



News From the Woods

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Important Dates

Apr 3 – Students return from Spring Break

Apr 4 – Election Day - **NO SCHOOL**

Apr 7: Spring Friday - **NO SCHOOL**

Apr 12 - Board of Ed Mtg
May **Breakfast/ Lunch menus released**

Apr 13 - 5th Grade Wax Museum

Apr 20 - **May Breakfast /Lunch online orders are due**

Apr 22 - Happy Earth Day!

Apr 24 - Worthwoods Spring Choir Performance

Apr 28 - 5th Grade Candor Health Presentations

Looking Forward:

May 4 – Spring Band concert @ WJH

May 8: Fastbridge Window Opens

May 10 - Board of Ed Mtg

May 26 - Grade 5 Step Up Day

May 30– WJH Graduation ceremony

June 1- Last Day of School! Report cards go home

A Letter from the Principal – April 2023

Dear Worthwoods Families,

Welcome back from Spring Break! Although the weather was junky, we hope everyone was able to have a relaxing and fun break. As the saying goes, “April showers bring May flowers” so I’m hopeful that we’re one step closer to beautiful Spring weather! That being said, with the weather warming up a bit more, our students are enjoying getting outside for recess and for PE as often as possible.

Although last month was exciting, this month also has a lot in store. Our 4th and 5th grade choir will be performing on April 24th for the school and then later in the afternoon for their families. The 5th grade students have a busy month. They have been working very hard preparing for their 2023 live Wax Museum presentations. On April 28th, they will be participating in our annual Candor Health Presentations. Our 5th grade Student Council members will also be presenting at our April Assembly. They will be helping our Worthwoods community kick off Earth Day with a recycling project. This month students will be focusing on our PBIS theme of building confidence!

Many of our students are observing Ramadan. Students who have signed up for lunch may collect their uneaten lunch at the end of the school day to take home with them. Since the weather is unpredictable, and we want our students to get outside as much as possible, please make sure students are dressed for any condition. This school year is truly flying by and we look forward to making sure that the end of the year is full of lots of learning and maybe a little bit of fun!

Sincerely,

Ms. Ashley Toms
Worthwoods School Principal

Mrs. Elizabeth D'Andrea
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/>

Drop-Off / Pick-Up Procedures

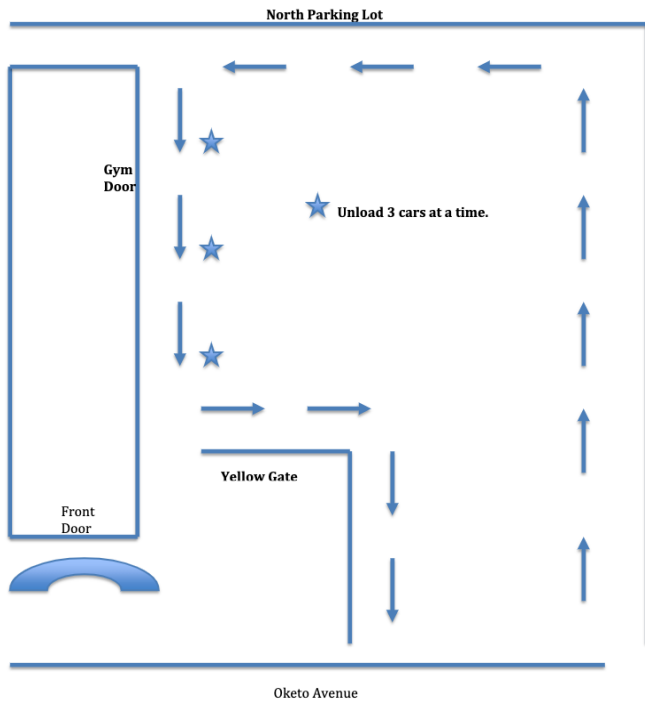
Arrival @ 8:15 - 8:30 AM

- Grades 1-5 and AM K: Gym Doors
- PM K: Door 2, first door North side 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.

Dismissal @ 3:15

- Grades K,1: Door 2, first door North side
- Grades 2-3: Door 3, second door North side (with ramp)
- Grade 4-5: 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.

- Pull as far forward as possible to allow 3-4 cars to unload at one time.



- The parking lot will reopen once all children have safely cleared the area.
- Cars will be dismissed from front to back.

