

August, 2025

Greetings Ranch View Families!

Welcome back to a new school year at Ranch View, home of the Rangers! This is especially exciting as we open the school year with renovated spaces and our brand new addition! We are thrilled to see our returning families and welcome all of our new families into our community. Our yearlong theme is:



This is more than our theme — it's a promise. By living out our PRIDE values each day, we not only support one another but also create a community where everyone grows academically, socially, and emotionally.

As we prepare for the opening of school, please make note of the following times and dates:

Wednesday, August 6	Classroom and teacher assignments for kindergarten through fifth grade will be posted through Infinite Campus at 3:00 p.m. Parents will access their child's classroom assignment via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Visit the District 203 website (http://www.Naperville203.org) and click on the Resources tab on the far right in the gray banner and then click on the Infinite Campus Parent Portal link on the right side. Follow the prompts to create your parent account. If you have difficulty with your account, contact the help desk by email at parentsupport@naperville203.org . While transportation information can be accessed in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal (http://www.Naperville203.org) starting on August 6 at 3:00 p.m., please check back frequently, including the day before school starts, as changes can occur in routes, pick-up times, and/or drop-off times. If you need assistance regarding transportation information, call the Transportation Department at 630-420-6464.
Monday, August 11	3:30-5:00PM: New Family Orientation- This will include student-led tours of the building as well as information about our Home & School Organization. A Sign-up Genius will be going out soon to new families only.
Tuesday, August 12	1030AM-1130AM: Kindergarten Meet & Greets- this includes parents/ guardians bringing your student to visit the classroom, meet the teacher, drop off supplies, and do a brief scavenger hunt. In order not to overwhelm our students during the afternoon Meet 7 Greet, please attend during the assigned time: 1030-1050AM: Last Name A-H 1050-1110AM: Last Name I-P 1110-1130AM: Last Name Q-Z 2:00-3:00PM: 1st-5th Grade Meet & Greets- Please join us for a Ranch View tradition. You and your student(s) can come by anytime between 2PM and 3PM to visit their new classroom, meet their teacher, and drop off/organize supplies.



Thursday, August 14	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!! Arrival between 8AM-815AM and dismissal at 230PM
Friday, August 22	Ice Cream Social, 5-630PM on the new blacktop

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL INFORMATION:

- On the first day of school, ALL students will meet their teachers on the back blacktops. Kindergarten will be on the small blacktop located on the north side of the building. Students in 1st-5th will meet on the large new blacktop. Students should look for grade level areas, designated by signs. There will be RV Staff available to guide students in the right direction. Please be prepared to say your good-byes at the door as it makes the transition smoother for students and we cannot allow parents/guardians to enter the building with their student.
- Please begin to make consistent dismissal arrangements for children. Classes will be dismissed out of several doors at 2:30PM and students must know their dismissal plan. Bus riders, walkers, and car riders will be directed to these specific locations. Please be assured that, during the first few days of school, our students will be escorted to their dismissal locations to ensure they get where they need to go.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **REGISTRATION:** We conducted registration for this current school year in April. Please make sure you have completed the online registration materials. **A student's name cannot appear on a class list until the fee sheet and online registration have been completed**. Please remember to contact the school office with any new changes to the emergency contact information you completed in the spring.
- **ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL**: A detailed letter with door numbers, walkers and car rider information along with other details will be provided closer to the first day of school.
- **SUPPLY KITS**: If you purchased school supply kits, they will be delivered directly to your child's classroom prior to the first day of school. If you need to purchase your supplies, please refer to the RV website to find supply lists.
- **SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM**: We offer a school breakfast and lunch program for students in grades K-5. Please visit the <u>Nutrition Services link</u> if you have any questions.
- WEBSITE: This 2025-2026 Summer Update Information can be found on our website by hovering your cursor over the "Our School" tab in the upper left hand corner and then click on the "2025-26 Summer Update" tab in the drop down menu. You can also click on the website's Summer Update banner.
- WEEKLY COMMUNICATION: We will send out a Weekly Family Update via email starting the Week of August 4th. That link
 will have important information so make sure to look for these every Sunday night. A text message with the link will be sent
 as well.

- NEW LITERACY RESOURCE IMPLEMENTATION

- During the 2025-2026 school year, District 203 will be implementing a new elementary literacy curriculum supported by a Board adopted resource. The literacy resource is entitled *Into Reading*. Our revised curriculum addresses all of the essential elements of literacy, including phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, writing, handwriting, and grammar. It supports the Illinois Learning Standards and provides a rigorous structure that aligns with the Science of Reading Research. Students will engage with authentic, complex



texts that are infused into daily instruction and include both fiction and nonfiction that are connected to rich themes.

- The implementation of this new resource will reflect current best practices in literacy instruction, which emphasize the integration of reading, writing, word study, and comprehension as essential components of a comprehensive and effective literacy block from kindergarten through fifth grade.
- Due to the change of the elementary literacy curriculum being implemented this coming school year, the literacy instruction for our 4th and 5th grade students in the Project Idea (PI) Program will mirror the core literacy block and PI students will engage in a literacy block with the same teacher for both reading and writing.
- To implement this new structure and ensure that all students continue to receive the dedicated support they need, we're strategically utilizing the expertise of our talented staff members to provide instruction to our students in Project Idea and Honors Math.
- This approach allows us to maintain the high quality of instruction across all critical areas, providing the best possible learning environment for your children. We will be communicating specific information to 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade families regarding the specific teachers who will be working with their children for literacy and math instruction as a result of the new structure.
- **LUNCH/RECESS SUPERVISORS WANTED**: We are looking for three Lunch/Recess Supervisors. If you or someone you know has time from 1045AM-12:45PM daily, please reach out to us via email AND apply <u>online</u> to be a lunch/recess supervisor. Even if you can only work two or three days per week, we'd love to have you apply! Tell your neighbors, grandparents, and college students.

We have included a plethora of important information in this welcome letter but please do not hesitate to reach out with any additional questions. We look forward to a fabulous school year.

With Ranger Pride,

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