





It's Worth Reading

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Important Dates February	 A LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL - FEBRUARY 
<p><u>February</u></p> <p>2 – 100th Day</p> <p>6/7 – Kindergarten registration (appt)</p> <p>7 – Worth BOE Mtg @ 6pm</p> <p>March Breakfast/ Lunch menus released</p> <p>9 – Cozy Coat Drive @ WE @ 3:30pm</p> <p>16 – Early Release Day Students dismiss @ 1:30</p> <p>17 - March Breakfast/Lunch online orders are due</p> <p>19 – President’s Day Observance NO SCHOOL</p> <p>28 – End of 2nd Trimester</p> <p><u>March</u></p> <p>7 – Trimester 2 report cards go home</p> <p>13 – Worth BOE Mtg @ 6pm</p> <p>March Breakfast/ Lunch menus released</p>	<p>Dear Worth Elementary Families,</p> <p>This is an extra special February because in this leap year, that means that we have 1 extra day, February 29th. This gives us one extra day to celebrate how much we care about one another. We also honor and celebrate our Presidents, important figures in Black History, and we remember to show our friends and family how much we love them on Valentine’s Day and hopefully all other days!</p> <p>Remaining Early Release Days</p> <p>Our remaining early dismissal days for the year will occur on February 16, April 25, and May 24. WJH will dismiss at 1:20 and WE / WW dismiss at 1:30. Bus companies have been informed of the changes to the schedule. If you pick up your student, please arrive by 1:30. Please see our website for more information:</p> <p>Assessments and Surveys</p> <p>With Fastbridge complete, and ACCESS testing nearly complete, the next assessment to be administered is the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (April) for students in grades 3-5, and the Illinois Science Assessment for Gr 5.</p> <p>Students, parents and teachers also have the opportunity to participate in the 5Essentials Survey. Every year, Illinois students grades 4-8, teachers, and parents complete the 5 Essentials Survey. The Illinois State Board of Education implements this survey across the entire state. This survey is based on 20 years of research at the University of Chicago. It asks students about their experiences in school, giving school leaders critical student input to help develop school improvement plans. Parents who wish to complete the survey and offer valuable feedback may do so by accessing this link Parent Information - 5 Essentials Survey for more information. If parents wish to complete the survey, you can find it at 5 Essentials Parent Survey</p> <p>Outdoor Recess and PE</p> <p>In clear weather, students will go outside for recess. If they do not have coats with them, they may be asked to stay indoors. For weather and safety purposes, students should not wear crocs to school. Students who wear crocs may be asked to stay indoors for recess (if the ground is wet) and will sit during PE.</p>

19 – Teacher Institute
Day (election day) **NO**
SCHOOL for students

23 - March
Breakfast/Lunch online
orders are due

25-29– Spring Break -
NO SCHOOL

Second Step SEL

Each week, students learn how to manage and process emotions using our SEL program, Second Step. This month classes will focus on problem solving. Please talk to your child(ren) about what they learn in these important lessons.

Parent Communication

We ask that all parents enroll in our district communication platform, School Messenger, as we utilize this regularly to communicate important information with parents. Most contact information should have been updated during the registration process. If you have recently changed your contact information, or you would like to check, you may follow the instructions listed on the district website: <https://worthschools.org/parents/communication/>

Safety Measures / Sick Protocol

Please note that all students must be symptom free for 24 hours prior to returning to school. This includes being fever and vomit free.

Meal Ordering

As in years past, families must pre-order breakfasts and lunches. 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/>

Arrival & Dismissal Procedures

Worth Elementary doors open in the morning at 8:15am. Students should not arrive on campus until 8:15 as there is no supervision prior to this time. Students are expected to be in their seats, ready to learn at 8:30am. Arrival after 8:30 is considered tardy and parents will need to sign in their students at the main office.

Students who order breakfast will proceed to the MPR to collect breakfast.

Car Riders: Driving parents should use the car lane for arrival and dismissal. Parents on foot may not collect their students from the car lane. Students of all ages may use the car lane. Car riders enter the building from the car lane and will be dismissed into the car lane. Although traffic can back up, the line moves quickly. Student dismissal takes approximately 8 minutes from start to finish.

The North doors are used to dismiss walking students. The North lot has been designated as an **employee lot**. Neighboring homeowners and businesses have contacted us regarding unauthorized parking in lots and driveways. Please be courteous to our neighbors by respecting private properties.

We look forward to another month filled with fun and meaningful learning experiences!

Sincerely,



Maureen Eichstaedt
Worth Elementary Principal



Mrs. Elizabeth D'Andrea
Worth Elementary Assistant Principal

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.

EC / PreK

AM: 8:30 - 11:00 a.m.

PM: 12:45 - 3:15 p.m.

Attendance

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

A Note About Absences

If your child will not be at school for any reason, please call school to let us know. You can call the absentee hotline at **708-671-5859**, 24 hours a day and leave a message. You can also contact our main office at **708-448-2801**.

We appreciate your partnership in educating students and keeping them safe!

Gr 4-5 doors

FINISH FLOOR PLANS



**Employee
Parking
Lot**

Gr 1-3 Meeting Point

MAIN FLOOR PLAN



LOWER FLOOR PLAN

DLA