## School Begins in Goodland USD 352, Wednesday, August 23 Buses will run • Lunch will be served

The beginning of another school term is fast approaching. The First Day of School will be Wednesday, August 23. This will constitute a full day, regular class schedule. We expect approximately 1,000 students, kindergarten through the twelfth grade, in attendance at the various centers.

There will be 13 new certified staff members...They are: Emily Braxmeyer, 1st Grade Kimberly Herron, 5th Grade Shelley Kirk, 1st Grade Verna Milnes, West Principal Tiffany Shank-Jones, 5th Grade Joseph Sramek, HS Math Aimee Stoffel, HS Librarian Rachel Stasser, 4th grade

Jonathan Dansel, HS At-Risk Rachel Hodges, 3rd Grade Jeff McCall, HS Math Devlin Mull, Elementary PE Cassondra VanAllen, 2nd Grade

### **Board of Education Members are:**

Jane Philbrick, President Fritz Doke LeAnn Friedrichs Andrew House Amy Sederstrom Marty Melia, Vice President Dick Short Shelly PAngelos, Superintendent of Schools

A lot of work has been completed over the summer months. Thanks to many who have diligently worked toward getting the new school year off to a good start.

Dates within the school calendar have been designated as No School Days. (See 2006-07 Back to School Calendar of Events Box). Dates and activities, such as parent-teacher conferences, inservices, athletic events, etc., are subject to change as a result of availability of certain personnel or weather conditions. Parents please make note of the Daily School Hours

### Questions

Central Elementary: 890-6558, 1311 Main - Marshell Kennedy North Elementary: 890-3912, 700 East 4th - Marcia Harkins West Elementary: 890-6163, 912 West 12th - Shawn Gastineau Grant Junior High: 890-7561, 11th & Montana - Linda Enfield Goodland High School: 890-5656, 1209 Cherry - Patty Howard

### **Sports Participation**

Any junior or senior high school student wishing to participate in fall sports (cross country, volleyball, football, cheerleading, or twirling) must have a physical examination form signed by both a doctor and his/her parents or he/she will not be allowed to participate. The first day of practice for fall sports is August 14. Doctors' offices in Goodland have forms available and it is the student's responsibility to make arrangements for his/her physical examination.

Although serious injuries in athletics are infrequent, any serious injury is catastrophic to the injured student, his/her family, and the school itself. USD 352 wishes to advise parents of athletic participants of the risk of debilitative injury while participating in athletics. Cheerleading, twirling and drill team groups have also had severe injuries during the course of their participation. An estimate is that annually there are abut 35 quadriplegics/deaths from heatstroke, and 1-20 deaths from spinal/head injuries (drowning, heart attacks, etc.). A rough estimate would be 60-70 deaths/ disabling injuries per year from varsity sports, intramural sports, and phys cal education classes in colleges, high schools, and junior high schools. Football accounts for about 54% of the total, gymnastics for about 26% wrestling for 9%, and the remaining 11% are distributed between base ball, basketball, diving, hockey, and track and field.





Asbestos is an issue USD 352 has been dealing with for sev eral years. The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 was enacted by Congress. This Act determines the extent of and develops solutions for any problems schools may have with asbestos. USD 352 has recently had their facilities inspected by a certified asbestos inspector. The inspector located, sampled, and rated the condition and hazard potential of material and lab analysis records were turned over to a certified management planner to develop asbestos management plans. A copy of the asbestos management plan is available for your inspection in USD 352's Administration offices during regular business hours. Kenny Studer is the asbestos coordinator of USD 352. All inquiries regarding the plan should be directed to him. USD 352 is implementing the asbestos management plan. It is the District's intent to comply with federal, state and local regulations. USD 352 plans on taking whatever steps are necessary to insure your child and the District's employees have a healthy and safe environment in which to learn and work.

### **All K-6 Elementary Enrollment** will be held at West School.

### **Elementary Enrollment:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Elementary enrollment will take place at West School between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. - Aug. 8-10. A parent or guardian must be present to complete the enrollment for an elementary child. Proof of birth and immunization records are required for enrollment. Social Security cards are requested for enrollment in kindergarten even if previously presented at the kindergarten screening. All new students age 8 and under will be required to have a health assessment. Late or early enrollments will occur at the building sites.

### K-6 in Town Transportation

7:20 a.m. & 3:20 p.m. - West to Central and North, North to Central and

High School Practice Schedules Monday, August 14		
H.S. Football	6:24 a.m.	
H.S. Volleyball	8 a.m. and 5 p.m.	
H.S. Cross Country (Meet at High School Gym)	7 a.m. and 4 p.m.	
Girls' Tennis	7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Steever Park	
Girls' Golf	8 a.m. Meet at H.S. Room 256	

#### **School Nutrition Program**

In addition to our regular school lunch, a breakfast program will be offered in all schools for all students. Meal prices are the same. Extra milk price increased.

	<u>Lunch</u>	<u>Breakfast</u>
Preschool - 6	\$1.50	\$.85
7-8	\$1.60	\$.95
9-12	\$1.70	\$.95
Adults	\$2.60	\$1.55
Extra Milk	\$.25	\$.25

Reduced prices remain the same - lunch \$.40 and breakfast \$.30.

### Immunizations: Sherman Co. Health Dept. 899-4888

Required Immunizations **PRIOR** to Kindergarten entry.

Boosters - DPT, OPV & MMR. Students 15 years of age must have: Booster of TD (Tetanus Diphtheria) required every 10 years. School MUST have a record of the immunization date. Special Walk-In Immunization Clinic: Friday, August 15, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

New Legislation passed in the 1994 Legislative session requires Child Health Assessment for new school entrants age eight and under. This includes preschool children enrolling in school for the

- first time. The Child Health Assessment may be obtained from a family physician or from
- the Sherman County Health Dept. The health assessment includes: Health history, physical exam and other
- screening tests as medically indicated. The provider determines which lab and other screening tests will be done.
- Health assessment information should be forwarded to the school by the parent/guardian.
- The health assessment needs to be done within 12 months prior to school entry or within 90 days after school entry.

# **Students to Finalize Enrollment in Goodland USD 352** August 7-10, 2006

# 2006-07 Back-To-School Calendar of Events

<u>August 2006</u>
7-10 - Students finalize enrollment.
7- Enrollment for new high school students and seniors.
8- Enrollment for new students Kindergarten through eigth grade

9- Football Parent Meeting 6 p.m. Football Equipment Checkout 7 to 8 p.m.

- 14 First day of practice for H.S. fall sports...football, cross country olleyball, golf and tennis
- Bring physical forms along

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14- Jr. High Cross country practice in the High School gym, 4:00 p.m. 16 - New teacher orientation, Administration Building, 8:00 a.m. 17-22- Teacher/Staff inservice workdays

23 - First Day of School (full day) Buses will run on regular route time 25- Football and Cross Country Soap Scrimmage. 5:30 p.m. 29- Volleyball scrimmage 5 p.m.

<u>September:</u> 4 - Labor Day / No School

<u>October:</u>

9 - Inservice Day / No School 27-1/2-Inservice-1/2 Teacher Workday-No School

November: **2** - K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (4-8 p.m.) **3 -** K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (8 a.m. - noon)

22 - No School - Inservice 23-24 - Thanksgiving Vacation

27 - No School-Inservice

December:

25-31 - Winter Vacation January 2007:

**3 -** School resumes **15** - 1/2 Teacher Inservice-1/2-Teacher Work Day

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<u>Grant Junior Hi</u>	<u>gh</u>	
Tuesday, August 8-New	v Students	
Wednesday, August 9-7th Grade Enrollment		
Thursday, August 10-8th Grade Enrollment		
Friday, Aug. 11 - Footba		
·/ 8	8th Grade Football-9:00 a.m.	
Friday, Aug. 11 - Foot	ball checkout	
• •	7th Grade Football-10:00 a.m.	
Friday, August 11 - 8th	Grade Volleyball-1:00 p.m.	
	Grade Volleyball-1:30 p.m.	
Moday, August 14 - Cro		
Monday, August 14		
First Day of Practice		
Enrollment procedure	:	
(1) Students/parents pick up forms in the hallway.		
	who have questions about their class schedule	
	ould check with the office.	
	xtbooks will be provided for the students. How-	
	ss and athletic fees, which will be paid by the	
udent. These fees should		
Fees for 2006-07		
Special Fees:		
Art Block, (7th grade)	\$ 3.00	
Art II, (year)	\$15.00	
PE towel fee	\$6.00	
School Yearbook	\$10.00	
Athletic Fee:	\$ 3.00	

(covers all sports)

(4) Complete the Grant Junior High Pupil Registration sheet and return to Mrs. Enfield. At enrollment, Grant Junior High students will be given a planner, which includes a daily assignment book, a calendar of events, and the school's hand book, as well as numerous reference pages,

(5) Students may not leave campus during lunch, unless their parent picks them up and returns them to school. Students must sign out in the office each time they leave and return. Bus and physical forms will also be turned in to Mrs. Enfield.

(6) Upon completion of enrollment, students are encouraged to locate their assigned classrooms and lockers as well as become acquainted with the building. There will be student guides to help in locating rooms and lockers.

(7) Parents are encouraged to accompany their student(s), so questions they have can be clarified at this time. Be sure you have up-to-date health records for the school files. If you have information for your child's health records, please put it in writing and hand it to Mrs. Enfield. New students must complete the health form.





February: 19 - Inservice Day / No School

<u>March:</u>

16-1/2 Teacher Inservice-1/2 Teacher Work Day-No School 26-30 - Spring Break

22 - K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (4-8 p.m.) 23 - No school - Parent/Teacher Conferences (8 a.m. - noon)

**19** - High School Graduation 23 - Last Day of School (full day)

May 29, 30, 31...Storm days if needed

USD 352 School Calendar lists Wednesday, May 23, as the Last Day of School, which under favorable weather conditions would attain the 1116 hours required. The May 29-31 dates are insurance days toward meeting this requirement. The 2006-07 School Calendars, listing the major scheduled events of the year, will be available for distribution to students when finalizing their enrollment. Interested school patrons may pick up a copy at the The Sherman Theatre, Eklund's Insurance Agency ADM Grain Inc., Bankwest, Western State Bank, Frontier Equity or Firs National Bank. The Board of Education has provided a limited insurance program to cover all students in all scheduled school functions including travel to and from school or related activities. This is a limited amount policy which pays reasonable and customary charges as listed within the student group coverage policy. This insurance coverage is restrictive in that the policy pays claims only after a student's initial insurance and/or when charges are in excess of other insurance coverage; however, only to the extent considered reasonable and customary and as provided within the policy.

### **Access to Student Records**

\_\_\_\_ Goodland Unified School District 352 will comply with the Family Edu cational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as it regards educational records of students of the district. The Act grants the parents or guardians of any student the right to review the educational records of any dependent student. This right is granted to the student rather than the parents or guardians upon the student becoming eighteen (18) years of age.

Upon receipt of a written request to review a student's records, school personnel will provide the requested records as soon as possible and in no event later than forty-five (45) days following the request. Parents or guardians will be granted a hearing if they wish to challenge the content of their children's educational records.

Forms requesting access to student records are available upon request at each of the schools. Schools may make directory information available without parent or eligible student consent. Directory information includes the following infor-

- mation about students: 1. Student's name, address, telephone number, and date of birth.
- 2. Student's major field of study.

3. Student's participation in officially recognized activities and sports 4. Weight and height of members of athletic teams.

- 5. Date of attendance.
- Degrees and awards received.

. Most recent educational agency or institution attended.

If you do not wish any or all of the above information regarding your child to be released, a request not to release the information must be in writing and directed to the principal's office of your child's school within two weeks of first attendance each year. Except for the directory information, all student records are handled in a confidential manner. You will be informed of any transfer of such records in the event your child changes schools or in the event records are requested by judicial order for use in

A record will be kept of any authorized group or organization requesting access to a student's records and will be included with the student's educational records. All certified school staff have authorized access to records of students with whom they work.

Complete federal guidelines regarding the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act are on file in the principal's office of each school and are available for your inspection.

## **High School**

**Enrollment Procedure:** Students should report as scheduled. The procedure involves correcting schedules, paying fees, getting lunch tickets, etc.

Monday, August 7 Seniors & New Students

Tuesday, August 8

Juniors Wednesday, August 9

Sophomores

Thursday, August 10

Freshman

**TEXTBOOK RENTAL:** As a public service, the Board of Education has waived textbook rental fees. Fees will be charged for various subject areas or activities as determined by the type of student project or the amount of supplies actually used by the student.

SCHOOL DRESS:

Clothes worn to school should emphasize that a girl is a lady, and a boy is a gentleman. Appropriate grooming and manner is expected in all dress. Lycra running or biking shorts, cutoffs, halter tops, bare midriffs/shoulders, shirts with suggestive and/or obscene material or that advertise alcohol or tobacco products are **<u>NOT</u>** appropriate dress. Appropriate length for shorts are those that extend below the fingertips extended and these may be worn. The body must be sufficiently covered to insure modesty. The final decision on the appropriateness of dress or grooming rests with the principal/asst. principal or sponsor if representing the school. When representing the school, students will be given definite instructions as to appropriate and acceptable dress and grooming.



### **Daily School Hours**

7:30 a.m 3:30 p.m Teachers on duty.
7:50 a.m High School classes begin.
7:50 a.m Elementary School classes begin.
8:00 a.m Junior High School classes begin.
11:00 a.m Morning Kindergarten/Early Childhood
Development classes dismissed.
12:10 p.m Afternoon Kindergarten/Early Childhood
Development classes begin.
3:20 p.m Elementary School classes dismissed
3:20 p.m High School classes dismissed
3:25 p.m Junior High School classes dismissed.
Lunch periods vary from building to building. Check with th
building principal for information.

USD 352 will be transporting approximately 300 students. Cooperative compliance with Kansas School Transportation Laws and USD 352 Board of Education Student Transportation Guidelines is a must in fairness to all concerned. Bus students will receive a copy of these rules.

It is the policy of the Board of Education to provide transportation for all students outside the city limits. Regular bus routes are maintained. In some cases it will be necessary that students meet the bus at some point other than their home, depending on road and weather conditions.

Get to know your bus driver, so you may communicate with him or her when problems arise. Routes are determined by many factors which include road conditions, home of driver, number of children in the area, and the least miles needed to be driven to pick up and return all children. Rather than list all of the bus routes, drivers will contact you by phone or in person and let you know the bus number and approximate time of pickup. New persons on bus routes must contact the USD 352 Bus Barn (phone: 890-3011) to be placed on a bus route. Whenever regular bus route transportation is impractical, mileage will be paid in lieu of transportation. All private transportation must be approved in advance before payments will be approved by the Board of Education. NO exception. If a bus is not available to pick up a student, private transportation will be reimbursed at the rate of 10¢ per mile.

There can be mix-ups the first day of school. If you have any questions, please call Bob Harkins (phone: 890-3011) or the USD office (phone: 890-2397) and every effort will be made to resolve any difficulties. Remember, however, adjusting your schedule so your child can be picked up later or taken home earlier, means someone else's schedule also must be adjusted. As everyone must realize, someone has to get on the bus first in the morning and get home last at night.

See K-6 Bus Schedule in the Grade School portion of this ad.

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### Message Machine

The Administration Building has a message machine available for patron use, (785)890-8507, with recorded messages regarding any change from normal routine. If there is no message, everything is as scheduled. Examples of messages would be regarding school closing, buses needing to run mud routes only, bus schedule changes, such as earlier or later departure and arrival times including the activity buses, and any athletic schedule changes.

### **Equal Rights**

USD 352, Goodland, Kansas, in compliance with the Executive Order 11246; Title II of the Education Amendments of 1976; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972; Title IX Regulation Implementing Education amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and all other federal, state, school rules, laws, regulations and policies, the Goodland Unified School District 352, Sherman County, Kansas, shall not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, or handicap in the education programs or activities, which said district operates. It is the intent of the Goodland Unified School District 352 to comply with both the letter and spirit of the law, in making certain discrimination does not exist in its policies, regulations, and operations. Grievance procedures for Title IX and Section 504 have been established for students, their parents, and employees who feel discrimination has been shown by Unified School District 352, Goodland, Kansas, Sherman County. Specific complaints of alleged discrimination under Title IX (sex) or Section 504 (handicap) should be referred to:

USD 352 Administration Building

Title IX and Section 504 Coordinator The above named can be contacted by dialing (785)890-2397.

Title IX complaints can also be filed with the Office for Civil Rights: Regional Office for Civil Rights 324 East 11th Street

Kansas City, Missouri 64106

All students attending Goodland Unified School District 352 may participate in educational programs and activities including, but not limited to, health, physical education, music, and vocational and technical education, regardless of race, color, national origin, age, handicap, or sex.

### Needs of Exceptional Students are **BEING MET**

State and federal legislation specifies that all exceptional children have a right to a free public education based on their needs. Local schools must identify all exceptional children and provide the needed special education in the least restrictive educational environment possible. Exceptional children are defined as mentally retarded, specific learning disabled gifted, hearing impaired, language or speech impaired, personally and socially maladjusted, physically impaired, multiple handicapped, deaf and visually impaired. USD 352 does provide for the above, and where necessary, calls upon support agencies for additional assistance. The above is in keeping with district goals and philosophy to provide a quality educational program for all children. Parents are informed immediately upon referral of their student for special education services with the assurance that parent and student due process rights and confidentiality will be maintained. The school's regular and special education personnel work closely with the student's parents throughout all steps, from testing and evaluation, writing an individual educational program for the identified student. and determining placement. If the parents disagree with the school's special service team's decision, they may request a due process hearing. This is usually not necessary if the school personnel and the parents work toward that which they have in common - the welfare of the student. Additional information concerning USD 352's Special Education Pro-

gram can be obtained by contacting your student's attendance center

