



News From the 'Woods

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Important Dates

A Letter from the Principal – April 2025



Important Dates:

March 31 - April 1: Teaching Institute Day - No School

April 2: Students return from Spring Break!

April 3-16: IAR testing begins

April 8-9: PFA Screenings at District Office

April 9: Board of Education Meeting @ District Office

April 17: Early Release Day @ 1:30 / NO PM Kindergarten Today

April 18: No School

Looking Ahead:

May 9: 5th Grade Candor Health Presentations

May 11: Happy Mother's Day

May 23: Early Release Day @ 1:30 / NO AM Kindergarten Today (PM Class: 8:30 - 11:30)

May 26: Memorial Day - No School

June 3: Last Day of School

Estimadas familias de Worthwoods:

¡Esperamos que hayan disfrutado de sus vacaciones de primavera! Es difícil creer que ya sea abril. El jueves 4 de abril, los estudiantes de 3.º a 5.º grado comenzarán las pruebas IAR. Por favor, asegúrense de que su hijo/a llegue puntualmente a la escuela y descanse bien. ¡Animamos a todos nuestros estudiantes a dar lo mejor de sí!

Preparación para el IAR

Los exámenes comenzarán el jueves 3 de abril para los grados 3.º a 5.º. Los estudiantes tendrán exámenes de Lengua y Literatura Inglesas (ELA) y Matemáticas. Los estudiantes de 5.º grado tendrán un examen adicional de Ciencias. Los estudiantes usarán sus Chromebooks y auriculares para el examen. Durante el examen, no se permite que los estudiantes tengan relojes inteligentes ni teléfonos celulares encendidos. Por favor, asegúrense de que su hijo/a llegue a la escuela a tiempo para que pueda completar el examen.

Clima

Por favor, tengan en cuenta la temperatura diaria, ya que los estudiantes saldrán al recreo todos los días (si el clima lo permite). Les pedimos que se vistan apropiadamente para abrigarse. Con la llegada del invierno, esto incluye gorros, guantes y bufandas.

Chromebooks

Los estudiantes de 1.º a 5.º grado trajeron Chromebooks a casa durante los meses de invierno. Con la llegada de la primavera, ¡ya no enviaremos Chromebooks a casa en caso de mal tiempo!

Tráfico

La seguridad es nuestra prioridad al considerar el tráfico durante la recogida y la entrega. Tenga en cuenta que no se permite estacionar autos en Oketo y que los padres/alumnos no deben subir ni bajar de los autos en la calle. Además, preste atención al guardia de cruce y siga las instrucciones. Tenga paciencia. No se permite que los autos rebasen a otros autos mientras esperan. Esto representa un grave riesgo de seguridad.

Plan de estudios

Lectura: Nuestros estudiantes y maestros han estado trabajando arduamente en la implementación de nuestro nuevo currículo de lectura, Wit and Wisdom. Cuando estén leyendo en casa, pregúntenle a su hijo/a qué observa y qué le genera curiosidad. Han

estado teniendo conversaciones académicas muy enriquecedoras en el aula, donde observan y se preguntan.

Tecnología

Por favor, recuérdale a su hijo que lo que hace en la computadora en la escuela está siendo monitoreado. Uso inapropiado de la tecnología.

Recuérdale a su hijo que lo que hace en la computadora en la escuela está supervisado. El uso inapropiado de la tecnología resultará en la pérdida del privilegio de tener un dispositivo.

Pedido de comidas

Los padres y tutores deben reservar con antelación los desayunos y almuerzos para los alumnos de 1.º a 5.º grado. Si no los pidió para septiembre, asegúrese de que su hijo/a desayune y prepare su almuerzo a diario. Puede encontrar información sobre cómo hacer pedidos en el sitio web de nuestro distrito: <https://worthschools.org/parents/meal-program/>

La ventana para pedir desayuno y almuerzo para mayo se abrirá el 9 de abril y se cerrará el 14 de abril.

Menú del almuerzo de abril



LUNCH SPECIALS - APRIL 2025 WORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT 127



LUNCH MENU
ALL STUDENTS
ELIGIBLE FOR A
FREE LUNCH
DAILY.
PLEASE SEE
THE DISTRICT
WEBSITE FOR
INSTRUCTIONS.

ON-LINE
ORDERS MUST
BE PLACED BY:
FRIDAY, MARCH
21, 2025



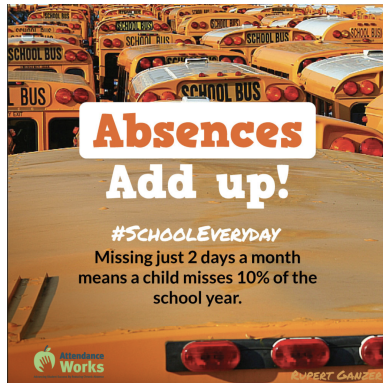
**MENU
SUBJECT
TO
CHANGE.**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
31 NO SCHOOL STAFF INSTITUTE DAY	1 NO SCHOOL STAFF INSTITUTE DAY	2 100% ALL BEEF HOT DOG Baked Lays Potato Chips Vegetarian Baked Beans Apple Slices Choice of Milk	3 100% ALL BEEF CHEESEBURGER SLIDERS Pickles Steamed Corn Mandarin Oranges Choice of Milk	4 SOFT PRETZEL & CHEESE SAUCE Carrots & Steamed Broccoli Fresh Grapes Choice of Milk
7 MINI CONFETTI PANCAKES w/ syrup Raspberry Rainbow Yogurt Potato Smiles Apple Slices Choice of Milk	8 STRAWBERRY YOGURT PARFAIT String Cheese Ranch Roasted Broccoli Carnival Cookie Choice of Milk	9 CHICKEN NUGGETS w/ barbeque or ketchup Baby Carrots w/ ranch Applesauce Choice of Milk	10 BONELESS CHICKEN WINGS w/ barbeque sauce Cornbread Vegetarian Baked Beans Banana Choice of Milk	11 BOSCO STICKS w/ MARINARA Steamed Green Beans Tropical Fruit Salad Choice of Milk
14 CHICKEN PARMESAN w/ Mashed Potatoes Vegetarian Baked Beans Fresh Apple Choice of Milk	15 CHICKEN TENDERS w/ barbeque or ketchup Steamed Broccoli Applesauce & Cookie Choice of Milk	16 CHEESY BEEF NACHOS w/ Sour Cream Salsa Tropical Fruit Salad Choice of Milk	17 MINI PIZZA BAGELS Celery & Steamed Corn Pineapple Chunks Choice of Milk	18 NO SCHOOL SPRING FRIDAY
21 ORANGE CHICKEN BOWL w/ fortune cookie Steamed Snap Peas Pineapple Chunks Choice of Milk	22 100% ALL BEEF HOT DOG Baked Lays Potato Chips Baby Carrots w/ ranch Fresh Fruit Salad Choice of Milk	23 MACARONI AND CHEESE Steamed Green Peas Banana Choice of Milk	24 POPCORN CHICKEN w/ Pretzel Goldfish Crackers Vegetarian Baked Beans Apple Choice of Milk	25 PERSONAL CHEESE PIZZA Fresh Broccoli w/ ranch Tropical Fruit Salad Choice of Milk
28 CHICKEN AND WAFFLES w/ syrup Carrots w/ ranch Apple Slices Choice of Milk	29 100% MINI CHICKEN CORN DOGS Baked Potato Wedges Peaches Choice of Milk	30 CHICKEN SALAD PITA SNACK PACK Cucumbers Watermelon Applesauce Choice of Milk	In accordance with Federal Law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call toll free (866) 632-9992 (Voice). Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800)877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.	

Comunicación con los padres

Solicitamos a todos los padres que se registren en nuestra plataforma de comunicación del distrito, School Messenger, ya que la utilizamos regularmente para comunicarles información importante. Si ha cambiado recientemente su información de contacto o desea revisarla, puede seguir las instrucciones que aparecen en el sitio web del distrito: <https://worthschools.org/parents/communication/>

Asistencia



Protocolo de ausencias/enfermedades

Tenga en cuenta que todos los estudiantes deben estar libres de síntomas durante 24 horas antes de regresar a la escuela. Esto incluye no tener fiebre, diarrea ni vómitos. Si su hijo/a falta, llame a la oficina antes de las 8:30 a. m. Todas las ausencias deben reportarse.

Consulte la página web del Distrito Escolar 127 de Worth en www.worthschools.org Para cualquier otra información. ¡Siempre invitamos a los padres a contactarnos si tienen preguntas o inquietudes adicionales!

Atentamente,

Ms. Ashley Toms Bonnstetter
Worthwoods School Principal

Mrs. Alyse Koehler
Worthwoods School Assistant Principal

Important Parent Information

Daily Student Schedule

Grades 1-5
8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Kindergarten
AM: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
PM: 12:15 - 3:15 p.m.

Kindergarten students were enrolled in sessions based on availability at the time of registration.

Phone Information

School Messenger - Worth School District uses an automated telephone system to email and call parents with important information, updates, and information regarding emergency school closings.

Calls are made to the phone number designated by the parent/legal guardian.

Please make sure the school always has your most up-to-date phone number and email.

District Website - www.worthschools.org

Worthwoods Main Office Phone - 708-448-2802

Attendance

Attendance will be taken at 8:30 a.m. for ALL students.

P.M. Kindergarten will take attendance at 12:15 p.m.

Please call the office to report any absences or late arrivals.

If your child is sick, please call the
ABSENCE HOTLINE
708-671-5899

The Absence Hotline answering machine is on 24 hours per day.

Meal Ordering

Meal orders are available for grades 1-8 only. No meals will be provided for K.

If you are in need of assistance with ordering, please call the Nutrition Hotline at 708-671-3903.

Meal ordering information is now available on the district website:

<https://worthschools.org/parents/meal-program/>

Late Arrivals / Early Dismissals

Students who are late for school must be signed-in by school personnel.

Students leaving early from their regularly scheduled school day will need to be signed out in the office.

The designated pick-up person will need to provide a government issued ID to be scanned and returned before the school will release the student for dismissal.

Please call the office to let us know you will be picking up early.

District 127 Early Dismissal Days

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I hope your child's 2024/2025 school year is off to a great start. This letter is an **essential reminder** of early dismissal dates for staff Professional Development and school improvement. Please review the table below and make special note if your child is in Early Childhood, Pre-K, or Kindergarten.

- **Early Childhood** will not attend in person but will have remote instruction.
- **Pre-K** is not in session for all early dismissal dates.
- **AM and PM Kindergarten** will **alternate attending AM** in person except on December 20.
 - Kindergarten is not in session on December 20.

Date	EC	Pre-K	Kindergarten	1-5, WW/WE	WJH
Friday, September 27	Remote	Not in session	AM: 8:30-11:30 PM: Not in session	1:30 Dismissal	1:15 Dismissal
Friday, November 1	Remote	Not in session	AM: Not in session PM: 8:30-11:30	1:30 Dismissal	1:15 Dismissal
Friday, December 6	Remote	Not in session	AM: 8:30-11:30 PM: Not in session	1:30 Dismissal	1:15 Dismissal
*Friday, December 20	Remote	Not in session	NOT IN SESSION	1:30 Dismissal	1:15 Dismissal
Friday, February 14	Remote	Not in session	AM: Not in session PM: 8:30-11:30	1:30 Dismissal	1:15 Dismissal
Thursday, April 17	Remote	Not in session	AM: 8:30-11:30 PM: Not in session	1:30 Dismissal	1:15 Dismissal
Friday, May 23	Remote	Not in session	AM: Not in session PM: 8:30-11:30	1:30 Dismissal	1:15 Dismissal

*Staff are dismissed after student dismissal—no Professional Development.

Please contact your child's building principal with questions or concerns regarding early dismissal dates.

Drop-Off / Pick-Up Procedures

Arrival @ 8:15 - 8:30 AM

- *Grades 1-5 and AM K: Gym Doors*
- *PM K: Door 1, front door of the building*
- Follow the circular pattern towards the back of the north parking lot.
- All students will enter the **Gym doors** starting at 8:15.
- Students should exit from the **passenger side** of the car only.
- Pull as far forward as possible to allow 3-4 cars to unload at one time.

Dismissal @ 3:15

- *Grades K-2: Door 1, front door*
- *Grades 3-5: Gym doors*
- Plan to arrive between 2:55 - 3:10 as we **close** the parking lot at **3:12**.
- **Back into a parking spot** or line up in rows at the back of the parking lot.
- The parking lot will reopen once all children have safely cleared the area.
- Cars will be dismissed from front to back.

