

I am safe.  
I am responsible.  
I am respectful.  
I am a learner.



Estoy seguro.  
Soy respetuoso.  
Soy responsable.  
Soy un aprendiz.

# Dayton Grade School

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September 2020

Dayton Pirates can do



*virtually anything!!*

**Monday, August 31**

5:30-7:00 PM  
Kindergarten & SLC  
Technology Pick Up

**Tuesday, September 1**

5:30-7:00 PM  
1st & 2nd Grade  
Technology Pick Up

**Wednesday, September 2**

5:30-7:00 PM  
3rd Grade  
Technology Pick Up

**Thursday, September 3**

5:30-7:00 PM  
4th & 5th Grade  
Technology Pick Up

**Friday, September 4**

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Technology Support

**Tuesday, September 8**

First Day of Comprehensive  
Distance Learning

Yay! It's back to school time! I have always loved the fall because it is time to start school. I am pretty sure it's a teacher thing, although I have heard a few parents usually feel the same way. This year, even though most things for school will look different, many aspects of school will be the same. Your child will have a teacher that cares about them, that is committed to their success, learning, and growth in all areas. There will be a team of teachers that are available to support your child and your family as we all tackle Comprehensive Distance Learning. And let me tell you, the learning this fall is so very different than what we did in the spring. I was and still am so proud of our Dayton Grade School teachers for changing to an at-home and online learning platform in a week. And to parents, I am so sorry that the learning in the spring was messy and different for each grade level. We heard you. We will do better!

This year, grades 2-5 will be using Google Classroom for students to receive their weekly assignments and links to instruction. Each grade level will use a picture of a classroom created with Bitmojis as the starting place for instruction each day. By clicking on the pictures in the classroom, your child will be directed to the learning activity for that subject. It is very similar to many games where students choose the activity from a group of pictures that pop up first.

Kindergarten and first grade will be using SeeSaw and Google Classroom, which has two places a student can go for learning called Journal and Activities. Students will see the assignments their teachers post when they click on Activities.

Each grade level has a suggested schedule that parents and students may choose to follow as a guide for learning time. Lessons for each subject will be short instruction videos so that students may access the instruction at any time it is convenient. There is only one time per day when students and teachers are meeting in a live Zoom meeting as a whole class or grade level. This time will be used for reading instruction at the student's level and a group lesson on social and emotional (SEL) strategies to help students when they are frustrated. Please make this live Zoom meeting the priority for your child's day. This is our chance to see and speak to your child, to know they are well, to show them that we care, and to find out if they need more support.

I have included the Zoom meeting schedule for each grade level below. The grade level Zoom meeting will be at this time on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays for your student. The link to log in to the Zoom meeting is on the Bitmoji classroom picture in the Google Classroom for the child's grade level. I have included the overall Zoom meeting schedule below.

I want to thank you in advance for the work we will do as a team this school year. Learning experiences will be easy to access, engaging, and focused on grade-level standards. Weekly assignments will be posted by 3:00 PM on Mondays. Students will use Monday to finish up work from the week before or concentrate on enrichment activities. If at any time you have questions, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher, another teacher at that grade level, and/or me. We will be there for you, just like we intend to be there for your child.

Time	Live Zoom Meeting Schedule for K-5 Tuesday-Friday
9:00-9:45	2nd-grade Reading Zoom Meeting/ SEL/Live
9:45-10:30	K Reading Zooming Meeting/ SEL/Live
10:30-10:45	Movement Break for all grade levels
10:45-11:30	3rd-grade Reading Zoom Meeting / SEL/Live
11:30-12:15	1st-grade Reading Zoom Meeting / SEL/Live
12:15-1:15	Lunch for all grade levels
1:15-2:00	4th-grade Reading Zoom Meeting / SEL/Live
2:00-2:45	5th-grade Reading Zoom Meeting / SEL/Live

## Important Calendar Dates for 2020-2021 School Year



September 8	First Day of School
November 6	No School, Grading Day
November 11	No School, Veterans Day
November 23-27	No School, Thanksgiving Break
December 21-31	Winter Break
January 1	
January 18	No School, Holiday
January 28	No School, Holiday
January 29	No School, Inservice
February 15	No School, Grading Day
March 23-27	Spring Break
April 9	No School, Grading Day
May 31	No School, Memorial Day
June 9	Last Day of School, Early Release

## Student Absence



During Comprehensive Distance Learning, please continue to call the Grade School Office if your student is going to be absent—please call before **8:30 AM** and we will mark the absence in the system and you will not be contacted by your child's homeroom teacher or the school for that day.

