



**NEW SARPY**  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**September 2023**

**Issue 1**

# **Mudbug Monthly**

## **Principal's Message**

Dear Mudbug Families,

It is with great pleasure that I have the honor of welcoming you to the 2023-2024 school year. We are excited about the promise of the new year and ready to accomplish our mission. The Mission of New Sarpy Elementary School is to ensure high levels of learning for every student.

I am committed to spending time with your children, getting to know them personally, and celebrating their successes, small and large. I will encourage them every day and let them know they are valued and have a special place in our school. This is just one way that I will live and model our school motto:

Work hard. Stay kind. Repeat.

This motto shares the value we place in nurturing the mind and the hearts of our students. These are attributes necessary to prepare children to be resilient and active citizens of the world. They also have the potential to impact and better society for years to come, creating long-term or even infinite change!

Not only am I excited to begin working with your children, but I look forward to the work we will do together to engage families. It is one of the key steps of our schoolwide Literacy Plan. Ensuring our children are readers by the time they get to 3rd grade is critical to future success and requires all of us to be "all in". The highlights of our Literacy Plan include:

1. Increase student outcomes by developing and monitoring literacy goals.
2. Improve student literacy skills by providing high quality core instruction and systematic, explicit intervention and extension activities based on student needs.
3. Provide ongoing professional growth opportunities to support effective teaching and literacy development.
4. Engage families around their child's literacy development.

The teachers, administrators, faculty, and staff of NSE are always here to work with you should your child need any help navigating any aspect of the school day. We are all vital to the success of the district; therefore, ongoing collaboration and communication are expected and supported. After all, *You and I...We are...St Charles Parish Public Schools.*

Warm Regards,

Rebecca Matherne  
Principal



### **Meet the Principal-Mrs. Rebecca Matherne**

In 2003, I began my career in education in Iberia Parish, LA where I taught grades K-4 as a special education teacher. Upon returning home to St. Charles Parish, I worked at Luling Elementary School as a special education teacher in grades 2, 3, and 4, a general education teacher in grades 3 and 4, and served as the Data Teams Instructional Coach for grades K, 1, and 2. I served one year in the role of Teaching and Learning Facilitator for the Department of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment at Ethel Schoeffner, RJ Vial, and Luling Elementary Schools. In 2016, I was appointed to Assistant Principal at Norco Elementary School and in 2017, Assistant Principal at R.K. Smith Middle School. The appointment to my current role, Principal of New Sarpy Elementary School, began the 2019-2020 school year. I am a proud product of St Charles Parish Public Schools, received my Bachelor's degree and teaching certification from Nichols State University and University of Louisiana at Lafayette, and received my Master's degree from Southeastern Louisiana University. I've been married to my husband, Mark, for 28 years and am the proud mother two daughters, Abby (Junior at LSU) and Ella (Freshman at LSU).



### **Meet the Assistant Principal-Mrs. April Gomez**

In 2001, I began my career in education in Morehouse Parish. I was welcomed to St. Charles Parish Schools in 2003 where I taught 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades at Mimosa Park Elementary in Luling for five years and math resource for seven years. During my years at Mimosa Park, I served in a variety of leadership positions including School Improvement Team chairperson, Response to Intervention chairperson Improving Student Learning committee chairperson, PTO Teacher Liaison and School Building Level committee member. These leadership roles helped prepare me for my position at Allemands Elementary, where Assistant Principal for the last four years. I am now blessed to serve the students of New Sarpy Elementary as their Assistant Principal. Some of my roles include overseeing pre-k,K and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades. I also work closely with the Safe Schools Committee and School Building Level Committee. Please let me know how I can support you and your “mudbug” this year!



### Meet the Assistant Principal-Mr. Calvin Ike

Mr. Calvin Ike is an assistant principal at New Sarpy Elementary and Ethel Schoeffner Elementary school. He has been a teacher, coach, and administrator in St. Charles Parish Schools for over 25 years. He received his Bachelor's of Science in business education with a minor in computer science and a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from Southern University in Baton Rouge. He has additional graduate hours from Nicholls State, Southeastern Louisiana University, LSU, and Mississippi State University. He began his educational journey when he became a teacher at Destrehan High School where he taught various computer and business courses. He also coached volleyball for 13 years while there. In 2006, he was honored to be selected as Destrehan's High Teacher of the Year and shortly after that, he went into administration.

His passion for helping students, teachers, parents, and the community is what drives him each and every day. His hobbies include reading, exercising, playing volleyball, and is an avid do-it-yourselfer. He is from Baton Rouge and calls St. Charles Parish home.



### Meet the Counselor- Ms. Shannon Johnson

This year will be my 12th year as a school counselor in St. Charles Parish. It is my 9th year here at New Sarpy Elementary. I received both my Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Southeastern Louisiana University.

I am looking forward to encouraging your child's growth personally, socially and emotionally. I am excited for our year to get off to a great start. The Counselor Corner section of the monthly newsletter will be utilized to keep you updated about the counseling program and any projects or events that you may need to be aware of.

The counseling program here at New Sarpy is designed to be proactive and preventative. All students PreK-2 have access the following services:

**Classroom guidance-** Lessons will focus on positive character traits, problem solving strategies, what to do when bullying is witnessed, friendship, self esteem, internet safety and more.

**Small group counseling-** Groups focus on a variety of topics based on student/teacher needs. You will be contacted via letter if your child has been recommended to participate in a small group.

## **Pre-K is so Sweet!**

PK is off to a SWEET start! We are having a super time learning new things and meeting new friends. We are learning school routines and procedures and how to treat our classmates. We will study our 5 senses and how they help us learn. We look forward to an exciting year!

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## **Terrific Times in Kindergarten**

Kindergarten has had so much fun learning all about our classmates and our new classrooms. We've been enjoying writing and drawing different strokes and learning how to count "The Math Way". It was wonderful to show you all our classrooms and our work at Open House!

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## **Fabulous 1st Graders**

Welcome to First Grade! We are looking forward to a productive school year with all of our little learners and their families. In our "sweet hall," we have begun learning the routines and procedures in our classrooms and for our school. We also began Unit 1 of our ELA curriculum. In this unit, our First Graders are reviewing the phonics skills they learned in Kindergarten, such as letters and their sounds, reading and writing CVC words and Tricky Words, like the, a, and the word, I. In Math, we also began our newest edition of Eureka Math, called Eureka Math Squared. The students are enjoying the engaging activities, such as counting cubes, graphing and counting on to add. Finally, thank you to our families for attending our school's Open House. We hope you gained helpful information to support you and your child throughout this school year.

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## **Sensational 2nd Graders**

Second Grade Mudbugs are "all in"! The start of the school year has been rocking and rolling as we learn new expectations and procedures to help us become lifelong learners. In English Language Arts, students have reviewed previously taught code and are moving into learning alternative code to support them in mastering reading foundational skills. Students have started the school year in math learning about bar graphs, categorizing data, and are moving into metric measurement and concepts about the ruler. In Knowledge, students are having a magical time hearing fairy tales as well as expanding their vocabulary, and answering questions to support their comprehension.

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## **Enrichment News**

The enrichment team would like to introduce each member of the team starting with one of our PE teachers.

My name is Chad Muller, or as most know me, just Mr. Chad. I also answer to Coach Chad, Coach Saint, Mr. Ike, Mr. D, or whoever your child's teacher is. I have worked here at New Sarpy for 6 years as a physical education teacher. I previously taught for 10 years at 2 other schools before becoming a Mudbug. I really love how we all work together here at New Sarpy to create a positive working environment and do what is best for our students. My wife and I have 4 boys and outside of school you will probably find us at the baseball diamond. I look forward to a very productive and active school year and hope to see all of our mudbugs become physically educated.



## NSE's Mission Statement

The mission of New Sarpy Elementary School is to ensure high levels of learning for every student.

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As required by law, information regarding Parental Access to Instructional Materials and the Louisiana Parents' Bill of Rights can be found at [www.stcharles.k12.la.us](http://www.stcharles.k12.la.us) under the FOR COMMUNITY-Legislative compliance page.

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**2ND GRADE**

***Mornings with the Mudbugs***

**September 8, 2023**  
**9:00-9:30 am**

**ONE special guest (parent, grandparent, aunt or uncle, etc.) is invited to:**

- **Enjoy a breakfast treat and juice**
- **Learn with us in morning meeting**

**Wristbands and state issued IDs are required for entry.**  
**Wristbands will be sent home prior to the event.**

# LITERACY LEARNING

Learning to read is one of the most important accomplishments in a child's life. Reading is a strong tie that impacts all other areas. The classroom is the most important environment to learn to read however; parents, tutors, and the community can all help a child learn to read. Scarborough's Reading Rope makes it really clear to understand the key components of reading.

The video link below explains one part of the rope, Word Recognition, which is much of the work Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grade students will do.

[https://youtu.be/\\_l8pzySr2bl?feature=shared&t=624](https://youtu.be/_l8pzySr2bl?feature=shared&t=624)

The entire video can be viewed at the link below if you want more information.

[https://youtu.be/\\_l8pzySr2bl?feature=shared](https://youtu.be/_l8pzySr2bl?feature=shared)





## New Sarpy Elementary Library Information



Greetings Parents/Guardians! My name is Nicole Jacob, and I am the librarian at New Sarpy Elementary School. I am a graduate of LSU with 25 years of teaching experience; I have taught in SCPPS for the past 13 years. As an English Literature major, I have always had a great love for books, which is why I am so excited to be able to share that love for reading with my NSE Mudbugs in our library!

Did you know that...

Reading aloud to young children is not only one of the best activities to stimulate language and cognitive skills; it also builds motivation, curiosity, and memory. *Bardige, B. Talk to Me, Baby1 (2009), Paul H Brookes Pub Co.*

Want to help your child build foundational literacy skills while enjoying some great books? Our reading program at NSE does just that!

Students in K-2 will visit the library for enrichment approximately once a week for library lessons and book checkout. Students will keep their books until the day before their next Library Enrichment class. Please help your student remember to turn in their book on time. PreK will attend the library once a week for storytime (*but will not check out books*).

"Welcome Back to Books!" is September's theme for our Monthly Reading Program for K-2. Students who would like to participate should:

- read books (*Parents may read aloud books with their student (especially our K students)*)
- fill out reading tickets (*available in the library, classrooms and on our school's library website*)
- return tickets to the library.

At the end of each month, I will pull one name for our "Reader of the Month" per each homeroom class from all of those who participated. Prizes include a free paperback book, a certificate, and a bag of goodies. Also, students' name/picture will be included in the school newsletter.

NSE library will host two book fairs this year for all students in Fall and Spring. Our Fall/Winter book fair is planned for **December 4-11**. (*More information will follow as we approach the date.*)

I look forward to seeing my students every week for Library Enrichment class. If you have any questions or concerns at any time during the school year, you may contact me by calling 985-764-1275 or email: [njacob@stcharles.k12.la.us](mailto:njacob@stcharles.k12.la.us).

## Welcome to the School Counselor's Corner



**Welcome back to another exciting year at New Sarpy!** I am so excited for our year to get off to a great start. My name is Shannon Johnson but I'm affectionately known to the students at NSE as "Mrs. J." The **Counselor Corner News** is meant to keep you updated on the counseling program and any projects or events that you may need to be aware of. If there is information or topics that you would like me to include this year, please **feel free to email me at [sjohnson@stcharles.k12.la.us](mailto:sjohnson@stcharles.k12.la.us)**.

There are many services offered through the New Sarpy School Counseling Program. **The program is designed to be proactive and preventative. All students K-2 have access to services.**

**Classroom guidance** - Lessons are lead by me every week. Lessons will focus on positive character, problem solving strategies, friendship, self esteem etc.

**Small group counseling** - Groups focus on a variety of topics based on student/teacher needs. You will be contacted via letter if your child has been recommended to participate in a group.

**Individual counseling** - Students can be seen at the request of a parent/guardian or at the request of a teacher, staff or administrator.





# New Sarpy Elementary Family Center Together We Can Make a Difference

Annie Francioni: [afrancioni@stcharles.k12.la.us](mailto:afrancioni@stcharles.k12.la.us)

Phone: (985) 764-1275

Hours: 8:30am – 3:00pm Monday & Tuesday



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Welcome back to a new year of fun and learning in the Title 1 Family Center! At the Family Center, families are invited to join other parents and children for activities, information and resources. All programs and activities are free. Highlights of the Family Center include **weekly playgroups** for children not enrolled in school, **educational resources**, **workshops**, **volunteer days**, and much more. We hope you are able to join us throughout the year so that we can be of service to you and your family.

Playgroups will meet every Monday at 10:00 a.m. in the Family Center beginning on September 11<sup>th</sup>. The Family Center provides many resources that can be checked out to help your child learn. So please do not hesitate to come visit Mondays and Tuesdays between the hours of 8:30 and 3:00. I will be very happy to help you. You can also contact Annie Francioni at 985-764-1275.

We are looking forward to seeing you!!!!

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Bienvenidos de regreso a un nuevo año de diversión y aprendizaje en el Centro Familiar Título 1. En el Centro Familiar, las familias están invitadas a unirse con otros padres e hijos en actividades, información y recursos. Todos los programas y actividades son gratis. En el Centro Familiar se incluye grupos de juego semanales para niños que todavía no van a la escuela, recursos educacionales, cursos de aprendizaje para adultos, días voluntarios, y mucho mas. Esperamos que ustedes puedan compartir con nosotros durante el año o que podamos ser de servicio a usted y su familia.

Los grupos de juego se reunirán cada lunes a las 10:00 a.m. en el Centro Familiar empezando el 11 de septiembre. El Centro Familiar también brinda muchos recursos que se pueden prestar para que usted pueda ayudar en el aprendizaje de sus hijos. Por favor no dejen de venir a visitarnos dentro las horas de 8:30 and 3:00 los lunes y martes. Estaremos felices en ayudar. Nos puede contactar a Mrs. Annie Francioni al número 985-764-1275.

Anticipamos verlos en el centro!

## Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year!

### Please note some tips below on how to kick off a healthy start.

- **Every student must have an updated immunization record on file at school.** Please check with your healthcare provider to be sure your child is up to date on his/her immunizations.
- **If your child needs medication at school, please obtain a medication packet from my office to be filled out by you and your child's doctor.** You must sign any medication (over the counter or prescription), with the medication appropriately labeled by the pharmacist, with the School Nurse. **Please remember that a new medication order must be completed every school year.** I am at New Sarpy on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and Ethel Schoeffner on Tuesday and Thursday. Please contact me to make prior arrangements to sign in any medications to ensure that you have all of the appropriate paperwork completed and that I will be available.
- **If your child has had any changes in his/her medical history over the summer, please remember to update the School Nurse as soon as possible.** Medical issues that the school should be aware of include asthma requiring the use of an inhaler/nebulizer, diabetes, severe allergic reactions that require Benadryl/Epipen, seizure disorder, special diets and any other type of medical diagnosis or special needs. I highly recommend open communication for the safety and health of your child.
- **If your child has any food allergies or requires a special diet, please contact me to obtain the proper paperwork for school. Please remember that a new diet order must be completed every school year.** Also, if your child no longer has food allergies, please send me notification (preferably from the doctor's office but can be via email or School Status messenger) so that I may update our records.
- **Influenza (also known as flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat and lungs. Flu is different from a cold, and usually comes on suddenly. Each year flu viruses cause millions of illnesses, hundreds of thousands of hospital stays and thousands or tens of thousands of deaths in the United States. Flu can be very dangerous for children. CDC estimates that between 6,000 and 26,000 children younger than 5 years have been hospitalized each year in the United States because of influenza. The flu vaccine is safe and helps protect children from flu. Please note more information on the attached flyer.**

*Please do not hesitate to call or email me with any questions, concerns or discussions.*

*Thank you!*



Your School Nurse,  
Jamie Byrd, RN, BSN  
[jbyrd1@stcharles.k12.la.us](mailto:jbyrd1@stcharles.k12.la.us)



## If Your Child Is Sick

### What can I do if my child gets sick?

**Talk to your doctor early if you are worried about your child's illness.**

Make sure your child gets plenty of rest and drinks enough fluids.

If your child is 5 years or older and does not have long-term health problems and gets flu symptoms, including a fever and/or cough, consult your doctor as needed.

Children younger than 5 years – especially those younger than 2 years – and children with certain chronic health conditions (including asthma, diabetes and disorders of the brain or nervous system), are at higher risk of serious flu complications. Call your doctor or take your child to the doctor right away if they develop flu symptoms.

### What if my child seems *very* sick?

Even healthy children can get very sick from flu. If your child is experiencing the following emergency warning signs, you should go to the emergency room:

- Fast breathing or trouble breathing
- Bluish lips or face
- Ribs pulling in with each breath
- Chest pain
- Severe muscle pain (child refuses to walk)
- Dehydration (no urine for 8 hours, dry mouth, no tears when crying)
- Not alert or interacting when awake
- Seizures
- Fever above 104°F that is not controlled by fever-reducing medicine
- In children less than 12 weeks, any fever
- Fever or cough that improve but then return or worsen
- Worsening of chronic medical conditions

This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptom that is severe or concerning.

### How long can a sick person spread flu to others?

People with flu may be able to infect others from one day before getting sick to up to five to seven days after. Severely ill people or infants may be able to spread flu longer, especially if they still have symptoms.

### Can my child go to school, day care, or camp if he or she is sick?

No. Your child should stay home to rest until their symptoms have improved to avoid spreading flu to other children or caregivers.

### When can my child go back to school, daycare, or camp after having flu?

Keep your child home from school, day care, or camp for at least 24 hours after their fever is gone and their symptoms have improved or resolved. (The fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.) A fever is defined as 100°F (37.8°C)\* or higher.

\*Many authorities use either 100 (37.8 degrees Celsius) or 100.4 F (38.0 degrees Celsius) as a cut-off for fever, but this number can vary depending on factors such as the method of measurement and the age of the person.

**For more information, visit  
[www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/children.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/children.htm)  
or call 800-CDC-INFO**



## Flu Information



# Flu:

## A Guide for Parents

Influenza (flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat and lungs. Flu is different from a cold, and usually comes on suddenly. Each year flu viruses cause millions of illnesses, hundreds of thousands of hospital stays and thousands or tens of thousands of deaths in the United States.

Flu can be very dangerous for children. CDC estimates that from the 2010-2011 season to the 2019-2020 season, flu-related hospitalizations among children younger than 5 years old have ranged from 6,000 to 27,000 annually in the United States. The flu vaccine is safe and helps protect children from flu.



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Control and Prevention



## How serious is flu?

While flu illness can vary from mild to severe, children often need medical care because of flu. Children younger than 5 years and children of any age with certain long-term health problems are at higher risk of flu complications like pneumonia, and sinus and ear infections. Some health problems that are known to make children more vulnerable to flu include asthma, diabetes and disorders of the brain or nervous system.

## How does flu spread?

Flu viruses are thought to spread mainly by droplets made when someone with flu coughs, sneezes or talks. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people nearby. A person also can get flu by touching something that has flu virus on it and then touching their mouth, eyes, or nose.

## What are flu signs and symptoms?

Flu symptoms can include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills, feeling tired and sometimes vomiting and diarrhea (more common in children than adults). Not everyone with the flu will have a fever.

# Protect your child

## How can I protect my child from flu?

The first and best way to protect against flu is to get a yearly flu vaccine for yourself and your child.

- Flu vaccination is recommended for everyone 6 months and older every year. Flu shots and nasal spray flu vaccines are both options for vaccination.
- It's especially important that young children and children with certain chronic health problems get vaccinated.
- Caregivers of children at higher risk of flu complications should get a flu vaccine. (Babies younger than 6 months are at higher risk for serious flu complications, but too young to get a flu vaccine.)

- Pregnant people should get a flu vaccine to protect themselves and their baby from flu. Flu vaccination during pregnancy protects babies from flu for several months after birth.

Flu viruses are constantly changing and so flu vaccines are updated often to protect against the flu viruses that research indicates are most likely to cause illness during the upcoming flu season.

## Are flu vaccines safe?

Flu vaccines have an excellent safety record. Millions of people have safely received flu vaccines for decades. Flu shots and nasal spray flu vaccines are both options for vaccination. Different types of flu vaccines are licensed for different ages. Each person should get one that is appropriate for their age. CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics recommend an annual flu vaccine for all children 6 months and older.

## What are the benefits of getting a flu vaccine?

- **A flu vaccine can keep you and your child from getting sick.** When vaccine viruses and circulating viruses are matched, flu vaccination has been shown to reduce the risk of getting sick with flu by about 40 to 60 percent.
- **Flu vaccines can keep your child from being hospitalized from flu.** A recent study showed that flu vaccine reduced children's risk of severe life-threatening influenza as much as 75%.
- **Flu vaccine can be life saving in children.** A study using data from multiple flu seasons found that flu vaccine reduced the risk of flu-associated death by half among children with higher risk medical conditions and by nearly two-thirds among healthy children.
- **Flu vaccination also may make your illness milder if you do get sick.**



- **Getting yourself and your child vaccinated also can protect others** who may be more vulnerable to serious flu illness, like babies and young children, older people, and people with certain chronic health problems.

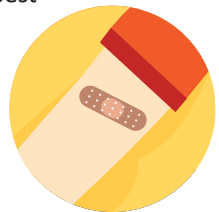
## Is there a medicine to treat flu?

Yes. Antiviral drugs are prescription medicines that can be used to treat flu illness. They can shorten your illness and make it milder, and they can prevent serious complications that could result in a hospital stay. Antivirals work best when started during the first two days of illness. Antiviral drugs are recommended to treat flu in people who are very sick (for example, people who are in the hospital) or people who are at increased risk of serious flu complications. Antivirals can be given to children and pregnant people.

## What are some other ways I can protect my child against flu?

- In addition to getting a flu vaccine, you and your child should take everyday actions to help prevent the spread of germs.
- Stay away from people who are sick; cover your cough and sneezes; wash your hands often with soap and water; do not touch your eyes, nose, and mouth; and clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with flu viruses.

These everyday actions are a good way to reduce your chances of getting sick and prevent the spread of germs to others if you do get sick. However, a yearly flu vaccine is the best protection against flu illness.



# HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES

## WHAT TO LOOK FOR

## WHAT TO DO

### HEAT STROKE

- High body temperature (103°F or higher)
- Hot, red, dry, or damp skin
- Fast, strong pulse
- Headache
- Dizziness
- Nausea
- Confusion
- Losing consciousness (passing out)

- Call 911 right away-heat stroke is a medical emergency
- Move the person to a cooler place
- Help lower the person's temperature with cool cloths or a cool bath
- Do not give the person anything to drink

### HEAT EXHAUSTION

- Heavy sweating
- Cold, pale, and clammy skin
- Fast, weak pulse
- Nausea or vomiting
- Muscle cramps
- Tiredness or weakness
- Dizziness
- Headache
- Fainting (passing out)

- Move to a cool place
- Loosen your clothes
- Put cool, wet cloths on your body or take a cool bath
- Sip water

#### Get medical help right away if:

- You are throwing up
- Your symptoms get worse
- Your symptoms last longer than 1 hour

### HEAT CRAMPS

- Heavy sweating during intense exercise
- Muscle pain or spasms

- Stop physical activity and move to a cool place
- Drink water or a sports drink
- Wait for cramps to go away before you do any more physical activity

#### Get medical help right away if:

- Cramps last longer than 1 hour
- You're on a low-sodium diet
- You have heart problems

### SUNBURN

- Painful, red, and warm skin
- Blisters on the skin

- Stay out of the sun until your sunburn heals
- Put cool cloths on sunburned areas or take a cool bath
- Put moisturizing lotion on sunburned areas
- Do not break blisters

### HEAT RASH

- Red clusters of small blisters that look like pimples on the skin (usually on the neck, chest, groin, or in elbow creases)

- Stay in a cool, dry place
- Keep the rash dry
- Use powder (like baby powder) to soothe the rash



*You and I...  
We are*



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TO: All Principals  
FROM: Kevin Barney, Director of Physical Plant Maintenance  
DATE: August 9, 2023  
RE: AHERA Management Plan

Due to federal regulations, I am responsible to notify you annually of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) management plan at your school. Please communicate to parents through your school newsletter the following notice regarding the AHERA publication:

**Notice:** In 1986 all asbestos materials were identified in all school buildings. A management plan was developed for each school as per the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). The management plan is located in a binder in the main office of each school. The binders are available for review upon request.

Since the plan was developed, most of the asbestos has been removed. In a few buildings, some floor tile still remains that contains asbestos. All of the schools meet the health requirements that pertain to the regulation. If you have any questions concerning this topic, please contact Kevin Barney, Director of Physical Plant Maintenance at 985-331-3600 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

You must copy the notice verbatim to include as an article in your newsletter. A copy must also be posted in your faculty lounge. A similar notice will appear in the August 24<sup>th</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup> editions of the St. Charles Herald Guide and on Channel 8, the district cable channel.

Approved:

  
John P. Rome Jr., Chief Plant Services & Security Officer

  
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# September

# 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4 <b>Labor Day</b> <b>No School</b> 	5 <b>Family Center</b> <b>Volunteer</b> <b>Orientation</b> <b>9:30-10:30</b>	6	7	8 <b>Morning with</b> <b>the Mudbugs</b> <b>Grade 2</b>  <b>Early</b> <b>Dismissal</b> <b>12:45 PM</b>	9
10	11 <b>Family Center</b> <b>Playgroup</b> <b>10:00-11:00</b>	12	13 <b>Progress Re-</b> <b>ports go home</b>	14	15	16
17	18 <b>Family Center</b> <b>Playgroup</b> <b>10:00-11:00</b>	19	20	21	22  <b>DHS V HHS</b>  <b>Wear Garnet</b> <b>and Gray to</b> <b>support DHS!</b>	23
24	25 <b>Family Center</b> <b>Playgroup</b> <b>10:00-11:00</b>	26	27	28 <b>Picture Day</b> <b>SAY CHEESE!</b> 	29	30