



# DISCOVERY RIDGE ELEMENTARY

## DRE WEEKLY NEWS: OCTOBER 7, 2024

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### SPECIAL AREA SCHEDULE



Monday - Day 4

Tuesday - Day 5

Wednesday - Day 1

Thursday - Day 2

Friday - Day 3

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### IMPORTANT DATES

10/5

[WSD Homecoming Parade](#)

10/9

PTO Dine Out at Freddy's from 5 pm-9 pm

10/11

Boosterthon Fun Run Day

No Horizons

10/14

Late Start at 10:35 am, you can start dropping off at 10:20 am

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)

## 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.



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## 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](mailto:stacybrowning@wsdr4.org)

3-5 Counselor, Mrs. Jane Douglas  
[janedouglas@wsdr4.org](mailto:janedouglas@wsdr4.org)



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## 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 [firstlastname.gradyear@wsdr4.org](mailto:firstlastname.gradyear@wsdr4.org) and password is their wsd lunchpin.

**Example:** [JohnDoe23@wsdr4.org](mailto:JohnDoe23@wsdr4.org); PW: wsd12345

- Your student's lunch pin can be found in Focus. If needed, contact their teacher for assistance.

2. Click on the **For Families dropdown** and **select** the **For Families** report.

- 3. **Enter** your District's 2024-25 Report **Code:50W8JN**.
- 4. You can choose both **reading** and **math** to view both reports for your student
- 5. Your computer may have pop-ups blocked, and you will have to allow these to view the reports.

iReady Diagnostic Reports

WSD HOMECOMING PARADE

The 2024 Wentzville School District Homecoming Parade is Saturday, Oct. 5 at 9:00 am. The parade will begin staging at 7:30 am, at Holt High School. You can anticipate heavier traffic throughout the neighborhoods surrounding Holt High School and on West Pearce Boulevard & Schroeder Creek Blvd from 7:30 - 9:00 am.

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

7 Mon	8 Tue	9 Wed	10 Thu	11 Fri
Banana Bread	Cinnamon Toast Crunch French Toast	Dutch Waffle	Mini Cinni's	Froot Loop Waffles
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

7 Mon	8 Tue	9 Wed	10 Thu	11 Fri
Popcorn Chicken	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce	Chicken Tenders	Macho Nachos	Mini Corn Dog Nuggets
Broccoli w/ Cheese	Savory Green Beans	Sweet Corn	Seasoned Black 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

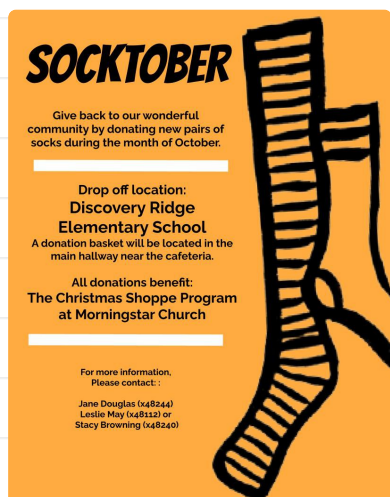
Breakfast & Lunch Menu

FAMILY TECH TIPS

Raising kids in this digital world is hard, common sense media makes it easier! Scan the QR code on the flyer to explore common sense media in order to navigate many tech topics.



## 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 Morningstar Church.

## 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 ghouel 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](mailto: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!

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## 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**

Join PTO

DRE Spirit Wear Store

## DRE PTO FUN RUN WEEKEND CHALLENGE

Weekend Challenge: Who's ready for a weekend challenge?! Get a \$60 flat donation or \$2 per lap donation before Monday and you'll score a GOLDEN EDITION Dude Perfect keychain! Good luck!



## DONATE WITH A *Freddy's* DOUBLE



A FUNDRAISER SUPPORTING:  
**Discovery Ridge PTO**

COME ENJOY YOUR FREDDY'S FAVORITES WHILE HELPING A GREAT CAUSE!  
**October 9, 2024 | 5PM-9PM**  
1021 Southern Ridge Ln, Lake St Louis, MO 63367

PTO Dine Out at Freddy's on 10/9 from 5-9 pm, stop by and support our wonderful school!

## 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](#)

## 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 by going to <https://tinyurl.com/patscreening>.



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## 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

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## 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 (R 2015) requires school districts to conduct a foundational reading assessment to all students in the second grade annually. The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) has approved Reading Success Plans as a Missouri Foundational Reading Assessment and Addressing Learning Tools.

Missouri's Foundational Reading Assessment helps identify students who may have more reading difficulties. Students are assessed in the areas of phonics awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension reading fluency. The results of this assessment will help identify students who are at risk 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 areas to improve in. This is a guided plan to help and support students in the area of reading in the classroom and/or reading intervention group. 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 timeline for the Reading Success Plan process. Families can contact their home reading resources at [reading@liimc.com](mailto:reading@liimc.com) or <https://www.liimc.com/Page/10162>.



- STEP 1**  
All students take the Reading Diagnostic and a Library Skills Diagnostic (pages 1-3 Summary)
- STEP 2**  
Teachers determine which students need a Reading Success Plan, based on the data from Step 1
- STEP 3**  
Email Letter: Families are notified through email of a student who is at risk for needing a Reading Success Plan. Review of the plan will occur after the parent/teacher conference.
- STEP 4**  
Families: At the meeting a Reading Success Plan, families will receive a copy of it, along with the Reading Plan. At parent/teacher conference on October 27-28.
- STEP 5**  
Students with a Reading Success Plan will receive targeted interventions in the areas of phonics, fluency, and comprehension as determined by the school 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.

Leader in Me®

## 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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