

# Tavelli Elementary GO TIGERS!!

2021-22

## PARENT INFORMATION FOR TAVELLI

### *Welcome to Tavelli Elementary School!!*

We are so excited about our STEAM focus. **S.T.E.A.M.** is an acronym for **Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics**. A **STEAM** school focuses on these subjects to help our nation's youth gain the skills required to succeed in today's challenging world. This includes the ability to think critically, solve complex problems, and drive advancements in science, math, and technology; while using the Arts to look at learning and problem solving with a creative lens. **S.T.E.A.M** is an effort to help prepare our students for the workforce of tomorrow. All sectors of the workforce—from entry-level jobs to more advanced positions are requiring workers to have a greater capacity to think critically, work independently, and apply an ever-widening set of skills required for the workforce.

Our faculty and staff hope that the 2021-22 school year will be both educationally profitable and enjoyable. It is our desire to work together to help each child grow to his/her fullest potential. We know that parents are an integral part of our educational process and to obtain this goal we desire to work cooperatively and make communication between home and school a priority. Our students thrive in a rigorous learning environment where high expectations are evident.

This document is intended to communicate answers to the most frequently asked questions and to provide communication of our school's guidelines, expectations, and policies.

Tavelli is a PBIS school and we expect all students will follow the **Tavelli Motto: Do your best, Do what is right, Respect others, self, and property**. Tavelli school rules are implemented for the physical safety and well-being of our children and also to ensure a smoothly operating school with an optimum learning climate.

The faculty and staff at Tavelli are wonderful and dedicated professionals who are excited and eager to work with your children this school year. They believe in building relationships with you and your child. Teachers differentiate lessons. Our schedule allows time for enrichment

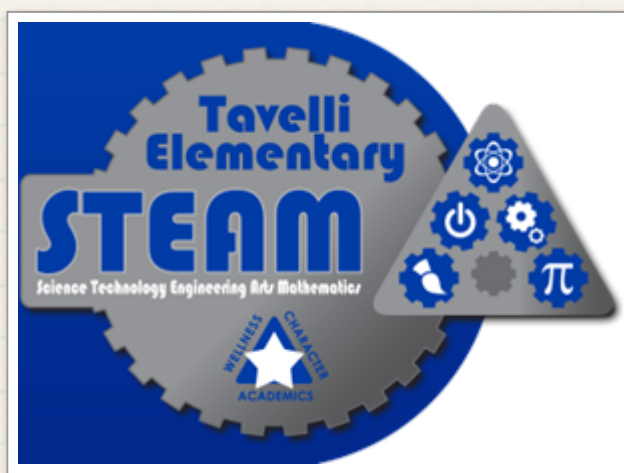
and intervention learning activities. The Spark Lab is another exciting opportunity for our students. We have several activities during the year for you to participate in. Please check out our website for these dates.

TOGETHER we can achieve great things.

As your child's principal, I look forward to working with you and making this a most productive and enjoyable school year. I welcome you to Tavelli and please feel free to reach out any time. Thank you for sharing your children with us.

Respectfully,

Christine Hendricks, Principal



## WHO'S WHO AT TAVELLI

### Faculty and Staff

**Principal – Christine Hendricks**

**Assistant Principal -Shirley Woods**

**Office Manager- Linda Foreman**

**Secretary/Office Clerk- Jane Spomer**

**Preschool- Susan Aronson**

**Preschool Paraprofessional- Jennifer Cavarra**

**Kindergarten- Erin Hittle, Lauren Erxleben, Amie Tyler, Tara Woodroof,**

**Grade One – Naomi Gomez, Emily Lehman, Jill Rush, Evan Daldegan**

**Grade Two – Stephanie Merrill, Karen Iverson, Kim Olsen, Jackie Vasquez,**

**Grade Three – Rachel Nelson, Kelsey Sullivan, Lisa Evans/Natalie Meadows, Lisa Musante**

**Grade Four – Katy Dermody, Ara McKelvey, Adam Woodroof, Audra Pearson**

**Grade Five- Julie Bolton, Cori Coleman, Angie Trybe**

**Art-Katie Robinson**

**Music- Tara Sparks**

**Physical Education – Brad Deal**

**Media Specialist – Rob Deakin**

**Integrated Services- Josh Leopold and Stefanie Gotthold**

**Speech- Elise Tobler**

**OT- Kelli Tolooee**

**School Psychologist- Lisa Vencill**

**Interventionist Teachers –, Megan George, Kit Garofalo**

**Interventionist Paraprofessional- Elsabe Van Nieuwenhuizen**

**MTSS/Coach/GT-Deb Buggle**

**Math Interventionist/Coach- J. Pearson**

**Counselor-Sarah Good**

**ESL/ELA – Kit Garofalo**

**Nurse- Dana Koenig**

**Health Tech/Para- Monica Smith**

**Custodians – Alexis Ortiz, Will Cordan, Tyler Bibbey**

**Cafeteria- Paige Wendel, Tom Hunter, Paulette Stevens**

**Paraprofessionals- Vivian Vasquez, Joan Belleau, Ruth Lanciotti, Liz Boeck, Julie Lang, Greg**

**Gilmore, Gretchin Wheeler, Jody Hersh, Mandy Robinson,**

## EVENTS AT TAVELLI

Back to School Nights

- Teachers provide an overview of grade-level curriculum
- Teachers will send out information about back to school

20th Annual Duathlon

- Family event for the whole family, running and biking.

PTO Walkathon

- PTO's main fundraiser for the school year

Scholastic Book Fair

\$20 for 20 Fundraiser (PTO)

Read Across America

- Celebrating literacy

Conferences

- Fall -Sign up Genius
- Spring Conferences-as necessary

Summer Blast Off

- Celebrating the school year

## SOCIAL CONTRACTS IN THE CLASSROOMS

Every classroom has a Social Contract. The Social Contract is not a set of rules! A social contract is defined as "an agreement of behaviors." This agreement is usually constructed through questions that allow students to respond and discuss how they want their class to run.

The social contract is a fluid document that the class reviews on a regular basis. Everyone must sign and agree to their class social contract.

# SECURITY AT TAVELLI

- All doors are locked all-day
- Ring the Doorbell to enter
- If you are in the building you MUST sign in at the office and get a visitors badge
- ALL VISITORS ENTER THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR
- Everyone in the building must wear a mask
- Security Cameras in use
- Regular drills practicing routines
- Dedicated SRO for Tavelli

# CLUBS AT TAVELLI

## Dream Team

- Before school tutoring

## Running Club

- Grades K-5

## Little Kids Rock

- Guitar lessons for grades 4-5

## Musical Theatre

- K-5 through auditions

## Odyssey of the Mind

- Grades K-5

## Chess Club

- Grades K-5

# COMMUNICATION FROM TAVELLI

## Thursday Folders

- Teachers will send home the folder on Thursday, these need to be returned for the next week

Update Emails and Callouts are sent from Christine Hendricks, Office Staff, PTO, Dream Team, Mr. Deal, Mrs. Koenig

## Thursday Notes from Tavelli

- Mrs. Spomer sends a weekly note of important information and dates of events

## Monthly Newsletters from Tavelli

## Weekly/Bi-Weekly/Monthly Classroom Newsletters

Tavelli Website <https://tav.psdschools.org/>



# SNACKS/BREAKFAST/LUNCH

## Snacks

- Please send 1-2 snacks to school with your child along with a water bottle

## Breakfast

- All breakfasts are free this year-Federal Program
- Students will eat in the cafeteria and then go outside to the playground
- Menus are published monthly

## Lunch

- Menus are published monthly
- The cafeteria is full, sorry no parents in the building for lunch or breakfast
- Parents are allowed to come to take their children to lunch or eat outside.
- Lunches are free this year-Federal Program

Hands will be washed with soap in the classroom

## Lunch Schedule

- 5th Grade 11:00-11:30
- Preschool 11:20-11:50
- 3rd Grade 11:35-12:05
- 2nd Grade 11:50-12:20
- 4th Grade 12:10-12:40
- Kindergarten 12:25-12:55
- 1st Grade 12:45-1:15

# TAVELLI WELLNESS

## Happy Birthday Celebrations

- We encourage our students to do movement activities instead of birthday snacks. ALL food must be individually wrapped and store-bought.

## Classroom parties

- Balance of treats vs healthy
- Food must be store-bought and individually wrapped
- Nothing Homemade

# ARRIVAL AND PICK UP

Start Time: 8:50

End Time: 3:28

Arrival and Dismissal Updates: Tavelli currently has 4 buses assigned to Tavelli. We are continually having conversations about how to be the most efficient with traffic and getting students to and from school safely.

- Parents/Guardians need to wear a mask and social distance while in our school.
- If you arrive to 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.
- 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.
- In our neighborhood we ask for you to be patient and drive slowly on the streets close to our school.
- 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.
- Please be courteous to our neighbors by not parking in front of driveways and not making U-turns in the middle of the street.

#### • **Morning Arrival:**

Staggered Arrival Schedule

8:30-8:40 Grades 2-5

Grades 4 and 5 on Miramont

Grades 2 and 3 + older siblings in the back pick-up circle

8:40-8:50 - Grade K-1, Bus students, walkers, and Daycare riders

Woodroof, Tyler, Lehman, Rush +older siblings will be in the front on Miramont.

Hittle, Gomez, Daldegan, Erxleben + older siblings in the back pick-up circle

• **Afternoon Dismissal:** Due to limited busing, there will be a lot of traffic around our school. Parents, please do not come onto the Tavelli Campus, remain in your cars when picking up your student. Your car visor tags need to be visible to help us with parent pick up. We will be implementing a staggered dismissal. Older students will meet their younger siblings at the younger student's dismissal spot.

Staggered Dismissal Schedule

3:15-3:25 Grade K-1

Woodroof, Tyler, Lehman, Rush +older siblings will be in the front on Miramont.

Hittle, Gomez, Daldegan, Erxleben + older siblings are in the back pick-up circle.

Bus students and walkers released at 3:15

3:25-3:40 Grades 2-5

Grades 4 and 5 on Miramont

Grades 2 and 3 + older siblings in the back pick-up circle

## OTHER SITUATIONS FOR DROP OFF AND PICK UP.

Contact the Office if you need to change pick up

- Send a note to school, contact the school early in the day

- Call and speak to our office staff. (488-6725)

#### Arriving Late

- If possible notify the school in advance
- Leave a message on the attendance line 488-6726
- If your child is arriving after 8:50, we ask that you drive to the front of the building and have them enter the school through the front doors. There is no supervision for students in the back loop or at individual classroom doors after this time and all exterior doors are locked.

#### Leaving Early

- If possible, notify the school in advance
- Send in a note or contact the office
- The parent or guardian will need to sign out the student

#### Absences

- Contact the school
- Call the attendance line 488-6726

## MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

Medicine at school (Always communicate with the Health Office 488-6732 or the main office 488-6725)

- Provide medication (s) to the health office
  1. Inhalers
  2. Allergy Pens
  3. Over the counter meds ( Claritin, Tylenol, Cough drop, etc)
  4. Prescriptions medications

Medication requires a signed form from the child's Doctor

- States that the child does require the medication
- Health Office can provide a form for the Dr. to sign

## PTO

Do you want to be involved in our school? Consider joining our PTO. Our PTO provides amazing support to our students and staff. Check out the PTO link on our website.

<https://www.tavellipto.com/>

## PSD WEBSITE

The PSD website has a lot of information. Please check the website if you have questions regarding our district. <https://www.psdschools.org/>

## PSD CALENDAR PAGE

<https://www.psdschools.org/your-district/calendars>

## PARENTVUE

<https://www.psdschools.org/ParentVUE>

## ALPHABEST

Our school day is 8:50-3:28. Students should not arrive before 8:30 am. If you need before/after care, please check with AlphaBEST.

<https://www.alphabest.org/poudreco/>

## TRANSPORTATION

PSD is anticipating an increase in ridership in 2021-22, compared to the 2020-21 school year, with possible limitations because of a reduction in routes due to the ongoing bus driver shortage. Currently, Tavelli has 4 buses for the 2021-22 school year.

For more information, go to the PSD website <https://www.psdschools.org/programs-services/transportation>

If you have transportation questions you can call 490-3232.

## PSD 21-22 SCHOOL YEAR UPDATES

Keep updated on PSD's plans for the 21-22 school year on the PSD website.

<https://www.psdschools.org/2021-22-School-Year>

## PSD NEWSLETTER-GREAT HAPPENS HERE

One of many ways information is shared is through the Great Happens Here community newsletter, which features timely information about the latest happenings in the district. GHH is emailed to families and interested community members about every two weeks.

Here is a recent newsletter from PSD with Great Happens Here. For archived newsletters and information about how to sign up, go to:

<https://www.psdschools.org/departments/communications>



