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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Dixie Sun Elementary. At Dixie Sun Elementary all children gain fluency in Spanish and in English. Children are immersed 50% of the time in Spanish and 50% of the time in English. In 2005 teaching in two languages began in kindergarten and first grade. Each year a new grade level has been added. Language learning is combined with vocal and instrumental music instruction to make an early cognitive impact on young children that promotes excellence in all academic areas. Dual Language Immersion programs offer a rich bilingual experience for young learners when their minds are developmentally best able to acquire a second language. In the 21st century students need to develop skills so they can be at multilingual and multicultural. Applications for entrance are received.

QUICK INFORMATION GUIDE

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Principal: Mrs. Kim Heki

Title 1 Coordinator: Mr. Glen Andersen

Monday -Thursday

Grade Level	Hours	Lunch
Kindergarten Schedule AM	9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	
Kindergarten Schedule PM	12:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	
1st Grade	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
2nd Grade	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	11:50 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.
3rd Grade	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.
4th Grade	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	11:40 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.
5th Grade	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	11:20 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.
OEK	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	12:05 p.m. – 12:35 p.m.

Friday Schedule

Grade Level	Hours	Lunch
Kindergarten Schedule AM	9:00 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	
Kindergarten Schedule PM	11:35 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	
1st Grade	9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
2nd Grade	9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	11:50 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.
3rd Grade	9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.
4th Grade	9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	11:40 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.
5th Grade	9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	11:20 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.
OEK	9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	12:05 p.m. – 12:35 p.m.

School Office Hours are from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. We ask that all parents and visitors please check in at the office when visiting.

Attendance: Students are expected to attend school daily unless ill. Please call the school office if your child is absent from school for any reason. Students are required to attend 180 days annually. Please plan your vacations, dental and doctor appointments at times which will not conflict with your child's education. Please make sure the school office has an emergency number to contact parents for any reason.

Arrival and Dismissal: School grounds open at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast. Students should not be dropped off at school before 8:00 a.m. Students should have a planned route to and from school that is discussed with parents. They should also have a planned alternative route in case of emergencies. Please review these with your children. Students should use the crosswalks at all times. At arrival and dismissal time parents picking up students should follow the parking lot path that is outlined by the posted signs.

Personal Transportation: Roller blades, skateboards, and shoes with hidden wheels are not allowed at school. Bicycles should be walked on and off campus and walked across crosswalks. Bikes should be locked in the bike racks at school. Students using bikes or scooters to get to school are required to wear helmets. There will be no exceptions to this requirement.

Breakfast and Lunch: Breakfast is served from 8:30 to 8:50 a.m. Breakfast and Lunch should be paid for in advance at the office or online at paypams.com. Parents may choose to pay a week or a month in advance. The price for Breakfast is \$1.25 or \$0.30 for Reduced Breakfast. The price for Lunch is and \$2.00 or \$0.40 for Reduced Lunch. Lunch Applications will be sent home on the first day of school or are available at the Office.

Removing a Child from Campus: This is a closed campus. Students should not leave school grounds for lunch unless arrangements have been made with the school. No child will be released from school without parent or guardian permission. To take a student from school during the day, parents must report to the office and sign out their child. A valid ID card is required. No child will be released to anyone other than a parent unless specified on the student's emergency information or a note from the parent.

Dress Code: Students should come to school able to participate safely in all activities. School uniforms are required as follows; shirts that are white, sky blue, navy blue, or yellow. Shirts must be plain and not have writing or images unless it is the school logo. PE Shirts are to be worn on PE Days and Friday Spirit Days, if they are available. Bottoms should be navy blue or khaki. They can include pants, shorts, capris, skorts, skirts, or jumpers. All shorts, skirts, and skorts must be sufficient length to exceed the fingertips with the arms extended. Any shoes are permitted, excluding flip-flops.

Personal Possessions: Please have your child's possessions marked with his/her name. Leave toys at home. Problems arise when they are brought to school. This is a learning environment – toys disrupt and cause only problems. If students bring a cell phone to school they must remain in backpacks. Cell phones must be turned off and out of sight during the school day or they will be confiscated. Students need to use the school phone when making calls home.

Washington County School District 2016-2017 Calendar

Updated 12/10/2015

August 2016				
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Calendar approved by the
WCSD Board of Education
1/2015.

Aug 11 (Th)	School Begins <i>(Kindergarten students begin on Thursday, August 18th)</i>
Aug 22 (M)	PLC Collaboration Day (Minimum School Day)
Sept 5 (M)	Labor Day (No School)
Sept 19 (M)	PLC Collaboration Day (Minimum School Day)
Oct 13-14 (Th-F)	Fall Break (No School)
Oct 24 (M)	PLC Collaboration Day (Minimum School Day)
Nov 23 (W)	SEP/SEOP Comp Recess Day (No School)
Nov 24-25 (Th-F)	Thanksgiving Vacation (No School)
Dec 5 (M)	PLC Collaboration Day (Minimum School Day)
Dec 21 (W) - Jan 3 (T)	Christmas Vacation/Winter Holiday (No School)
Jan 4 (W)	Teacher Prep Day (No School)
Jan 16 (M)	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)
Jan 23 (M)	PLC Collaboration Day (Minimum School Day)
Feb 20 (M)	Washington and Lincoln Day (No School)
Mar 6 (M)	PLC Collaboration Day (Minimum School Day)
Mar 13-17 (M-F)	Spring Break (No School)
Apr 14 (F), 17 (M)	Spring Recess (No School)
May 23 (T)	Minimum School Day - Graduation
May 24 (W)	Last Day of School - Graduation

March 2017				
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May 2017				
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Registration and Back-to-School
info available at www.washk12.org.

Elementary & Intermediate Trimesters:

- T1 - Aug 11 (Th) - Nov 4 (F) - 59 days
- T2 - Nov 7 (M) - Feb 17 (F) - 60 days
- T3 - Feb 21 (T) - May 24 (W) - 60 day

ELEMENTARY

Elementary SEP Days: (SEP by Appointment)

- Aug 24-25 (W-Th) - Regular school day - SEP appointments from 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- Nov 14-17 (M-Th) - Minimum Day - Students released at 1:15 p.m. for SEP appointments
- Feb 13-16 (M-Th) - Minimum Day - Students released at 1:15 p.m. for SEP appointments

Kindergarten SEP Days: (SEP by Appointment)

- Aug 24-25 (W-Th) - Regular school day - SEP appointments from 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- Nov 14-15 (M-T) - NO SCHOOL
- Nov 16-17 (W-Th) - Minimum Day - Students released at 10:40 a.m. /1:15 p.m. for SEP appointments
- Feb 13-14 (M-F) - NO SCHOOL
- Feb 15-16 (W-Th) - Minimum Day - Students released at 10:40 a.m. /1:15 p.m. for SEP appointments

Kindergarten Testing:

- Aug 11-12 (Th-F), Aug 15-17 (M-W) - NO SCHOOL for Kindergarten - Testing by Appointment
- May 15-19 (M-F) - NO SCHOOL for Kindergarten - Testing by Appointment

School Times:	Regular School Day	Early-out Friday	Minimum School Day
Elementary	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.
AM Kindergarten	9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	9:00 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.	9:00 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.
PM Kindergarten	12:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	11:35 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	11:35 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Last Day of School - Elementary 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - NO KINDERGARTEN

SECONDARY

Secondary School Quarters:

- Q1 - Aug 11 (Th) - Oct 12 (W) - 44 days *(Q1 Mid-terms - Sept 12-16)*
- Q2 - Oct 17 (M) - Dec 20 (T) - 44 days *(Q2 Mid-terms - Nov 14-18)*
- Q3 - Jan 5 (Th) - March 10 (F) - 45 days *(Q3 Mid-terms - Feb 6-10)*
- Q4 - March 20 (M) - May 24 (W) - 56 days *(Q4 Mid-terms - April 18-21)*

Secondary SEOP Days: (4:30-7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted)

- Intermediate:** FRIS-Sept 28-29 (W-Th) 4:00-7:00 pm HIS-Oct 6 (Th), Jan 19 (Th) 2:30-5:30 pm
- LRIS-Sept 28-29 (W-Th) 3:00-6:00 pm SRIS-Oct 5-6 (W-Th) 3:00-6:00 pm TQIS-Nov 3 (Th), Feb 2 (Th) 2:30-5:30 pm
- Middle:** DHMS - Nov 2-3 (W-Th) 4:00-7:00 p.m. DMS - Nov 9 (W), Feb 1 (W) 3:30-6:30 pm
- HMS - Nov 2 (W), Jan 31 (T) PVMS - Sept 15 (Th), Feb 9 (Th) 3:30-6:30 pm SCMS - Sept 20 (T), Feb 9 (Th) 3:30-6:30 pm
- High:** DHHS - Nov 1-2 (T-W) DHS - Nov 10 (Th), Feb 2 (Th) HHS - Nov 3 (Th), Feb 1 (W) 3:30-6:30 pm
- MHS - Sept 14-15 (W-Th), Feb 8-9 (W-Th) PVHS - Nov 9 (W), Feb 2 (Th) 3:30-6:30 pm
- SCHS - Nov 2-3 (W-Th) 3:30-6:30 pm WCHS - Nov 1 (T) 2:30-5:30 pm, Nov 2 (W) 4-7 pm

School Times:	Regular School Day	Minimum School Day	Last Day of School
Intermediate	7:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	7:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Middle	8:20 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.	8:20 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	8:20 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
High	8:15 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.	8:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	8:15 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

This calendar is proposed for 179 school days, 1 SEP/SEOP comp recess day, and 3 teacher days.
(183 total contract days)

1st Day of School/ Last Day of School
Teacher Prep Days NO SCHOOL Aug 9-10, Jan 4
Holiday/Break NO SCHOOL
SEP/SEOP Comp Recess NO SCHOOL
PLC Collaboration Day MINIMUM DAY Schedule
Elementary SEP MINIMUM DAY Schedule (Elementary Schools Only)
High School Graduation MINIMUM DAY Schedule
MINIMUM DAY SCHEDULE <i>School Times as follows:</i> Elementary 9:00 am-1:15 pm AM Kinder 9:00 -10:40 am PM Kinder 11:35 am-1:15 pm Intermediate 7:45-11:45 am Middle 8:20-12:30 pm High School 8:15-12:30 pm

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

Getting Students to School Safely

Students should stay on sidewalks and cross roads only at intersections and use crosswalks. Where available, students should use the intersections with crossing guards. Remember to look both ways before crossing.

Students should have a planned route to and from school that is discussed with parents. They should also have a planned alternative route in case of emergencies. Please review these with your children. Parents please set the example. Use the crosswalks instead of walking in front of or behind cars when walking through the parking lot. Please do not drive past the “Do not enter” signs.

Students riding bicycles or scooters must park them in the bike racks and leave them there until school is dismissed. Please lock bikes, as the school cannot assume responsibility for lost or stolen bicycles. If parents bring students to school, please drop them off and pick them up in the designated areas only. Do not double park or have children cross the driveway to come between cars. With so many parents dropping off and picking up, safety is critical. Please drive slowly and watch for children.

Parents picking up students should follow the parking lot path that is outlined by the posted signs. Parents will pull to the curb outlined, a teacher will be available to open car doors and assist students in getting into the car. Once students are secure parents may pull away and the next car will pull to the curb to pick up their students. Our parking lot is very congested, so we ask that you please follow these procedures instead of getting out of your vehicles and waiting for students on the curb.

Bus Transportation

Buses are provided both to and from school for students who live further than a mile and a half from the neighborhood elementary school. Students who come and go from school by any means other than the bus should plan on arriving no earlier than 8:30.

WELLNESS POLICIES

Medications

Students should not have in their possession medicine of any kind, including over the counter medications and inhalers. The administration of prescription medications to pupils by school personnel will be permitted with a current prescription and a signed doctor request form. All medications are stored in a locked cabinet, and a record is kept of all medications given.

Each school has designated at least one staff member to be responsible for the safe keeping and administration of all medications. In our school this is the secretary. Our secretary keeps a record of each administration and stores medication. All medications need to be in a pharmacy or physician labeled container. Unauthorized school employees are not allowed to give out medication. In the event of an injury at school, parents will be notified.

- www.washk12.org/policywiki/index.php?page=2320-medication-administration-for-students
- <http://www.washk12.org/forms>

Immunizations

Pre-School

State law requires that each student have on file with the school a copy of the individual immunization record. Please update the school records when additional immunizations are given. Immunization requirements: 4 DPT (one after age 4), 3 Polio (one after age 4), 2 MMR, Varicella or have had the Chicken Pox, 3 Hepatitis B and 2 Hepatitis A.

Kindergarten to 5th Grade

State law requires that each student have on file with the school a copy of the individual immunization record. Please update the school records when additional immunizations are given. Immunization requirements: 5 DPT (one after age 4), 4 Polio (one after age 4), 2 MMR, Varicella or have had the Chicken Pox, 3 Hepatitis B and 2 Hepatitis A.

Student Insurance

Student accident insurance is available to students whose parents want coverage for their children. The policy is limited and is strictly voluntary. Information concerning this policy is sent home with students in the early fall. If additional information is needed please contact the office. Some students may qualify for CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program). More information about CHIP may be obtained by calling 1-888-222-2542.

Emergency Drills

We practice Emergency Drills on a regular basis. They include Fire Drills, Lockdowns, Lockouts, Earthquake Drills, and Shelter in Place Drills. If you have any questions regarding these drills please visit the building administrator, or your child's teacher.

- <http://www.washk12.org/parents-students/emergency-plan-flipchart>

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Absence and Illness

Students under the age of 18 are required to attend school unless exempted by law. Parents have the responsibility to monitor regular school attendance for their children and to have them at school on time. Please call the the school office at 673-8978 by 10:00 a.m. any time your child will be absent. This includes absences for illness, travel, or family emergencies. Please remember that the fewer absences, the better children do in school. Excessive absences will result in possible referral to court for educational neglect and/or truancy referral. This is according to District and State policy.

Exempt absences include:

- School Sponsored Activity-Involvement in the school sponsored activity is considered part of the educational experience.
- Educational Travel-Requires prior notification by parents and approval by school officials. Paperwork is available in the office or on the district website.
- Homebound-Illness or injury which causes absence in excess of five consecutive days will not be considered an absence if a homebound teacher is requested.

If your child becomes ill at school, the office staff will contact the parent or emergency contact listed on the information card. Please make sure the school office has an emergency number to contact parents for any reason.

For the safety of all children, the health department has listed the following conditions as reason for exclusion from school;

- Undiagnosed rash
- Pink eye (conjunctivitis)
- Strep throat
- Chicken pox
- Impetigo
- Head lice.

Tardies

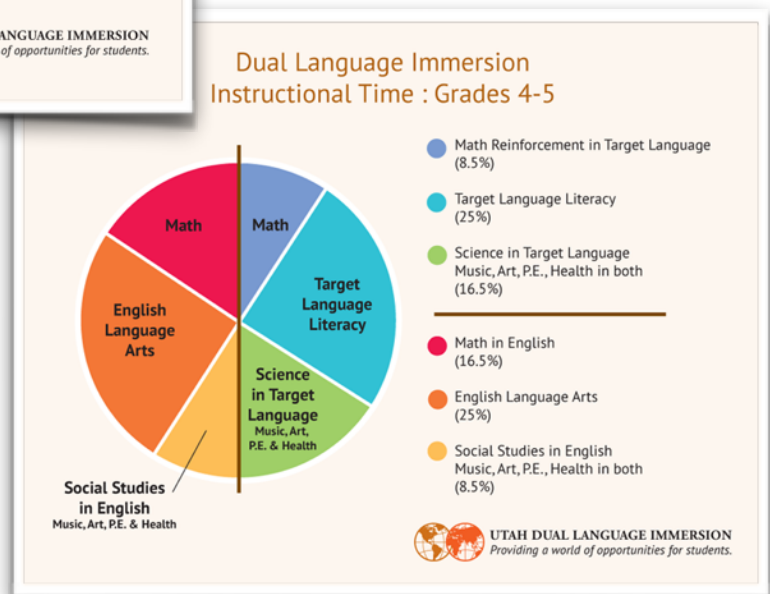
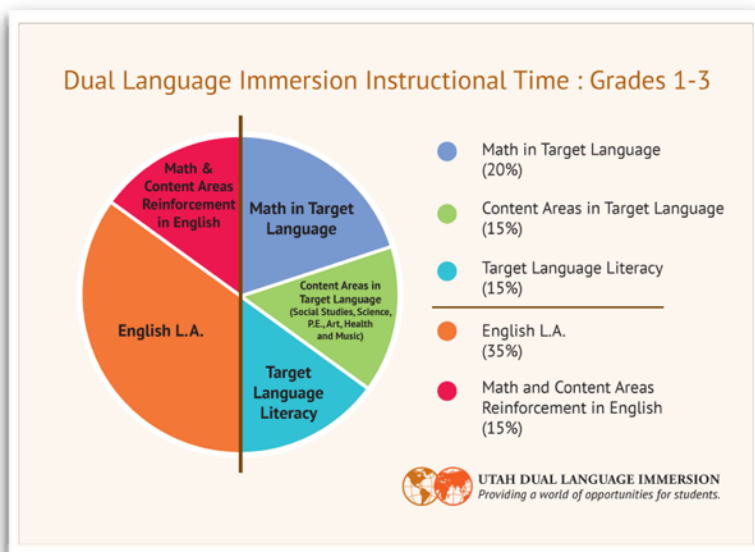
Some of the most important instructions for your child are given during the first hour of the day; please make every effort to have your child to school on time. Tardiness also affects the entire class because of the interruption created when the student arrives late. It also causes the teacher to spend extra time catching the student up. We do know that tardiness embarrasses students and may hamper school success. All late students must check in at the office before being admitted to class.

- www.washk12.org/policywiki/index.php?page=2900-attendance

DUAL LANGUAGE INFORMATION

The Benefits of Dual Language Immersion

1. **Second Language Skills:** Students achieve high proficiency in the immersion language.
2. **Performance on Standardized Tests:** Immersion students perform as well as or better than non-immersion students on standardized tests in English.
3. **Cognitive Skills:** Immersion students typically develop greater cognitive flexibility, demonstrating increased attention control, better memory, and superior problem-solving skills as well as an enhanced understanding of their primary language.
4. **Cultural Competency:** Immersion students are more aware of and generally show more positive attitudes towards other cultures & an appreciation of other people.
5. **Long Term Benefits:** Immersion students are better prepared for the global community and job markets where 21st century skills are an asset.



SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

School breakfast is served daily and starts at 8:30 am.

Lunch is served daily. You may choose to pay a week or a month in advance at the office or online at paypams.com. Our district has a pre-pay policy. The price for Breakfast is \$1.25 or \$0.30 for Reduced Breakfast. The price for Lunch is and \$2.00 or \$0.40 for Reduced Lunch. Lunch Applications will be sent home on the first day of school or are available at the Office. It is the responsibility of parents to keep track of and keep up to date with their child's lunch account. Please have your child bring their money to the office and include the student's name on your check. When sending cash, please put it in an envelope with your child's name.

If you qualify for free or reduced lunch please apply for that program as soon as possible so that you will not be charged. The federal government participates in the purchase of meals when the declared family income falls below a certain level. You may pick up a form from the school office which will indicate whether or not your child will qualify for a reduced rate of pay for meals or for free meals. If your student qualifies, please complete the form and bring it back to the school to have it verified by one of the school secretaries. School lunch status is confidential and there is no indication on a student meal ticket status. If your child qualifies for free and reduced lunch they will qualify for free or reduced breakfast.

Milk can be purchased separately. Even students who qualify for free and reduced lunch must pay for milk when bringing a lunch from home.

You will receive a phone call to let you know if you owe on your child's lunch account.

Lunch Workers

Parent volunteers are always welcome as volunteers in our lunchroom. We are always in need of extra people to clean tables or serve.

AVAILABLE SERVICES

Elementary School Counselor

The counselors on the elementary level serve in many capacities in the school. They provide school-wide support for various programs, such as: parenting, violence, prevention, character education, schools-to-careers, academics, and behavior management.

The counselor is a problem solver for student, teachers, parents, and administrators. They will work with students one-on-one, in small groups, or during weekly instruction to develop social skills, study skills, coping skills, self management skills, etc....

The goal for the counseling program is to provide a positive outlook for each child and reduce or eliminate any personal concerns that may distract or slow down the learning process of the student. Our counselor is assigned to work in our school 4 days of a week.

Special Education Services

We have available special support services for students who have physical, medical, emotional/behavioral, and learning challenges. A speech-language pathologist works with speech, language, and hearing needs. A physical therapist, an occupational therapist, hearing specialist and a vision specialist are available to consult with our special education staff.

We have a resource program where certified teachers track special education students in the regular classroom and give support when necessary. They will also pull students into their own classroom for individual and small group instruction.

Each qualifying student has an Individual Education Plan (IEP) that is developed by the parent, student, teacher, administrator, and support staff. Students with more severe disabilities receive more support services.

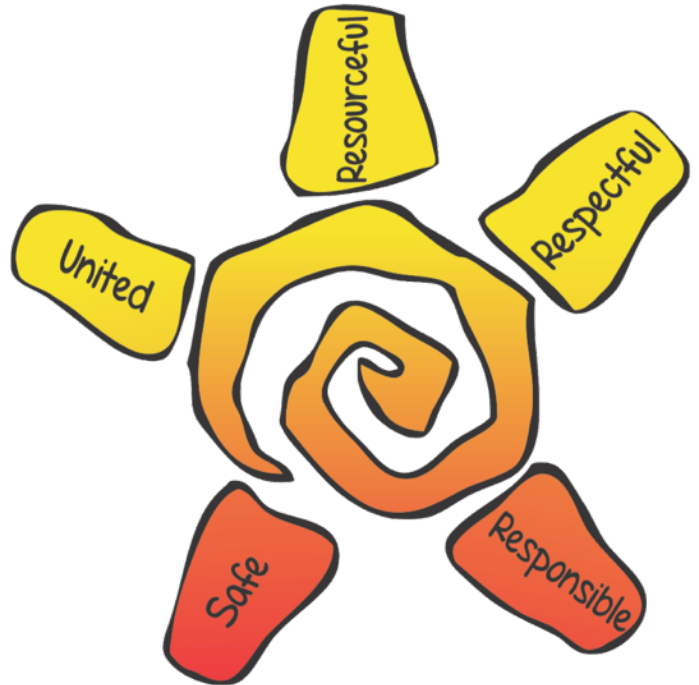
ESL Program (English as a Second Language)

Students who come to our school with limited English abilities will receive added instruction, support, and encouragement from our staff. ESL personnel will assist students in their individual classes to progress in their knowledge of the English language. Students will be taught the skills necessary to function successfully in our school and in our society. Parent involvement will be essential to success in our program.

STUDENT BEHAVIOR AND DISCIPLINE INFORMATION

All students are expected to follow school rules. Showing respect for people and property allows everyone the opportunity to learn in a safe, pleasant environment. Teachers and staff model socially acceptable behaviors and instruct students to follow the school rules which include being respectful, responsible, and safe. If an administrative intervention is needed parents may be notified.

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) consists of rules, routines, and physical arrangements that are developed and taught by school staff to prevent initial occurrences of behavior the school would like to target for change. Positive behaviors are taught weekly in by our school councilor during school-wide rotations.



School Expectations

1. Be Respectful
2. Be Responsible
3. Be Safe
4. Be Resourceful
5. Be United

Hallways

1. Respectful - Walk on the pink line on the right side of the wall with hands to self and voices off.
2. Responsible - Walk as though your teacher is there with you.
3. Safe - Face forward and maintain proper spacing.
4. Resourceful - Gently and politely remind your friends of the proper procedures.
5. United - Stay with your class and your teacher.

Bathroom

1. Respectful - Leave it clean or cleaner. Keep noise at an appropriate level.
2. Responsible - In and out quickly.
3. Safe - Report messes. Avoid making messes.
4. Resourceful - Use facilities appropriately.
5. United - Be fair. Be patient.

Assemblies

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1. Respectful - Sit on pockets, hands and feet to self. Listen quietly. Appropriate applause.
 2. Responsible - Stay in one spot. Be a good audience.
 3. Safe - Follow instructions.
 4. Resourceful - Participate when asked.
 5. United - Be a good example.

Playground

1. Respectful - Treat others kindly. Share and take turns. Use polite language.
2. Responsible - Stay in designated areas.
3. Safe - Use equipment properly. Walk on cement or blacktop.
4. Resourceful - Talk out problems.
5. United - Include everyone.

Lunchroom

1. Respectful - Quiet voices. Eat only your food. Listen to adult supervisors.
2. Responsible - Clean up after yourself. Keep food in lunchroom.
3. Safe - Walk. Keep hands and feet to yourself.
4. Resourceful - Make healthy choices. Raise your hand for help.
5. United - Make room for others at your table. Work together to keep lunchroom clean.

School Bus

1. Respectful - Listen and follow Driver instructions. Be well behaved and courteous at all times. Do not hit, kick, yell, scream, or push.
2. Responsible - Do not throw anything on or outside the bus. No food or drink may be consumed on bus.
3. Safe - Keep all body parts in bus. Face forward in seat. When the driver has flashing red lights on, look for the driver to signal it is safe to cross the street. Look both ways, then cross the street.
4. Resourceful - Be on time at the designated bus stop. Older students should look after smaller ones.
5. United - Be a good example. Help those that need help.

Dixie Sun School Uniforms

1. Shirts that are white, sky blue, navy blue, or yellow. Shirts must be plain and not have writing and images unless it is the school logo. PE Shirts are to be worn on students PE Days and Friday Spirit Days if they are available.
2. Bottoms should be navy blue or khaki. They can include pants, shorts, capris, skorts, skirts, or jumpers. All shorts, skirts, and shorts must be sufficient length to exceed the fingertips with the arms extended.
3. Any shoes are permitted, excluding flip-flops.
4. There will be one uniform free day a month, or themed days depending on PTA activities. Students may dress as instructed on these days.

Washington County Dress and Grooming Standards

1. The attire of all students should be neat, clean, and safe.
2. Students have the responsibility to avoid apparel that is so extreme that it interrupts school decorum, or adversely affects the educational process. (See Dixie Sun Uniform Policy)
3. Hair should be groomed so that it is neat and clean (extreme hairstyles are prohibited).
4. Printed apparel is acceptable only if it is in good taste. Any apparel displaying profanity, suggestive slogans, or promoting substances illegal for consumption by a minor will not be allowed.
5. Hats are not to be worn in school buildings during regular school hours.
6. Clothes that are mutilated or immodest are not appropriate school wear. Any apparel revealing a bare midriff or bare shoulders is not admissible (including shirts that have the sleeves cut off). Tank tops without covering garment are not permissible.
7. Dress, short, and skirt lengths should be modest and not revealing. They should be no shorter than 4 inches above the top of the knee cap in standing position.
8. Any apparel approved for school wear should be worn in accompaniment with appropriate undergarments and suitable footwear. Shoes, boots, and sandals are considered suitable footwear.
9. Students are prohibited from engaging in any form of gang activity on or about school property or at any school activity, including the wearing, possessing, using distributing, displaying, or selling of any gang attire, symbols, signs, or other things which are evidence of membership in, or affiliation with, recruitment, or desire to be affiliated with any gang.
10. As gang styles and clothing continually evolve and change, the following prohibited items that have commonly denoted gang membership or affiliation are only representative of prohibited clothing. Additional styles and apparel may be considered gang-affiliated, as identified in consultation with school officials and law enforcement authorities: bandannas or any article of clothing gang symbols, names, initials,
11. Insignia, or anything else that signals gang affiliation. Along with “sagging” pants.
12. If standards are not followed these actions may be taken:
 - a. Parents or guardians will be notified.
 - b. Students may be asked to wear appropriate shirt provided by the office.

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- c. Students may be sent home to change clothing.
 - d. Student may be suspended from school for continued disregard for the dress and/or grooming standards.
 - e. Wearing of gang attire may be subject to suspension and/or expulsion.

- www.washk12.org/policywiki/index.php?page=2200-student-dress-code

WCSD Safe School's Policy

Grounds for Suspension or Expulsion

1. A student may be suspended or expelled from school for any of the following reasons:
 - a. Frequent or flagrant willful disobedience, defiance of proper authority or disruptive behavior, including foul, profane, vulgar, or abusive language.
 - b. Willful destruction or defacing of school property.
 - c. Behavior or threatened behavior which poses an immediate and significant threat to the welfare, safety, or moral of other students or school personnel or to the operation of the school, including bullying, emotional, physical, or sexual harassment.
 - d. Possession, control, or use of an alcoholic beverage.
 - e. Behavior which threatens harm or does harm to the school or school property, to a person associated with the school, or property associated with any such person, regardless of where it occurs.
 - f. Because of identification and association with gangs, the following will not be permitted on school campuses or at school activities: bandannas or any article of clothing bearing gang symbols, names, initials, insignia or anything else that signal gang affiliation.
 - g. When a school official determines that time is needed to establish further facts of an act or series of acts of disobedience and misconduct disruptive to the learning process, which may lead to suspension or expulsion from school.
2. A student shall be suspended or expelled from school for any of the following reasons:
 - a. Any serious violation affecting another student or staff member, or any serious violation occurring during school hours including lunch/break time, in a school building, in or on school property, or in conjunction with any school activity including:
 1. possession, control, or actual or threatened use of a real, look alike, or pretend weapon, explosive, or noxious or flammable material;
 2. the actual or threatened use of a look alike weapon with the intent to intimidate another person or disrupt normal school activities;
 3. the sale, control, or distribution of a drug or controlled substance;
 4. the sale, control, or distribution of an imitation controlled substance;
 5. the sale, control, or distribution of drug paraphernalia;
 6. the commission of an act involving the use of force or threatened force, which if committed by an adult would be a felony, or class A misdemeanor.
 7. a student who commits a violation of section 1(a) above involving a real, look alike, or pretend firearm, explosive, or flammable material shall be expelled from school for a period of not less than one year, subject to review by the Superintendent or designee.

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3. A student may be denied admission to school on the basis of having been expelled from that or any other school during the preceding 12 months. A suspension or expulsion under this policy is not subject to the age limitations under subsection 53A-11-102 (1).

- www.washk12.org/policywiki/index.php?page=2110-safe-schools-policy

Non-Discrimination Statement

It is the policy of the Washington County School District Board of Education to not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex or any other non-merit factor in its educational programs, activities, or employment practices as required by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation act of 1973, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1974, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Equal opportunity is a priority of the Washington County Board of Education. The Washington County School District is also committed to provide co-educational course programs including physical education and other athletic opportunities for both sexes as required by Title IX of the Educational Amendment of 1972. For questions regarding section 504: Karen Bess, Student Services Director 435-673-3553 ext. 5163

Prevention of Sexual Harassment

Sexual harassment includes any gender-related unwelcome written or verbal slurs, vulgar jokes, derogatory statements or actions. Sexual harassment also includes unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when the harassment is so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it can be said to deprive the victims of access to the educational opportunities or benefits provided by the school and such harassment takes place in a context subject to the School District's control. (Except from WCSD Policy 1420)

Bullying

Washington County Schools do not tolerate bullying. The WCSD School Board has adopted an "Anti-bullying Policy." This policy can be viewed at the district website. enclosed in the folder is Washington county School district-Anti-bullying Information for Parents. (WCSD POLICY 3519)

OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

Communication

We are anxious to keep communication lines open between school and home. To better help parents know what is going on at school we have a Facebook page for school information, Instagram Page for school pictures, and Twitter for information. We also send home paper information. We suggest you keep these papers in the school folder for reference. If you have a questions about anything in your child's classroom, please email or call your child's teacher. If you have further concerns or comments please call or email the school or talk to a member of the Community Council.

- facebook.com/DixieSunElementary
- instagram.com/dixiesunelementary
- twitter.com/dixie_sun

Recess

Recess is provided as a diversion from class time, as a means of acquiring exercise and fresh air, and as an opportunity to develop social skills. Our recess policy requires students to be outside the building where there is supervision. Students should wear clothing appropriate for current weather conditions. A student who remains in the classroom must have a signed note from parents and must remain in seat either reading or involved in other teacher-approved activities.

School Visitors

Parents are welcome at school and are encouraged to visit, observe, or volunteer to help in classrooms. All visitors to the school must check in and out at the school office. When visiting during instruction, please be sensitive to classroom activities and please do not bring pre-school children. WCSD policy discourages student visitors because of the disruption to learning.

Lost and Found

All lost items will be placed on the lost and found table in the lunchroom. At the end of each term any unclaimed items will be donated to a charitable organization. If your child has lost any items, please check with the school immediately.

Library Policy

Any library books, which are damaged or lost, must be paid for before students are allowed to check any more books out. All library books should be returned to the library before students check out of school.

Kindergarten Information

To be eligible to enter Kindergarten, a child must be five year of age on or before September 1st of the year in which admission is being requested. Utah law requires evidence that a child's immunization record is current and complete. No child will be allowed to register without proof of immunization. For details on what is required for immunization please visit with one of the secretaries.

Fee Waivers

Each school is to ensure that adequate waivers or other provisions are available to guarantee that no student is denied the opportunity to participate because of an inability to pay the required fee, deposit, or charge. In addition to the outright waiver of fees, each school that charges a fee is to provide a variety of alternatives for satisfying the fee requirement to those who qualify, if there is reasonable work for fee waiver recipients to do, if the resources are available for adequate supervision and perhaps transportation. Alternatives include allowing the student to provide tutorial assistance to personnel on school related matters; and general community or home service. Each school may add to the list of alternatives subject to approval by the Board. (1994 Legislature S.B. 44)(5-10-05)

Phone Policy

There is a phone in the office for student use. Students should seek permission from their classroom teachers to use the office phone when they need to call a parent. The office phone may not be used to arrange playtime with friends. When parents need to get a message to students during school time, they should call no later than 3:00pm, so messages can be delivered before school dismisses. Please call with student messages only in emergencies. Whenever possible, please plan ahead so that calls do not disrupt learning.

PPRA Notice and Consent/Opt Out for Specific Activities

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), 20 U.S.C. 1232h, requires the Washington County School District to notify you and obtain consent or allow you to opt your child out of participating in certain school activities. These activities include a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas (“protected information surveys”)

- Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student’s parent;
- Mental or psychological problems of the student or student’s family;
- Sex behavior or attitudes;
- Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
- Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships
- Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
- Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents; or
- Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility

This requirement also applies to the collection, disclosure of use of student information for marketing purposes (“marketing surveys”) and certain physical exams and screenings.

The Washington County School District will provide parents, within a reasonable period of time prior to the administration of the surveys and activities, a notification of the surveys and activities and be provided an opportunity opt their child out, as well as an opportunity to review the surveys. (Please note that this notice and consent/opt-out transfers from parents to any student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under State law.

FERPA NOTIFICATION

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and District Policy 3260 affords parents and students over 18 years of age (“eligible students”) certain rights with respect to the student’s education records. These rights are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day the School receives a request for access. parents or eligible students should submit to the School principal or assistant principal a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The School official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.
2. The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate or misleading. Parents or eligible students may ask the School to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. Such requests should be in writing and addressed to the school principal or assistant principal. It must clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the School decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the School will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. The following information may be disclosed without consent:
 - a. Directory Information: The following information is designated as student Directory Information: Student’s name, address (to include internet address), phone number, date of birth, grade level, extra-curricular participation, awards or honors, photograph, video or digital images, height and weight (if a member of an athletic team), previous school attended, dates of attendance, and parents’s name.” Directory Information may be disclosed without prior written consent. The District will also routinely disclose names, addresses, and telephone numbers to military recruiters. parents or eligible students will have two weeks from the beginning of the school year or date a student enrolls to advise the school district, in writing, of any and all items the refuse to permit the district to designate as directory information for the balance of the school year.
 - b. School Officials: School officials with legitimate educational interests may also have access to records. A school official is a person employed by the School as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member such as a bus driver including health of medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel; a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the School has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.
 - c. Other Schools; The School may disclose education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.
4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S.. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the School to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the office that administers FERPA are:

Family Policy Compliance Office

U.S.. Department of Education

400 Maryland Avenue, SW

Washington, DC 20202-4605

The complainant and the accused have the right to be represented by a person of their choice, at their own expense, during sexual harassment investigations and hearings. Complainants also have the right to register sexual harassment complaints with the U.S.. Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights or the Utah Anti-Discrimination Division/EEOC. nothing in this policy shall be construed to limit the right of the complainant to file a lawsuit.

PARENT STUDENT CONTRACT

Dixie Sun Elementary 20____ - 20____

We the parents/guardians of _____ who attends Dixie Sun Elementary agree to the following school rules and requirements.

1. My student will come to school with a hairstyle that is not a distraction to themselves or others learning. This means that they will not have hair that:
 - a. Has designs, words, or symbols shaved into it
 - b. A hair color that is not natural to the human body such as pink, purple, green, etc.
 - c. Mohawks or any other type of cut that is not school approved.
2. My student will be in uniform at all times which includes:
 - a. Shirts that are white, sky blue, navy blue, or yellow. Shirts must be plain and not have writing and images unless it is the school logo. PE Shirts are to be worn on students PE Days and Friday Spirit Days if they are available.
 - b. Bottoms should be navy blue or khaki. They can include pants, shorts, capris, skorts, skirts, or jumpers. All shorts, skirts, and shorts must be sufficient length to exceed the fingertips with the arms extended.
 - c. Any shoes are permitted excluding flip-flops.
 - d. There will be one uniform free day a month, or themed days depending on PTA activities.
Students may dress as instructed on these days.
3. Attendance. According to State and District Policy all students in the Washington County School District are required to attend school. Parents of students who miss more than 10 days of school will be required to meet with school administration to discuss the absentee issues. If the problem persists, the court system and Child Protective Service will become involved. If you have a student with a medical condition or who will be in need of taking Educational Leave please contact Mrs.Heki to discuss how we can accommodate your student without disrupting their education.

As the parent/guardian of _____ I wish to support the education of my child in a positive way, and do not want to create additional distractions to the learning environment that is provided at the school. I understand that failure to comply with this contract could lead to disciplinary measures which include my student being sent home, suspended, or if I am out of boundaries being asked to return to their home school.

_____ Student _____ Date

_____ Parent/Guardian _____ Date