



**TAVELLI**  
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**Tavelli Elementary School**  
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Dear Tavelli Families,

Welcome Back! I hope you enjoyed a summer filled with fun and exciting memories. We are thrilled to have our Tavelli Tigers back for a school year of learning and growing. The first day of school for grades 1-5 will be August 16, 2022. Kindergarten students' first day will be Thursday August 18<sup>th</sup>. As we return, I know many of you have questions about the beginning of the school year. Below is important information and updates.

**Please watch your emails as we will be sending updates and communications from our teachers and myself.**

**2022-23 Faculty at Tavelli:**

- Preschool: Susan Aronson, Jennifer Cavarra
- Kinder: Emily Lehman, Jennifer Perkins, Abby Reynolds, Liz Boeck
- First: Naomi Gomez, Jackie Vasquez, Lizzy Taft, Evan Daldegan
- Second: Karen Iverson, Kim Olsen, Stephanie Merrill, Lizzy Revay
- Third: Rachel Nelson, Lisa Evans, Christina McKay, Haley Unruh
- Fourth: Ara McKelvey, Katy Dermody, Kelsey Sullivan, Sarah Schooley
- Fifth: Cori Coleman, Julie Bolton, Angie Trybe, Haleigh Alexander
- Encore: Rob Deakin, Katie Robinson, Brad Deal, Tara Sparks, Lisa Musante
- IS: Lisa Vencill, Stefanie Gotthold, Sarah Noehl, Elise Tobler, Kelly Tolooee
- Intervention: Deb Buggle, Megan George, J Pearson, Kit Garofalo
- Counselor: Sarah Good
- Classified Support Staff: Joan Belleau, Vivian Vasquez, Greg Gilmore, Julie Lang, Elsabe Van Nieuwenhuizen Nina Frazer, Alex Duncan, Sarah Harris, Osvaldo Sifuentes, Jody Hersh, Savannah Robinson (IS), Bailey Deal
- In building sub: Vanessa Urich
- Office Staff: Christine Hendricks, Shirley Woods, Linda Foreman, Jane Spomer
- Health Tech: Monica Smith
- Custodial Staff: Alexis Ortiz, Noah Beaven, Tyler Bibbey
- Food Service: Tom Hunter, Paulette Stevens

**Important to note: Please read the following information as we have made some changes for the 2022-2023 School Year.**

## **What we need from parents/guardians:**

- **Please do not send your child to school if they have any symptoms/illness. If your child has any symptoms or ill, we will send them home immediately.**
- **Make sure your contact information, emergency contacts, health concerns or legal paperwork are on file in the office. You can check ParentVue and make any changes needed there.**
- **For Security reasons all visitors will be REQUIRED to always check in at the office and get a visitors' badge. Our campus will be supervised from 8:30-3:40. To keep everyone safe we all must work together. If you see something, please let the office know immediately.**
- **If you visit/volunteer or plan to stay longer than drop off, pick up, you MUST check in at the Office. Our staff will ask to see your badge and escort you to the office to help you check in. This is a safety practice for your children.**

## **Classrooms for beginning of the school year**

- Classroom outside doors will **not be open or propped open.**
- Do not go the classroom directly to get your child or talk to the teacher during the school day. You need to check with the office.
- Our classrooms will become hot. Please dress your children appropriately for the hot weather.
- Make sure your child comes to school with a filled water bottle each day. Hydration is very important.
- Teachers and staff do a great job helping to keep the students feeling safe and comfortable.

## **Teacher notifications and Meet and Greet:**

- Student Placement notification emails and calls will be sent to parents on August 10, 2022. Teachers will be sending a call out and email with back-to-school information about their classroom expectations, curriculum and other items that are relevant for their classroom. This information will also be on the staff learning pages.
- Meet and Greet August 12 from 4:00-6:00. This event is for all our students.
- The Meet and Greet is an opportunity to see the classroom and ask the teacher questions. We will have four 30-minute signups for each classroom. In your back-to-school email please look for the SignUp Genius Link
- Specials teachers, interventionist, IS staff, office staff and our classified staff will be available at the event.

## **Arrival and Dismissal:**

Starting the 22-23 school year we will be going back to our drop off and pick up practices prior to our Covid protocols. The reason for this change is we lost a lot of instructional time with our students doing a staggered dismissal. Students lost approximately 15-20 minutes a day of instruction. Our staff feels this instructional time is too important to help our students learn and grow.

We encourage all eligible students to ride the bus, if possible. This will help with congestion around our school during these times. You can contact transportation at 970.490.3232 or visit the PSD Transportation website if you would like to sign up for a bus.

*Morning Drop off:* Some procedures have changed!

- If you arrive at school after 8:50 please bring your child to the main entrance/office door. Our start of school bell rings at 8:50. We do not want students outside classroom doors or on the playground once our staff returns to the building to start classes.
- All buses will use the designated bus lane in the front of the building. This will no longer be a parent drop-off in the front from 8:30-9:00.
- We still have 4 buses for Tavelli. Therefore, there will be many cars picking up students in the back loop.
- When you arrive at school, continue to pull forward and stay close to the cones and curbs to allow more distance in the thru lane in the back loop.
- Drive slowly and use caution in our loading and unloading areas. Please watch for other cars, students, and staff.
- We will **not** be loading or unloading students on the driver's side of the car. This is dangerous and unsafe due to approaching cars. Please have your child ready to unload on the passenger side. The safety of our students and staff is our top priority.
- Remain in your cars, this will help make drop off quicker.
- Please do not drop off before 8:30. Students go directly to breakfast or the playground. Staff will be on outside duty beginning at 8:30.
- **Please be patient as we will have a lot of cars dropping off students.**
- There **WILL NOT** be a crossing guard on Greenmont. We ask that you drive slowly on our neighborhood streets and watch for children.
- Please do not park in front of our neighbors' driveways. We want to be courteous to our neighbors.
- We will have traffic control in the morning for vehicles turning on and off Lemay.

*Afternoon Dismissal:* Some procedures have changed!

- All buses will use the designated bus lane in the front of the building. This will no longer be a parent pick-up in the front from 3:15-3:50.
- We still have 4 buses for Tavelli. Therefore, there will be many cars picking up students in the back loop.
- When you arrive at school, continue to pull forward and stay close to the cones and curbs to allow more distance in the thru lane in the back loop.
- Drive slowly and use caution in our loading and unloading areas. Please watch for other cars, students, and staff.
- We will **not** be loading or unloading students on the Driver's side of the car. This is dangerous and unsafe due to approaching cars. Please have your child ready to unload on the passenger side. The safety of our students and staff is our top priority.
- Remain in your cars, this will help make drop off quicker.

- **Your car visor tags need to be visible to help us with parent pick up.** (We will have these available at the Meet and Greet. If you need a car visor, please contact Jane in the office after the event on Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>.)
- **Please be patient as we will have a lot of cars picking up students.**
- There **WILL NOT** be a crossing guard on Greenmont. We ask that you drive slowly on our neighborhood streets and watch for children.
- Please do not park in front of our neighbors' driveways. We want to be courteous to our neighbors.
- We will have traffic control in the afternoons for vehicles turning on and off Lemay.

### **Breakfast and Lunch**

Your Child Nutrition team will be providing customers nutritious breakfast and lunches each school day at the best meal value in Northern Colorado! Breakfast meal prices are only \$1.50. Lunch meals are only \$3.15 for paid student customers. Students that have filled out free and reduced applications [Free and Reduced Meals | Poudre School District \(psdschools.org\)](https://psdschools.org) and qualify will continue to receive meals at no cost. If this applies to your student, please complete the free and reduced applications. USDA requires that applications are renewed annually, and they do expire after the first 30 days of the new school year.

### **Tavelli Website**

The Tavelli Website is a great resource to find school information. The following are just a few items you can find on our website. <https://tav.psdschools.org/>

- Teacher Learning Pages
- Information for parents
- Calendar of events
- Newsletters and Thursday Notes

Personally, I am grateful and excited to continue this journey with you as your principal. Over the past years, I have had the chance to meet many of you and your children. I look forward to continuing to build a strong relationship with all of you in the upcoming school year. I look forward to partnering with you to ensure your child has a successful school year. As always, please feel free to reach out if you need anything. Thank you for your continued support!

All the best,

*Christine*

Christine Hendricks, Principal



