



DISCOVERY RIDGE ELEMENTARY

DRE WEEKLY NEWS: OCTOBER 14, 2024

SPECIAL AREA SCHEDULE



Monday - Day 4

Tuesday - Day 5

Wednesday - Day 1

Thursday - Day 2

Friday - Day 3

IMPORTANT DATES

10/16

Kindergarten Field Trip

10/17

Fire Safety Visit For Kdg & 2nd Grade

Great Shake Out

10/18

Fall Parties

No Horizons

No PreK Classes

Early Release at 1:35 pm
PTO Trunk or Treat from 6 pm-8 pm

10/21
National School Bus Safety Week

10/23
Turkey Trot at Holt High School starting at 4 pm

10/24
Board of Education Meeting at 6:30 pm

10/29
Fall Picture Retake Day
Student Led Parent Teacher Conferences from 4:30 pm-8 pm
PTO At Home Movie Night Begins

10/30
No School, Fall Break 10/30-11/5
Student Led Parent Teacher Conferences from 10 am-8 pm

Academic Calendars (2024-2025, 2025-2026)

FALL PARTIES

Fall parties will take place this Friday, October 18. Students may wear their costumes to school and cannot have mask or face make up. For more information about your child's class party, please contact your child's teacher.

STUDENT LED PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please Save the date for DRE Student Led Conferences, October 29-30.

We are excited to share that this year our parent-teacher conferences will be led by your child. Please be sure to plan accordingly when scheduling as all K-5 students should attend. We are so excited for our students to share their goals, celebrate their accomplishments, and reflect on how they can keep growing. Sign-ups for a 20-minute session with your child and their teacher and more information will be coming soon!



Please watch for information on conference sign ups if you haven't already selected a time with your child's teacher.

DAILY CLASSROOM SNACKS

Students at Discovery Ridge have an opportunity for a home provided daily snack in their classroom. If providing a daily snack creates a hardship for your family, please reach out to your child's counselor.

K-2 Counselor, Mrs. Stacy Browning
stacybrowning@wsdr4.org

3-5 Counselor, Mrs. Jane Douglas
janedouglas@wsdr4.org



iREADY DIAGNOSTIC REPORTS

iReady Assessments

- i-Ready is an integral part of our curriculum for reading and mathematics. It enables your student's teacher(s) to identify their specific needs, personalize their learning, and track their progress throughout the school year. By meeting your student exactly where they are, i-Ready empowers your teacher(s) to enhance your student's learning gains.

Typically, students take iReady assessments several times throughout a school year. Updated For Families Reports are viewable at the end of each testing period.

How can I access my student's For Families Report results?

1. **Log in** to your student's **i-Ready Dashboard** with the following directions:

- From a computer, click [ClassLink](#).
- Log in using your student's district credentials (email and password) and then click on the i-Ready icon. Your child's email is firstlastnamegradyear@wsdr4.org and password is their wsdlunchpin.

Example: JohnDoe23@wsdr4.org; PW: wsd12345

- Your student's lunch pin can be found in Focus. If needed, contact their teacher for assistance.
- Click on the **For Families dropdown** and **select** the **For Families** report.
 - Enter** your District's 2024-25 Report **Code:50W8JN**.
 - You can choose both **reading** and **math** to view both reports for your student
 - Your computer may have pop-ups blocked, and you will have to allow these to view the reports.

iReady Diagnostic Reports

LUNCH TIMES BY GRADE LEVEL

Kindergarten- 11:15 am

1st Grade- 11:25 am

2nd Grade- 10:50 am

3rd Grade- 12:40 pm

4th Grade- 12:15 pm

5th Grade- 11:50 am

14 Mon	15 Tue	16 Wed	17 Thu	18 Fri
Mini Donuts Chocolate Wg	Confetti Pancakes	Glazed Donut Holes	Mini Cinni's - Caramel	Chocolate Donut Holes
Mini Donuts Powdered Wg	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit
Fresh Fruit	Choice of Milk or Juice	Choice of Milk or Juice	Choice of Milk or Juice	Choice of Milk or Juice
Choice of Milk or Juice				
14 Mon	15 Tue	16 Wed	17 Thu	18 Fri
Mozzarella Cheese Sticks w/ Marinara...	Walking Taco	Zesty Orange Chicken	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce	Manager's Choice
Sweet Corn	Seasoned Black Beans	Steamed Broccoli	Savory Green Beans	Baby Carrots
Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit
Choice of Milk or Juice	Choice of Milk or Juice	Choice of Milk or Juice	Choice of Milk or Juice	Choice of Milk or Juice

Breakfast & Lunch Menu

DRE COSTUME CLOSET

Bats & Spiders are lurking near and Costume Season is almost here! DRE is a SPOOKTACULAR place to find a costume for your little ghoul or goblin this year!

If your child is in need of a costume we would love for them to come pick one out! All you need to do is just email lesliemay@wsdr4.org or your classroom teacher. Students can pick out their costume to wear for our Fall Party day at school and can keep for any other Trick or Treating adventures you have planned outside of school.

All students will be allowed to wear costumes on the early release day, Friday, Oct. 18. This will also be the day of our Fall Party. More info to come about this day!



If you have any gently used costumes you would like to donate to our Costume Closet you can send them to school with your child to Mrs. May's attention or feel free to drop in the office. Thanks and Happy Haunting!

SOCKTOBER



Give back to our wonderful community by donating a new pair of socks during the month of October.

You can drop them off in a donation basket at DRE located next to the cafeteria.

All donations will help benefit The Christmas Shoppe Program at Morning Star Church.

VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE

We are excited to honor Veterans on November 11! You can sign up and submit pictures by clicking on form the below or scan the QR code on the flyer.



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That's all we know.

Veterans Day Sign Up

PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION 'PTO' NEWS

Join PTO

DRE Spirit Wear Store



We exceeded our Boosterthon goal and of today we have raised \$25,360! Way to go DRE STARS!! We will update you with the final total next week! Thank you for your donations and helping us reach our goal to purchase a Digital Marquee!

DRE TRUNK OR TREAT

DRE Trunk or Treat will be October 18 from 6-8 pm. Click the link below or scan the QR Codes to Sign up or Volunteer!



[Click to Sign Up](#)

[Click to Volunteer](#)

FALL MOVIE NIGHT

Don't forget to register for our Fall At Home Movie Night for your chance to win a Movie Night Prize Pack delivered to your porch!

Register: <https://forms.gle/vxh7Dqheg2Qnek2D6>

The teacher with the most registered families will win a prize too!!

PTO PANKAKES WITH PRINCIPALS

It may seem early but we are already thinking about our Pancakes with Principals event on Fri. Dec. 13!

If you are looking for an easy way to help out, consider donating a package of hot chocolate or marshmallows! We have about 1/2 of what we need for our event!!

We will be raffling off a "Gift Card/Lotto Tree" with proceeds supporting some of our building's Student Service Learning Projects. We are asking for ANY gift cards of \$5 or more or Lotto Scratch-Off Tickets.

You can sign up to donate for either of these by clicking on the flyer and scanning the QR Code or by clicking the button below!



Donate Hot Chocolate/Marshmallows

Donate Gift Cards/Lotto Tickets

FALL 2025 KINDERGARTEN SCREENINGS

Does your Child Start Kindergarten next fall? If so, you can register them for a Kindergarten screening by scanning the QR Code or selecting the button below.



Kindergarten Screening

COMMUNITY AGENCY PRESENTATIONS

Dear Discovery Ridge Elementary Family,

Throughout the duration of the academic year, the Wentzville School District partners with community agencies that specialize in providing students, families, and educators with preventative education. Agency presenters are credentialed, coordinated through the District, and under the supervision of building administrators. Presentation topics are targeted toward specific grade levels. All students will participate in each program unless you choose to opt your child out of the lesson(s). If you are interested in opting your student(s) out of the presentation(s), please click the appropriate link(s) below.

[Kindergarten Opt-Out Form](#)

[First Grade Opt-Out Form](#)

[Second Grade Opt-Out Form](#)

[Third Grade Opt-Out Form](#)

[Fourth Grade Opt-Out Form](#)

[Fifth Grade Opt-Out Form](#)

If you have additional questions, please reach out directly to your student's guidance counselor.

Thank you,

Mrs. Kelly Stratman, Principal

Dr. Lindsay Burkemper, Assistant Principal

Mrs. Stacy Browning, K-2 Counselor

Mrs. Jane Douglas, 3-5 Counselor

Mrs. Sarah Holcomb, Education Support Counselor

READING SUCCESS PLANS

Reading Success Plans are required by Missouri legislation (Section 167.645, RSMo) for identifying students who have a substantial reading deficiency or are at risk for reading difficulties as early as possible. Once identified, teachers and reading interventionists can provide instructional support targeted to student needs, to monitor student progress and adjust instruction as needed. We are required by the state to collect and submit RSP data every February, beginning in the 23-24 school year and continuing this year.

Reading Success Plans

Missouri Statute Section 167.645, RSMo (2016) requires school districts to conduct a foundational reading assessment as well as a diagnostic assessment annually. The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) has approved Ready as a Missouri Foundational Reading Assessment and a diagnostic screening tool.

Students with Foundational Reading Assessment scores identify at-risk students who may have some reading difficulties. Students are assessed in the areas of phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension using Ready. The results of the assessment will help identify students who are in need of a Reading Success Plan (RSP).

If students are identified as at-risk or having foundational reading deficits, a Reading Success Plan will be created to identify ways to improve. This is a decision plan on how to use with students in the area of reading in the classroom and/or reading intervention groups. Once identified, teachers and reading interventionists can provide instructional support targeted to student needs, monitor student progress, and adjust instruction as needed.

Attached is our template for the Reading Success Plan process. Families can access an online reading resources at <https://de.se.mo.gov/Page/10765>.



- STEP 1**
A teacher takes the Ready Reading Diagnostic and Literacy Tests (kindergarten through 2nd grade)
- STEP 2**
Teacher determines which students need a Reading Success Plan, based on the data from
- STEP 3**
A teacher determines if students need a Reading Success Plan based on the data from
- STEP 4**
If a student is receiving a Reading Success Plan, the teacher will create a plan, if a plan with the Ready data, at parent teacher conferences on October 25.
- STEP 5**
All students with a Reading Success Plan will receive targeted interventions in the areas of phonics, fluency, and comprehension to be reported to parents through the plan by the year

This fall, teachers and reading interventionists will be conducting reading assessments with all students. These assessments help us plan lessons and identify students who might benefit from extra reading support. In addition, our building reading specialists will work with small groups of students. These flexible groupings are not the same as Reading Intervention, families will be contacted directly by their child's teacher if he/she qualifies for Reading Intervention.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your child's classroom teacher.



Welcome to *Leader in Me*

Each new school year brings opportunities for academic growth and growth in all areas of development. Although children must be knowledgeable when they graduate, they must also be healthy, engaged, responsible, and caring people.

We're grateful you're here at our school and we're excited to partner with you and your child. As a *Leader in Me* School, we believe that every member of your family has greatness and we can't wait to learn and grow from you! *Leader in Me* (LiM) is an evidence-based, comprehensive school-improvement model—developed in partnership with educators and FranklinCovey—that empowers students with the leadership and life skills they need to thrive in a global community.

Our school has chosen to operate through a uniquely different lens. *Leader in Me* is about empowering your child to reach their full potential while ultimately finding their voice. As a school, the staff in this building have made five core commitments to your child. We call these our Core Paradigms. In these paradigms you will find the belief and way we view all students. At this school we see that:

- Everyone is a leader.
- Everyone has genius.
- Change starts with me.
- We empower students to lead their own learning.
- Educators and families partner to develop the whole person.

Not only do these paradigms apply to your student, they apply to all of us!

Leader in Me provides our school with the vision and language to lead the school in a way that addresses all areas of development. As each child discovers and develops their unique gifts and talents, they are given opportunities to lead.

As leaders, they become active, engaged partners in their own education, and their self-confidence, responsibility, and initiative grows. The children quickly understand the benefits of different gifts and talents; they learn to listen to new ideas, work together to achieve results, and motivate one another to be the best.

We hope your school enjoys sharing these new opportunities. Together, we will see each child grow throughout the year.

Mrs. Kelly J. Stratman, Principal

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