



**August 9, 2021**

### **GET READY FOR A FANTASTIC YEAR!**

The 2021-22 school year's first day of school is August 25th. We will be entering into a world of learning, exploring and developing relationships. Here we go...Time to get to work. I often reflect on my years as a Smokejumper for the Forest Service. What rings in my ears is the spotter, telling us the jump spot and to get in the door. Once in the door you would feel a slap on the leg or arm telling you to exit the aircraft, and as you did the spotter would yell "jumpers away". Hearing those words means "Time to get to work..."

It is always the goal to be a little better this year than last year. We (school, staff, students, community) accomplished a lot last year. Some highlights include:

- Great schoolwide MAPs scores
- Student success in the classrooms
- Beef to School (locally grown beef at Ulm Schools this year).
- New Sidewalk
- 1:1 student computer ratio
- New classroom addition
- Extended parking at the school
- Bluehawk Park

Though much more could be listed, the bar is set high, and is one we all will raise even higher this year. "School Year Away," it's time to get to work..."

We will be kicking off the school year with Back to School Night and Spaghetti Feed. Please join us August 24th, from 5:00-7:00 PM. Below is a schedule that allows for you to meet with each of the teachers. Feel free to bring supplies at this time and leave them in the classroom. The spaghetti dinner will run from 5:00-6:00 pm.

### Meet/Greet Schedule

Mrs. Adkins EK/K	5:00- 5:15
Mrs. Smith 1st grade	5:15- 5:30
Mrs. McDaniel 2nd grade	5:30- 5:45
Mrs. Kelly 3rd grade	5:45- 6:00
Mr. Boedecker 4-5 grade	6:00- 6:15
Mrs. Reitz 6-7	6:15- 6:30
Mrs. Gilbert 6-7	6:36- 6:45
Ms. Perirman	6:45- 7:00
Mr. Gillan	6:45- 7:00

Our COVID safety plan is still in effect to minimize any spread of the virus. The COVID-19 Reopening Plan and the CCHD Restrictions lifted News Release are on our website, [ulmschools.com](http://ulmschools.com). We will continue proper handwashing, respiratory etiquette, cleaning and sanitizing surfaces throughout the day. If your child is exhibiting any signs of sickness, please keep them home. If students are showing signs of sickness at school they will be sent home for the safety of students and staff. I know the inconvenience in having to get off work to pick up your child, however our safety plan requires it.

Yummy news this year! We will continue to have free breakfast and lunch for the students.

We will also be providing students with a mid-morning healthy snack. Please see attached flyer for more information.

Parent Student Handbooks will be in the students daily planners. Please read the Handbook throughout its entirety as it is Board Policy and will be enforced.

ABC (Academic Booster Club) is our Ulm School parent support group. The purpose of the ABC is to help support Ulm Teaching staff for students. They work to support and help meet our needs and goals. This year the ABC will be raising money with a beef raffle, see flyer attached.

We will be having a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony August 25th at 10:00 am for our Bluehawk Park. Please feel free to join us.

Please visit our Website [www.ulmschools.com](http://www.ulmschools.com) or Facebook page at Ulm Public Schools for school updates. You will also find our school lunch menu, activities calendar, and Infinite Campus (Parent/Student Portal) information.

Our After School Program is free this year for ALL students. If you wish for your child to attend, please fill out the contract at the school office. All students not picked up after school on time will be sent to the After School Program.

If you have any questions, concerns or positives to share please contact me at (406) 866-3313.

I AM HONORED TO BE TRUSTED WITH YOUR MOST PRIZED POSSESSIONS. I WILL WORK HARD ALONG WITH THE ULM STAFF IN KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN SAFE, EDUCATED, NURTURED AND INSPIRED.

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**Thank you.**