

Coyote Spotlight

Southwest's Monthly Newsletter - January 2023

Happy New Year!

I hope you had a wonderful holiday season and were able to enjoy some extra time with the ones you love most.

2023 is here and we are ready for it! Did you know our Third and Fourth Grade students did amazing last spring on their IAR (state) assessments? Southwest's designation was "Commendable" and we are working hard to keep it that way. Students will be taking that same assessment this Spring.

The winter months are here. Please dress your child(ren) in an appropriate coat for the winter temperatures. Students who do not have a coat will not be allowed to go outside for recess. If you would like to speak to our Social Worker regarding hats, gloves, and/or coats, please call the school so we can assist.

Take care,
Mrs. Zaayer



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Early Dismissal Dates for the 2022-2023 School Year (K-4)

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THANK YOU to all who donated a canned good for our 12 Days of Giving Food Drive. It was a huge success!



Ways We Connect

Southwest Elementary School Website

TeacherEase

Did you know you can access your child's grades and view previous report cards? Click the link below to log in or set up a new account.

TeacherEase

ClassDojo

We are sharing lots of important information daily on ClassDojo. If you are not already connected to Southwest and your child's class on ClassDojo, please ask your child's teacher for a code. We definitely don't want you to miss out on important information and reminders being shared by your child's teacher or school administrators.

ClassDojo

The traveling trophy for highest weekly attendance percentage goes to...





Thanks to all who joined us at our annual Craft Night!



It is always a great day to be a Coyote!

Project Success at Southwest begins January 9

January 2023



2:00-2:30 Dinner
2:30-3:00 Purposeful Play
3:00-4:00 Homework help/Academics support
4:00-5:00 Enrichment Activity

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 No School	3 Homework Help Literacy Activity	4 Homework Help Art Activity	5 Homework Help SEL Activity	6 NO PROGRAM
9 Homework Help STEAM Activity	10 Homework Help Literacy Activity	11 Homework Help Art Activity	12 Homework Help SEL Activity	13 NO PROGRAM
16 No School	17 Homework Help Literacy Activity	18 Homework Help Art Activity	19 Homework Help SEL Activity	20 NO PROGRAM
23 Homework Help STEAM Activity	24 Homework Help Literacy Activity	25 Homework Help Art Activity	26 Homework Help SEL Activity	27 NO PROGRAM
30 Homework Help STEAM Activity	31 Homework Help Literacy Activity			



Congratulations to our December AR Winners!



December Coyote Spotlight Students



We are safe. We are kind. We are responsible. We are Southwest.

Pre-K Corner

Pre-K Phone Number

Parents: Please note that the phone number for our Pre-K program/office is 217-444-3266.



Coyote Spotlight Students



Social Work News

Hello Southwest families!

I'd like to take the chance to update you on services that I provide to our students and families. As a school social worker, I strive to make sure your students have all they need to be successful at school and beyond. To do this, I provide individual and group counseling, coordinate resources like food and clothing, help during crisis situations, coordinate 504 plans, and work with students who have IEPs. Please contact me anytime with questions or concerns you have regarding your student's wellbeing.

Erica Davis is our social work intern this year. She will be working with students and helping with all the activities above!

Mrs. Katie Brewer, LCSW
School Social Worker
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Reminders from Nurse High

Special Health Needs

If your child has any special health needs or concerns this should be communicated to me. This information can be very important to a successful experience in school. Examples of such needs are:

1. Food Allergy
2. Bee sting allergy
3. Allergy to any other substance
4. Difficulty with vision, hearing or speech
5. Need for medication during the school day
6. Need for special aids such as crutches, walkers or wheelchairs, either on a temporary or permanent basis.

Attention parents of students with food allergies: In order for your child to receive a food substitution at school, a food substitution form must be completed by your child's physician and returned to the school nurse. These forms were sent home by the nurses at the beginning of the school year to the parents of students with known allergies. There are still many students who do not have this form turned in, and the only way for food service to know to make a substitution is to have the form completed. It is imperative for the safety of your child that you get this form completed and turned in ASAP. If you need another copy of the form, please contact your school nurse.

IS MY CHILD TOO SICK TO GO TO SCHOOL?

Here are general guidelines to use when determining if your child should stay home from school:

- Temperature over 100.0 degrees/any fever within the last 24 hours
- Vomiting within the past 24 hours
- Frequent diarrhea stools; 3 or more within the last 24 hours
- Difficulty breathing
- Open sores that are draining and oozing
- Persistent coughing
- White part of eye is red and there is draining or oozing
- Unexplained rash
- Child acts or looks sick

This is a good time to remind your child about good handwashing, coughing into their sleeve, and keeping their hands away from their mouth, nose and eyes.

If your child is going to be absent from school, please call the school the morning of their absence at 217-444-3500.

If you have any questions contact the school nurse, Mrs. High, at 444-3500 or 444-3546.



District 118 Website



2022-2023 District 118 Pre-K Calendar

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2022-2023 District 118 Traditional K-4 Calendar

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