

# PRAIRIE CROSSING FOX NEWS

Teaching is our Super Power!

August 30, 2019



## EVENTS

- **Mon Sept 2nd**—Labor Day, No School
- **Tues Oct 1**—Picture Day

### PTO Meeting Dates

- 9/17 at 7 p.m.—Benton County Country Club
- 10/8 at 3:30 p.m.—PCE Science Lab
- 11/13 at 7 p.m. at the BCCC
- 12/12 at 3:30 p.m. in the PCE Library



**School will not be in session  
Monday, September  
2nd for Labor Day.**



### Safety Week Sept 3-7

Next week, Prairie Crossing will be participating in a number of safety exercises including fire, tornado, and lockdown drills. Weather permitting, we will also have an entire school evacuation drill Thursday morning. Emergency vehicles will be on site and during the drill no one will be allowed to enter the building.



### A Note from Mr. Coleman

*“Sacrifice is becoming a rarity these days. Our country has become a land of shortcuts, entitlements, and half-baked commitments. We want it easy, and we want it now. Looking out for number one has become the unspoken (and sometimes uttered) mantra of our day, shouted loudly by our deeds if not by our words.”* These are the tough words from Steve Sabol of Knights of the 21st Century.

But as parents, you and I must live a more noble paradigm. As a parent, we must sense the upward call to a courageous way of life that demands sacrifice and (as a parent) self-denial. As parents we must be willing to lay it all down for them (family, kids), knowing that they are the worthy cause of life that we need to be passionate about. If we fill our kids up with our time, our resources, and our love, the chances of them becoming the type of person you want them to be multiplies 5 times. And if you can sacrifice with joy, your child will be one of the happiest people you know!!

### Morning Arrival

Students **may not arrive at school until 7:50 am.** Supervision is not available until that time. Beginning at 7:50, students entering Door 1 should either go to the cafeteria for breakfast or go to the gym.

Students are not allowed down the classroom hallways until 8:00. Parents should use the car rider line to drop off students at Door 1.

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The Mission of BCSC ~ To ensure all students develop academically, creatively, physically, and socially into the finest version of themselves.

### Who can join the PTO?

You can! If you are the teacher, parent, or guardian of a student at Prairie Crossing Elementary, you can be part of our group. Everyone is welcome to join us at our monthly meetings. We vary the times and locations to try to meet a variety of schedules.

Do meetings not work for your schedule? Complete the volunteer pledge sheets that will be coming home soon. When an opportunity arises that would match your interests, we will contact you for help. We have many great parent volunteers that are unable to attend meetings!

### After School Program Invoices

The first ASP invoices for the year will be coming home in the next several days. Be sure to check your student's folder or backpack if you are using the ASP. Balances should be paid in a timely manner. A credit will be shown in parentheses like this: (\$5.00).



### Box Tops for Education are changing!

Traditional Box Tops are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. You can still clip and send them to school. **Every valid Box Top is worth \$.10 for our school.**

Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label. If you see the new label, use the new Box Tops app to scan (take a picture) your receipt. The app will find the participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to Prairie Crossing Elementary earnings online.



Download the App from the google play store or the apple store. The Box Top app is easy to use and will walk you through the set up.

### Help Wanted!

The PTO would like to thank Stacia Haas for her many years of chairing the spirit wear committee. The PTO is looking for a new Spirit Wear volunteer. The Spirit Wear chair coordinates PCE t-shirt orders with our t-shirt supplier. He/she will on occasion work with others to create new t-shirt designs. This job involves a very small amount of time and can be done from home. Are you interested in helping? Please email Anne Snodgrass at [suitera@hotmail.com](mailto:suitera@hotmail.com) or tell a PTO officer (Amanda Fisher, Anne Snodgrass, Melissa Fox, or Jenna Crumbaugh).



### BACKGROUND CHECKS

If you plan to join your child for lunch at any time during the year, you must have a **background check completed each year and on file at least 24 hours in advance.**



Background checks must also be **completed each year and on file in advance** for parents participating in field trips and classroom events, working at PTO events, or coaching.