



# SWANSON ELEMENTARY



**WE ARE THE SUPERSTARS. WATCH US SHINE!**

October 2018

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## Mission

The Mission of Swanson School, as a dynamic community alliance and model of innovative education, is to support and empower all learners to achieve academic excellence.

## School Improvement...

Swanson's school improvement goal is all students will increase reading comprehension.

## Swanson's Expectations

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible

**Dismissal on  
Wednesday is  
3:00 p.m.**

## Parent-Teacher Conferences

**Monday,  
October 15  
and  
Wednesday,  
October 17**

**NO SCHOOL  
Friday, October, 19  
and  
Monday, October 22**

## Building a Strong Parent-Teacher Partnership

What makes the difference in how your child performs in school? The answer might surprise you. It's not your child's IQ, the teacher, the school, or your educational level. Although all of these play a part, study after study tells the same story. Children who do best in school have parents who are actively involved in their child's education. One of the best ways to get involved is continue building a strong parent-teacher partnership.

I ask that you come prepared to the conference with questions and information that will help both you and the teacher strengthen the team effort you share educating your child. We'll see all of you at conferences!

Thank you.

Mrs. Jennifer Harr

## Join Us for Lunch!

It is always fun for family members to join their Superstar for lunch. If you will be eating school lunch we ask that you call by 8:45 a.m. so we can add you to the lunch count. You will need to check in at the office before joining your child for lunch. Adult lunches are \$3.65.

Your child may invite one friend to join them for lunch with you. Superstar expectation is that everyone will follow this rule! Thanks for your help!



## Calendar Reminders

- Oct. 10-11 6th Gr. Outdoor Ed
- Oct. 12 Jammie Jog
- Oct. 15&17 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 19-22 NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 23 5/6 Music Concert @ WMS, 6:30 pm



- Oct. 24 Picture Retakes
- Oct. 31 Halloween Parade/Partie, 3 pm
- Nov. 6 C.C. Mtg, 6:30 pm
- Nov. 9 Veterans' Day Program, 9:30 am
- Nov. 20 Grandfriends' Day

## Safety Patrol

Oct. 3 a.m. - Oct. 23 p.m.

Front Crosswalk:

AM & PM - Travis Agbosse, Sofie Cowley

AM - Mason Drey

PM - Tavin Hegel

## Keep Us From Getting LOST!

Please make sure to mark all jackets, lunch pails, backpacks and other student items with their NAME in case they are left around the building or out at recess. This helps us get them back to the right owner.

The school has a Lost and Found that parents are welcome to look through if something is missing.

## First Friday Spirit Day!

Each first Friday of the month is Swanson Spirit Day. On this day we all wear our Swanson logo wear or school colors, blue and white, to show our spirit. We begin our day by saying the Swanson Pledge together. It's a fun day filled with terrific Swanson spirit! Our next **First Friday Spirit Day is Friday, Nov. 2nd**



**Student Council is collecting  
Box Tops for Education!  
Start clipping  
and saving today!**

## Email

Email is a great way to communicate with your child's teacher. The Westside format is as follows:

lastname.firstname@westside66.net

Sample: harr.jennifer@westside66.net

jolkowski.susan@westside66.net



## Recess

Recess will be held outdoors, except when extended exposure to the elements is inadvisable or when the Principal determines it to be otherwise unsafe. Students will not have outdoor recess when either the air temperature or wind chill factor is 10 degrees Fahrenheit or lower.



## Happy Happy October Birthdays!

Madeline C., Keagan J., Nicki Khadka, Santana C., Drew K., Jozlyn M., Sophia O., Anika S., Teddy B., Bayley J., REx K., Yasir N., Broke O., Shannon S., Emily C., Madeline L., Chearlie M., Marlee M., Reid M., Oscar W., Riley H., Jack S., Mac S., and Stella S.



**Picture Retake Day!  
Wednesday, October 24!**

Did your smile look crooked? Did your eyes shut down? Did your hair stand up? Was the camera flash too bright? Did you forget your picture money? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you may have your school pictures retaken on Wednesday, October 24. Please return your whole picture package to Mrs. Jolkowski as soon as possible. If you were absent on picture day, please let Mrs. Jolkowski know so your picture can be included in the yearbook!

### Lunch and Recess Schedule

It is always fun for family members to join their Superstar for lunch. If you will be eating school lunch we ask that you call by 8:45 a.m. so we can add you to the lunch count.

Kindergarten	Lunch---11:30-12:00	Recess---12:00-12:20
First and Fifth	Lunch---11:35-12:00	Recess---12:00-12:20
Second and Third	Lunch—12:00-12:20	Recess—11:40-12:00
Fourth and Sixth	Lunch—12:20-12:40	Recess—12:40-1:00

### TO REPORT ABSENCES...

#### CALL:

Office - 402-390-6485  
(Available 24 hours a day)

You are welcome to leave a message with your child's name and reason for the absence



### Halloween Parade 2:00 p.m. Halloween Parties 2:20 p.m. Wednesday, October 31st

The parade starts at **2:00 p.m.** We are asking all parade watchers to please view the parade outside. If the weather is not cooperating you are invited to watch the parade in the gym. We need to keep our hallways clear for our Superstar paraders!

Please be aware that if you park in the drop off and pick up lane, you will need to move your car before 3:15 p.m.!

### Halloween Reminder-Fun and Friendly Costumes, Please!

As we begin the month of October, some Superstars might be thinking about and planning for Halloween. Please remember we ask that costumes be on the fun and friendly side free of scary or frightening masks or clothing with no blood, gore, or weapons. Thanks for honoring this request. Mrs. Harr

# Community Club News

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## Save the Date for Swanson's Third Annual Jammie Jog!

Please mark your calendars for Swanson's Third Annual Jammie Jog, planned for Friday, Oct. 12!

We'll meet at 6:00 p.m. at Swanson Swing school to walk/run/jog around the track in our PJs! Then, we'll go to the cafeteria for a pancake dinner served by the Pancake Man.

## Turn in order forms by Monday, October 8th!

Please contact Julie Hoffman at [julieekstrum@gmail.com](mailto:julieekstrum@gmail.com) or 402-690-0139 with any questions.



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## Hy-Vee Cash 4 Students - Save Your Receipts

Back this year is Hy-Vee Cash 4 Students. Simply save your register receipts when you check out at any Hy-Vee, beginning September 1 continuing through December 31, then send them to school with your child. The collection dropbox is located by the drinking fountains. You can also turn in your receipts at Hy-Vee after checking out. Look for the collection boxes by the customer service counter.

Swanson receives a percentage of each purchase total - even for gas! Receipts can be from anyone...parents, grandparents, friends or Swanson staff. Swanson receives \$1 for every \$200 of receipts collected. Every little bit helps!

During the 2017 Cash 4 Students program Swanson Elementary earned a record total of \$743.03 for our Community Club. Let's see if we can increase that once again.

Please contact Wendi Kroeger with any questions, [wendikroeger@yahoo.com](mailto:wendikroeger@yahoo.com)

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## Class Party Sign Ups!

### Sign Up Today!

District approved snacks, crafts, games, supplies - There are so many ways you can help!  
Be a part of your child's party!

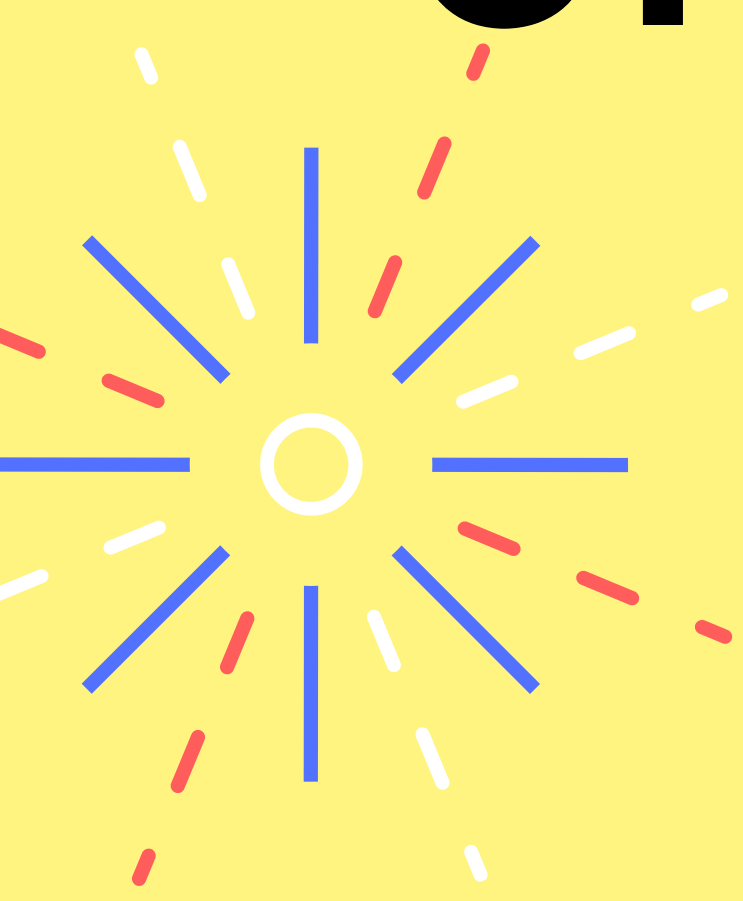


Click [here](#) for the link to our class party SignUp Genius page.

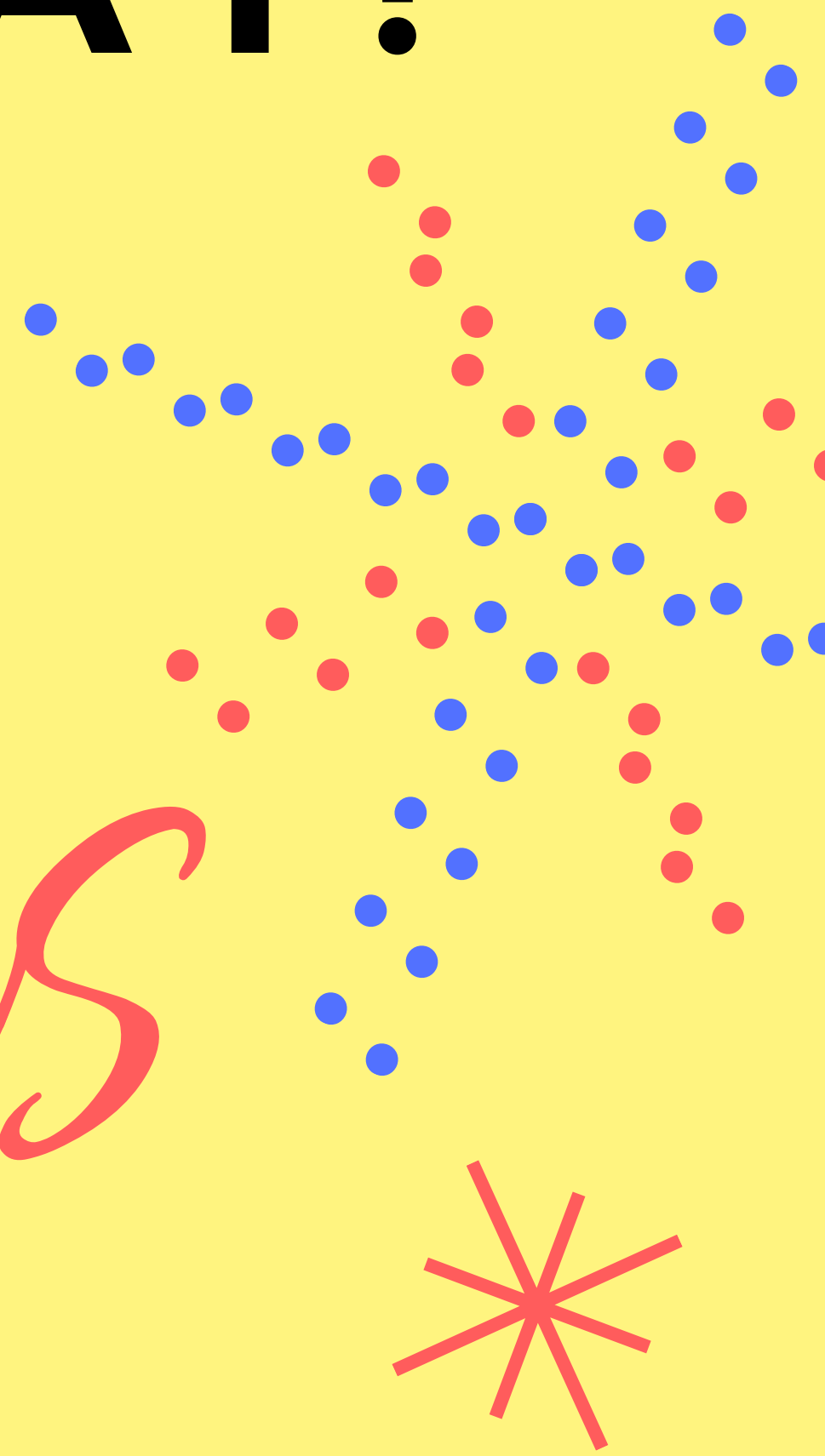
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Call or text Tia Carlson at 402-639-7562



**Sign up TODAY!**

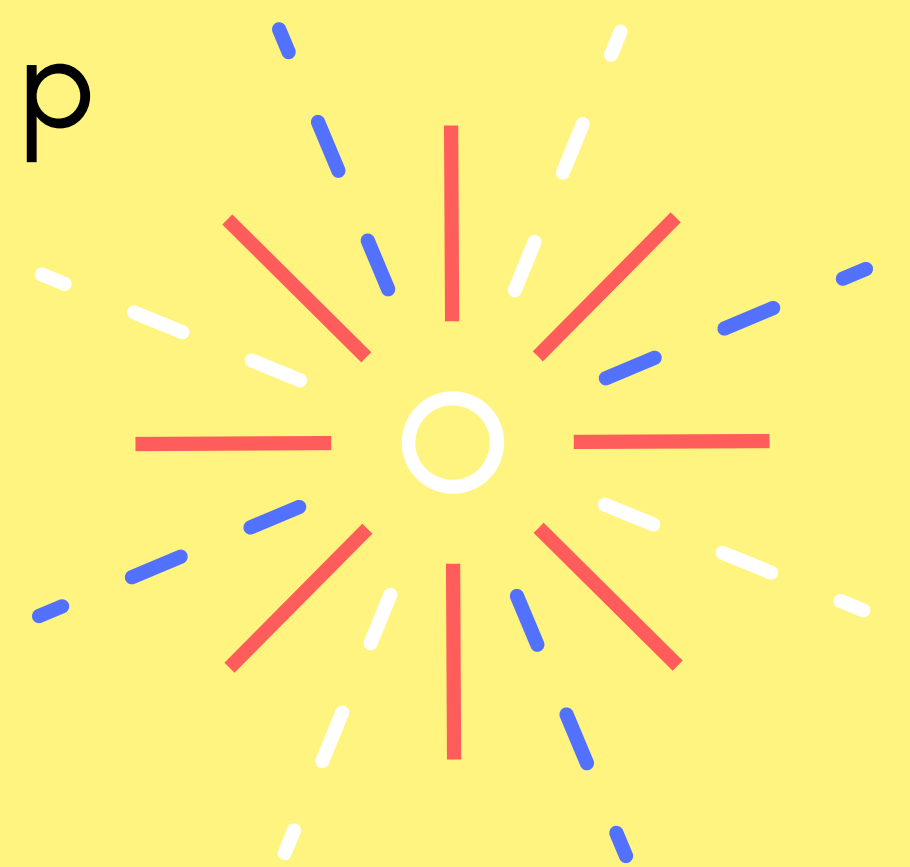
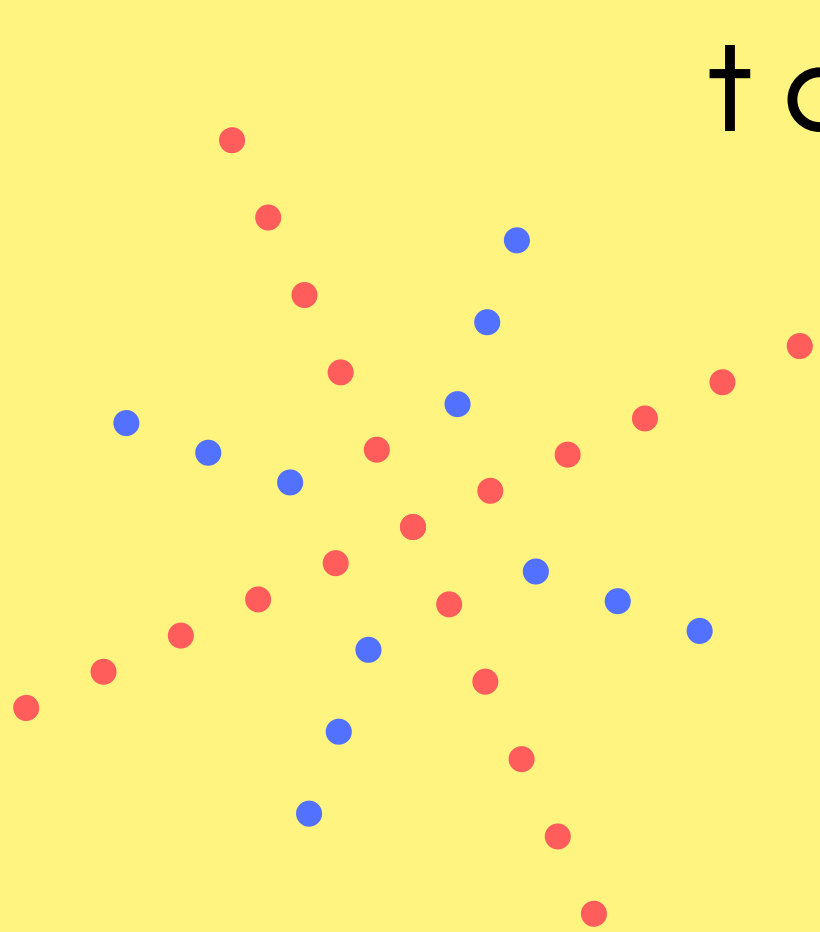


*Class  
Parties*



**CLICK HERE**

to sign up to help




Snacks, Crafts, Games, Supplies -  
There are so many ways you can help

**Be a part of your child's party!**



Swanson Elementary's  
**JAMMIE  
JOG**



**6 p.m. on Friday, October 12**  
**Swanson Swing School - 3534 S. 108th St.**

Put on your PJ's and join your Swanson friends at 6 p.m. on the track at the Swanson Swing school. Students (and parents, if they wish) can choose

to jog 1 or 2 miles around the track.

Then, we'll go to the cafeteria for a pancake dinner served by the Pancake Man.

Our goal is to promote fitness and community.

The class with the highest participation will win a popcorn party!

**YES, I want to jog in my PJs!**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

**Add pancakes from the Pancake Man after the jog (\$5/person).**

Number of family members eating pancakes \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5 =

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

If paying by check, make it payable to Swanson Community Club and attach securely to this form.

**BRING A WATER BOTTLE!**

Please return registration form and payment to school by **Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>!**

We need volunteers! Please contact Julie Hoffman (julieekstrum@gmail.com or 402-690-0139) to volunteer or if you have questions.



It's Time to Register for Battle of the Books!

Registration will run from October 5th - 26th.

To register and for more information, please visit:  
<https://sites.google.com/view/westsidebotb>

Sponsored by Westside Community Council.