## **Upcoming Events**

Thursday, September 27: Math Family Night (Grs. K-2), 6-7pm

Monday, October 1: District Parent Council Meeting, Harriet Tubman Bldg. @ 6:30pm



Friday, October 5: Seward Walk-A-Thon

Monday, October 8: NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day

Tuesday, October 9: Community Café (Grs. 3-6), 5:30-7pm

Wednesday, October 10: Walk Your Child to School Day

Wednesday, October 17: School Picture Day

Thursday, October 18: Math Family Night (Grs. 3-4), 6-7pm

Friday, October 19: NO SCHOOL - Staff Development

October 22-26:
Seward Book Fair Week
(Family Night - October 25, 5-7pm)

October 23-31:
Red Ribbon Week (Drug Awareness)

Wednesday, October 24: District Rope Jumping Contest 3:30pm @ Seward

Monday, October 29: Seward PTA Meeting @ 6pm

October 30 & 31:
Half Days for Elementary students
Parent/Teacher Conferences

For more events, please visit: www.aecsd.education

# William H. Seward

**Elementary School** 

October 2018



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Seward Families,

We have had a great start to the school year, and we are ramping up for a busy fall as well.

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for October 30 and 31. Students will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m. both days. Please be sure to schedule a time to meet with your child's teacher.

We will continue our focus on PBIS expectations this year. Teachers have reviewed expectations in all areas of school including the cafeteria, playground, hallways, and bathrooms. Students are doing great!

Please consider attending our **District Parent Council (DPC)** meetings this year. Here are some details about the group.

Who can attend: All district stakeholders

What is its purpose: Discuss school district topics, ask questions, hear from Superintendent Pirozzolo

Where: Harriet Tubman Admin. Bldg., 78 Thornton Ave

When: 1st Monday of each month at 6:30pm

October Topics: Safety, Bullying, Anonymous Alerts

Sincerely, Mrs. Mahunik



## **Contact us:**

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### Reviewing PBIS expectations on the first day of school









#### **Gummy Bear Science**







# **Anonymous Alerts**

We are introducing a new tool called **Anonymous Alerts**, which is an online system that allows students to quickly, easily, and anonymously report strange behavior and information to school officials.

## Possible incidents to report could include:

Bullying / Cyberbullying

· Sexual harassment

· Family difficulties

· Fighting

Self-harm

Weapons

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Drug and alcohol abuse

Threats

Student depression

· Abnormal student behavior

The best way to address problems faced in school is by telling a teacher, principal, psychologist, or counselor. However, we do understand that sometimes a student may want to communicate something anonymously. The most important thing to remember is: See something. Do something!

All reports submitted through Anonymous Alerts remain completely anonymous, but students do have the option to reveal their identity. The program is monitored from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on school days, but it is very important to understand that school officials will not be on the system every minute. Anonymous Alerts should only be used for serious matters, but **if something seems disturbing or life threatening, call 911 immediately.** 

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS! every student present!

Bright futures begin with good school attendance

Did you know that **absenteeism** in the first month of school can predict poor attendance through the school year? Half the students who miss 2-4 days in September go on to miss nearly a month of school.

#### October: Attendance Awareness Month

Please make sure your student is in school whenever possible. Every day is a gift of education and extremely important.

If your child is not present, please call the main office at (315) 255-8600 to report his or her absence.

Please help us reduce chronic absence. For more information, please visit: www.everystudentpresent.org/parents

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