



## Events

**Friday, December 3**

1-hour late arrival

**Friday, December 10**

1-hour late arrival

**Thursday, December 16**

K and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Music Performance,  
6:30-7:30, Roosevelt Auditorium  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert,  
6:30-8:00, Hempstead Auditorium

**Friday, December 17**

1-hour late arrival

**Tuesday, December 21**

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra Concert,  
6:30-8:00, Hempstead Auditorium

**Thursday, December 23 through**  
**Friday, December 31**

No school, Winter Break

**Monday, January 3**

School resumes

**Monday, January 10**

PK registration for 2022-23 school  
year, 7:00 a.m., Carver Commons,  
more information to come



## Principal's Corner

Carver Families,

Greetings! As I am writing this message, the weather outside is anything but wintery. We have been very lucky to have some very nice November and December weather so far. Thanks for keeping an eye on this and making sure that students are dressed as necessary for the weather each day. Before we have any further winter weather, I want to remind all our families of our winter weather guidelines for outside AM lineup and recess.

- Each day we will have outdoor lineup and outdoor recess if the temperature is above zero degrees with the windchill factored in. Some people call this the "feels like" temperature. We check each morning before students arrive and before recesses begin in the late morning. Often, temperatures improve throughout the morning so that we can be outside later in the day, even if lineup was indoors in the morning.
- When snow is present on the ground, students must have boots and snow pants to play in the snow so that we can keep them dry throughout the day. If you would need assistance with these items, please don't hesitate to contact us here at Carver.

Over the next few weeks, we'll be contacting families via letter about attendance patterns if there are concerns about attendance currently. Regular attendance at school each day is critical for a student to receive the educational program that is planned for them. We understand there are certainly times when it is necessary for a child to be out of school, and Covid has continued to cause absences for positive cases and quarantines. We appreciate all the communication families have done in these situations. That helps us to plan around the absence and deliver work at home to keep your child as engaged as possible in their education.

Please continue to develop routines at home that allow students arrive at school on time. When students are tardy, even by a few minutes, they miss the opportunity to get settled in their classroom before the rigor of the day begins. This is also an important time of day where the classroom community is developed, and we wish for all students to be part of those conversations.

I hope that the break around the Thanksgiving Holiday was exactly what your family needed! The Carver Staff is appreciative and thankful of all that you do to assist us in educating your child.

Thank you!

**Andy Peterson, Principal**

## Office News

### Confirm your Kindergarten Plans

Parents of incoming Kindergarten students now is the time to let us know if your students will be starting Kindergarten at Carver for the 2022-2023 school year.

If you did not receive an email from Dubuque Community Schools asking you to confirm your plans, please contact the Carver office, (563) 552-4500.

### Student Absences

If your student will be out for all or any part of the school day, please call the office at 563-552-4500 to report the absence. You may leave a voicemail at any time of the day, and it will be received. Attendance messages left via SeeSaw may not get to the office staff due to teacher absences.

## Food Service News

### Pink Envelopes

Question: *If breakfast and lunch is free for all students this year, why did my child get a pink meal deposit envelope?*

Answer: Yes, breakfast and lunch are free for all students for the 2021-22 school year. However, milk alone is not free. If your student comes to school with a lunch from home and wants a carton of milk, he/she will be charged 55¢ regardless of free/reduced fee status. If you would like to know what your student's food service balance is, or need help making at deposit, please call the office at 563-552-4500.



## Other News

### Success begins with a feeling of safety.

Bullying, harassment, and discrimination are not tolerated in our schools.

Have a concern? REPORT IT

AT: <http://www.dbqschools.org/say-something>.

 Families needing assistance for the Holiday season are invited to call our counseling office for resources or referrals. 

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