



Dear Ellsworth Parents and Guardians,

We hope that you are enjoying your last days of summer! We are thrilled to kick off this school year as a new Home and School team! Many exciting programs and events are just around the corner.

Ellsworth is unique in District 203, as it is one of the smallest schools in the district. Parent involvement is key to our success. There are numerous opportunities for you to get involved. Please be on the lookout for a volunteer survey distributed the first few weeks of school.

One great way to become more active at Ellsworth is to attend the monthly Home & School (H&S) meetings. Our first meeting of the year will be in September. Official dates for the meetings will be posted on the Ellsworth website and our Facebook page. All parents and guardians are welcome and able to vote on decisions that affect both our students and our school. The H&S works hard throughout the year to provide our children with an enhanced learning experience and plenty of fun activities along the way. Home and School helps to subsidize field trips at every grade level, funds school assemblies, organizes three classroom parties per year, funds family math, reading and multi-cultural nights and hosts an ice cream social and spring festival for all families at Ellsworth and actively engages in many other wonderful activities.

Also, on Thursday, August 15th (the first day of school) please join members of the H&S Board, available teachers, staff, and our Principal Kim Rutan, for our annual "Second Cup of Coffee" at 8:30 am on the Ellsworth playground. It's a terrific way to meet new people, renew friendships and learn more about how to get involved!

Please reach out anytime with questions or to merely introduce yourself!

See you all VERY soon!

Regards,

The executive team...

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