

Minutemen News

Important Dates and Events to Keep the Community Informed of Elementary News

September Newsletter

Volume 1

No School

Labor Day Weekend
September 1

PTO Meeting

7:00 pm at Eastern
September 2

First Grade Library Visit

During the day the first grade classes will visit the library. Look for more information from the first grade teachers.
September 22

Early Release

Teacher In-Service;
Students will be released one hour early
September 23

Picture Day

Make sure you dress your best and smile pretty. Information will be sent home at a later date.
September 29



Letter from the Principal

Dear Parents:

On behalf of the staff at Western Elementary School, I am happy to welcome you to the 2014-15 school year. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure that our children can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

You may see some new programs and materials at Western this year. Western has a new playground



Lexington Pride

that is accessible to all students PK-3rd grade. Support for this project was provided by a grant from the Richland County Foundation. PTO, School Speciality, and community parents also contributed to the playground through donations of funds and/or supplies. The Western community, students, and staff are so thankful to all who contributed to this new playground.

Western also started a preschool program this year. The preschool passed their state inspection this week, and we are looking forward to servicing our

community, ages 3-5, in this new environment. It is a joy to have little ones in the building.

A leveled book room was also created in our building this year. Many community parents and staff supported this effort and teachers are extremely excited to use it this year. The leveled book room is a great resource to our teachers as we continue our efforts to deepen our guided reading experience within the classroom.

Lastly, Western has created a new system to their pickup line, which should create a safe experience for our students and expedite the pickup line process. Please, remember to place the yellow cards on the rearview mirror for identification and please, do not pass other cars in line even if your child has been loaded in your car. The staff will signal to you when it is time for the row of cars to leave and for the new row of cars to pull up. Safety is our top concern.

I look forward to a wonderful year at Western and if you have any questions or concerns, please, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Egerton