



## A Message from the Principal

### November Greetings!

As we turn the calendar page from October to November, and move from Halloween celebrations to Thanksgiving, I always think about how grateful I am to work with wonderful people that make up the Dundee School community. Dedicated staff, supportive parents, and children that make me laugh every day; contribute to the daily gratitude I feel. I hope you all join me with an “**attitude of gratitude**” this month. Having a grateful mind gives us a positive perspective and contributes to our overall happiness. Let’s keep that attitude going and watch the change we can make!



### STRIVE FOR 95

We continue to monitor attendance and tardiness as part of our District wide initiative, Strive for 95. During the month of September, our 4th graders had the top attendance percentage followed closely by our 3rd graders. It is so important for students to be on time and in school every day.

### 1ST QUARTER STUDENTS OF DISTINCTION

During the 1st Quarter of school, Dundee staff and students focused on the ‘Character Counts’ trait of **RESPECT**. Students showed their respect for other people by accepting their differences; believing that their ideas, thoughts, and feelings matter; treating them with kindness; and being courteous by using their manners.

Congratulations to the following students who were selected to represent their class as a student of distinction in the area of respect:

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|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| ▪ Lennon McGuigan   | ▪ Kevin Quintana | ▪ Rhett Dabestani     | ▪ Jackson Reeser   |
| ▪ Delvin DeBerry    | ▪ Grace Dey      | ▪ June Deerson        | ▪ Elliot Cayford   |
| ▪ Michaela Sands    | ▪ Casen Reiss    | ▪ Max Davelis         | ▪ Leticia Selemani |
| ▪ Max Nelson        | ▪ Caroline Doyle | ▪ Bennett Kupzyk      | ▪ Max Bainbridge   |
| ▪ Alexander Peralta | ▪ Johnny Kudlacz | ▪ Valaria Covarrubias | ▪ Ramiya Dobbs     |

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- Eliza Kleymann
- Leo Templeton
- Harriet McIlvain
- Jack Carrington
- Abraham Johnson
- Niah Egernmayer
- Iris Hribljan
- Aylin Cohoon
- Avery Jensen
- Mark Centamore
- Millie Rolling
- Ethan Weiss
- Leo Aliano
- Ben Cox
- Arthur Nelson
- Frankie Hoppe
- Lilly Sillik
- Olivia Bailey
- Mason Robinson
- Connor Murdock
- Elsie Cummings
- Hailey Sandefer

In closing, I hope you join us for the intermediate (grades 4, 5, and 6) vocal music showcase of “The High Seas”, on November 11th. There will be two shows, one at 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Look forward to seeing you soon.

During the 2nd Quarter, we will be working on the character trait of **RESPONSIBILITY**.

Developing life skills such as respect and responsibility will help you feel good about yourself, build strong and caring relationships with others, and make your home, school, and community better! We look forward to partnering with you as we help our students learn how they can be responsible and then practice the skill.

Hope you can visit us often!!

Ms. Kaye Kennedy  
School Principal  
Dundee Elementary



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SCOOPS OF SUPPORT DAY  
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**SCOOP OF SUPPORT DAY**

**Thursday, November 17th**

10% of ALL sales on this day will be donated.

CHECK OUT THE ATTACHED FLYER!

We created Wildcat Tracks to celebrate the community of Dundee Elementary. We hope you will buy a scoop or a pint and support the Dundee PTO in continuing to make our school a fabulous place to be.

**SCOOP OF SUPPORT FLAVOR**

Cake Mix Ice Cream with Rainbow Sprinkles & M&M's

\$1 of every Dundee Wildcat Tracks pint sold for the entire month of November will be donated.

**3 WAYS TO SUPPORT THE PARTNER OF THE MONTH:**

For the entire day <b>10%</b> of ALL sales on the Scoops of Support Day will be donated. <small>Offer valid for the entire day and via UberEats and GrubHub.</small>	For the entire month <b>\$1</b> of every Scoop of Support Ice Cream Pint sold will be donated. <small>Offer valid for the entire month via UberEats and GrubHub.</small>	For the entire month <b>10%</b> of every Scoop of Support T-Drop Cookies will be donated. <small>Offer valid for the entire month via UberEats and GrubHub.</small>
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**NOVEMBER SCOOPS OF SUPPORT**



# PTO UPDATES

## WILDCATS

### PRESIDENTS ARTICLE

We've just wrapped up a busy month at Dundee!

It's so wonderful to have regular events at school and to see all of your happy faces. Thank you again to all those who volunteered and participated in making the fall festival, book fair, conference dinners, and multiple chances to eat donuts at school so enjoyable in the last month. Fall Festival continues to be a hit especially with the added pumpkin decorating contest. Thankfully we had a warm enough night for the dunk tank and the kids really enjoyed plunging teachers, a gorilla and even our intrepid principal multiple times!

There's more enjoyment to be had with the intermediate grades vocal showcase coming up. And make sure to get a scoop of Wildcat themed ice cream at eCreamery for "Scoops of Support." As we head into November we get into the spirit of giving thanks; we really appreciate all the great PTO volunteers who made October such a special month for the Dundee school community. In particular, we want to give kudos to these individuals:

- **Cindy Frazier-Abdessalam** for running National Walk to School Day each year.
- **TJ Wiess and September Wanzenried** for making the school store the favorite shopping destination for our students.
- **Audrey Shedivy and Latikka Reese** for spearheading conference dinners to help support our wonderful staff; the presentation alone looked like something out of a magazine.
- **Megan Hepburn** for continuing to run book fair, whose proceeds support PTO.
- **Brittany Dabastani** for taking on Donuts with Grownups at the last minute!!
- **Sara Kupzyk** - for heading Dundee Direct (which exceeded our goal), and for introducing the dunk tank as well.
- **Shannon Bowers and team** for creating a magical autumnal wonderland in the Fall Festival
- **Jen Wulf** for your work with local restaurants for those special nights where a percentage of proceeds support PTO.
- **Megan Solomon** for taking over enrichment clubs. Our kids love going to theirs!

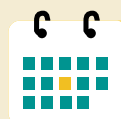
See you at the PTO meeting on November 9th! Stay connected with us on our website at [www.dundeepto.org](http://www.dundeepto.org).



**A MESSAGE FROM YOUR 2022 - 2023  
DUNDEE ELEMENTARY PTO PRESIDENTS**  
So Yun and Mike Grace

### PTO Announcements

NOVEMBER  
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**PTO MEETING  
AT 6:30 PM IN  
THE LIBRARY**

Hear from Ms. Kennedy about what's going on in school, show some appreciation for teachers and staff.



Free childcare is provided in the lunchroom.

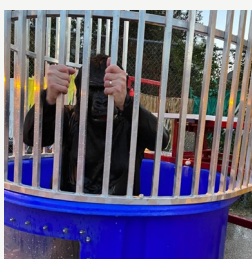


# 2022 DUNDEE DIRECT

## Updates From:

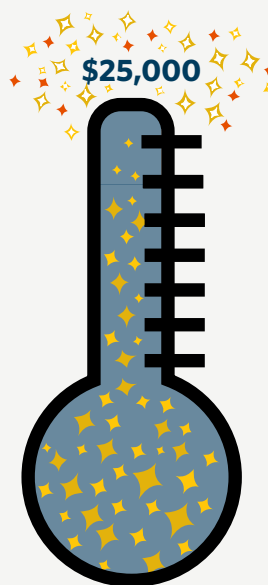
Sara Kupzyk, Dundee Direct Committee Chair

***We surpassed our goal, making just over \$25,000!***



Thank you to all of Dundee Elementary School's teachers, staff, students, families, neighbors, and businesses that made our annual direct-giving fundraiser a success!

Some of the funds have already been put to use for grants for teachers to purchase classroom supplies and family activities like the Fall Festival and Donuts with Grownups.



### ***Thank you Volunteers who Volunteered to be in the Dunk Tank!***

Since we achieved our goal, Ms. Kennedy braved the cool weather and stepped into the dunk tank with her flippers and snorkel!

The kids enjoyed cheering her on. You can check out the highlight video on school social media. We also had four wonderful volunteers who extended the fun with the dunk tank throughout the Fall Festival. The night was full of splashes and smiles!

Volunteers who Volunteered to be in the Dunk Tank:

- Ms. Storm - Guidance Counselor
- Mrs. Mayfield - 3rd grade teacher
- Mrs. Fisher - Music teacher
- Mrs. Milleson - Library Specialist
- Mr. Joe Howard - Parent

Thank you to Trisha Howard, Kelly Kelly, Kevin Kupzyk, and TJ Weiss, and for their help with setting-up and running the dunk tank fun!

Please visit the businesses that support our school!  
A big thanks to Clay Wulf for organizing the business donations!

Although our month of fundraising is over, donations are always welcome. There are also many other ways to support Dundee- check the PTO website for future opportunities! [www.dundeepto.org](http://www.dundeepto.org)




***Together we are making a strong comeback!***





# LOOKING AHEAD

## NOVEMBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <b>Dundee eCreamery Flavor</b> All Month Long!		1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11
			PTO Meeting 6:30 pm   Library		Intermediate Vocal Music Showcase (Grades 4, 5, and 6) <i>The High Seas</i> 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		CHECK OUT THE ATTACHED FLYER!	Chipotle Fundraiser 333 N Saddle Creek Rd. 4-8 p.m. 	eCreamery Scoop of Support Day! 	CHECK OUT THE ATTACHED FLYER!	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	No School	No School	No School	No School	No School	
27	28	29	30			



## Thank You to our Business Supporters

- A B's 66
- Carlson West Povondra Architects
- Central Body Company Inc.
- Deloitte
- Mama's Pizza
- Matt Daugherty Insurance Agency Inc.
- Neff Towing
- Tom Manley Floors



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# DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE



## CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR DUNDEE ELEMENTARY

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH | 4-8PM  
333 N SADDLE CREEK RD, OMAHA, NE, 68131

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **REW3KYN**  
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.



## Counselor's Corner

*Hello Dundee Families,*

*We are officially done with the first quarter of the school year! I thrilled to know that as a comprehensive school counseling program we have been able to cover multiple lesson themes throughout the school including: Self-Concept, Learning Skills (goal setting), Focus Skills, Growth Mindset, Feelings and Emotions, as well as Red Ribbon Week concepts (being drug and bully free).*

*Please remind your students that I am available for any solution-focused brief counseling sessions to address their social and emotional needs throughout the school day. They can access me by filling out a counselor request form (in my office or their teachers have copies).*

*As the Fall and Winter holidays approach, I am beginning to receive information from local organizations who are offering Holiday assistance. The resources and information I have received thus far, are listed below:*



### OPERATION OTHERS HOLIDAY FOOD BASKET

**AGENCY:** [Creighton Preparatory School](#)

Food baskets provided in December.

Call Saturday November 5, 2022 9 am - 1:30 pm

**PHONE:** 531-329-6003

### THANKSGIVING MEAL GIVEAWAY

**AGENCY:** [Faith-Westwood United Methodist Church](#)

**DATES:** Drive-thru Thanksgiving Meal Bag Giveaway, Saturday, November 19th, 2022 from 9 am until supplies run out.

**NOTE:** One Meal Bag per household. Stay in your vehicle and a volunteer will come to your car to check people in and deliver the bag. Recipient MUST be present, no proxies. First come first serve, so it is recommended to arrive early.

**PHONE:** 402-895-3394 ext 1006

**ADDRESS:** 4814 Oaks Lane, Omaha

### THANKSGIVING FOOD

**AGENCY:** [Heartland Hope Mission](#)

**DATES:** Clients can register at the end of September and October during normal pantry hours:

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm,

Thursdays, 1:30 pm-4 pm,

Saturdays, 9:30 am-12 noon

**NOTE:** 2022 Pre-registration is REQUIRED. Registration begins the week of September 26th, and continues through October 29th. Pre-registration will take place during the normal pantry hours and there will be NO link online. The client must bring a form of ID for each person permanently in the household. Each household will be able to select a holiday meat based off their household size.

**NOTE:** Anyone that is residing at the same address will qualify as ONE household. If it is found that clients are registering more than once, they will be removed and not able to receive a Thanksgiving pantry. Once a holiday meat is selected, they will NOT be able to change it when they pick it up.

**PHONE:** 402-733-1904

### TURKEYFEST

**AGENCY:** Salvation Army Western Division Headquarters

The Salvation Army Western Division Headquarters offers a free meal delivered to older adults, 60 years of age or older (homebound, lonely, or alone) on Thanksgiving Day. Meal consists of turkey, stuffing, potatoes, gravy, green beans, roll, banana, and cookies.

**NOTE:** 2022 reservations accepted November 3-17. Must speak with someone to make a reservation; no voice messages will be accepted.

Applicant must be home to receive the meal, no meals will be left at the door. Volunteers prepare and deliver the meals following local regulations and CDC guidelines. Specific delivery times cannot be scheduled. Cannot feed families.

**PHONE:** 402-898-6023

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## TOYLAND AND ADOPT A FAMILY

**AGENCY:** [Salvation Army Western Division Headquarters](#)

**NOTE:** 2022 Registration will be done in person.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY or ADOPT-A-SENIOR pairs eligible older adults and families in need with a sponsor who purchases gifts for all participants, as well as a grocery store gift card. A pick up date, time, and location is arranged between the sponsor and recipient.

TOYLAND offers eligible families in need the opportunity to select gifts at one of three metro Salvation Army locations based on zip code. Toyland participants will be notified of the date and time to pick up their gifts and a food voucher.

### NORTH CORPS SIGN-UP

**DATES:** Nov 4-7: 9 am-12 pm and 1 pm-4 pm

Zip codes:

68007, 68112, 68002, 68116, 68064, 68122, 68110, 68134, 68111, 68152

### OMAHA KROC SIGN-UP

**DATES:** Nov 1: 9 am-12 pm and 1 pm-4 pm

Nov 2: 12 pm-3 pm and 4 pm-7 pm

Nov 3: 9 am-12 pm and 1 pm-4 pm

Zip codes:

68005, 68127, 68028, 68128, 68046, 68133, 68059, 68136, 68107, 68138, 68113, 68147, 68117, 68157, 68123

### OMAHA CITADEL SIGN-UP

**DATES:** Nov 9: 9 am-12 pm and 1 pm-4 pm

Nov 10: 12 pm-3 pm and 4 pm-7 pm

Nov 11: 9 am-12 pm and 1 pm-4 pm

Zip codes: 68102, 68130, 68104, 68131, 68105, 68132, 68106, 68135, 68108, 68137, 68010, 68142, 68114, 68144, 68118, 68154, 68124, 68178

## PROJECT SANTA (TOY AND JOY SHOP)

**AGENCY:** [Open Door Mission](#)

Empowers low-income parents to have gifts for their children (ages 0-12) under the tree on Christmas morning from themselves or Santa. Provides 3-5 toys for each child, books, diapers, coloring books and a Holiday food box. This program serves children ages birth to 12.

**DATES:** 2022 Registration will be during shopping hours December Tue-Sat 9 am-1 pm at Timberlake Outreach Center.

To register, an adult must bring birth certificate, or document verifying their age and social security number, a photo id and a copy of a current piece of mail (if there are changes to the household). Only one adult per household will need to be present. Children can NOT be present at registration. A child can only be registered once for this program.

**PHONE:** 402-829-1510

Jenny Storm (Cooper)  
PROUD School Counselor  
Dundee Elementary School

If you would like to visit or have me visit with any of your children, the best way to reach me is through email.

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