

Naples Elementary

March 29, 2019 Spring Reminders!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are super excited for the start of Spring at Naples Elementary! While I know you receive communication from your child's teacher, I wanted to take the opportunity to highlight some important dates for the rest of the school year so you can be sure to mark your calendars. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions. We look forward to seeing you at these special events!

Sincerely,

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Upcoming Events ~ Mark your Calendars!

Tuesday, April 9th: UPK-3 Roller Skating Party
(Teachers will send permission forms home!)

Friday, April 12th: No late buses

Monday, April 15th-Friday, 19th: Spring Recess

Monday, April 29th: Kindergarten graduation pictures

Friday, May 3rd: 5th and 6th grade dance
(More information will be sent home soon)

Thursday, May 9th: STEAM Carnival (Details coming)

Friday, May 10th: Superintendent's Conference Half Day (Dismissal at 11:00 a.m.)

Friday, May 17th: Special Olympics @ Bloomfield CSD

Monday, May 27th: Memorial Day Holiday & Parade

June 3rd-7th: Elementary Book Fair

(Parent Night June 4th, 5:00-6:45 p.m.)

Tuesday, June 4th: Elementary Art Show and Concert

Fri., June 14th: Field Day

Early Release Days:

June 18th-21th (students leave at 1:30)

June 24th-25th (students leave at 11:00)

Welcoming New Friends!!

April 11th: UPK Registration

May 15th & 16th : Kindergarten Screening

See details on the back of this newsletter if you are registering new students in UPK or Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year.

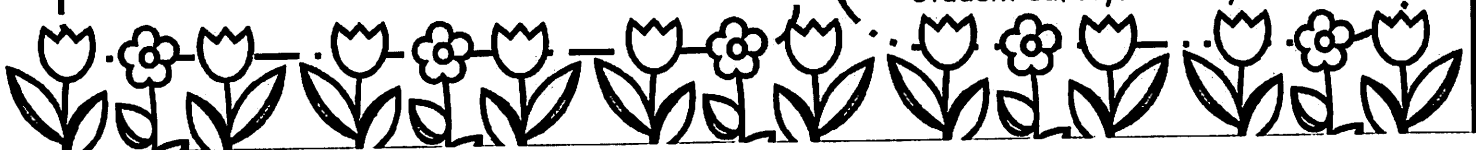
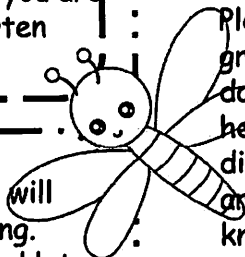
Starting next week, students in grades 3-8, will participate in annual New York State testing.

See details on the back of this newsletter, and let us know if you have any questions!

Safety Reminder:

Parents and guardians who pick up your children...

Please remember to have your green tag visible on the dashboard of your vehicle. This helps all staff assisting at dismissal, especially when there are substitutes who may not know you or your child's transportation plan. They rely on our number checklists to ensure student safety. Thank you!



In the coming weeks, students in Grades 3-8 will have the opportunity to demonstrate how much they have learned by taking state assessments in both ELA and Math. While we use projects, quizzes, unit tests, classroom observations, and essential questions on a daily basis to guide learning, the state assessments provide a unique opportunity for students to "show what they know" when it comes to overall proficiency. Because the results provide key information concerning whether or not students have mastered particular skills or content knowledge, the data can let us know as educators when to introduce new information or when to provide additional support. Our students are excited to be taking their exams on the computer this year! The testing period for both ELA and Math has been shortened to 2 days, and tests are untimed to reduce pressure. We encourage you to give Ms. Saucke a call (585-374-7951) or send her an email at ksaucke@naplescsd.org if you have questions or concerns regarding the exams.

Many parents ask what they can do to best support their children during the assessment period. We recommend the following:

- Like any other school day, a good night's sleep and eating breakfast help us get our day off to a great start! If your child does not eat at home, they are always welcome to get off the bus at 7:30 and eat in the cafeteria.
- Please remind your child that all we expect is for them to try their best. Many students get anxious on any test, even with the practice and support that our teachers provide to them. Reassurance from their parents that effort is all that matters is greatly appreciated! ☺

Testing Schedule:

- Grades 3-5 ELA - Monday 4/1, Tuesday 4/2
- Grades 6-8 ELA - Wednesday 4/3, Thursday 4/4
- Grades 6-8 Math - Tuesday 4/30, Wednesday 5/1
- Grades 3-5 Math - Monday 5/6, Tuesday 5/7

KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR (Class of 2032!)

- If you have a child born between 12/2/2013 and 12/1/2014, they will be eligible to attend Kindergarten in September. Please phone the Naples Elementary School office at 374-7952 to be sure your child is included on the school register and that the school has your correct mailing address and information.
- Kindergarten registration material will be mailed to all incoming students by the end of April. Kindergarten screening will take place on Wednesday, May 15th and Thursday, May 16th, 2019. Information regarding screening and an orientation in August will be included in the packet.
- For students who are new to the district, the following information is required: Your child's (original) birth certificate or other acceptable proof of age, immunization records, and proof of residency.

UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR (Class of 2033!)

- To qualify to attend the UPK Program, your child must have been born between 12/2/14 and 12/1/15 and be a resident of the Naples Central School District.
- Registration for the 2019-2020 Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) program at Naples Elementary School will be accepted in the Elementary School Office on Thursday, April 11th, 2019 from 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM & 6:00 - 7:00 PM by appointment. (A lottery for the openings will be held at 7:00 PM if needed.) In order to avoid a long wait for parents and congestion in the office, we ask that you call ahead for an appointment. This will make your visit more convenient and efficient. Thank you!
- Required information: Child's (original) birth certificate or other acceptable proof of age, immunization records, and proof of residency. For more information and to make your appointment, please call 585-374-7952 Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM.