

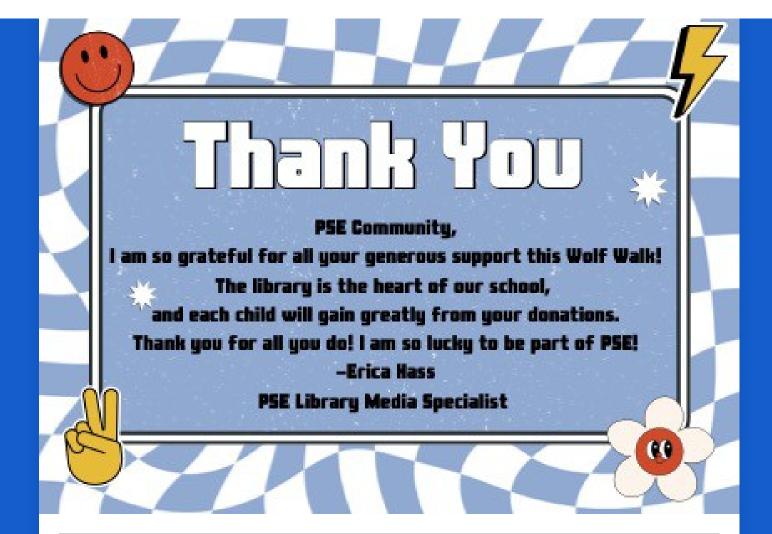
Week of September 23rd!

Thank YOU!!!

Thank you to our amazing Wolf Walk committee, which organized and worked endless hours this week. When you see Kelsey Antcliff (and the entire family), Jamie Ballek, Lauren Bohning, Erica Bunton, and Crystal Yeggy, please tell them thank you for supporting PSE and all their work to make this week successful.

We raised over \$41,000 to support our PSE students and library. Thank you for your generous donations!

Thank you to Sally Groesbeck and the volunteers who helped with class photos this past Monday. We appreciate all that you do to make PSE shine.



Yearbook Candid Photo Uploads

It's that time of year again! Time to start sending in your yearbook candids that you have been collecting. This year, we have a direct link to upload to: Photo Share: Be in the yearbook more. A lot more.

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When you get to the site, you will enter your guardian info and email and will receive a verification code. Then you can upload your images and tag with your student's name and grade. The events we currently need are: Movie Night, Sneak-a-peek, First Day of School and Wolf Walk/Spirit Week.

Throughout the year if you have pictures of extra curriculars like sports/recitals/competitions/community service/scouts we would love to include those as well. No playdates, vacations or parties, please! Thanks in advance for helping to make our yearbook!

Questions? Email us at prairiestaryearbook@gmail.com.

Sally Groesbeck, Abbie Moles & Amy Warren Yearbook Co-Chairs

Volunteers needed for Hearing and Vision Screening

It is time for our annual Hearing & Vision screening. Nurse Karen needs our help coordinating the students to their screenings. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. You are welcome to sign up for one or both shifts. We wouldn't be able to do this without your help! Thank you for volunteering your time.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054FABAE2DA64-51279059-hearing

Donuts with DUDES!!!

Calling all Dads or other amazing Adult:

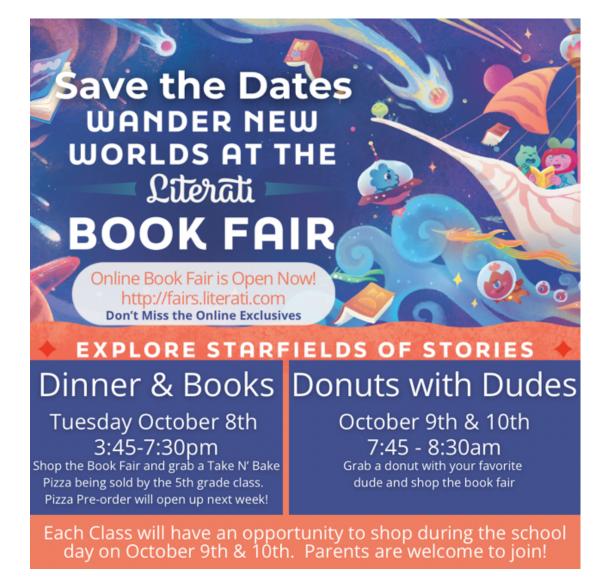
Join us for **Donuts with Dudes** in the cafeteria on October 9 and 10 anytime from 7:45 to 8:25 a.m. You and your student can enjoy a *complimentary* breakfast, which includes donuts, fruit, milk, juice, and Roasterie coffee. Last names A-M should come on October 9 and N-Z on October 10. If you need to switch days, that should be fine. We hope to have about half the families each day to spread out the crowd and help with parking!

Counselor Corner

Kindergarten - Second grade completed Quest 1 of our Social Thinking Curriculum this week. The objective of the lesson this week was to learn how to become a flexible thinker. We read a story that involved two children having "stuck" thinking. The story describes how others feel when we have "stuck" thinking. It also showed the power of flexible thinking and how it affects others when we are flexible. As a class, we would look at facial expressions using our Social Detective skills (using our eyes, ears, brain, and heart) to figure out what others are thinking and feeling. Next week, 3rd through 5th grade will be introduced to The Thinkables and The Unthinkabots!

Community Celebrations and Observances 24-25

Our district's Diversity Team has produced a series of monthly celebrations and observances. Please include the linked graphics in your newsletters for the next few months starting this weekend—**Sept. 13**. The Diversity Team will add more for the second semester later in the year. COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS & OBSERVANCES 2024-25.



PSE Spirit Days

- 10/4-BV high colors-wear black and gold
- 10/18-PSE Spirit Wear
- 11/11-Thank a Veteran-Red, White and Blue Day
- 11/22-Warm and cozy day-slipper day
- 12/12-12/20-7 Days of Holiday Cheer



Mark your calendars for the 2024-25 K-5 teacher professional collaboration days.

As we kick off the 2024-25 school year, I want to remind families about the teacher professional collaboration days designed for teacher plan and collaboration time. These eight days, which occur throughout the school year, are non-student attendance days for K-5 students. These days are vital to ensure the best possible preparation for our elementary students and key to quality teacher retention.

The following days, which can be found in the <u>2024-25 calendar</u> on the district website, have been designated as teacher professional collaboration days:

- September 27
- November 1
- December 6
- January 31
- February 28
- April 11
- May 2

Thank you for your support and partnership as we ensure our educators have adequate plan and collaboration time. Have a wonderful school year!

Safe Schools Reporting

Blue Valley Schools is committed to promoting and fostering a safe environment in and around all our schools. We are continuously working to prevent, mitigate, respond to and recover from a wide range of situations. Please check out <u>available ways to report safety concerns</u>.



THE BRAIN, BEHAVIOR, AND LEARNING

Understanding and Supporting Your Child's Nervous System

BV Well and Blue Valley School Counselors, Social Workers and Psychologists invite you to this FREE session designed especially for early elementary (K-2) parents and caregivers. Presented by **Dr. Dustin Springer**, this workshop will:

- explore the connections between early brain development, behavior, and learning through the lens of applied educational neuroscience
- examine how to support your child both at school and home with the understanding that behaviors are often signs of nervous system dysregulation
- offer practical strategies and deeper understanding for creating environments that promote regulation, resilience, and optimal learning for every child.

A **Panel Discussion with Dr. Springer and Blue Valley educational leaders** will follow the presentation. The session is free but please register in advance via the QR code below.



Dr. Dustin Springer is an experienced educator with 27 years of service as an elementary teacher, a community school liaison, and now an elementary school administrator. He is also a consultant for Revelations in Education and a renowned author and international speaker specializing in applied educational neuroscience and trauma-responsive practices. He serves as affiliate staff at Butler University, co-teaching in the applied educational neuroscience certification program alongside Dr. Lori Desautels. Guided by the belief that "hard work is heart work," he is committed to leading a much-needed paradigm shift in education, fostering connection, equity, and resilience within school communities.





Dr. Springer's presentation sponsored by:





I NEED TO STAY HOME IF...

I have a Fever	I am Vomiting	I have Diarrhea	I have a Rash	I have head lice	I have the Flu, Covid-19, or RSV	I have Strep Throat	I have a bacterial eye infection	I have Pertussis (Whooping cough)
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100°F or above	Within the last 24 hours	Two or more loose or watery stools within the last 24 hours	Rash with itching or fever	Presence of live lice and/or nits within ¼" of scalp	Flu symptoms, fever, or positive test	Positive test	Bacterial conjunctivitis with inflammation and discharge	Positive test

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM...

Fever-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication	No vomiting for 24 hours	Diarrhea-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication	Cleared by a physician	After treatment with an antiparasitic shampoo	Symptoms are getting better AND no fever for 24 hours without the aid of medication	Past 24 hours of antimicrobial therapy or after 10 days if not receiving therapy	Started on prescribed therapy	Done with antibiotic therapy
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