

# DORT DOLPHIN NEWS

March 2024

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### March Madness: A Month of Learning and Fun!

We hope this newsletter finds you well and excited for the month of March! As we step into spring, we have an array of exciting activities and events planned for our elementary students. Here's a glimpse of what's in store:

- 1. Reading Month Extravaganza:** March is National Reading Month, and we're celebrating with a series of fun and engaging reading activities. From guest author visits to daily reading challenges, we're igniting a passion for reading in our students. POP into Reading with your child!
- 2. Parent-Teacher Conferences:** Communication between home and school is essential for student success. Parent-teacher conferences will be held on 3/14 and 3/15 to discuss your child's progress and academic journey. Please be sure to schedule your appointments in advance. Links will be emailed to you shortly.



## BE ON TIME!

### *Bell Schedule*

8:25 a.m. – First Bell/  
**breakfast starts**

8:40 a.m. – Tardy Bell/  
**No breakfast after this  
time**

3:35 p.m. – Dismissal

### *Half-Day Schedule*

8:25 a.m. – First Bell

8:40 a.m. – Tardy Bell

11:55 a.m. – Dismissal



## UPCOMING EVENTS

3/9- Winter Gala 6 pm

3/13- Early Release 2:05 pm

3/14- Conferences In Person @ Dort

3/15- ½ day Dismissal @ 11:55 Virtual Conferences in PM

3/25 – 3/29- SPRING BREAK

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

\*Breakfast is free and available to every student each morning. Students arriving after 8:40 will not receive a breakfast. Please make sure that your child is here on time every morning.

\*Student attendance is very important. If a student will be absent for any reason, please call and notify the school office. When calling, please give the reason, the length of the absence, and who is calling for them. State law requires us to report chronic and excessive absences, including tardiness, early release, and late pick-ups. Our early release time ends at 3:15 p.m., but we encourage you to schedule medical appointments for after school hours to limit early pick-ups. If you are in need of **Latchkey** services to allow your child to remain later than 3:35 p.m., please call **586-445-5688**.

\*Students that will need to take medication of any kind, including inhalers and/or Epi-pens, must have a **Medication Request Form** completed by their doctor and placed in their school file for the year. Medical forms are available in the office.

ALL Dort students receive a free breakfast and lunch this year by participating in the Michigan Department of Education Community Eligibility Option. Students are also allowed to bring in a lunch from home if they choose. Students will NOT be eligible for breakfast if they come in after the tardy bell.

**We are always grateful for the support of our wonderful parent volunteers. If you're interested in contributing your time and skills, please reach out to the Main Office and we can get you started!**

The mission of the Roseville Community Schools, in a cooperative partnership with students, the home, and the community, is to educate all children of our community by ensuring students have the skills, experiences and knowledge needed, to reach their full potential.

Theresa Genest, President  
Kevin Switanowski, Vice President  
Joseph DeFelice, Secretary  
Matthew McCartney, Treasurer  
Gina Aiuto, Trustee  
Denise Brun, Trustee  
Michelle Williams-Ward, Trustee

**Congratulations to our February Hard Working Winners!**

Scarlett Troutt  
Karlie Rucker-Williams  
Davion Tucker  
Dakota Belcher  
Julio Cook  
Carter Bradford  
Liam Rapley-Fleming  
Nick Bailey  
Nickolas Barba  
Bryelle Simmons  
Khalil Dbouk  
Mariah Pearson

These students earned a treat with Ms. Baker!

**Congratulations to our February Academic Winners!**

Camreigh Adams  
Karlie Rucker-Williams  
Ian Kacovski  
Pharell Kameni  
Adrian Gomez  
Jaya Carroll  
Desmine Porterfield  
Brodie Karpinski  
Nilaya Bellamy  
Lilly Bielaczyc  
Emily Lashley  
Fatima Hussain

These students earned an extra PE with Mr. W.!!

## **Congratulations to our February Dynamic Dolphin Winners!**

Skylar Thompson  
Karlie Rucker-Williams  
Jackson DuBois  
Robin Woodward  
Chloe McMillon  
Zoe Williams  
Claire Wyrabkiewicz  
Mia Massey  
Tristian Scandalis  
Kobe Calloway  
Joseph Nazaret  
Leah Pirrone

This is a new award given to students who are hardworking, show good choice making decisions, come to school on time, go above and beyond what is asked of them, and is an all-around good citizen here at Dort.

These students earned an extra art class and snack with Ms. D. and an extra recess with Ms. Baker!

Congratulations to our February Safety of the Month- Raevyn Jackson. Ms. DeFelice writes that Raevyn is dedicated with her assignment. She is always out there with a smile. Keep up the great work!

### Message from the Superintendent,

Last month I discussed the impact of attendance on student's graduation rates, post-secondary success and how much it takes to make up for the lost days of school. We also need to look at chronic absenteeism (18 or more absences in year) and the short-term effects. Did you know that if a Kindergarten or First Grader who is chronically absent for one of those years will only have a 41% chance of reading at grade level in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade? Just one of the first two years in school has that severe of an impact. If a student is chronically absent for both Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade, they only have a 17% chance of reading at grade level in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade! Now imagine the impact being chronically absent through high school.

Yes, attendance matters! Every single day your child misses creates a void of learning and being chronically absent is devastating to your child's academic success. I do know that you want what is best for your child. I hope you agree that learning how to read is an essential life skill.

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## ROSEVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS 2023/2024

### AUGUST

30 Staff Day  
31 Professional Development Day

### SEPTEMBER

4 Labor Day Recess  
5 Professional Development Day  
6 1st Day for Students  
A.M. K-12 Classes  
P.M. Professional Development

### OCTOBER

17 High School Conferences  
AM: 9-12 Classes  
PM: 9-12 Conferences  
Evening: 9-12 Conferences  
18 Middle School Conferences  
A.M. 6-8 Classes  
P.M. 6-8 Conferences  
Evening: 6-8 Conferences  
19 Elementary School Conferences  
Evening: K-5 Conferences  
20 A.M. K-5 Classes  
P.M. K-5 Conferences  
31 A.M. K-12 Classes  
P.M. Schools Closed

### NOVEMBER

3 End of 1st marking period  
A.M. K-12 Classes  
P.M. Records  
7 Professional Development Day  
24 Thanksgiving Recess

### DECEMBER

Dec 25– Jan 5 Holiday Recess

### JANUARY

8 Classes Resume  
15 K-12 Schools Closed  
25 A.M. K-12 Classes  
P.M. Professional Dev/Meetings  
26 End of 1st semester  
A.M. K-12 Classes  
P.M. Records

### FEBRUARY

19-20 Midwinter Break

### MARCH

6 Middle School Conferences AM: 6-8 Classes  
PM: 6-8 Conferences  
Evening: 6-8 Conferences  
14 Elementary School Conferences  
Evening: K-5 Conferences  
15 A.M. K-5 Classes  
P.M. K-5 Conferences  
K-5 Conferences  
25-29 Spring Recess

### APRIL

1 Classes Resume  
5 End of 3rd marking period  
A.M. K-12 Classes  
P.M. Records  
11 11th Gr State Testing—Schedule TBD

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Don't forget to connect with us on Facebook!

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

**MAY**  
27 Memorial Day Recess

**JUNE**  
10-12 End of 2nd Semester ☐  
A.M. K-12 Classes  
P.M. Meetings/Records

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Two (2) PD Days to be determined  
based on 2024 election dates

CODE KEY	
	K-12 schools closed
	K-12 Teachers only PD
	K-12 Schools Closed p.m.
	Classes a.m. only for grades listed by date
	K-12 Staff Day
	State Testing

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JUNE 2024						
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