

# Scratching Post



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Melinda Patterson, Principal

## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Auburn Elementary Families,

You will notice a slight change on your child's Grade Card beginning this school year. The Auburn-Washburn School District is transitioning to Standards Based Grading. The beauty of this way of grading is that parents will be able to see exactly how their child is progressing over the course of the school year with individual grade level standards. The Grade Card will be longer as all standards taught and assessed for the whole school year will be contained within the Grade Card. The standards that have a number by them (1, 2, 3, 4) are the standards that are taught and assessed during that particular quarter. of the school year.

Example: 1st Grade Math Standard: "Adds within 10 easily"

### Criteria

- 1- Does not demonstrate standard
- 2- With help, demonstrates foundational knowledge of skills
- 3- Independently demonstrates knowledge and skills (at grade level)
- 4- Consistently extends & applies complex knowledge and skills (above grade level)

Please click this link to access the parent information site on [Standards Based Grading](#)

We appreciate your support as we make this shift in how grades are reported to parents.

Sincerely,

Melinda Patterson  
Principal

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### September

- 22 EARLY RELEASE – 3:00 pm
- 27 NO SCHOOL – Professional Learning Day

### October

- 1 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor ED Fieldtrip 9am -2:20pm
- 5 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Two at the Zoo Fieldtrip 9am -2:20pm
- 8 NO SCHOOL – Staff Work Day
- 13 Parent Teacher Conferences 4-8pm
- 14 NO SCHOOL – Parent Teacher Conferences 8am-8pm
- 14 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Outdoor ED Fieldtrip 9am -2:20pm

## 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 the first card.**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxZlYhexiU9e6Yx3pstmzfAGPMiyQljny6YudLPrE1wKBWA/viewform>

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



# Library News



Reading challenges have started for all grades. The first reading challenge is from Paper June, an independent bookstore in Topeka owned by an Auburn-Washburn family, and they have a sweet deal to offer as a reading incentive for all grades!

Readers who complete Paper June's September reading log will earn a FREE bundtlet cake from Nothing Bundt Cakes.

20mins a day is all that is required.

Our second reading challenge lasts all school year. It is for 3rd through 6th grade. Students are asked to read 20 books by May 20th, 2022. The book must be 50 pages in length for it to count towards the reading challenge.

Check out our library Website for details on both reading challenges. The link is below.

Happy Reading!

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<https://sites.google.com/usd437.net/auburn-elementary/book-challenge?authuser=0>



**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.**

## Lunch Prices

Guest Breakfast: \$1.65

Guest Lunch: \$3.65

Extra Milk: \$0.50

**Breakfast and Lunches are free for all students. Only K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade is allowed guests due to 3<sup>rd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> eating in classrooms.**

## PTO Meeting Dates

**October 12th    November 9<sup>th</sup>    February 8<sup>th</sup>    March 8<sup>th</sup>    April 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Meeting takes place in school library at 6:30pm. No childcare is provided.**

## We Notice Your Pawesome Attendance

School attendance has been a hot topic for the past two years. Since March 2020, school has gone through several phases of in person, on line, and hybrid. It has been difficult to measure students' attendance. Auburn Elementary believes attendance is important for students to be successful in learning and in life.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit early so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Eventually good attendance will be a skill that will help them succeed in high school and beyond.

Good attendance has a positive connection with academic skills, social skills, and social emotional learning. Missing as few as two days per month can have a profound negative impact on achievement and a student's self-esteem. Help your student understand the importance of good attendance.

Good attendance is an important part of our ROAR expectations. AE has set our goal for a student absence to be four days or less by semester break. We will not include days required for quarantine. If your student is struggling with wanting to attend school, please contact the teacher, Ms. Boyd or Ms. Gilliland to discuss ways that the school can support your student.

## 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.

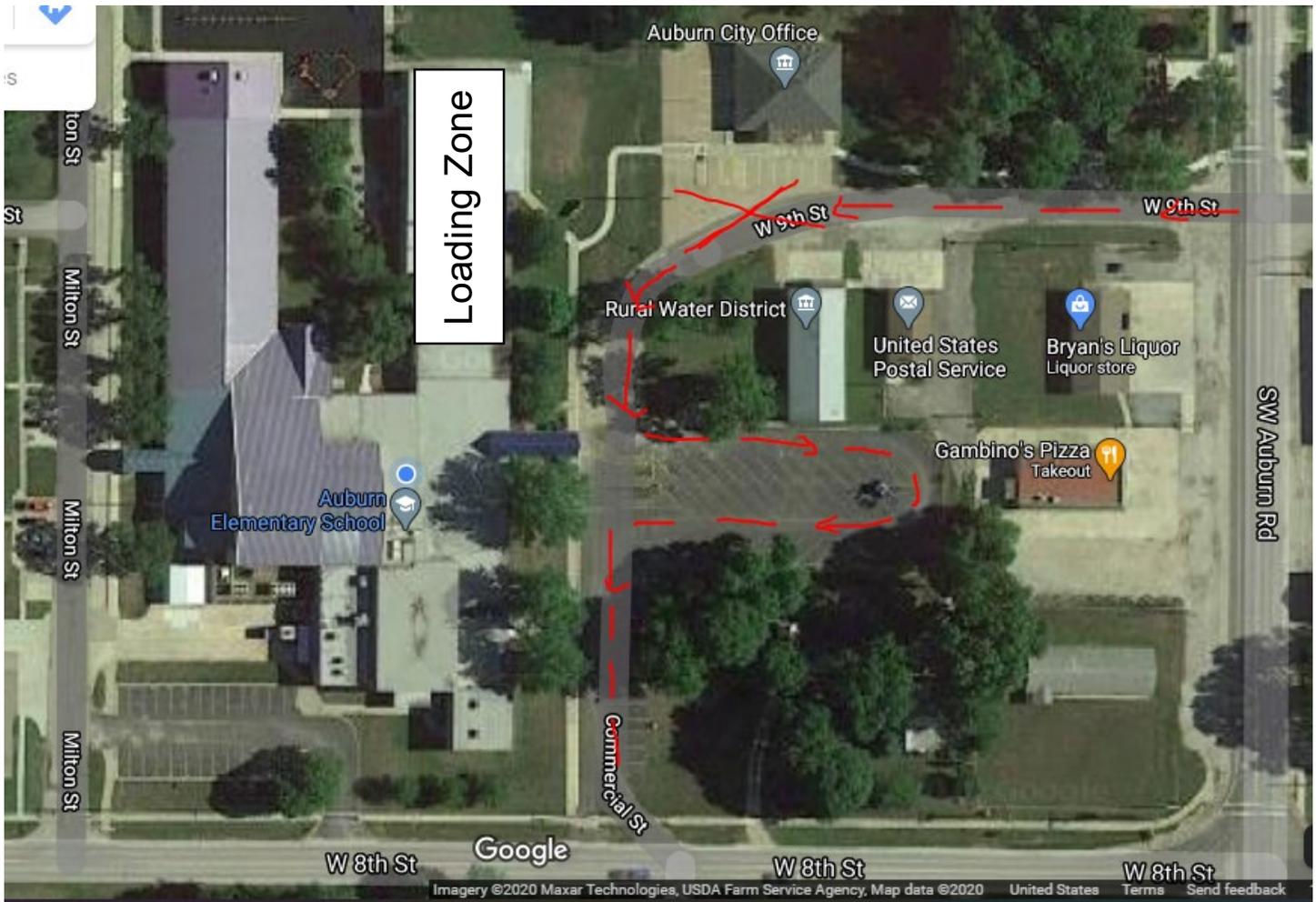
**Masks are Required to ride the bus!**

**Students are not allowed to ride home with other students!**

## Auburn Elementary Pick-up Procedures

Families picking their students up from Auburn Elementary will be following a pick-up lane procedure. We ask that all vehicles enter the car lane at 9<sup>th</sup> street off Auburn Rd. Please do not block the Auburn City Office or you may get ticketed. From the entrance, you will continue in a single file lane until you reach the school crosswalk, you will then be prompted to loop around the parking lot. This allows for us to get more cars into our lane, but will unfortunately, prohibit families from parking. If you need to park, you will be blocked and will not be able to leave until all cars in the pick-up lane are through. If it is absolutely necessary that you park, you can use the parking lot on the east side of the building. Once families have looped around the parking lot, you will then load student(s) in the "Loading Zone" area. Once students are loaded you will exit out onto 8<sup>th</sup> street.

It would be helpful if those families/friends picking up students had a sign in their car window with their student's name and grade level.



**MAKE EVERYDAY SPIRIT DAY!**

# AUBURN FALL SPIRIT WEAR SALE

- \* PRICES SLASHED SITEWIDE*
- \* FREE SHIPPING OVER \$100*
- \* FAST HOME DELIVERY*
- \* CHOOSE FROM 200+ DESIGNS*



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**ORDER DEADLINE IS *SEPTEMBER 15!***



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**1ST PLACE**   
*Spiritwear*



# MOVIE NIGHT

**\$2 per Person**

Suggested Foundation Donation

**\$2 per Popcorn, Candy, and Drinks**

No outside food or drink

**AUBURN-WASHBURN PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION**

**FAMILY EVENT FOR ALL AGES**

FRIDAY  
**SEPTEMBER 17**  
(SEPT 24 Rain Date)

WRHS  
FOOTBALL  
STADIUM

7:00 Gates Open  
WRHS Drumline Preshow  
7:45 PM Movie Starts

Open seating on the west bleachers or bring a blanket to sit on the turf or track! Lawn chairs are not permitted.

Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

**NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM**



