



Let's **BUILD** Together

## Weekly News - 8/2/18



### From the Principal's Desk

#### Who's the new Principal?

My Name is Nathan Jarot. [Letter of Introduction \(Click Here\)](#) I am honored to be able to serve as the new Principal at Anderson Elementary. I have been very busy over the past few weeks planning, organizing, and preparing for an excellent school year. It has been wonderful to meet each of the teachers and staff that make Anderson a great place for your students to learn every day. I can't wait for our hallways and classrooms to be filled with the energy and life that your children will bring. Please do not ever hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns. [nathan.jarot@d303.org](mailto:nathan.jarot@d303.org).



I love to showcase the learning, joy, and the hard work that will take place at Anderson. Please follow our [Anderson Facebook Page](#). I will post fun pictures, videos, and reminders. Also linked above are the Anderson Twitter, web calendar and school website. Coming soon to a facebook page near you.... A special message from Mr. Jarot to the Anderson Students.



### Spotlight of the Week!



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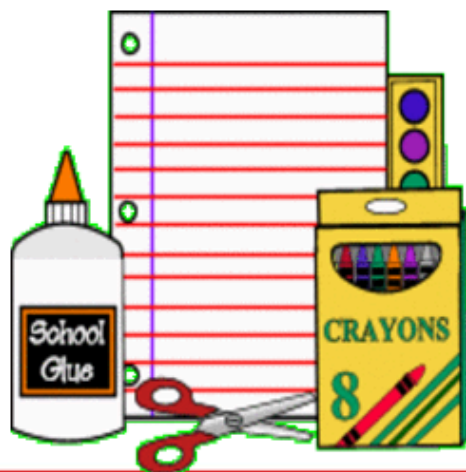


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## Anderson Elementary



**Supply Drop Off**  
**1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
**4:00 to 5:30 P.M.**



**Back to School Picnic**

**Monday August 20th**

**4:00 - 6:30 P.M.**

Food will be available for  
purchase or pack your own  
food and join us for some  
**FUN!**

**MUSIC, GAMES, and  
ICE CREAM!**

**Don't Forget to bring a  
blanket or some lawn  
chairs! All K-5th  
families Welcome!**





Each week I will email you the Anderson Weekly News. It will contain important information about all things Anderson, including Spotlight of the Week, Dates to Remember, important PTO content, and ways to stay connected to the great things happening at our school. Please take a few minutes each week to read it, and stay informed. You never know when Mr. Jarot will insert a trivia question worth big prizes! :) Our school calendar and new website will always be linked on the top and bottom of each email for quick access. **(Note: Both the Calendar and Website are “under construction” for the next week as we update and edit. Pardon our dust.)**

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## Who is my Child's Teacher?

### Short Explanation:

The D303 HAC will open up on August 13th. Log-in and see your child's teacher.

### Long Explanation:

In anticipation of finding out your child's classroom teacher on the morning of August 13<sup>th</sup>, please make sure you are currently registered to access your child's classroom assignment on the Home Access Center (HAC). If you previously registered, your login names and passwords have not changed, and you do not need to re-register. If you are new or have not previously registered, you must have a current and valid email address on file, with the school. If you have not provided a current and valid email address you may do so by calling the office prior to August 13<sup>th</sup>. For initial access to a HAC account, on or after August 13<sup>th</sup>, please follow the included steps, after providing your current and valid email address to the school office:

- Go to the district website at [www.d303.org](http://www.d303.org) and click Parent Login near the upper-right corner. On a mobile device, open the navigation menu by clicking the menu icon in the upper-right, then scroll down and tap Parent Login
- Create a username and password by clicking the *Begin Using HAC* icon on the right hand side of the screen and then clicking on the *To Register for HAC* link
- Follow the prompts to complete initial registration and click *Register* – *You will be prompted to use one of the following city abbreviations: St Charles, S Elgin, or W Chicago*
- Confirm registration and click *Finish*
- Your password will be emailed to the registered email address you provided the school

If you receive an error message, this likely means the information on file does not match what you have entered. If this occurs, please contact the school office to make any corrections.

All active elementary HAC accounts will be accessible as of 8:00 AM, on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. At that time, you will be able to view your child's classroom assignment and teacher, by following the steps below:

- Go to the district website at [www.d303.org](http://www.d303.org) and click *Home Access Center* under the *For Parents* heading
- Log in to the HAC by entering your registered username and password via the *Begin Using HAC* icon on the right hand side of the screen
- Select *Registration* from the menu on the left; You should then see the classroom assignment and teacher, which are labeled *Homeroom* and *Homeroom Teacher* on the right hand side of the screen.



## Supply Drop Off and Back to School Picnic!

Kindergarten: Friday Aug. 17th 10:00-11:00 am.

1st through 5th Grade: Monday, Aug. 20th 4:00-5:30 pm.

All Families: Back to School Picnic - Monday Aug. 20th 4:00-6:30 pm.

We look forward to seeing each family at our Supply Drop Off / Back to School Picnic scheduled for Monday, August 20th. The Supply Drop Off for 1st through 5th Grade students will take place from 4:00-5:30 PM. You will have an opportunity to meet your child's teacher, drop off their supplies, tour their classroom and build a Lego Sculpture.



Kindergarten Families have their Supply Drop Off event Friday, Aug. 17th from 10:00-11:00 am. Of course all Kindergarten families are invited to return on Monday for the Back to School Picnic. We welcome our new Kindergarten Students as our guests of honor!

Please enter the school through the front doors. Each student will be given a Lego piece with special instructions to write their name on the Lego and add it to our Anderson Lego Sculpture located in

the gym. When you are done in the classroom, join all the Anderson families for a Back to School Picnic on our playground. We will have Food Truck(s) available with meals for purchase, or bring your own picnic dinner. Don't forget a blanket and/or folding chairs. Our Anderson PTO, along with several other community organizations, will have booths set up to help inform help you get connected with ways to volunteer.



I encourage you to follow the schedule below for supply drop off.

- 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM – Last names beginning with A – I
- 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM – Last names beginning with J – Q
- 5:00 PM to 5:30 PM – Last names beginning with R – Z

This will assist us in meeting your needs in a timely manner and should cut down on the crowds in classrooms when dropping off supplies. However, please understand you are welcome to come anytime between 4:00 PM and 5:30 PM.

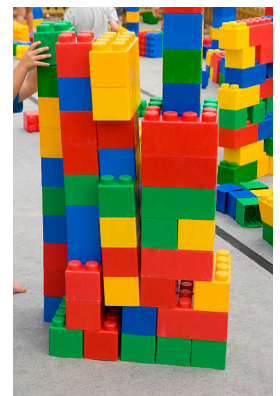
The building will be organized as follows during *Supply Drop Off*.

### Office/Lobby

- Provide proof of residency, if you have moved
- Drop off additional registration paperwork
- Drop off any medical forms for the Nurse
- Drop off kindergarten physical forms, which must be on file before the first day of school in order for the students to attend

### Gymnasium

- Add your Lego piece to our Anderson Lego Sculpture. (Lego piece provided to each student at the door!)
- Sign up for PTO committees and activities
- Visit information booths from various community organizations.





## Playground

- Picnic Area
- Music (Dance Party) :)
- Basketball, Soccer, Frisbee, Hula-hoop, games...
- Face Painting
- Much, Much, More...

## Transportation Information



All transportation information, including bus stop and pickup/drop-off times will be available through the D303 Transportation Website called [e-Link](#) Information will be available on Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm. To access [e-Link](#), [click here](#), or access the site through your HAC (Home Access Center) .



## Curriculum Night

Curriculum Night marks a great opportunity for parents to get to know what their child's typical day looks like at Anderson. Parents get to hear from teachers regarding the curriculum, classroom routines, communication plans, as well as ask questions. Please plan on attending. Note, there are two nights scheduled based on grade level. See below.

- ❑ Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd Grade: Tuesday, August 28th from 6:00-7:30 pm.
- ❑ 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade: Wednesday, September 5th from 6:00-7:30 pm.

## School Safety

We are pleased to share with you information about enhanced security measures and procedures that have been put in place in all District 303 schools.

When you visit our school, you will notice interior locked vestibule glass doors and windows that allow for more secure entrances. During the school day, we ask that visitors come to the main school entrance, press the buzzer, stand in front of the camera before identifying themselves and providing the reason for their visit. Visitors will be buzzed into the vestibule by school staff and will be asked to present identification that will be scanned into an electronic visitor management system. Items such as lunches, homework, or instruments can be placed on shelves in the vestibule and will be brought into the school by a staff member.

When visitors have to enter the school for any reason, they will be issued a temporary ID to wear while in the building and will be asked to check in the office for direction.

The safety and security of our students, staff members, and visitors is a top priority for District 303. We appreciate your assistance in our efforts to improve our secure learning environments while still maintaining a welcoming atmosphere in our schools.





## Dates to Remember

- Fri. Aug. 17th Kindergarten Supply Drop Off/Meet-n-Greet. 10:00-11:00 am.
- Mon. Aug. 20th 1st - 5th Supply Drop Off. 4:00-5:30 pm.
- Mon. Aug. 20th Back to School Picnic. 4:00-6:30 pm.
- Wed Aug. 22nd First Day of School!
- Tues. Aug. 28th Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd Grade Curriculum Night. 6:00-7:30 pm.
- Wed. Sept. 5th 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Curriculum Night. 6:00-7:30 pm.
- Thu. Sept. 6th PTO Meeting. 6:00-7:30 pm.
- Thu. Sept. 20th Family Game Night 6:30-8:00 pm.

