

WILLOW WEEKLY

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February 12, 2021

NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE/ PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR

*Make sure your child eats a hearty breakfast each morning

IN PERSON STUDENTS: **BUNDLE UP ITS COLD OUTSIDE, WEAR A MASK, BRING DEVICES & CHARGERS EVERYDAY

Monday, Feb 15-

PRESIDENT'S DAY

School In Session

Remote Kindergarten 1:25-3:25pm/Special Tues-Fri 8:45-9:15am

Remote XC1-Mrs. Theo 1:25-3:25pm/ Special M-F *K & 2 8:45-9:15am* 1st 2:55-3:25pm

Remote 1st Grade 8:25-12:30pm/ Special M-F 2:55-3:25pm

Remote 2nd Grade 12:55-3:25pm/ Special M-F 8:45-9:15am

Remote 3rd Grade 12:55-3:25pm/ Special M-F 10:55-11:30am

Remote 4th Grade 12:55-3:25pm/ Special M-F 10:55-11:30am

Remote 5th Grade 12:55-3:25pm/ Special M-F 10:55-11:30am

Remote XC2-Ms.Esposito 1:25-3:25pm / Special M-F 10:55-11:30am

Remote 6th-8th Grade 12:55pm-3:25pm

Remote and In Person Learning XC3-Mrs.Tristano 8:25-11:30am/ Specials 12:55-3:25p

In person Kindergarten 8:25-12:30pm/ Special Tues-Fri 2:55-3:25pm

In Person XC1-Mrs.Theo 8:25-12:30pm/ Special 2:55-3:25pm

In Person 1st Grade 8:25-12:30pm/ Special 2:55-3:25pm

In Person 2nd Grade 8:25-12:30pm/ Special 2:55-3:25pm

In Person 3rd Grade 8:25-11:30pm / Special 12:55-1:30pm

In Person 4th Grade 8:25-11:30am/ Special 12:55-1:30pm

In Person 5th Grade 8:25-11:30am/ Special 12:55-1:30pm

In Person XC2-Ms.Esposito 8:25-12:30pm/Special 12:55-1:30pm

In Person 6th-8th Grade 8:25-11:30am

In person CD-Ms.Daley-8:30-12:30pm

Tuesday, February 16-See schedule above

Wednesday, February 17- See schedule above

Thursday, February 18- See schedule above

Virtual Support Group "Managing Fear" –Zoom Meeting 7:00pm (see attached flyer)

Friday, February 19- See schedule above

PLEASE NOTE:
SCHEDULE DOES
NOT CHANGE

Same schedule all week

Students are ONLY
allowed to switch from
in person to remote
learning if they are in
quarantine from COVID
or exposure

Participation requires approval
from Nurse Lisa or Mrs.Smuda

Coming up:

Monday-Feb 22-Washingtons Birthday-School In Session

Tuesday, Feb 23-In Person Board Meeting 6:30pm

Monday, March 1-Casimir Pulaski Day-No School

Tuesday, March 2- Kindergarten Screening *by appointment only (see attached flyer)

Friday, March 12-End of the 3rd Quarter

Friday, March 19-The 3rd Quarter Report Cards should arrive home today

Monday, March 29- Monday, April 5- Spring Break*No School

Grab and Go Meals

ALL children under the age of 18 can get a free meal! Meals are first come first serve. In person students can take a breakfast/lunch home with them.

YOU MUST WEAR A MASK TO PICK UP MEALS

Monday, Feb 15- Lunch-Able
Tuesday, Feb 16- Chicken Sandwich
Wednesday, Feb 17- Cheese Pizza Lunch-able
Thursday, Feb 18- Turkey Sandwich
Friday, Feb 19- Soy PB&J Sandwich



Pick up meals 10:00-10:30am ONLY at the Willow Springs School office or Sterling Estates Clubhouse parking lot

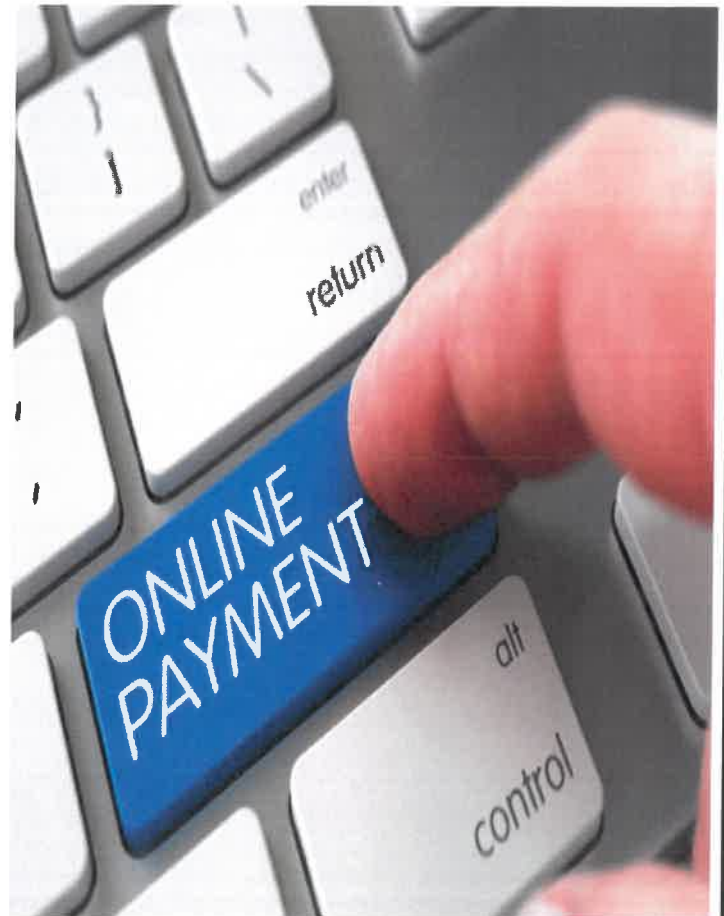
In person learning students will only be allowed to take 1 bagged lunch home with them. Families who need more than 1 lunch MUST pick up lunches during the scheduled times of 10:00-10:30am.

ONLINE PAYMENT SYSTEM IS UP AND RUNNING

Need to make an online payment?
Please follow the instructions below:

- Parents log into their parent portal
- Click the "Misc." Tab
- Click on the "Fees Option"
- Click on "make online payment"
- Follow the prompts to tell it what fees you are paying and then enter your payment information.

For questions regarding fees, please call Mrs. Wacker 708-839-6828



Take a Parent Survey!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Students, teachers and parents across Illinois have an opportunity to participate in the annual statewide Illinois 5-Essentials Survey. Conducted by the University of Chicago, this survey is designed to generate a detailed picture of the inner workings of your child's school. As a parent, this opportunity will allow you to share your thoughts on the important elements of school effectiveness at Willow Springs School. For this year, questions about the pandemic have been included.

The Illinois 5Essentials Survey will be conducted virtually. It should take you about 8 minutes to complete.

To take the survey, please visit

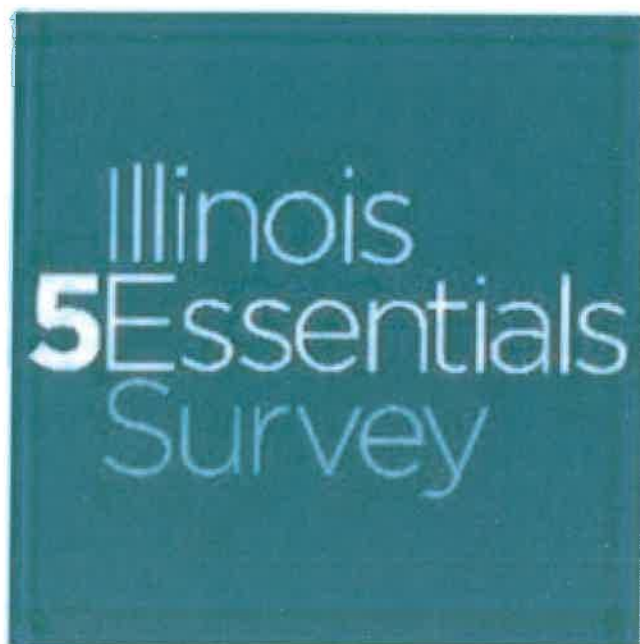
<http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/>

to begin.

Thank you in advance for you participation,

Mrs. Lori Smuda

Principal



News in Specials

Since we have moved to the Blended Instructional Model, the PE, Art, and Music classes are not connected to the regular ed schedule. Sometimes the classes are very early in the morning, while other classes are in late afternoon. To accommodate families, we have classified these classes as "enrichment". **IF** your child attends, they will participate as usual and the teachers will assess as usual, too. **IF** your child does not attend these classes, they will not be penalized.

Because of this change, the overall report card grades are changing too. Students in grades 1st-5th will receive a P for Pass, if they attain a 50% or higher. Or, they may receive a NA for Not Applicable, if they get an average of 49% or lower.

We know an arts education can really help a child in the social emotional domain, so please try to get your child logged on to attend, especially during this COVID time.

Mrs. Smuda

Principal

**BE A SUPERHERO!
WEAR YOUR MASK.**



Parenting During the Age of COVID



Attend a session and automatically get entered to win a \$25.00 Amazon Gift Card

Dear Parents/Guardians:

We know that COVID has presented many parenting challenges, big and small. At Willow Springs School we have looked for new ways to provide support to the parents of our students. Through a partnership with Advocate Aurora Health, we are pleased to offer a series of virtual support group discussions in February focusing on Parenting During the Age of COVID. These sessions will be **FREE** and conducted online, allowing you to conveniently participate from home. A pediatrician and licensed counselors on staff at Advocate Aurora Health will serve as session moderators.



You are invited to attend any of the sessions below. Advance registration is NOT required and participants may choose to remain anonymous if they prefer. Each session is one hour in length and will begin at **7:00 pm**.

The topics for the remaining sessions are outlined below:

Next Session



- **February 18 - Managing Fear – Learn strategies and tactics to reduce COVID-related fear**

- **February 25 - Wellbeing for Families – Understand how to make a whole family health and wellbeing plan**

We'll include a reminder in the Willow Weekly and a link to the Zoom sessions. If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Litko – mlitko@willowsspringsschool.org or call 708-839-6828.

WINTER WEATHER

A friendly reminder to parents to bundle up their student(s) for school

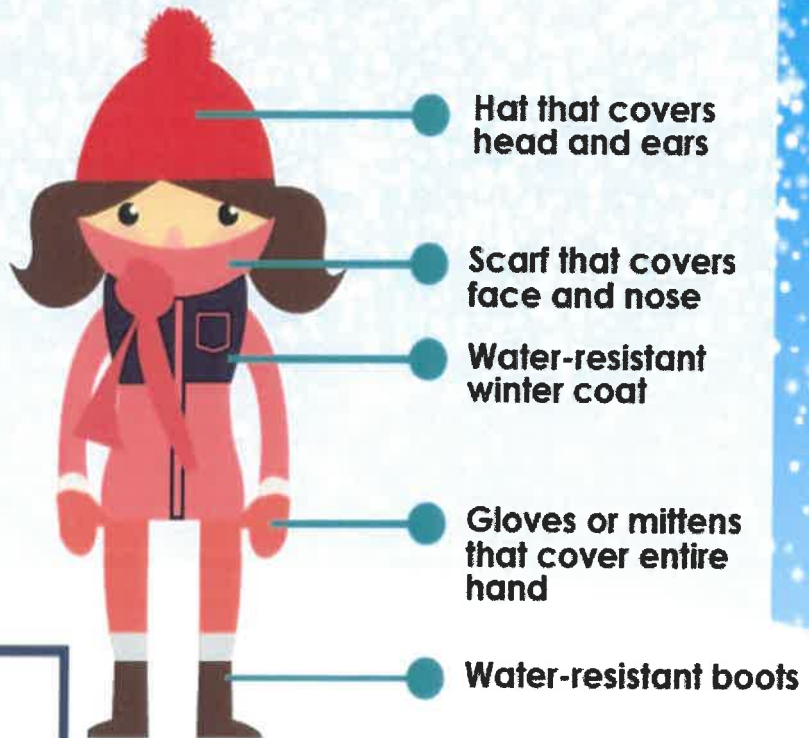
8:10am Morning Supervision, Is it indoor or outdoor?

Indoors: The temperature is 19 degrees or lower or its raining. K-8 Students will walk directly to their class starting at 8:10am

Outdoors: The temperature is 20 degrees and above. All K-8 students will remain outside until the bell rings

When the weather is very cold, stay indoors or dress in layers to prevent serious health problems.

KEEP WARM
PROTECT
& COVER



Don't forget
your mask!



Staff supervision begins at 8:10am. Do not leave your child unattended prior to that time.

Kindergarten Screenings

Tuesday, March 2, 2021

WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION AND SCREENING

Willow Springs School District # 108, 8345 Archer Ave, Willow Springs IL 60480, will hold kindergarten **pre-registration and screening** on Tuesday, March 2, 2021.

Registration will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The screening of your child is very important and will take approximately 30-45minutes.

If your child will be five years old on or before September 1, 2021, he/she is eligible to enter kindergarten for the 2021/2022 school year.

In order to pre-register your child, you must bring with you **ONE** proof of residency. This must be a current State ID, Driver's License, lease, mortgage bill, or property tax bill. A copy of your child's original Birth Certificate is also required. **ONLY** the parent and the child will be allowed to enter the building for this appointment. Temperatures will be taken. Masks must be worn at all times. To register please call Ms. Flores in the school office 708-839-6828.

Willow Springs School District 108

FEBRUARY 2021



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Turkey Bologna Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Baked Chips Milk	2 Corned Beef Sandwich w/Swiss Cheese Vegetable Fruit Milk	3 Turkey Ham Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Pudding Cup Baked Chips Milk	4 Chicken Sandwich on a Bun Vegetable, Fruit, String Cheese Baked Chips Milk	5 Soy Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Baked Chips Milk
8 Roast Beef Sandwich with Cheese Vegetable Fruit Milk	9 Turkey Sandwich Vegetable Fruit, Jell-O Baked Chips Milk	10 Corned Beef Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Goldfish Crackers Milk	11 Turkey Bologna Sandwich Vegetable Fruit String Cheese Milk	12 Lunch-able Vegetable Fruit Chips Milk
15 Lunch-able Vegetable Fruit Chips Milk	16 Chicken Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Pudding Milk	17 Cheese Pizza Lunch-able Vegetable Fruit Milk	18 Turkey Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Baked Chips Milk	19 Soy Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Milk
22 Roast Beef Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Baked Chips Milk	23 Corned Beef Sandwich Cheese Vegetable Fruit Milk	24 Turkey Bologna Sandwich Vegetable Fruit String Cheese Milk	25 Turkey Ham Sandwich Cheese Vegetable Fruit Pudding Milk	26 Lunch-able Vegetable Fruit Chips Milk

Student Lunch Menu











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ALL LUNCHESES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.....

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February

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2  	3	4 8th Grade Graduation Picture Day  In-Person Students Only COVID Parent Meeting "COVID Concerns" 7pm - 8pm	5 3rd Quarter Mid-Term	6
7	8	9	10	11 8th Grade Graduation Picture Day  Remote 8th Grade Students come between 8:40 - 11:00 COVID Parent Meeting "Parenting During Uncertain Times" 7pm - 8pm	12 3rd Quarter Mid-Term Reports Home  Lincoln's Birthday	13
14 	15  Presidents Day	16	17	18 COVID Parent Meeting "Managing Fear" 7pm - 8pm	19	20
21	22  Washington's Birthday	23 School Board Meeting 6:30pm	24	25 COVID Parent Meeting "Wellbeing for Families" 7pm - 8pm	26	27
28	Parenting During the Age of COVID Meetings - Zoom Link will be in the Willow Weekly each week If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Litko - mlitko@willowsspringschool.org or 708-467-3554				