

# It's Worth Reading

Worth Elementary | 11158 S. Oak Park Ave. Worth, IL 60482 | www.worthschools.org

# **Important Dates** May













#### May

3: Candor Health student presentation (Gr 5 only)

Fastbridge Window Opens

Drama Club Parent performance

- 7 Drama Club parent performance
- 8 Board of Ed Mtg
- 16 Spring Band concert @ WJH
- **20** Spring Choir parent performance
- 22- WJH Graduation ceremony

May 24 - Early **Dismissal Day- 1:30 Dismissal** 

#### <u>June</u>

- **11** EdCamp begins
- 12 Board of Ed Mtg

Dear Worth Elementary Families,

In the blink of an eye, another school year has come and gone! It seems just like yesterday we were planning our Veterans' Day assembly. Now we only have 17 school days left and there are many exciting events happening at Worth Elementary and in the district during May.

# **Remaining Early Release Days**

Our remaining early dismissal day for the year will occur on 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:

Staff Appreciation Week: is May 6-10. Please take a moment to thank a staff member who has made a difference in your child(ren)'s lives.

Last Day of School: Please note that the last day of school for students Gr 1-5 is an early release day. All students will be dismissed early. Students in EC / PreK / K will have their last day on 5/28.

# School Activities

#### Assessments

The Fastbridge assessment window opens on May 3, 2024 . Students in Grades K-5 will be assessed in the areas of Reading and Math. The best preparation for school and for any assessment is a full night of sleep and a healthy breakfast.

# Chicago Bears Mini Monsters Camp: Gr 2-5 - May 22, 2024

Worth Elementary applied to the Chicago Bears to participate in their Mini Monsters program. The Mini Monsters Clinic sponsored by Advocate Health Care is a free youth program that stresses the importance of healthy eating, physical activity and proper hydration through fun, non-contact football drills. The clinic will run for 90 minutes and include six stations, providing an extended and comprehensive training opportunity with Chicago Bears coaching staff. Permission slips were sent home. Each student who participates will receive a free t-shirt if the permission slips are returned by May 8th. This experience will take the place of field day for these grade levels. An alternate field day will be planned for Grade K-1.

Band: students will have their end of the year performance on May 16th at Worth Junior High. There will be an-school performance that day. All 4th and 5th grade students will attend this performance, weather-permitting.

<u>Drama Club:</u> will have their in-school performance on May 3rd. Family performances will be on May 3 and May 7th. Families should have their tickets. Please contact Ms. Gold for more information.

<u>Step-Up Day:</u> On May 24th, 5th grade students will have the chance to visit Worth Junior High, meet with staff and administration, tour the building and ask questions. Parents who do not wish their students to participate may opt them out of the experience. More information to come!

**Student Devices:** Student chromebooks will be inventoried before the end of the year. Please take the time to look for any missing chargers / straps etc as any missing items will be invoiced.

# EdCamp 2024

<u>online registration</u> is still available to enroll your students(s). Please check <a href="https://worthschools.org/schools/edcamp/">https://worthschools.org/schools/edcamp/</a> for more information.

Dates: Tues-Fri, June 11-14 and June 17, 18, 20, 21 (June 19 is a holiday – no school)

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Worth Elementary, 11158 S. Oak Park Ave.

No cost. No laptops. No supplies needed. It's time to unplug!

Space will be limited, so be sure to sign up your student soon! Registration will be on a first-come,

first-served basis. The last day to register is May 10, 2024.

#### **Outdoor Recess and PE**

In clear weather, students go outside for recess. For weather and safety purposes, students should not wear <u>crocs</u> (or similar) to school. Students who wear <u>crocs</u> may be asked to stay indoors for recess (if the ground is wet) and will sit during PE.

**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. If you have recently changed your contact information, or you would like to check, you may follow the instructions listed on the district website: <a href="https://worthschools.org/parents/communication/">https://worthschools.org/parents/communication/</a>

**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.

**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.

<u>Car Riders</u>: 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 <u>walking</u> 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 a fun and successful end of the year!

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Sincerely,

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Maureen Eichstaedt Worth Elementary Principal Eliabeth Dandrea

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



**Employee Parking** Lot

Gr 1-3 Meeting Point

MAIN FLOOR PLAN

LOWER FLOOR PLAN

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