



A note from Principal Ben Dallman... PRIDE, Respect, and Responsibility



Hello Roosevelt Families and Friends!

With *Daylight Saving Time* beginning on March 10 and the first day of spring the following week, I always enjoy the *positive change* this time of year, knowing we have not experienced our typical Wisconsin winter weather this year. Similarly, I hope you are also noticing the *positive change* in your child's academic, social, and emotional growth over the past six months. Thank you for being a valuable partner in your child's education throughout the year!

Highlights from February:

- Our Second-Grade Students enjoyed the Eau Claire Children's Theatre performance of *The Cat in the Hat* at the Oxford. Thank you to our PTA and families for supporting this wonderful opportunity for our kids!
- As a culminating activity celebrating our school-wide focus on *honesty*, Roosevelt students enjoyed a *Bingo for Books* activity with their buddy classrooms on February 28! It was great to see so many kids thrilled to head home for the weekend with a newly chosen book.
- All Roosevelt students and staff members participated in *Tiger Tuesdays* throughout February. As a school, we were able to raise over **\$2438.83** with 100% of the proceeds going towards our playground updates for phase-two. Our winning grade-level was our fifth grade, who have earned themselves a bonus recess and special treat in April! Thank you to everyone who were able to contribute to this fundraiser. Our Roosevelt Playground Taskforce has raised approximately \$80,000 over the past 2.5 years with phase-one being installed last summer. We are approximately \$25,000 away from completing the entire project, and really appreciate your support! Here are some ways you can help:



- Support your child during our March **Read-a-thon!** This fundraiser is directed towards our general PTA account with all budget overages going towards our playground fundraiser.
- Support our **Roosevelt Playground Spaghetti Dinner** on **Tuesday, April 30** at Good Shepherd Church with 100% of the profits going towards our playground fundraiser!
- Donate baskets of items that could be auctioned off during our *Spaghetti Dinner's* silent auction.
- Share this [Roosevelt Community Playground Fundraising letter](#) with community members and business who may be interested in supporting our community playground project.

- We reviewed, analyzed, and are planning around results from our *Winter Student Equity Survey*. Students in grades 2-5 were asked to respond to five specific questions with either (a) strongly agree, (b) agree, (c) disagree, or (d) strongly disagree.
 - **Strength:** 92% of our students agree or strongly agree that they “*feel cared for and safe at school.*”
 - **Strength:** 97% of our students agree or strongly agree that “*adults at school expect me to do my best at school.*”
 - **Strength:** 97% of our students agree or strongly agree that they “*understand their teachers' directions and know their job at school.*”
 - **Room For Growth:** 26% of our students either disagree or strongly disagree that they “*feel adults at school treat all students with fairness*”, which indicates that we need to be more clear and consistent with our student expectations each day.
 - **Room For Growth:** 21% of our students either disagree or strongly disagree that they “*feel adults at school treat all students with respect*”, which indicates that we need to continually keep our interactions with students positive whenever possible, especially when redirecting behavior.
- Thank you to our families who recently completed the *Winter Family Equity Survey*. We are still in the process of entering responses and will soon have family feedback to also review, analyze, and plan around as a school team. We plan to use the same survey questions for the next 3-5 years each fall, winter, and spring to gauge our long-range progress as a school. Thank you again for your honest feedback! Results from our *Winter Family Equity Survey* will be shared in our April newsletter.

Roosevelt Family Equity Survey
Winter 2022

Our goal at Roosevelt Elementary School is to make sure every student feels welcome and supported by our school regardless of their gender, national origin, disability, or socioeconomic status. This survey does not represent any child's opinion. It is your response to each question that will be completely anonymous. Please complete all questions in your household and return to school by February 15, 2023. Please email the survey to your child's classroom teacher or complete the survey electronically using the QR code shown below. Thank you so much for your feedback!

If always use students in this survey to make sure all students are included. Please e-mail them to: ecasd@ecsd.net

You will see how you can help school staff know how to best support you and how you can help school staff know how to best support you. Thank you so much for your feedback!

• My child doesn't feel safe at school.
☐ Strongly Agree
☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Strongly Disagree

• My child doesn't feel safe at school.
☐ Strongly Agree
☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Strongly Disagree

1. School staff treat my child with care and compassion.
☐ Strongly Agree
☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Strongly Disagree

2. School staff help my family identify goals and support my child in reaching them.
☐ Strongly Agree
☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Strongly Disagree

3. School staff communicate positive messages with my family as well as concerns if needed.
☐ Strongly Agree
☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Strongly Disagree

4. School staff work to ensure our school community is inclusive for all families and community members of diverse backgrounds.
☐ Strongly Agree
☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Strongly Disagree

5. School staff treat my child, my family, and others with respect regardless of race, ethnicity, language, gender, disability, age, religion, or socioeconomic status.
☐ Strongly Agree
☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Strongly Disagree

Announcements for March:

- On **Tuesday, March 12**, ECASD families have the special opportunity to attend the [SENSE Special Education PTO Resource Fair](#) taking place at the L.E. Phillips Public Library.
- Last fall, the *Special Education PTO (S.E.N.S.E.)* also hosted internationally recognized presenter Ryan Wexelblatt who shared excellent parenting tips that not only apply to raising kids who have been diagnosed with ADHD, but his suggestions would also apply to **ALL** kids who have difficulty focusing, staying organized, or thinking before doing, with or without a diagnosis of ADHD. To view his 58-minute presentation, click here: [Ryan Wexelblatt presentation](#)
- We celebrated *Read Across America* throughout the first week of March with dress up days and mystery readers each day. Please ask your child if they returned their completed *Read it and Reap Rewards Bingo* card yet. Bingo cards should be returned to school by **March 15** to redeem a prize. Happy reading!
- Speaking of reading...we will be completing our fourth-annual *Read-a-thon* on **Tuesday, March 19!** The money raised from this fundraiser will go towards our PTA's general fund to support our students and teachers throughout the year. Some of the programs our PTA funds are extra grade level field trips, teacher mini grants, Sport Warehouse night, our school dance, Roosevelt t-shirts for all students and staff every other year, the holiday workshop, end of the year carnival, etc. Please check your child's folder for their *Read-a-thon* sheet with their class code which needs to be entered to participate. Our school goal this year is to reach **18,000 total minutes** reading and **\$3,200 in**

donations. When we reach this, we will plan a bonus recess with buddy classrooms with a special frozen treat to enjoy!

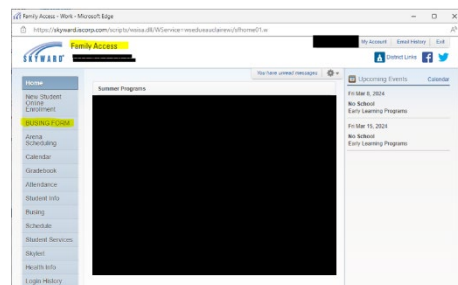
- Throughout the month of March, our character trait to focus on is *cooperation*. We describe cooperation as “*working together and helping others*.” We will be shifting from our February *Tiger Tuesdays*, which was focused on helping us raise funding for our playground, to [Teamwork Tuesdays](#), which will be focused on helping others. With a school goal of providing 500 or more non-perishable food items to our local food banks, we know we can do great things when we work as a team! On **April 2**, our cooperative students of the week will be taking a walking field trip to the *St. Francis Food Pantry* to deliver everything that is collected. Thank you for your help in supporting your child’s social-emotional learning and while also supporting those in need!
- Please join us for Roosevelt Night at Culvers on **Tuesday, March 12**. When we reach our food order goal of \$5000, our PTA receives 10% of all sales between 4-7pm (Folsom Street location only).
- All ECASD families should have received their [ECASD Summer School Program Guide](#) link recently. Roosevelt Elementary School will host in-person summer school **June 10-27** (Monday-Thursday, 8:30-11:45am) with free breakfast, free lunch, and library times available. Our summer school program is also free to families and designed for **ALL** students going into grades Kindergarten through fifth grade regardless of academic or behavioral needs. Registration for summer school is currently open in *Skyward Family Access*. To ensure guaranteed busing, families must register no later than **Friday, March 29**. For more information, please visit the [ECASD Summer School Program Guide](#) link. Here, you will find information about our June Summer School and Summer Library opportunities on pages 11-13. You will also find 24 more pages of options in the Eau Claire area through our Community Partnerships on pages 32-55.




[Haga clic aquí para ver la guía del programa de la escuela de verano 2024 - español](#)

- Roosevelt Open Library
 - June 10-27, 8:00-12:00pm (for students, does not require registration)
- Roosevelt Summer Library
 - June 10, 17, and 24, 12:15-2:15pm (for students and their families)
- Roosevelt Evening Library
 - June 11, 18, and 25, 6:00-7:00pm (for students and their families)
- Summer School Programming at Roosevelt:
 - Roosevelt Summer School* (free breakfast and lunch for children 0-17)
June 10-27 (M-Th), 8:30-11:45am * Requires pre-registration.
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- Community Partnership Options Available
 - Park & Rec River City Adventures* (grades K-5, page 55), 12:00-4:00pm
 - Boys & Girls Club Afternoon Programming* (grades 2-5, page 50), 12:10 pm bus time

- ☐ Do you need your username and password for Skyward Family Access? [Click here](#)
Who do I contact if I have questions? [Summer School Contacts](#)
- ☐ Would you like more information on how to register for classes in Skyward? [Click Here](#)
- ☐ Would you like to view a video showing how to register in Skyward, how to join a waitlist, and how to register for busing:
 - [Click Here for a video in English](#)
 - [Haga clic aquí para ver un video en español](#) (Spanish)
 - [Video ua lus Hmoob yuav muaj nyob rau hauv lub website sai sai no](#) (Hmong)
- ☐ Does your child live one mile or more away from Roosevelt Elementary and need busing to summer school?
 - Please fill out the busing form located in your child's Skyward Family Access account.
(Note: This is a change from the past several years when students were automatically signed up, with many bus routes scheduled and unused, which was wasteful.)
 - The form can be found above the Arena Scheduling tab under the Home menu.
 - Would you like to view a video showing how to register for busing? There is a video with busing registration instructions on our summer school website, and can be found here: [Click Here](#).



- Third quarter *After-School-Clubs* will end the week of **March 11** with information about fourth-quarter *After-School-Clubs* being shared with families the week of **March 18**. Fourth quarter clubs are scheduled to run from **April 8 to May 17**. Student who were placed on the waiting list last quarter have enrollment priority for clubs during the fourth quarter.
- All Roosevelt students will enjoy a presentation from author Bob Allen on **March 18**. You can learn more about Bob Allen and his works by visiting BobAllenAuthor.com
- Please join us for our next Roosevelt PTA Meeting on **Thursday, March 21** from 6:00-7:30 pm. All Roosevelt families are welcome to join us to ask questions, provide suggestions, and offer support. We plan to meet in person in our library with a virtual option also available. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please email our PTA at roosevelt.pta.eauclaire@gmail.com. You may access the virtual meeting and link to the agenda here: [Roosevelt PTA Meeting link \(6:00-7:30pm\)](#)  [Roosevelt PTA Agenda 2023-2024.docx](#)
- Spring break is **March 25-29**. All ECASD schools will be closed during the week of spring break.
- On March 31, our Third Grade will be enjoying their *Chippewa Valley Museum & Wisconsin Logging Museum* field trip!



On the Horizon:

- Families of third grade, fourth grade, and fifth grade students should watch for information coming soon about our upcoming State Forward Exam. **Please schedule your family's upcoming appointments around your child's testing schedule as much as possible.** This is the schedule for each grade-level:
 - **Grade 3:** April 16-18
 - **Grade 4:** April 9-18
 - **Grade 5:** April 9-11

- Students will not attend school on **April 15** because of staff development.
- We plan to host our *Fifth-Grade Graduation* on **Monday, June 3** beginning at 2:45pm. All family members are welcome to attend this event with short reception afterwards.
- Our students will celebrate their *End of Year Carnival* on **June 5** beginning at 1:30pm. If you would like to volunteer for this family-fun event, please contact our partnership coordinator Tammy Rud at trud@ecasd.us.

With spring break approaching, you may find more opportunities to talk to your child about what they are learning. Whether it's playing a fun math game, writing a story, joining in on imaginative play, or enjoying a good book with you, thank you for the important time you spend learning with your child. If you are traveling over spring break, may you have safe and peaceful travels. Happy Spring!

Sincerely,

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"Collectively committed to educate our Roosevelt community in a safe, nurturing, and responsive environment." 🐾

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Wisconsin Public School

Open Enrollment is February 5 through April 30, 2024

What is Public School Open Enrollment?

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows students and families who don't live in our district to open enroll into the Eau Claire Area School District.

Who May Participate?

Wisconsin residents in grades K-12 may apply to participate in open enrollment. Students in pre-kindergarten may participate in limited circumstances; parents should call the Executive Director of Business Services at 715-852-3010 to find out if their preschool-aged children qualify.

How and When May Parents Apply?

The regular open enrollment application window will be February 5, 2024, through April 30, 2024, for the 2024-2025 school year. Parents may submit online applications beginning February 5, 2024, at the Wisconsin Department of Instruction website at <https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment>. Please call 715-852-3127 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us for more information.

Have you moved out of the district during the 2023-2024 school year?

If so, you must apply for a Tuition Waiver to continue attending the Eau Claire Area School District for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. Contact the Enrollment Office at 715-852-3127 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us for an application.

Students Currently Attending the ECASD Through a Tuition Waiver

Students who have moved outside of the district during the 2023-2024 school year and are currently attending school under a Tuition Waiver must apply for open enrollment during the regular application window, February 5, 2024, through April 30, 2024, to continue attending during the 2024-2025 school year.

Current Open Enrollment Students

Students currently attending the Eau Claire Area School District under the open enrollment law do not need to reapply.

Other Information

Students who move into the district after January 2024 and anticipate moving out of the district before the 2024-2025 school year will not be eligible for a Tuition Waiver. Students must apply for open enrollment during either the regular open enrollment or alternative open enrollment period to be eligible to attend the Eau Claire Area School District during the 2024-2025 school year.

School Placement

By completing an open enrollment application, you are applying to attend the Eau Claire Area School District. You have the opportunity to indicate which school your child would prefer to attend; however, the district will determine placement based on space availability.

Questions?

If you have any questions about open enrollment or the application process, please contact the Enrollment Office at 715-852-3127 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us.