



Mrs. Kistler, Principal

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Gretna Public Schools – Aspen Creek Elementary – 10325 S. 188<sup>th</sup> St - Omaha, NE. 68136 - 402.332.5617

### Gretna Public Schools

The mission of Gretna Public Schools is to accept all students unconditionally and maximize their potential.

#### Goals

1. To develop a positive educational environment that accepts all students and emphasizes their intellectual, physical, emotional and social development.
2. To adopt financial policies that ensure quality educational facilities, equipment, and materials to aid in the accomplishment of the district's educational goals.
3. To attract and retain highly qualified personnel and promote opportunities for their professional growth and development.
4. To develop students' knowledge and values so they will be effective participants in our democratic society.
5. To develop academic skills in the areas of reading, writing, computing, listening, and speaking so students may effectively interact in our society.
6. To provide opportunities for students to gain an appreciation for the fine and performing arts.
7. To provide educational programs, which allow students to identify and achieve their career goals and emphasize the value of hard work.
8. To introduce students to a variety of activities which encourage them to develop morally, physically, socially, academically, emotionally and spiritually.

### School Day Hours



8:20am - 3:20pm  
Monday - Friday

## Activities Calendar

### January

- 9 PTO Meeting 6:30pm
- 10 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Kindness Club 3:20-4:15pm
- 15 NO SCHOOL
- 24 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Kindness Club 3:20-4:15pm
- 26 Spirit Day

### February

- 1 4<sup>th</sup> Grade to Symphony
- 2 PTO Family Night
- 6 PTO Meeting 6:30pm
- 13 Parent Teacher Conferences
- 14 Valentine Classroom Parties 2:15pm
- 15 Parent Teacher Conferences

### What do snowmen have for breakfast?

#### Snowflakes



January Lunch Menu  
has been posted

### Principal Corner

Dear Aspen Creek Elementary Families,

Happy New Year!!! I hope everyone enjoyed the holiday season and had lots of opportunities to celebrate with family and friends. I certainly enjoyed the extra time with my family.

With a new year comes a sense of fresh beginnings and positive change. Joining our staff as a Special Education Teacher is Darcy Skrdla. Darcy comes to us with many years of experience and we feel extremely fortunate to have her.

With the cold weather settled in, I want to remind our neighborhood families of the time change for morning crosswalk. Mrs. Cook will be available from 8:00-8:10 to assist students across the street. As mentioned before, if this causes any concern with your family please be sure to contact me.

I am excited for 2018 and all it holds for our school family!

Wendi Kistler, Principal

Visit the Gretna District Website and links to all the schools at <http://www.gpsne.org>

## Please help...

Please make sure to notify the school office if your child will be late or absent. 402-332-5617.



***Thank You!***

**Brrrrr....**

**As the temperatures are dropping, please make sure to send your children with coats, hats and mittens. We will continue outdoor recess unless 9 degrees or below.**

On December 11, 2017, the Gretna Public Schools Board of Education called for a Citizens Building and Construction Advisory Committee. The first meeting of the committee will be held Thursday, January 18, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Office located at 11717 S. 216<sup>th</sup> Street in Gretna. Discussion at this first meeting of the committee will focus on enrollment trends, housing developments, and housing starts in the Gretna school district. Future meetings will focus on construction options, financial options, and committee recommendations. Ultimately, the advisory committee will present their recommendations to the School Board next spring. All interested parents and community members are invited to attend.

Lunch deposits can now be made online.

**Please note:** Seconds are now offered for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students may have seconds on "milk" only. If you do not want your child to have seconds, please notify the office. Thank You



Visit [www.gretnaschoolspay.org](http://www.gretnaschoolspay.org)

**STAY CONNECTED TO SCHOOL EVENTS AND THE COMMUNITY. BE SURE TO CHECK OUT WHAT'S NEW UNDER THE "PRINTABLE FLYERS" LINK!**

Gretna Public Library Calendar

Lunch Prices

Gretna Gym Time Forms

G1 Information Form

Gretna Community Foundation Grant flyer

ACE Birthday Book Club

2017-18 GPS Tutor List

Gretna Youth Wrestling Club

2018 K of C Free Throw Contest

*We are like a*  
**SNOWFLAKE**  
*all different in our own*  
*beautiful way*

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## Attention ACE Parents...

It's that time of year. Health screenings have begun. Screenings follow recommendations by the Nebraska Department of School Health. A health screening does not take the place of a physical for your child. A letter of referral will be sent home with your child if recommendations are indicated for further evaluation.



# PTO NEWS

We can't wait to see you **Tuesday January 9th at 6:30** for our next PTO meeting. Come and learn all about the PTO and how you can be involved as much or as little as you'd like to be.

## Giving Back Updates

November Aspen Appetite Night at Marcos Pizza-we raised \$213

December Aspen Appetite Night at Chipotle-we raised \$382

\*\*\*Thank you for supporting the students at Aspen Creek Elementary! The money we raise helps to fund playground equipment, media room supplies, STEM robots, teacher grants, and much more!



Did you know that for every Box Top our school earns \$0.10? If every student saved just 20 Box Tops in an entire year we could earn almost \$1,000 for the school!!! Make sure to send back those filled forms so your child can pick from the treasure chest.

Did you know you can help earn money for the school just by shopping? Save your Family Fare and HyVee receipts and send them to school and these stores will donate back to Aspen Creek!



## PTO Board Members

- Allison Malone, President
- Myra Miller, Vice President
- Stacy Eshbach, Secretary
- Susan Horst, Treasurer
- Natalie Kelsay & Erin Willnerd, Fundraiser Coordinator
- Mary Jorgensen, Box Tops Coordinator/Volunteer
- Jessie VanWaart, Volunteer

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