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Dan Malmberg Principal



NEWSLETTER December 2023

### From the Principal's Office

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving break! December is here and with it comes the excitement and anticipation of the holidays and winter break!

December also marks the end of the first trimester. One third of our school year is behind us. Report cards will be going home on the 5th. We already had Parent/Teacher conferences; however, if you have questions or concerns regarding your child's progress please contact their teacher. Your partnership in your child's education is very important.

On behalf of the Keller staff, we wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday season! Enjoy the winter break and the time with family!

Dan Malmberg, Principal: <a href="mailto:djmalmberg@gbaps.org">djmalmberg@gbaps.org</a>





## **Important Dates**

Dec 8th - Early Release 1:30 pm Dec 14th - Winter Concert 2:00 pm Dec 22nd No After School Program

Dec 25th - Jan 1st No School - Winter Break

## 1:30PM - Early Release Dates:

Dec 8 Feb 9 Apr 19



## Student Services Newsletter

(click on link above)



#### 5th Grade Music Options for Middle School

All 5th grade students will be learning about the music options for middle school during the month of December. Students will be asked to fill out a Google Form with their choice for music class for 6th grade. A copy of their response will be emailed to each student for parents to review. Please talk to your 5th grader about which music class they would like to take next year and contact their middle school counselor with any questions. Please be thoughtful in your selection as staffing the appropriate number of sections is crucial. While a couple of the middle schools have additional options, students will be able to choose between band, orchestra, or choir. Both band and orchestra require an instrument; if your student chooses to take one of these classes and if you are unable to provide an instrument, middle schools will work with your family to provide your student with one. Please see this link for different music choices 6th graders have to choose from at Lombardi.



### **Cold Weather:**

It is beginning to get colder so it's time to start sending coats, hats and mittens. Please be sure to **write your child's name** inside their coat and snow pants.

## **How to Contact Us**

Our telephone number for Keller Elementary School is 920-492-2685. If you wish to talk with a teacher, please try to do so during a time when class is not in session (7:30-8:45 am and 3:30-4:00 pm). All teachers have an email address they check daily. Email addresses can be found on the district website <a href="https://www.gbaps.org">www.gbaps.org</a> and visit our schools, Keller and then Staff Directory.

# **Community Links:**

Please check out the Student services newsletter for important Christmas Info

Barbie Event
Dance Unlimited

# Enjoy the Winter Break! December 25th through January 1st



Classes resume January 2, 2024

## Weather Related School Closing, Delays and Early Release Information

#### Dear Families:

With the winter season quickly approaching, I wanted to share some important reminders about school closings and delays.

#### **Notifications:**

- In order to ensure families are notified of a school closing or delay, the District will send out emails, automated phone calls and text messages to parents/guardians using our School Messenger notification system. If you have not "opted-in" to receive text messages, text "opt-in" or "subscribe" to 67587, if we have your cell phone number on record in Infinite Campus.
- The District will also notify the media, post the delay or closure on the District's/schools' websites, Facebook, Twitter, and on the District's mobile app. Download our mobile app at https://launch.customschoolapp.net/green-bay-sd/.
- When schools close early due to inclement weather, the District will notify the media at least one hour before the first students are released. Parents are also encouraged to check the District's website, Facebook and Twitter accounts, as well as the GBAPS mobile app for up-to-date information.

#### Early Dismissal:

- When the District determines the early dismissal time, parents will receive a communication about the new dismissal time. Whenever possible the District will attempt to dismiss after lunch has been served.
- For early dismissal days due to inclement weather, it is important that families have a plan in place. Students will not be dismissed prior to the assigned time unless parents/guardians pick them up.

Finally, I want to remind families that parents/guardians can always determine if they would prefer their students remain home from school on inclement weather days, should the decision be made to not close schools. In addition, should you decide that you would prefer to pick your child up on an inclement weather day, if school will not be dismissed early, you may do that as well. In either case, please be sure to notify the school office.

Somali Weather closing information
Spanish Weather Closing Information
Hmong Weather Closing Information

## 2024-25 Intra District Transfer/Open Enrollment Information

Priority Period: January 2 - January 31, 2024 opens at 8:00 am and closes at 4:00 pm

Applications submitted during this window will be considered prior to those submitted through

Open Enrollment (requests from outside the GBAPS District).

Notification of acceptance, denial or waitlist placement will be emailed by March 29, 2024.

2nd Period: February 5 - April 30, 2024 opens at 8:00 am and closes at 4:00 pm

Applications submitted during this window will be considered at the same time as applications submitted through regular Open Enrollment application period.

Notification of acceptance, denial or waitlist placement will be emailed by June 7, 2024.

3rd Period: May 1 - July 15, 2024 opens at 8:00 am and closes at 4:00 pm

Applications submitted during this window will be considered after applications submitted in Periods 1 and 2.

Final notification of acceptance or denial for this period and previous periods will be emailed by August 15, 2024.

The IDT application will be activated the morning of January 2rd, 2024 <a href="here">here</a>. This will be a Google Form application and can be completed easily from a cellular phone. If a parent/guardian needs assistance, please have them contact <a href="mailto:cr@gbaps.org">cr@gbaps.org</a>

- Applications must be completed by a parent/guardian and require entry of a
  parent/guardian email for communication purposes. The student's school email address
  should not be used. Decision letters will be sent to the email address indicated on the
  application.
- Students do not have to complete this application if they have previously been approved to the choice school, or the choice school's feeder schools, through Intra District Transfer, Administrative Transfer or Open Enrollment.
- Siblings of students already approved to the choice school *must* apply. Sibling preference is considered, but not guaranteed.
- Applicants should complete <u>online registration</u> only if their student is not currently enrolled in a GBAPS school.

**OPEN ENROLLMENT:** For students who reside **outside** of the GBAPS boundaries and want to attend a school with the GBAPS district.

Watch for more information in the near future!.

Contact Gena Kujava at <a href="mailto:gmkujava@gbaps.org">gmkujava@gbaps.org</a> or 920-272-7069 or 51060 with questions.



Dear Families,

During the **Dec 25th - Jan 1st** winter break from school, we are grateful to everyone for helping to restore a routine for showing up to school while supporting students and families.

We appreciate everyone's efforts to avoid taking extra time off during the winter break. As long as your child is healthy, please encourage showing up to class when school is in session.

Every day of school is an important opportunity for students to learn as well as to connect to their peers and teachers.

#### We thank:

- Our students and their families who do their best to show up daily even when it isn't easy.
- Our teachers who go above and beyond to make school a welcoming and safe place for all students to learn.
- Our administrators who help us work together to ensure we create a physically and emotionally safe and engaging learning environment.
- Our many, many healers and helpers the support staff and community volunteers who provide the extra hands and attention our children need.

We appreciate each one of you. May these days off be restful and healing.

- If your family or your child needs support, please reach out to Keller Elementary (920-492-2685) or Social Worker, Quinn Leisgang (920-448-2151) for help.
- Again, the winter break is from **Dec 25th Jan 1<sup>st</sup>.** We look forward to seeing you again when school resumes on **January 2<sup>nd</sup>**, 2024

Thank you for partnering with us!

Sincerely,

Keller Elementary Staff



#### Queridas familias,

Durante las vacaciones de invierno **Dec 25th - Jan 1st** de la escuela, estamos agradecidos con todos por ayudarnos a restaurar la rutina de asistir a la escuela mientras apoyamos a los estudiantes y las familias.

Agradecemos los esfuerzos de todos para evitar tomar tiempo libre adicional durante las vacaciones de invierno. **Mientras su hijo esté saludable, anímelo a asistir a clase cuando la escuela esté en sesión.** Cada día de clases es una oportunidad importante para que los estudiantes aprendan y se conecten con sus compañeros y maestros.

#### Nosotros agradecemos a:

- Nuestros estudiantes y sus familias que hacen todo lo posible para presentarse todos los días, incluso cuando no es fácil.
- Nuestros maestros que van más allá para hacer de la escuela un lugar agradable y seguro para que todos los estudiantes aprendan.
- Nuestros administradores que nos ayudan a trabajar juntos para garantizar que estemos sanos y seguros, tengamos un sentido de comunidad y que sintamos el entusiasmo del aprendizaje.
- Nuestros muchos ayudantes: el personal de apoyo y los voluntarios de la comunidad que brindan las manos adicionales y la atención que necesitan nuestros niños.

Agradecemos a cada uno de ustedes y les deseamos unos días de reposo y quietud.

- Si su familia o su hijo necesitan apoyo, comuníquese con Keller Elementary (920-492-2685) or Social Worker, Quinn Leisgang (920-448-2151) para obtener ayuda.
- Nuevamente, las vacaciones de invierno son **Dec 25th Jan 1st**. Esperamos verlo nuevamente cuando se reanuden las clases el **January 2**<sup>nd</sup>, **2024**.

¡Gracias por asociarse con nosotros! Sinceramente,

Keller Elementary Staff