

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2023



SCHOOL CALENDARS:

DISTRICT:



PLHS:



PES/LES:



PLMS:



NEW STAFF:

PLHS

- MATTHEW FROST-ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR
- TARA WEST- CHOIR
- COURTNEY MAICHEL- MATH TEACHER
- RHETT SCRIMSHER- WOOD SHOP INSTRUCTOR

PLMS

- MATTHEW FROST-ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
- JENNIFER MOORE-5TH GRADE TEACHER
- TERRY STUEVE- 6TH GRADE MATH & SCIENCE TEACHER
- TARA WEST- 5th-8TH VOCAL MUSIC TEACHER
- GINGER BUTLER- 5TH/6TH RESOURCE TEACHER
- KAT LAFEVER-7/8TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES

PES/LES

- AUDREY TROWBRIDGE-COUNSELOR
- SYDNEY RABORN- KINDERGARTEN TEACHER
- KIERSTEN GILLIAM- 4TH GRADE TEACHER
- ANJA WOOLVERTON-LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST

Important Dates:

- Online Enrollment opens for 2023-2024 school year- July 24th
- PES/LES Sneak Peek- LES August 15th 5-6:00 pm & PES 6-7:00pm
- PLMS Sneak Peek- August 14th from 5-6:00 pm
- PLHS freshman student/parent orientation- August 14th from 6-7:00pm
- Fall Sports Meeting- August 9th from 6-7:00 pm
- First day of school- August 16th





Dear Families,

We hope you've had a great summer and are eagerly looking forward to the start of a new school year. As summer break draws to a close, we are excited to welcome our students, parents, and staff back into our buildings. The 2023-2024 academic year promises to be a year of growth, learning, and new opportunities.

Important Dates:

- **Enrollment:** Online enrollment will be available beginning July 24th. For families who choose to enroll face-to-face, the school offices will be open from 2 pm to 7 pm on August 1st and on August 2nd from 4 pm to 7 pm.
- **First Day of School:** The first day of school is fast approaching! Please mark your calendars for August 16th. We look forward to seeing all our students bright and early as we embark on an exciting educational journey together.
- **Parent-Teacher Conferences:** Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for October 18th and 19th. These meetings provide an invaluable chance for you to connect with your child's teachers, discuss their progress, and set goals collaboratively.

School Updates and Enhancements:

In November, USD #343 patrons will have an opportunity to vote on a bond issue that enhances school facilities to create a safe and conducive learning environment for our students and address deficiencies in our extracurricular facilities. We believe in providing a well-rounded education, and extracurricular activities play a crucial role in that. We encourage all students to get involved and discover their passions beyond the classroom. I hope you have the opportunity to review the bond information on the District website. <https://www.usd343.net/vnews/display.v/ART/6488c123bb095>

Safety Measures:

The health and safety of our students and staff remain our top priority. USD #343 has finalized an agreement with the City of Perry to provide a full-time School Resource Officer (SRO) for the Perry-Lecompton District. The SRO will work not only to provide a safer learning environment but also to provide students with the ability to connect with law enforcement in a positive way.

Parent Involvement:

Parental involvement is essential for a child's educational success. We encourage parents and guardians to take an active role in their child's education by participating in parent-teacher organizations, volunteering for school events, and maintaining open communication with teachers and administrators. Together, we can create a supportive and engaging learning community. We are thrilled to embark on this new academic year with all of you. We anticipate a year filled with achievements, personal growth, and memorable experiences for our students. As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you,
J.B. Elliott

Enrollment information:



This fall of 2023, the district will continue utilizing the online enrollment process with-PowerSchool Enrollment Express. Student enrollment will be required to be completed online. PowerSchool Enrollment Express is web based and the pages are mobile friendly. This will allow parents to complete the process on a computer, smartphone or tablet. Computers will be available in the buildings during onsite enrollment if you do not have access at home. In addition, we are strongly encouraging families to pay fees through the e~Funds link on our website. Starting July 24th, parents can update current student enrollment information online through the Parent Portal. Please select the “Forms” button found on the left menu, for each student and complete all screens to ensure we have accurate information on file. If your child will be picked up from or dropped off at a daycare provider’s home, please include that information in the Transportation section.

Next, patrons should go to the Parents and Students section of the District website (www.usd343.net) and open the Enrollment link. The necessary fee schedules are posted for your reference. Using that information, you may calculate your balance due. Questions about fees should be directed to the appropriate school secretary or administrator.

Payment may be made in one lump sum through e~Funds. Please keep in mind the system will charge \$1.00 for an electronic checking payment (from your bank account). The system carries a Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF) charge if the payment is returned as such. Patrons using debit or credit cards will incur a \$2.65 flat fee per \$100, per transaction. These fees go directly to e~Funds and are not set by the district. For user’s guides and more information on e~Funds please visit the Online Payments article on our website.

Patrons who prefer to write a check need to print out the Fee Schedules and send them with your check to the District Office (PO Box 729, Perry 66073).

We are looking forward to a great school year in partnership with your family. Please feel free to contact your student’s school principal if you would like more information about enrollment procedures.

HERE COMES THE BUS!



Transportation Information

The 2023-2024 school year will begin on Wednesday, August 16th for all Perry-Lecompton students. The district would like to take this opportunity to make each of you aware of proper procedures and behavior expectations prior to loading a school bus or van. Our primary concern is the safety of all students while still operating our school transportation system as efficiently as possible. Keeping the safety of our students and the idea of maximum efficiency in mind, we would expect the following:

- Bus and transportation schedules and routing maps will be updated annually prior to the opening of school. **Prior to the start of the school year, each bus route will be established based upon pickup at the home residence, pick-up point, or a daycare provider in that attendance center. If the daycare provider changes, the new daycare provider must be on an already established route for the student's attendance center.**
- Bus Drivers will contact you by Tuesday, August 15th with approximate pick-up and drop-off times. Please be patient. Your child is on our list if you checked the needs transportation box during enrollment. We will contact you if there are any changes in pick-up or drop-off times.
- Students should be out near the road or pick-up point **when the bus arrives**. Parents should plan on five minutes on each side of the designated time for pick-up of the student. The driver will stop and open the bus door; if the student is not in sight, the driver will continue on his/her route. **The bus will not wait on students.**
- Students should stay well away from the bus stop area and should not move toward the bus until it stops, and the door opens.
- Students who must cross the road to enter or leave the bus should wait until the driver signals for them to cross. Also, those students crossing the road to load or unload the bus should always cross in front of the bus and be at least ten feet ahead of the bus so they can be seen.
- The district-approved policy is that each student has **one (1) primary pick-up/drop-off point and one (1) emergency point**. It will be the **parent/guardian's responsibility** to make arrangements to be at one of those two points. District-wide, there are typically many special transportation changes for students throughout the year. With the responsibility of student safety being our primary concern, having multiple points and special circumstances, and special calendars creates confusion and delays, especially for our substitute drivers. Please refrain from using our district buses for transporting to special events such as birthday parties, scouting, etc. Seating is often limited, with the addition of students who do not ordinarily ride, this can create confusion and delay for the rest of the route.
- If you **must** make a change from your child's primary point, then you **must** call your child's attendance center **by 2:30 p.m.** The building secretary will give your child the required note, allowing them to board the bus. Do not call the bus barn or transportation director; that may only cause confusion. Please include addresses of the location for your child to be dropped off rather than just names. Please do your best to help keep transporting our students safe and simple.
- If you know in advance that your child needs to ride a different route home, please send a signed note to the office secretary. The secretary will initial the note, make a copy and give a copy back to your child. Your child should present this note to the bus driver. The note **MUST** be initialed by the office secretary to be considered valid. **This includes all students, Kindergarten through 12th grade.**
- The driver is in charge of the students and the bus. The student should obey the driver's request in a prompt and orderly fashion. **NO INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR OR LANGUAGE WILL BE TOLERATED.** Classroom conduct is to be observed by the students while on the bus. In the interest of safety, only low conversation is acceptable. An unnecessary conversation with the driver is not acceptable.



Transportation Information

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- The driver will not discharge riders at places besides the regular bus stop unless the driver has the proper authorization. Proper authorization is a note from a parent or guardian, **INITIALED** by the principal or his/her designated representative. Also, a phone call can be made to the school authorizing the principal, or his/her designated representative, to write a note for the driver. These calls should be made to the child's attendance center by **2:30 p.m.**
- **PLEASE NOTE: We will NOT drop off or pickup students at individual houses in Lecompton or Perry.** We will have two designated stops in both Lecompton and Perry. This is in addition to the grade schools. These stops are for the convenience of our students and a service to our communities, but we are not required to provide these extra stops. The stops at Lecompton will be the same as years past. The stops in Perry will be determined before school starts, and parents will be notified via the district's school messaging system.
- If a student is **not** riding the bus in the AM morning route, you must notify the **driver or the bus barn**. If you know in advance that your child will **not** be riding the AM route, you can call the bus barn. It is open from 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at **597-5303**.
- If a change in transportation is necessary for the PM route, please call the school building where your child attends. Again, this call must be made before **2:30 p.m.** to ensure proper notification.
- When bus rules are not observed, disciplinary consequences may include the following: a verbal warning from the driver; the student being assigned a seat-no matter their grade or age level; parental contact; a meeting with the principal. If problems continue, the principal will issue a written warning, which could be followed by removing the student from the bus. At any point, consequences will be determined by the building principal for each offense. Severe offenses could result in the loss of bus riding privileges.
- If a parent has a bus question or concern, they should contact the bus driver.

Our prime objective is to transport students safely and efficiently. We appreciate your cooperation and support!!!



Read here for important information about your child's meals at school for the **2023-2024** school year...

The Household Application for Free and Reduced Priced School Meals will be available on July 1, 2023 and is ***an electronic form filled out online.*** In order for your student(s) to receive FREE or REDUCED cost school meals, you must submit an online application. When submitting a completed online application, it will automatically send directly to your District's Determining Official for processing. Get started filling out your household's Free and Reduced Meal Application **AFTER** July 1, 2023, by going to the following link or utilizing the QR code provided:

<https://schoolmealsapp.ksde.org/Home/welcome/D0343>



Be sure to turn in a Consent Form

(found in this newsletter or by going to the "Enrollment" link on www.usd343.net), ***along with*** your Free and Reduced Priced Meal Application! ***You MAY qualify for...***

- Free or Reduced testing fees for specific college entrance exams (ACT, SAT)
- Free or Reduced Textbook Fees
- Free or Reduced Instructional Materials

Be sure to complete an application as soon as possible to avoid paying full price for your child's school meals. Don't forget....a completed Consent Form is also needed, along with the application, as you may qualify for free or reduced textbook fees. For more information, email or call Deb Brehm at dbrehm@usd343.org or 785-360-2022.



PERRY ★ LECOMPTON

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 343

Consent for Disclosure

(Sharing Household Income Information with Other Programs)

Dear Parent/Guardian:

To save you time and effort, information about your children's eligibility for reduced price or free Child Nutrition Program benefits may be shared with other programs for which your children may qualify for *additional benefits*. We **must** have your permission to share your information with these programs by completing and turning in this Consent Form. Although, you do not have to sign or send in this form to get free breakfasts or lunches for your student(s), if it is not on file at the district office, your children will not be eligible for the benefits listed below.

☐ **Yes**, I DO want school officials to share information about my children's eligibility for Child Nutrition Program benefits only with the programs I have checked below.

☐ Enrollment Fee Waiver

☐ College Entrance Exam Waiver (ACT, PSAT, SAT)

Your household's 23-24 Free and Reduced Application AND this form must be completed within 30 days of your student's first day of attendance for your child's free meal benefit status to apply to these programs. Eligibility is only for households that qualify for free meals.

If you checked yes to any or all of the boxes above, fill out the form below. *Your information will be shared only with the programs you checked.*

Child's Name: _____ School: _____

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Child's Name: _____ School: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian **Printed Name:** _____

Parent/Guardian's **Mailing Address:** _____

For more information regarding the Enrollment Fee Waiver program or College Entrance Exam Waiver program, contact your child's school.

For more information regarding this Consent Form related to the Child Nutrition Program, you may call or email:

Deb Brehm, USD #43 Determining Official

785-360-2022

dbrehm@usd343.org

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UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 343

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. USD #343 Perry Public Schools offers healthy meals every school day. **Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals.**

Meal Charges	Elementary		Middle or Jr. High		High School	
	Full Price	Reduced Price	Full Price	Reduced Price	Full Price	Reduced Price
<input type="checkbox"/> Lunch	2.90	.40	3.05	.40	3.05	.40
<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast	1.80	.30	1.95	.30	1.95	..30
<input type="checkbox"/> After School Snack	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

A web address to complete an online application for free or reduced price meal benefits is provided in #5 of this letter. Information regarding the free and reduced priced meal application is also available online at www.usd343.net. Contact Deb Brehm at 785-360-2022 or by email at dbrehm@usd343.org with questions or to request an application be sent. Below are some common questions and answers to help you with the process.

1. WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?

- All children in households receiving benefits from **Food Assistance (FA)**, the **Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)** or **Temporary Assistance for Families (TAF)** are eligible for free meals.
- Foster children under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
- Children participating in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
- Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.
- Children may receive free or reduced price meals based on certain Medicaid benefits or if your household's income is within the limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Your children may qualify for free or reduced price meals if your household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.

FEDERAL ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART for School Year 2023-2024			
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	26,973	2,248	519
2	36,482	3,041	702
3	45,991	3,833	885
4	55,500	4,625	1,068
5	65,009	5,418	1,251
6	74,518	6,210	1,434
7	84,027	7,003	1,616
8	93,536	7,795	1,799
Each additional person:	9,509	793	183

2. HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY? Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail Dr. Josh Woodward at 785-597-5138 or email him at jwoodward@usd34.3org.
3. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD? No. *Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household.* We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: Deb Brehm by mail at PO Box 729, Perry, KS 66073; by email at dbrehm@usd343.org or in person at 205 W Bridge St., Perry, Kansas.
4. SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE ALREADY APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS? No, but please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. If any children in your household were missing from your eligibility notification, contact Deb Brehm by mail at PO Box 729, Perry, KS 66073; by email at dbrehm@usd343.org or in person at 205 W Bridge St., Perry, Kansas immediately.

5. CAN I APPLY ONLINE? Yes! The online application has the same requirements and will ask you for the same information as the paper application. Visit <https://schoolmealsapp.ksde.org/Home/welcome/D0343> to begin or to learn more about the online application process. Contact Deb Brehm at 785-360-2022 or by email at dbrehm@usd343.org if you have any questions about the online application.
6. MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT A NEW ONE? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year, through **September 29, 2023**. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year. **If you do not send in a new application that is approved by the school or you have not been notified that your child is eligible for free meals, your child will be charged the full price for meals.**
7. I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please send in an application.
8. WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED? Yes. We may also ask you to send written proof of the household income you report.
9. IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER? Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
10. WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: J.B. Elliott at 785-597-5138 or jelliott@usd343.org.
11. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN? Yes. You, your children, or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens to apply for free or reduced price meals.
12. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
13. WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT? Household members may not receive some types of income we ask you to report on the application, or may not receive income at all. Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. However, if any income fields are left empty or blank, those will also be counted as zeroes. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, as we will assume you meant to do so.
14. WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY? Your basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. If you get any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, it must also be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. Any additional combat pay resulting from deployment is also excluded from income.
15. WHAT IF THERE ISN'T ENOUGH SPACE ON THE APPLICATION FOR MY FAMILY? List any additional household members on a separate piece of paper, and attach it to your application. Contact Deb Brehm by mail at PO Box 729, Perry, KS 66073; by email at dbrehm@usd343.org or in person at 205 W Bridge St., Perry, Kansas to receive a second application.
16. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR? To find out how to apply for Food Assistance (FA) or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 1-888-369-4777.

If you have other questions or need help, call 785-360-2022.

Sincerely,



Deb Brehm
USD 343 Determining Official

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Helpful e~Funds Information

Creating a New ACCOUNT

1. Visit our school website at www.usd343.net and click on the Parents-Students Tab and select e~Funds for Schools' portal.
2. Click on "Register Here"
3. Provide requested information
4. Click "Sign Up!" after you have read and agreed to the Terms of Service and Privacy Policy
5. You will be brought to the Student Management webpage
6. Use the Student Number you school has provided your, along with your student's last name and click "Add"
7. Once all students have been added, click "Continue to Account Overview"

Step-by-Step

e~Funds for Schools! This service will allow you to make payments on behalf of your student(s) for all school related needs such as lunch payments, student fees and more!

Making your
Payments Online
...it's easy!

MAKE A ONE-TIME PAYMENT

1. Sign in to your account
2. Under "Payment Options," click "Make a Payment"
3. Enter your Checking Account OR Credit/Debit Card information
4. Click "Save"
5. Click "Return to Payment"
6. Choose student(s) and/or item(s) you would like to pay for
7. Click "Continue"
8. Verify your payment information is correct and accept convenience fee(s)
9. Click "Submit" and print the receipt for your records

VIEW PAYMENT HISTORY

1. Sign in to your account
2. Under "Payment Options," click "View Payment History"
3. Your past 30-day history will be displayed
4. Click the drop down menu on the right to view payments for your current or previous school year

SCHEDULE RECURRING PAYMENTS

1. Sign in to your account
2. Under "Payment Options," click "Schedule a Pre-Authorized Payment"
3. Select the student you wish to schedule payments for
4. Enter the dollar amount you would like to deposit for each student
5. Select the date in which you would like to start your payments
6. Choose the frequency in which you would like the dollar amount deposited
7. Select the last payment date
8. Click "Continue"
9. Verify your payment information is correct and accept convenience fee(s)
10. Click "Submit" and print the receipt for your records

ADD LOW MEAL BALANCE PAYMENTS

1. Sign in to your account
2. Under "Advisory Services," click "Low Meal Balance"
3. Enter a Minimum Balance and Replenish dollar amount
4. Check the box under "Notice" to receive emails when your student's account is low
5. Check the box under "Auto Replenish" to automatically have the Replenish Amount added to your student's account when the Minimum Balance is low
6. Click "Apply Low Meal Balance Settings"

2023-24 P.L.E.S. Supply Lists

Preschool (3 year old)

Backpack with child's name on it, big enough to fit a winter coat
 Large paint shirt or T-shirt for painting, with name on the tag
 Change of seasonal clothes in a bag, with name on the bag- pants/shorts, shirt, underwear, and socks
 Family picture for bulletin board (you will get back at the end of the year)
 11 in 3 ring binder, with name on it
 1box of tissues
 2containers Clorox wipes
 1can of shaving cream
 1box of regular size Ziploc bags (boys)
 1package of baby wipes (girls)

Preschool (4 year old)

Large paint shirt or T-shirt for painting
 1inch 3-Ring Binder
 Change of clothes in a bag to include: pants, shirt, underwear and socks
 Backpack (lg. enough for binder and large papers)
 1box regular size crayons
 1box washable markers
 1box of tissues
 1box of quart size Ziploc bags (boys)
 1package of baby wipes (girls)
 2containers of Clorox wipes
 1washable water color set
 Family picture

Kindergarten

1Plastic Pencil Box
 2box facial tissues
 1three ring binder (1 in.)
 4boxes of crayons 24 ct.
 8glue sticks
 1large pink eraser
 1box quart Ziplock bag
 1pkg. #2 pencils
 1container disinfectant wipes
 1Fiskars scissors, blunt tip
 1set of headphones
 2box washable markers (8)
 2dry erase markers (chisel tip)
 1box of cereal for morning snack to share with the class



First Grade

1set of headphones
 1spiral notebooks (1 subject, wide ruled)
 1box storage bags (gallon size)
 1plastic pencil box
 1two-pocket folder
 13 ring binder (1 inch)
 2box crayons (24 ct.)
 1box washable markers (classic colors 8ct. Or 10ct.)
 1pkg. #2 pencils
 4large pink erasers
 4washable glue sticks
 2glue bottles
 1Fiskars scissors
 1pack dry erase marker (chisel tip, black)
 1box of Kleenex tissues
 1disinfectant wipes

Snack item (example: crackers, cereal, granola bars, graham crackers etc.)

2nd Grade

1plastic pencil box
 2pkg. #2 pencils
 1Fiskars scissors
 1box crayons (24 ct.)
 1box washable markers (classic colors 8 or 10 ct.)
 1watercolor paint set
 4washable glue sticks
 2spiral notebooks (1 subject, wide ruled)
 4dry erase marker (chisel tip, black)
 2pocket folders
 1pack of pink erasers
 2boxes of facial tissues
 1set of headphones
 1disinfectant wipes container
 Snack item (example: crackers, cereal, granola bars, graham crackers etc.)



3rd Grade

1set of headphones
 4dry erase marker (chisel tip, black)
 1box washable markers (classic colors 8ct. crayola**)
 1pr. pointed scissors (fiskar**)
 1box of colored pencils (12 ct. crayola**)
 1box crayons (only 24 ct. please crayola**)
 2pkg. #2 pencils (ticoranda is a good brand)
 1small plastic pencil box
 1pkg. of 2 spiral notebooks
 4washable glue sticks (no glue bottles please)
 2large pink eraser
 2rolls of paper towels
 1box of of storage bags (Girls - Snack size Boys - Quart)
 2containers of disinfectant wipes
 2box of facial tissues
 2pocket folders
 2highlighters (yellow chisel tipped is preferred)
 Snack items (example: crackers, cereal, granola bars, graham crackers, cheez-it)
 ** suggested brand

4th grade

2large, sturdy pencil bags AND 1 plastic pencil box
 1package dry erase markers (BLACK)
 1set of earbuds with case
 1medium-sized pair of scissors
 1box washable markers (8-10 ct) thick
 1box of colored pencils (12 or 24 ct)
 1box crayons (24 ct.)
 1small bottle of Elmer's washable glue
 8glue sticks-washable
 2yellow highlighters
 1ruler (12", plastic, inch & cm)
 2large pink erasers
 21-subject wide-ruled notebooks
 2plastic pocket folders **with PRONGS**
 2boxes of facial tissues
 18-24. #2 pencils (mechanical is allowed)
 1box of (**quart-size last names A-M**)(**gallon- last names N-Z**)
 baggies 2lg. containers of disinfectant wipes



Perry-Lecompton Middle School

2023-2024 School Supply List

5th Grade:

- ☐ 2 Large Box of Kleenex - **No Lotion**
- ☐ 3 Large Packages of #2 pencils (**sharpened**)
- ☐ 1 set of 12 Crayola Colored Pencils (**long**)
- ☐ 6 pocket folders - horizontal pockets
- ☐ 3 composition books, not spiral
- ☐ 1 package wide lined notebook paper
- ☐ 2 black sharpie marker - **1 fine point and 1 ultra fine point**
- ☐ 1 pair pointed sharp scissors - adult size
- ☐ 2 glue sticks
- ☐ 8 expo dry erase markers
- ☐ 4 rolls of scotch tape
- ☐ 1 set of 4 different colored highlighters
- ☐ 1 package of index cards
- ☐ 2 erasers
- ☐ 1 small post it note pad
- ☐ 1 set of wired ear buds/headphones (**wired required**)
- ☐ 1 container Clorox wipes
- ☐ 1 small pencil box
- ☐ Some supplies may need to be replaced

6th Grade:

- ☐ 1 set wired ear buds/headphone s (**wire required**)
- ☐ 2 expo dry erase markers
- ☐ 5 composition notebooks (**different colors, non-spiral for Math, Science, LA, Reading, SocStu**)
- ☐ Index Cards (3x5 lined)
- ☐ 2 boxes #2 pencils (**sharpened**)
- ☐ 1 box of 12 or 24 colored pencils
- ☐ 1 large student eraser **or** pencil top erasers
- ☐ 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- ☐ 1 hand held pencil sharpener
- ☐ 6 plastic folders with center clasp for Math, Sci, LA, Reading, SocStu. and homework (**same colors as composition notebooks**)
- ☐ Pencil pouch
- ☐ 4 rolls scotch tape
- ☐ 1 pair scissors - adult size
- ☐ 6 glue sticks
- ☐ 1 small Post-It note pad
- ☐ 1 container Clorox wipes
- ☐ 2 black Sharpies - extra fine point maker
- ☐ 2 highlighters
- ☐ 1 box of quart size bags
- ☐ 1 set of 8 Crayola markers (**thick line**)
- ☐ ***** NO TRAPPER KEEPERS *****

7th Grade:

- ☐ 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- ☐ 1 extra fine point black Sharpie (SocStu)
- ☐ 4 pocket folders (Math, SocStu, Sci, LA)
- ☐ 2 packages 3x5 ruled note cards
- ☐ 1 pack of blue or black ink pens
- ☐ 3 composition notebooks (Math, Sci., LA)
- ☐ 1 package of colored pencils (at least a 12 pack)
- ☐ 1 package of loose-leaf college ruled notebook paper
- ☐ 2 packages of pencils
- ☐ Scientific calculator, TI-30XS Multi-View
- ☐ College ruled notebook & folder (with 2 pockets for choir)
- ☐ 1 set wired ear buds/headphones (**wire required**)
- ☐ Pencil pouch
- ☐ 2 containers Clorox Wipes
- ☐ 2 Expo dry erase markers
- ☐ 3 large glue sticks (Sci)

8th Grade:

- ☐ 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- ☐ 1 extra fine point black Sharpie (SocStu)
- ☐ 2 packages 3x5 ruled note cards
- ☐ College ruled notebook & folder (with pockets for Choir)
- ☐ Colored pencils (at least a 12 pack)
- ☐ Erasers/pencil top erasers
- ☐ Highlighters (at least a 4 pack)
- ☐ 2 packages loose-leaf college ruled notebook paper
- ☐ 2 packages of pencils
- ☐ blue or black ink pen
- ☐ 4 pocket folders (Math, SocStu, Sci, LA)
- ☐ Scientific calculator, TI-30XS Multi-View
- ☐ 1 set wired ear buds/head phones (**wire required**)
- ☐ 3 composition notebooks (Math, Sci, LA)
- ☐ Pencil pouch
- ☐ 2 containers Clorox Wipes
- ☐ 2 Expo dry erase markers
- ☐ 3 large glue sticks (Sci)

PE (7th & 8th Grade Only)

- ☐ Shorts & t-shirt
- ☐ Gym shoes & socks

Unified School District #343

2023-24 Calendar

July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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August 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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October 2023

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November 2023

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December 2023

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- ☐ Inservice day
- ☐ Teacher work day
- ☐ Inservice & work day
- ☐ No classes & P/T confs.
- ☐ Evening only P/T confs
- ☐ School Closed

August

10-14 -2.5 Inservice Days (Aug. 10 - 1/2 day)
15 - Teacher Work Day
16 - First Day of School

September

4 - Labor Day (no school)
25 - Inservice (no school)

October

18 - End of First Nine Weeks
18 - P/T Conf 4-8 pm
19 - 1/2 day Inservice conferences 2-8 pm
20 - 1/2 Day Flex Work Day (no school)
23 - 2nd Nine Weeks Begins

November

22 - 24 - Thanksgiving Break (no school)
27 - Inservice (No school for Students)

December

20 - End of Second Nine Weeks
21 - 31 - Winter Break (no school)

January

3 - Teacher Flex Work Day (no school)
4 - 3rd Nine Weeks Begins
15 - MLK Day - Inservice (no school)

February

21 -- Classes for students until 1:15 P/T Conf 4-8 pm
21 - .3 Teacher Workday 1:30 to 3:30
22- No Classes - Inservice 8-12 am & P/T Conf 2-8 pm
23 - No School

March

7 - End of 3rd Nine Weeks
8 - 1/2 Flex Work Day (no school)
11 - 15 - Spring Break (no school)
18 - 4th Nine Weeks Begins
29 - Good Friday (no school)

April

1 - Inservice (no school)

May

23 - Last Day of School
24 - 1/2 Teacher Work Day
27 - Memorial Day

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January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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February 2024

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April 2024

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May 2024

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June 2024

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Days Taught	172.7
Inservice Days	7.5
Work Days	3.8
Parent/Teacher Conf. Day	3
Teacher Contract Days	187.0

Total Days 172.7



BoE Approved 2-16-23



Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (Board Policy IDEA)

Surveys

Parents have the right to inspect any survey created by an outside agency before it is administered to their children, and to opt them out of such surveys unless they are directly connected to an educational outcome approved by the Board of Education.

Physical examination

This requirement does not apply to routine dental, hearing and vision screenings required under Kansas law. Parents will be notified of the need to conduct any non-emergency invasive physical examination of their student, and may opt them out on a case-by-case basis.

Marketing information

The schools do not collect any information for the purpose of marketing or selling it. Information may be collected for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services to students or to educational institutions.

FERPA Rights

Unless the information collected from student is designated as directory information, no information gathered about students is released to third parties without the express written consent of the parent or eligible student.



NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

It is the objective of Perry Lecompton High School (PLHS) to assure equal opportunity in all aspects of education to all students. No qualified person with a designated disability or 504 Plan will be excluded from, denied benefits of, or subjected to discrimination in any courses, or programs. Students with disabilities will be integrated into any and all programs with their non-disabled peers as much as possible.

It is the policy of PLHS to provide equal opportunities to all special education and regular education students in all courses and programs including, but not limited to Career and Technical Education, internships, apprenticeships, and work/teaching studies. PLHS is committed to maintain and promote nondiscrimination regarding race, color, creed, national origin or ancestry, marital status, gender, physical or mental handicap unrelated to ability, sexual orientation, religion, political philosophy, or age in all phases of educational practices and in accordance with all applicable State and federal laws and Executive Orders



NOTIFICATION OF KANSAS STATE REGULATIONS

Article 36-13-2

Article 36-13-2 states “Pupils transported in a school bus shall be under the authority of and responsible directly to the operator of the bus, unless otherwise assigned by proper authorities. Continued disorderly conduct or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the operator shall be sufficient reason for refusing transportation to any pupil. The operator of any school bus shall be responsible for the order and conduct of the pupils transported. Drivers are required to report misbehavior by students on the bus.”

GENERAL STUDENT EXPECTATIONS:

- Students must be ready to load the bus at the established pick up time. If student doesn't appear, driver will honk the horn. Driver is to depart at designated pick up time. Please remember that if ten different students are one minute late, the bus is 10 minutes late for school.
- Students must ride their assigned bus. In order to ride a bus that they are not assigned to, they must present the driver with a signed note from the building office.
- Students won't be dropped off at a location different from the enrollment form unless the driver has a note or radio confirmation from the school office.
- Students must remain seated at all times.
- Students must face the front and sit in an upright position at all times.
- Absolutely no movement from seat to seat while bus is in motion.
- If the voice of a particular student can be heard, he/she is too loud.
- Students must enter and exit the bus in a safe manner.
- The aisle is to remain clear of feet, bags, etc.
- No horseplay, inappropriate language or name calling.
- High school and middle school students cannot ride in another student's car to PES or LES, then attempt to board the bus for the evening route.

ASBESTOS ANNUAL NOTIFICATION TO EMPLOYEES, STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Unified School District 343 has some asbestos containing materials throughout its buildings. All friable asbestos materials have been removed from our school buildings. Non-friable asbestos materials requiring attention include floor tile and some pipe insulation coverings which are covered and not accessible.

As required by AHERA, a certified asbestos inspector and management planner must inspect all school facilities and develop a management plan for each facility. The buildings are being managed and maintained according to law. The floor tile presents no immediate danger to students and staff and can be maintained for an indefinite period of time.

All asbestos information and a master plan are open to the public and available in the Central Office.

Digital Citizenship and Computer Policy

Use of any social networking sites is prohibited during school hours on school days.

Cell phones may be used for personal communication any time except during class, subject to the following limitation: text communication from staff to students must include the building administrator or athletic director as a recipient.

Personal handheld devices (including but not limited to DS and iPods) may be used as specified in each building's rules. The district accepts no liability for loss or breakage of such devices.

Employees/Students shall have no expectation of privacy when using district e-mail or other official communication systems. E-mail messages shall be used only to conduct district business and for educational purposes. All employees/ students must use appropriate language in all messages. Employees are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner and to use the system according to these guidelines and other guidelines published by the administration. Students are expected to use the system following guidelines approved by teachers and administration.

Any e-mail or computer application or information in district computers or computer systems is subject to monitoring by the administration. The district retains the right to duplicate any information in the system or on any hard drive. Employees who violate district computer policies are subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination. Students who violate these rules, or any other classroom rules relating to computer use are subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension from school.

Positive Learning and Working Environment

The district is committed to maintaining a learning and working environment free from discrimination, insult, intimidation, or harassment due to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, or disability.

Any act of harassment or discrimination directed toward a student or employee shall be reported promptly to the building principal or the district compliance coordinator for investigation and corrective action. Any student or employee who engages in conduct in contravention of this policy is subject to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from school or termination of employment.

Discrimination against any student on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or religion in the admission or access to, or treatment in, the district's programs and activities is prohibited.

Superintendent, PO Box 729, Perry, Kansas 66073-0729 (785-597-5138) has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

District-Wide Safety & Security Information

District-Wide Emergency Drills

Each of the school buildings in the district has an Emergency Preparedness Procedures booklet in the office and in most classrooms. It addresses many possible situations, some of which involve moving students out of the schools to a secure off-site location. In order to ensure familiarity with the plans with staff, drills are held periodically during the year. Families and community may or may not be notified in advance of these drills. In an actual emergency requiring relocation, families will be contacted through School Messenger and instructed as to reunification procedures.

School Safety Plans and Crisis Management Plans

The issue of safety at schools throughout the nation is a major concern. Perry-Lecompton School District has implemented several actions to address the issue of safety at all of our schools. The district will continue to implement measures which we believe will assist in this effort. We work cooperatively with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department to plan methods to address the safety of our students, staff and property. The support and cooperation of the community is appreciated. More detailed information is posted on the district website under two tabs: School Safety Plans and Crisis Management Plans.

Drug-Free Schools Policy

Maintaining drug-free schools is important in establishing an appropriate learning environment for the district's students. The unlawful possession, use, sale or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students on school premises or as a part of any school activity is prohibited. This policy is required by the 1989 amendments to the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, P.O. 102-266, 103 St. 1928. As a condition of continued enrollment in the district, students shall abide by the terms of this policy.

Tobacco Use Policy

The use of all tobacco products (cigarettes, cigars, pipes and smokeless tobacco) is prohibited in or on all school district property. The policy applies to everyone working on, working in, using or visiting school district properties. It applies to personal vehicles on school district property and district-owned vehicles. This policy further prohibits tobacco industry advertising, marketing, and sponsorship on district property, at school functions, and in school publications. In addition, the exhibition of tobacco-oriented gear or paraphernalia by staff and students is prohibited.

Weapons Policy

No student or patron may knowingly possess, handle, or transmit any object that can reasonably be construed to be a weapon at school, on school property, or at any school-sponsored event. This shall include any weapon or device being used as a weapon, or any facsimile of a weapon. The school district reserves the right to ensure safety by conducting voluntary searches of bags, purses, backpacks, or other containers being brought onto school property at any time. Persons violating this policy shall be reported to appropriate law enforcement agencies; in addition, juveniles shall be reported to DFS or the Commissioner of Juvenile Justice.

Penalties for Students Possessing a Firearm or Other Weapon

Possession of a firearm or other weapon shall result in expulsion from school for a period of one calendar year, unless modified by the Superintendent on a case-by-case basis, following an expulsion hearing conducted by the Superintendent's designee. Possession of a facsimile of a weapon may result.



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PLHS- Perry-Lecompton High School

PLMS- Perry-Lecompton Middle School "Official Page"

PLES- Perry Lecompton Elementary School