

# THE PULSE ON THE PLAYGROUND

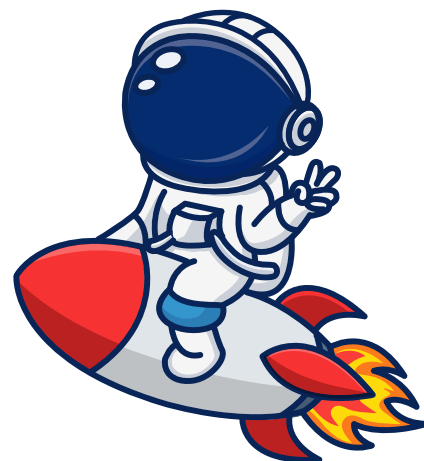
*The latest news and updates from Superior Elementary School*

Summer.....swimming, riding bikes, catching fireflies, sleeping in, playing at the ball field, camping or whatever your children enjoy makes for a favorite, but hectic, season. Often times adults and kids are ready to get back into a routine when school time rolls around! But until then, I hope you're all enjoying these summer months together.

Our building theme for the 2023-2024 school year is: **Reach for the Stars**. Outer space decorations such as astronauts, space ships, parts of the solar system and even a few aliens fill the office and hallways. When we reach for the stars we set high goals for ourselves and each other. This year we will focus on setting and working towards goals, what to do once we reach a goal, and how to respond when we don't reach a goal. The feelings of joy and pride or discouragement and disappointment apply to both students and teachers, so this year we will work together and reach for the stars!

I look forward to greeting our Superior Elementary stars on the first day of school!

See you soon,  
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## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ELEMENTARY EVENTS:

AUGUST 8 - OPEN HOUSE

AUGUST 10 - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 1 - NO SCHOOL STAFF INSERVICE

SEPTEMBER 4 - NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY

## PK-5 Open House

August 8, 2023

6:00-7:00 p.m.

All Preschool - 5th grade students and their parents/guardians are invited to a Back-to-School Open House. Please bring your school supplies and meet your new classroom teacher. We can't wait to see everyone again!

## Kona Ice

Fundraiser



The Kona Ice snow cone truck will be at the school on August 8th from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Please consider cooling off with a snow cone. All proceeds will go into the Elementary Activities Account.

(This is in place of former fundraising events, such as students selling magazines.)



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## Cell Phones & Smart Watches

An increasing number of elementary students are coming to school with cell phones, smart watches, and other electronic devices. Our students have been doing a great job of following the handbook rules of having their cell phones turned off and in their locker during school hours. Unfortunately, smart watches have become more of a distraction in the classroom and students are using them for more than just telling time. Therefore, smart watches will also need to be turned off and kept in student lockers this coming school year.



**Bus transportation** is provided for students living outside Superior's city limits. Questions concerning scheduling and routes of buses should be directed to Jeff Kimberly, Transportation Director, at 402-879-3257 ext. 204.



### PARENT PICK-UP & DROP-OFF PROCEDURES:

Parents should drop-off their child by either 1) driving to the front of the west drop-off lane in front of the elementary building main doors and letting their child out of the vehicle, 2) driving to the front of the drop off lane on the north side of the building and letting their child out of the vehicle, or 3) parking in the parking lot on the north side of the building and walking their child to the front doors. Students may also walk to school using the new sidewalk on 8th street. Parents picking-up their child should park in the parking lot on the north side of the elementary building or on Paw Print Road on the south side of the building. Crossing guards will be at both locations to help students enter/ exit the school grounds safely.

## Mae Jemison



Last year we began our school theme of *Just Keep Swimming* with the story of Eugene Clark, the "Shark Lady." This year we'll read another children's book, Mae Among the Stars, about Mae Jemison. She was an American engineer, physician, NASA astronaut, and the first African-American female to travel into space.



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