

FLYNN ELEMENTARY



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Dear Flynn Families,

Welcome to the 2024-25 school year! The staff members at Flynn are very excited to welcome your students back for the new school year! We hope your summer has been enjoyable, and that you and your students are looking forward to the growth that will occur this school year. This letter provides logistics to start the year. You may also find the supply list and the district calendar on Flynn's web page.

★ HERE WE GO...



MEET MRS. MOUA

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My heart has always been with Flynn. I started here when I was 18 years old as a bilingual assistant, working with our ELL families. From there, I became a 4th grade teacher, 5th grade teacher, Instructional Coach, Curriculum Coordinator and now a Principal. My husband is Zoosiab and I have two boys, Zookmoov and Tshajyeej. We enjoy playing tennis and traveling together.

BACKGROUND ON FLYNN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Flynn Elementary is one of 14 elementary schools in the Eau Claire Area School District. Built in 2002 to replace Boyd Elementary, our beautiful school was designed to bring natural light into every learning space, creating a peaceful atmosphere and connecting students to the outdoors. Flynn features large classrooms, wide hallways, and individual lockers for each student. We are proud of our energy-efficient design and our commitment to Earth-friendly practices, fostering good stewardship of our shared environment.



FLYNN, A SCHOOL OF PEACE

Flynn Elementary is an International Peace Site. Part of World Citizen Peace, international peace sites like Flynn help to empower communities to educate its residents to live in a peaceful world. Locations like Flynn, commit to five "Peace Actions":

- Seek Peace within yourself and others
- Reach out in service
- Protect the environment
- Respect diversity
- Be a responsible citizen of the world



As we learn, we keep the peace with us, in our school, neighborhood, and community. If you want to learn more about peace sites around the world, go to www.peacesites.org.



THE RESPONSIVE CLASSROOM APPROACH AT FLYNN

Along with Flynn being a “school of peace,” we are also a school that supports the “Responsive Classroom” methodology to universal teaching and behavioral expectations in school. The Responsive Classroom (RC) emphasizes social, emotional, and academic growth in a strong and safe school community. Developed by classroom teachers, the approach consists of strategies for helping children build positive academic and social-emotional competencies and relationships. For further information on how Flynn uses “RC,” please visit www.responsiveclassroom.org.

CHARACTERSTRONG-PURPOSEFULL PEOPLE: SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

The District’s Social Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum is PurposeFull People, developed by CharacterStrong. This is a coordinated SEL curriculum, PreK-12. There are regular SEL lessons throughout the school year. To learn more, go to <https://characterstrong.com/curricula/elementary>.

WELCOME BACK

Welcome Back Day is on September 3, 2024 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Students attend with their families at any time during this session. Please bring all of your school supplies with you. We look forward to seeing everyone at school. Students will attend classes in person for a full day beginning September 4, 2024. Half of the Kindergarten students will come on September 4, the other half on September 5, and all together on September 6. A separate letter regarding this day is included with this letter.

STUDENT ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

School begins at 8:40 AM each day and ends at 3:40 PM. Supervision for the arrival of students will begin at 8:25. Students riding the bus will arrive around 8:30 AM. As students arrive, they will come inside and begin their soft landing with their teacher and classmates. The playground is reserved before and after school for the YMCA program, so students are not allowed on the playground at these times. Families dropping students off in the morning and/or picking up their students at the end of the day will wait outside of the fence by the playground area.

BREAKFAST & LUNCH

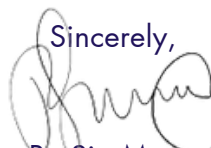
Breakfast and lunch will be offered to each student and will be eaten in the cafeteria. Breakfast begins at 8:25 AM. ✨

YMCA SCHOOL AGED CHILD CARE (SACC)

The YMCA SACC program runs at Flynn before school starting at 6:00 AM. The after-school program runs until 6:00 PM. Families register with the YMCA for the program.

Weekly, you will receive Flynn’s family newsletter, The Fly Sheet, from our Partnership Coordinator, Jessica Hoff. We hope you will find these communications helpful in our collective efforts to support your family.

We look forward to our new school year of learning and growing together!

Sincerely,

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