

A R E N A E L E M E N T A R Y S C H O O L

September 2022



THE BEACON

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SAVE THE DATE!

September 5th
NO SCHOOL/Labor Day Holiday
September 8th
PICTURE DAY
September 22nd
Back to School Night
October 10th – 14th
Parent Conference Week
October 20th
Picture Make up Day

PICTURE DAY on September 8th

Order forms were sent home. Make sure your child is ready for the big day. Please have order forms filled out with EXACT PAYMENT with cash, check, or money order on Picture Day.

Please make money orders, or checks PAYABLE TO LIFETOUCH or order online at mylifetouch.com using our school ID # EVTRF726N

Thank you picture day volunteers for stepping up early! We appreciate your assistance on such an important day.

Back to School Night Thursday, September 22nd, 5:30-7:00pm

Welcome Families to Arena Elementary Back to School Night!

Come and meet the teachers, see the classrooms, and find ways you can support school and staff.

This evening is a time for the parents and guardians to meet the teachers and staff, ask questions and discuss what your child is learning at school. Please, if you bring your child to Back to School, keep them with you at all times. The playground will be closed.

Back to School Night Agenda

5:30-5:45pm Principal Address and Staff Introductions in the multipurpose room
6:00-7:00pm Grades K-5 Teacher Presentation in classrooms
Grades 6-8 Meet in your child's first period classroom. From there you may follow your child's personal schedule. The first period teacher will have a copy of your child's schedules.

Principal's Letter

9/1/22

Dear Arena Families,

I hope everyone has had a great start to the new school year. I know how hectic the first weeks of school can be for families and students as they get back into the school routines. I am happy to report that our students came ready to learn and were very excited about their new classrooms, teachers and getting back together with old friends. Let's keep their excitement alive! When they get home, be sure to ask about their day, have them show you their homework, both complete and incomplete, read with them at night or practice math facts (addition, subtraction, multiplication or division). Please keep in mind how important it is for your child/children to get plenty of rest and good food to keep them healthy and strong, not just in body but the mind as well.

We need some assistance with reminding students of Arena Elementary's cell phone expectations. Student cell phones must be powered off and placed in their backpacks during school hours. We are encountering too many disruptions from cell phone notifications, texts and calls during important instructional time. Additionally, conflicts around social media, which mostly occur outside of school hours, are brought to school and also disrupts valuable instructional time. Our mission is to have our students focus on their academics and improve their social skills in face to face, engaging interactions.

📧 WELCOME NEW STAFF!! We have 6 new teachers at Arena this school year. In the 6-8th grades we have Lauren Jones/Special Education and Aaron Allen/Math. In 4th grade/Brad Nitschneider, 1st grade/Elizabeth Greene, Kindergarten/Cindi Schmitz and Diana Valero/K-5 Special Education.

It is hard to believe that September is already upon us. Autumn is coming. Please remember to take the time to appreciate the natural beauty of this wonderful community we live in with your children. Go outside, at every opportunity, to explore and play.

Thank you to parents for getting the necessary school documents into the office. It helps us do our job of keeping your child safe. Finally, please read through the Beacon for important school events that are coming up during the month of September.

Be well and be kind.

Michelle Egger
Principal
Arena Elementary School



Back to School Forms

It is of great importance that we receive all of the back to school forms for your children.

Please make sure that the forms are filled out and returned as soon as possible.

The forms include: Emergency & Health Information, Walking Field Trip, Technology/Internet Agreement, Alternative Income application for meals, Parent/Student Acknowledge Signature page, Primary Health consent form, and the after-school program application.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call us at 882-2131. We are happy to help.

New Faces on Campus

Introductions are in order!

Please welcome our new staff members to our campus;

Diana Valero/K-5 Special Education Teacher

Lauren Jones/6-8 Special Education Teacher

Cindi Schmitz/Kindergarten Teacher

Liz Greene/Grade 1 Teacher

Brad Nitschneider/Grade 4 Teacher

Aaron Allen/Grades 6, 7 & 8 Math Teacher

Come by and make your introductions!

Introducing ParentSquare

Dear Families,

We are excited to announce that we adopted a new form of school-to-home communication at Arena Elementary School called ParentSquare. This unified communications platform is designed to keep parents and guardians informed and encourage greater engagement and connection with Arena Elementary School. It provides a safe way for district administrators, school principals, teachers, staff, and parents to:

- Send and receive school and class information
- Share pictures and files
- See calendar items
- Sign up to volunteer
- Schedule parent-teacher conferences
- and much more . . . all in one centralized place!

All district and school, grade level and classroom information will now be sent to your computer or phone via email and/or text. For even more convenience, download the ParentSquare app (available for free for iOS and Android devices).

You will receive a message to your email or text to your cellphone on how to connect to ParentSquare. You may visit parentsquare.com for a parent tutorial and discover how Parent Square links communication between parents, your child's teacher and our school.

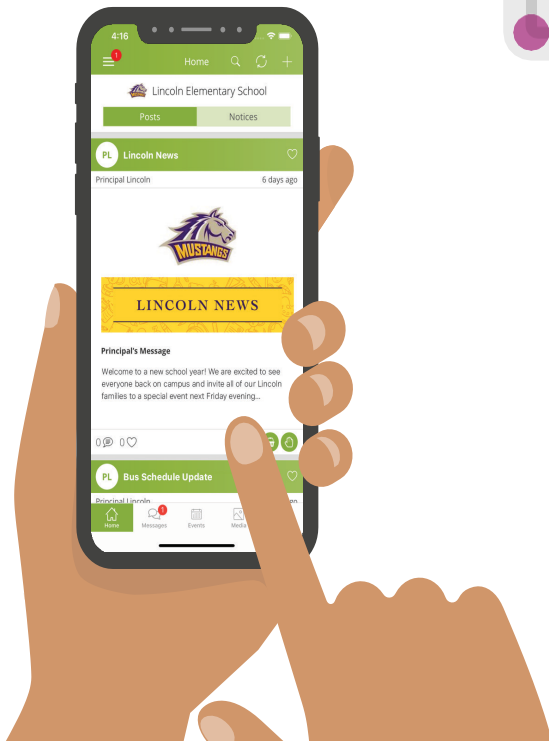
Download The *ParentSquare* App today!

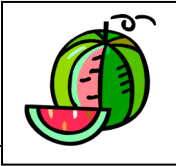
Stay involved with your student's learning and activities at school.

From anywhere.



ParentSquare





SEPTEMBER LUNCH MENU

Lunch includes:
8oz fluid
1% or Nonfat MILK

<p>ALL MEALS MEET USDA CHILD NUTRITIONAL STANDARDS</p>	<p>Menu subject to change due to availability of products</p>		<p>1 BEAN BURRITTO Spanish Rice ¾ c Caesar s Salad 1cp Banana 1c</p>	<p>CHEESE PIZZA 3oz Caesar Salad1c Cheese Stick1oz Cookie Fruit cup¾ c</p>
<p>5 LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>6 Chicken Tenders 3oz Ranch Dressing 2oz Oven fries1/2 c Cole slaw 1c Banana¾ c</p>	<p>7 SALAMI SANDWICH 3oz WW bread 2oz Veggie sticks¾ c kettle Chips1oz FRUIT CUP ¾c</p>	<p>8 HAMBURGER3oz ww Bun 2oz CHILI BEANS4oz Let & tom 1/8/c Garden salad 1c Orange slices 1c</p>	<p>9 TUNA or PBJ SANDWICH 3oz WW BREAD2oz chips 1oz Garden Salad 1c Ranch dressing 1.5 oz Melon Slices 1cp</p>
<p>12 HAM& CHEESE SANDWICH 3oz WW bread 2oz Carrot sticks¾c Sun Chip1ozs Fruit cup¾c</p>	<p>13 PASTA W/ marinara 3oz WW Roll 2oz Garden salad1c Ranch Dressing 2oz Melon wedge¾c</p>	<p>14 HOT DOG 3oz ww Bun 2oz Baked Beans 1/2/ cp Veggie sticks¾ c Chips1oz Fresh apple¾c</p>	<p>15 CHICKEN NUGGETS 3oz Oven fries1/2c Caesar salad1c Banana¾c</p>	<p>16 TURKEY SANDWICH2oz WW Bread 2oz Mixed veggies1c Chips1oz Orange wedge¾</p>
<p>19 MAC & CHEESE Wedge 3oz Veggie sticks¾c Corn bread Orange wedge¾c</p>	<p>20 CHICKEN BURGER3oz On ww bun2oz Oven fries 1/2c Garden salad1c Banana¾c</p>	<p>21 TAQUTIO 3oz Tortia Chips 1oz Jicama sticks¾c Melon wedge ¾c</p>	<p>22 TURKEY SANDWICH2oz wwbread Lett& tomato1/8 Sun Chips1oz Carrots sticks1cp Fresh apple¾c</p>	<p>23 CHEESE PIZZA 4oz Garden salad 1c Ranch dressing 2oz watermelon¾c Cookie</p>
<p>26 CORNDOG 3oz BAKED BEANS ¾c GARDEN SALAD 1c FRESH FRUIT 1cup</p>	<p>27 NACHOS Refried beans 4oz Garden Salad 1c orange Slices 1 cp</p>	<p>28 HAM & CHEESE Sandwich 3oz Ww Bread 2oz Sun Chips 1oz Veggie sticks ¾c Apple Slices 1c</p>	<p>29 HOTDOG 2oz WWBUN 2oz Tator Tots¾c CARROTS ¾c APPLE SLICES ¾c</p>	<p>30 TURKEY SANDWICH2oz WW bread 2oz LETT-TOM 1/8 C GARDEN salad 1C WATERMELEON SLICES ¾c</p>

BACK TO SCHOOL WORD SEARCH

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Y Z S P O G Y Q F F V C T J Z
R R J V F R S R M W A L M I T
E G A Z Y E I H O R E L A V I
D N Z T N E C B O A I A L L M
I K F O N N W I R K D H I I H
E X J D U E X N S S Y G C B C
N B S L M L M U S S X N N R S
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C Z U C U B C Y L C T N P R S
S M A S K O O B C E L I A Y C
T S T R O P S P M R A D A N H
I O Y O A C A A L L E N T M O
N U M B E R S C A S H X E P O
H H O M E W O R K P Y Y S R L
S R Y O O P O I N T A R E N A

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Can you find all of the words hidden in the puzzle above? The words might be backwards, forwards, up, down, or written diagonally.

Look for our new teachers on campus too!

AALLEN
BANDAGE
CLASSROOM
FALL
GREENE
ICE
LIBRARY
NITSCHNEIDER
POINT ARENA
SCHOOL

ARENA ELEMENTARY
BOOKS
DESK
FRIENDS
HEALTH
JONES
LUNCH
NUMBERS
RECESS
SPORTS

BACKPACK
BUS
DININGHALL
GRADE
HOMEWORK
LEARN
MASK
PENCIL
SCHMITZ
VALERO