



DURAND-ARKANSAW SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Families,

It's been a wonderful and smooth start to our 2017-2018 school year. Thank you for your cooperation and participation as we partner together in your child's(ren) education. I truly enjoyed talking to so many of you at open house. My parents taught my siblings and me, that the way you start out is the way you'll finish. You too perhaps have heard this in your lifetime. I believe this principle applies to school as well. You can help your child with developing good routines and habits that can positively impact their education and this incredible journey of life. Plan to keep track of your child's subjects, homework, activities and progress throughout the school year, encourage them to go to bed early, eat healthy, stay active, and read together. Take time to read with your child for 20-30 minutes every day or ask them about their readings. Your example reinforces the importance of literacy and reading allows for you and your child to explore new worlds of fun and adventure together.

I encourage you to use all avenues of communication to stay informed about important school happenings and events. You are always welcome to contact your child's teacher or myself with any questions or concerns. The third Thursday of every month we will be sending out a school newsletter from the office that will have important information, dates, and school happenings. Please watch for this coming home. We also communicate via Skylert, which is an online notification system where we can alert you on important school happenings via email, text messages and phone calls. The spirit of volunteerism is a big part of who we are and we have many opportunities to volunteer and give back to our school. Your energy, spirit of volunteerism, and dedication is what Caddie Woodlawn Elementary School depends on and deserves.

I am continuously impressed with the labor of love demonstrated by the staff and administration of Durand-Arkansaw School District. We strive to make your child's education the priority to an academic journey of success. I extend a sincere debt of gratitude to each of our school families and look forward to another successful school year.

Thank you for partnering with us,

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