bus, please be prepared to receive them early from the bus that afternoon.

IT'S TIME FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION

Please complete the Online Registration (OLR) for **ALL** of your students on the same application. You will be able to add additional students once you reach the Students tab. If you have any students not returning for the 22-23 school year please fill out the form on <http://usd437.net/enrollment>.

<p>Returning to District Definition: Any family that has at least one student who completed the 21-22 school year at a USD 437 school in grades K-11; who is expected to be at a USD 437 school on the first day of the 22-23 school year.</p> <p>Directions for Online Registration</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Login to your Campus Portal account at http://campus.usd437.net/portal2. Select the More menu3. Click Online Registration4. A new tab/window will open and you will be logged out of Campus Portal.5. For the Annual Registration select Click here to go to Existing Student Registration”6. Verify the students that will be included on your application, the Registration Year, & click “Begin Registration”7. Follow the directions provided on the screen to complete the registration.	<p>New to District Definition: Any family that did not have at least one student enrolled at a USD 437 school in grades K-11 at the end of the 21-22 school year.</p> <p>Directions for Online Registration</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Go to the OLR Kiosk screen at http://usd437.net/enrollment2. Select Start New Registration3. Fill in the required information indicated with a red asterisk.4. Check the box for “I’m not a robot.”5. Click Begin Registration.6. You will be told your application number. It is recommended you write this number down in case you need to close out of the application and return to it later.7. Follow the directions provided on the screen to complete the registration.
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Important Terms

Parent/Guardian: A person who is entrusted by law with the care of a minor. Example: Mom, Dad, Foster Mom, Foster Dad, Educational Advocate, etc.

Emergency Contact: Any person who should be contacted if a parent/guardian cannot be reached.

Other Household Member: Any person who is not a parent/guardian, emergency contact, or student that lives in the same household as the student(s). Example: brother or sister not attending a USD 437 school.

Student: Any person who will be attending a USD 437 school.

If your student will be withdrawing from Auburn Elementary for the 2022-2023 school year, please notify the office at your earliest convenience.

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 5th or 6th 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 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 27th. For registration questions call Donna Sanders, c: 833-8579 or email at dmsanders450@gmail.com. Other questions contact Jenni Howard, w:339-4459/c: 224-4252 or e-mail at 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 1st and 2nd 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 _____



SUMMER SEND OFF PARADE ROUTE

