



## Sagewood September News

What a great first day of school! The best part of coming to work everyday is the students and families that I get to work with. Thank you to everyone that supported us by checking in and out to walk students to class. It was great for me as the new principal to see all the wonderful families that Sagewood has and that I will get to know over this next school year.

Safety is important and with the increase in awareness of safety needs for the school it is important that I communicate a few things with all families. At anytime you need into the building you will need to come to the front office to check in and when you leave you will need to check out. If you need to talk to your child's teacher this will need to be arranged before dropping in for a visit. After the first morning of school parents/guardians will not be allowed on the playground to support the safety of students. If you have any concerns or questions with any of the above please contact the office to talk to me.

This year with the addition of preschool, we had to change up dismissal processes. All students will be dismissed out to the playground after school. Bus riders will check in before exiting the back of the school and all other students will exit out to the playground and be dismissed out the gate on 25th street. The office has a map if you need one. Preschool parents are expected to sign in their child and sign out each day, they will be walked out by their teachers. They will be using the gate closest to the portable and parking in the parking lot in order to support this process. Please be aware of the pick up change and support our new littles.

A few other reminders:

**Parent Portal:** The school district is asking all parents to complete paperwork online. In order to be able to reach you in case of emergency, we need this filled out ASAP. If you need technology to help you complete this paperwork, please contact the office to schedule a time to do it at school.

**Bus Pass:** Bus riding students should have their Z pass. If your child rides a bus and does not have a card, please contact the Sagewood office and we will put you in touch with the right people.

**Lunch: Free and Reduced Applications** are available in the Sagewood office. Please fill these out if you think you might qualify. Remember, students are not allowed to charge past \$10 on their account.

**Attendance:** <http://natronaschools.org/parentsstudents/attendance/> The link will provide you with information about the attendance policy. It is important that you understand that if your child has 5

**unexcused absences in a semester**, there is a required intervention meeting to develop a plan to help your child's attendance. **Any time a child misses at least 45 minutes at the beginning of the morning or at end of the day, it counts as an absence.**

Our first PTO meeting will be next Tuesday. I hope to see everyone at 6:00 in the library. Sagewood information can be found on our school's website: <http://www.sagewoodelementary.com/> and on Facebook: Sagewood Elementary School. We will also use Infinite Campus to send out information from the school. If you are unable to receive information electronically, please contact your child's teacher and we will gladly send home a paper copy to you.

Please let me know how I am able to support you or your child as we transition into another amazing school year!

:) Mrs. Lavin

### **What's happening in September at Sagewood**

PTO Meeting- September 11 6:00-7:00 in the library

First Day of Preschool- September 11

Fastbridge Universal Screener Window-September 12th- October 9th

Picture Day- October 3rd