

# The Weekly Update

Week of April 28-May 2, 2025

## Events this week

4/28/25: GATE Extreme Math

4/29/25: Creighton Baseball game (K-6 and all staff)/Volleyball Team B at Kellom

4/30/25: Flag football vs. Belle Ryan at Norris Middle School

5/2-4th grade tours UNO with P4K

## Baseball game field trip

Tuesday all kindergarteners through 6th graders (and all staff) will attend Cox Kids Day Baseball game at Charles Schwab Field. Sack lunches will be provided for all students. Students should not bring money to the game. Please make sure all students dress comfortably and wear sunscreen! All field trip permission slips should be turned in by now!

## Common Sense Education for Digital Citizenship

Click on the link below for excellent information from Common Sense Media on students using social media:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TO6h-Tx\\_wU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TO6h-Tx_wU)

I have also attached some great tips for families below!



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## School Field Trip

All students in kindergarten through 6th grade will be attending Cox Kids Day at Charles Schwab Field on Tuesday, April 29th. Permission slips to attend should be returned to your child's teacher as soon as possible!

## Family Engagement Survey

Please take time to complete the family engagement survey. Links are attached below.



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**217662 SCS 24-25 Parent Voice Survey SPN (1).pdf**

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## School Transfer Process for 2025-2026

### School Transfer Requests (STRs) for the 2025-26 School Year Opening Monday, April 14

- Online links: These will be on the [Student Placement webpage](#) for easy access.
- Paper forms: All schools should have received hard copies, which families can request as needed.
- Evaluation process: All transfer requests will be evaluated based on the school's enrollment capacity and priorities listed on the STR.
- Neighborhood requests: Requests from families within the school's designated neighborhood attendance area will be automatically approved.

For questions, see the Student Placement webpage on April 14 or email [studentplacement@ops.org](mailto:studentplacement@ops.org).

## Important End of the Year Dates

Monday, April 28th-Volleyball and football practice/Extreme Math

Tuesday, April 29th-1st-6th grade -Cox baseball game field trip/Volleyball B away game at Kellom  
4:50 PM

Wednesday, April 30th-Football at Norris Middle 4:50 PM/Volleyball A practice

Friday, May 2-4th graders to UNO

Wednesday, May 7th-P4K celebration

May 9th-No Pre-K classes

May 13th-Reading Olympics/Strings and Band concert 3:00 p.m.

May 19-Kdg Promotion 2:30 p.m.

May 20th-6th grade Promotion 2:30 p.m.

May 21st-Last day of school-Field Day-Family Lunch BBQ

May 28th-Next Level Learning begins for enrolled students

## **Breakfast and Lunch Menus for the week**

### **Breakfast:**

Monday-Chocolate Bread

Tuesday-French Toast Sticks

Wednesday-Cheese and Egg with Green Chile Salsa Breakfast Burrito

Thursday-Maple Chip Waffle

Friday-Glazed Donut

### **Lunch:**

Monday-Country Beef Cutlet Sandwich

Tuesday-Cheese Pizza

Wednesday-Chicken Taco

Thursday-Ranch Chicken Drummie

Friday-Breaded Pork Sandwich

## **Attendance Matters!**

Our school day begins at 8:50 a.m. and ends at 4:05 p.m. Please make sure your child arrives on time and is picked up by 4:05 p.m. at the end of the school day! Our office closes at 4:30 p.m. daily. Per Nebraska Department of Education, both excused and unexcused absences count against your child this year.

## **School safety and items that remain out of the classroom**

- All visitors must report to the office as soon as they enter the building!
- Dropping your child off late? We will escort students to the classroom.
- Between the hours of 8:50 a.m.-4:05 p.m. the only entrance to enter and exit the building will be the main entrance on 32nd Street.
- All visitors must be buzzed in by Mrs.Pistorius.

The following head gear should not be worn inside of the building during the school day:

- hats, hoodies (on head), bonnets, or bandanas.

The following items should not be taken into the classroom:

- coats, book bags/backpacks, purses, cell phones

## **Cell Phones at School**

We understand that students may need cell phones for safety purposes. At Gifford Park, all cell phones must be powered off when entering the building. Students will turn their cell phone into their classroom teacher when they enter the classroom. The teacher will keep these locked up until the end of the school day. Misuse of a cell phone during the school day, or refusal to turn over to the teacher, will result in the cell phone taken to the office where Mrs. Jones will secure the phone until the end of the day.

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