WINTON ELEMENTARY

School Handbook

FOR PARENT AND STUDENTS

2020–2021

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A Message from the Principal

Dear Families:
Welcome to Winton Elementary!
Our Family Calendar Handbook is your guide to the policies and procedures that support the safety and success of our school. Please review this information and refer to it as needed.

Winton Elementary recognizes that children thrive when parents and schools work closely together. Research tells us that grades improve, self-esteem benefits, and the likelihood of graduation improves for children whose parents are actively involved in their schooling.

Please be thinking of how you might offer your gifts of time and talent in the coming months. Together we make a difference!

Eileen Blough

A Brief History of our School

On September 8, 1925, the newly constructed Winton School opened its doors to 148 students. Because the western Coeur d'Alene city boundary was Lincoln Ave., Winton's LaCrosse address was in the town of Gibbs. The $23,000 brick structure replaced Park School which was located near where the present flagpole stands. The name change was approved by the Board of Education in appreciation for Winton Lumber Company's donation of the Sherman School land in the North Idaho College neighborhood. During its early years there were three teachers for six classes. By the mid-1950's, Winton school needed more space for assemblies. At first the $40,000 addition was used exclusively for meetings, but soon it had to be partitioned to make two classrooms (the present fifth grade wing) to accommodate the growing student enrollment. By the late 1960's, Coeur d'Alene extended its city limits to take in Winton School. In 1976 voters approved a $331,000 expansion project to add six classrooms and a multi-purpose room to the east side of the building. Four years later, Winton received a federal grant to create the playfield. The sod was purchased by the Winton parent group, and the city developed the west end with exercise equipment. Today the Winton community continues to improve its facility as well as the learning experience for its students.
Winton’s Schedule

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Winton Thursday Newsletter and Communications Folder
Every Thursday students bring home a folder which includes a newsletter from the office or classroom, student work, and other important information. Please sign and return the folder the following day. Taking a few minutes to go through the papers your child brings home gives importance to the work and activities in which your child is involved at school. Thank you for helping to foster good communication between the school and home.

Winton’s Guiding Principals

Vision Statement
Winton students are life-long learners who have high expectations and reflect quality in all they do. We will...

Mission Statement
Winton Elementary is a school community committed to preparing students to make significant and positive academic, emotional, and social impacts on our community and the larger society.

The Winton Community Believes
Children must feel safe before they can focus on academics. Therefore...
- We establish, teach to, and monitor norms for behavior.
- We prepare and practice procedures for emergency situations.
- We provide continual direct instruction on the effective handling of bullying, unsafe situations, and appropriate conflict resolution.

Children must be prepared with skills beyond academics to reach their full potential. Therefore...
We expand instruction and experiences for students to include manners, mediation skills, conflict resolution, performing arts, physical fitness, and service to others.

Adults provide a powerful model to children and must purposefully exhibit desired behaviors for children. Therefore...
- We hold ourselves accountable to language and actions that reflect manners, respect, and kindness to one another.
- Winton prides itself on creating a culture where no one remains anonymous.
- Students are taught and expected to practice specific behaviors which enhance this culture.

High expectations are met when adequate support is given. Therefore...
- We have a system of increasing support for children. This pyramid of support includes advanced classes in both reading and math, differentiated instruction within the
classroom, remediation, progress monitoring, additional instructional time, and individual educational plans.

- The affective domain is supported by school wide practices, classroom work with the counselor, small group work on targeted issues, one on one counseling, and referral to outside services.

**Students must be capable of maximizing technology as a tool for accomplishing goals. Therefore…**

- We begin in Kindergarten with the basics of computer use and expand student skills and experiences in subsequent years.
- Winton students understand and practice the ethical use of technology.
- Basic technology skills allow students to work at the application and synthesis level in a variety of programs.

## Miscellaneous

### Phone Use

Prior to leaving home in the morning, please make arrangements for your child’s after school activities since we must limit phone use. Students will be issued a phone pass to allow use of the phone when the call is approved by the classroom teacher. Students with cell phones shall keep them turned off during school hours and stored in a back-pack or purse.

### Personal Belongings

Lost & found is located in the downstairs hallway across from the counselor’s office. Please check for lost and found items whenever you are in the building. Please put child’s name on your child’s clothing and other possessions so they can be easily identified and returned. Lost and found items are donated to local charity group several times throughout the year. We ask that children leave personal belongings such as toys, etc. at home. These items are frequently broken or lost.

### State Testing

The State of Idaho measures academic achievement in several ways. Students in grades 3-5 take the ISATs (Idaho Standards Achievement Test) in spring to measure growth and proficiency over the year. The Idaho Reading Indicator (IRI) is given to all K-3 students in fall, winter and spring.

### Snow Days

There may be days during the winter when it is not safe for buses to transport children. We have many bus routes to outlying areas. **IF YOU SUSPECT THAT SCHOOL MIGHT BE CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED VIA TEXT AND EMAIL.**

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Talent Shows
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Spelling Bee
Students in grades 3-5 may choose to enter the PTA sponsored Spelling Bee which takes place in January this year. 4th & 5th grade winners qualify for the Regional Bee.

Invention Convention
Students in grades 3rd-5th are invited to participate in the Invention Convention. This will take place prior to the District Invention Convention.

Meal Programs
Winton School offers a lunch and breakfast program. The doors open at 8:35 A.M. for breakfast.

Students may bring their own cold lunch or purchase a hot lunch.

Free and reduced meal assistance is available. Applications may be picked up in the office.

Please purchase meal credits in the cafeteria from 8:20a.m. - 9:00 a.m. on a weekly or monthly basis.

If you plan to eat lunch with your child, please notify the school by 9:15 A.M. so the food service staff can prepare additional food.

Current prices on school meals are available at the beginning of each school year.

PTA
The Parent-Teacher Association is an active group that carries out various activities and programs for Winton School. Take a look at the PTA volunteer form and find a project that interests you! The PTA meets monthly, times will be announced through email and office newsletters. Ruth Northrup is our Chairperson.

We need volunteers to help in the library, classrooms and playground. If you would be interested in volunteering, please fill out the PTA volunteer form or contact your child’s teacher.

School Plus
Before and after school child care is available for a fee at Winton. The hours of this adult supervised program 6:45-8:45 in the morning and from 3:30 -6:00 in the evenings. Crafts, snacks and homework assistance are provided. For more information about School Plus and registration, call School Plus at 769-0700.

Special Chorus 3rd – 5th Grade / Marimbas 4th – 5th Grade
4th and 5th graders are welcome to join in either or both of our special musical groups. 3rd graders are invited to join in Special Chorus. Each group meets at 7:45 a.m. once a week,
usually Tuesdays and Thursdays. They enjoy many opportunities for performing in the community and at school during the school year.

**Strings**

5th graders are invited to participate in the district Strings Program. Thorough information regarding this program is sent home early in the school year. The Strings group performs at several school and district functions during the second half of the school year.

**Health and Safety Issues**

**General Health Information**

We like to see healthy children at school. For the protection of all students, including your child, please follow these guidelines:

- A child with a sore throat, severe cough, earache, vomiting, or fever within the past 24 hours, should remain home from school.
- A child with a known communicable disease (chicken pox, impetigo, strep, scabies, ringworm, etc.) should return to school with the specific approval of your doctor.
- If a child has head lice, treatment should be sought.
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**If Your Child Becomes Ill or Injured at School**

If a child becomes ill at school, symptoms are noted but not treated, and the parent is notified to pick up the child. In the event of a serious injury or illness, parents are contacted for direction. If a parent cannot be reached, the person listed as the emergency contact will be called. Therefore, the school office needs to have updated home and work telephones as well as emergency contact numbers for each child.

**Comings and Goings**

**Arriving Late To School**

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**Leaving Early**

Children leaving the building during the day must be signed out by the legal parent or guardian (or as indicated on registration card). If your child must be picked up before 3:30 p.m. please come to the office to sign him/her out.

Appropriate Bus Behavior includes:

- Quiet talking.
- Keeping feet out of the aisle.
- Remaining seated while bus is in motion.
- Fighting, verbal abuse, and throwing objects will not be allowed.
- Appropriate language.
• Opening windows or extending any part of the body beyond the window ledge at any time, will not be allowed.

• Firearms, weapons, breakable containers, flammables, plastic ‘tote’ trays, live animals, or other objects that could adversely affect the safety of students and driver, will not be allowed.

Repeated abuse of rules, designed for all students' safety, can result in loss of riding privileges. Please remember that motor vehicles must stop for buses loading or unloading children when the bus stop sign is out and when red lights of the bus are flashing.

**Going Home with a Friend**

Students will not be allowed to make last minute plans from school with friends for after school activities. Prearrangement should be done from home with each other's parents and a note should be sent for the bus driver if that is necessary.

**Parking**

We ask all parents to be careful and patient when dropping off or picking up their children. LaCrosse Ave. becomes very congested, especially at the end of the day. Please observe the following directions:

1. Car pick up is in the front of the school. Students will not be released until an adult sees your vehicle and it is safe.
2. Please observe all signs and orange cones before school, during school hours, and at 3:30 when you pick up your children.
3. Plan to park and walk into the fenced area of the school for parent pick up. Please encourage your child to follow these safety rules.
4. Use designated parking areas only.

**Winton Visitors**

We ask ALL visitors to sign in at the front office and obtain a visitor sticker before going elsewhere in the school or on school grounds. A driver’s license will be scanned and visitors will wear a printed visitor tag. Please call and make an appointment with a teacher if you need to have a conference or would like to visit.

**Community Phone Numbers**

**Children and Youth Services**

4-H Club
667-6426

Campfire Boys and Girls
667-0611

Girl Scouts
(509) 747-8091

Cd'A Recreation Department
769-2250

Cd'A Library
769-2315
Kootenai County Library
772-5612

Clothes Closet
667-8446

**Crisis Intervention**
Domestic Violence and Women's Center
664-9303

Child Protective Services
769-1515

**Higher Education**
North Idaho College
769-3300

GED Program
769-3450

Lewis-Clark State College
666-6707

University of Idaho
667-2588

**Winton Staff**
Principal - Eileen Blough
Principal Assistant-Anna Piette
Office Manager - Shelli Quant
Secretary - Sally Blair
Kindergarten - Kelly Huffman
Kindergarten-Sarah Devlin
Kindergarten-Erika Berger
1st Grade - Taylor Malinauskas
1st Grade – Jodi Johnson
1st Grade- Erin Barrett
2nd Grade –Kim Kibby
2nd Grade-Sandy Brixen
3rd Grade-Tiffany Teal
3rd Grade-Wendy George
3rd Grade-Carrie Hartman
4th Grade –Jennifer Charney
4th Grade -Cherish Hansen
Registration

In order to enroll a student for the first time in any school in Coeur d'Alene District #271, parents will need to provide current immunization records, a certified birth certificate and verification of residency. Returning families need to fill out a new registration card.

ATTENDANCE ZONES and TRANSFER POLICY (Policy #521)

With community involvement the School Board sets each school's boundaries. At registration time, parents are asked to show proof of residency for that zone. Families may request a voluntary transfer to another school by filling out the appropriate "transfer form" at the "home" school knowing that transportation is provided by the parent. Requests are approved in order of space availability and application date. Attendance is also part of the approval consideration.

IMMUNIZATIONS

Idaho State law requires certain immunizations against childhood diseases of all students, regardless of age, who attend public school. On or before the first day of attendance, proof of the child's (a) full
immunizations, (b) initiation of schedule of immunizations, or (c) certificate of exemption must be presented at the school. The legally required vaccines for students entering kindergarten are:

Five doses, of DTP, DT, Td vaccine or any combination thereof, with the last dose after age four.
Four doses of polio vaccine, with the last dose at or after age four.
Two doses each of measles/mumps/rubella vaccine, given after one year of age.
Three doses of Hepatitis B vaccine
Two doses of Hepatitis A vaccine
Two doses of Varicella

Please call your health care provider if you have questions or concerns.

KINDERGARTEN and 1st Grade Entry Requirements *(Policy #520)*

Full day kindergarten is available for students. According to state guidelines, students must be 5 years of age on or before September 1. For 1st grade enrollment, they must be 6 years of age by September 1. Completed immunizations are required as well as a state certified birth certificate.

IF YOUR CHILD BECOMES ILL OR INJURED AT SCHOOL

If a child becomes ill at school, symptoms are noted but not treated, and the parent is notified to pick up the child. In the event of a serious injury or illness, parents are contacted for direction. If a parent cannot be reached, the person listed as the emergency contact will be called. Therefore, the school office needs to have updated home and work telephones as well as emergency contact numbers for each child.

MEDICATION AT SCHOOL *(Policy #561)*

The Board recognizes that students attending the schools in this district may be required to take medication while at school, either on a short-term or daily basis. The role of the district is to protect the health and safety of all students. If requested by the parent/guardian, the school will provide an appropriate place for storing the medication and will supervise the dispensing of the medication.

School personnel are not to administer any medications to students without written instructions from a physician. Medications must be in the original container with matching instructions clearly marked on the container. This policy includes aspirin, cough medicine, etc., and all over the counter and prescription medications.

GENERAL HEALTH INFORMATION

We like to see healthy children at school. For the protection of all students, including your child, please follow these guidelines:

A child with a sore throat, severe cough, earache, vomiting, or fever within the past 24 hours, should remain home from school.
A child with a known communicable disease (chicken pox, impetigo, strep, scabies, ringworm, etc.) should return to school with the specific approval of your doctor.
A child with head lice may only return when they are nit-free. If a child has head lice, treatment should be sought.
If your child as been ill with a cold or flu, please use common sense and your own good judgment as when to send your child back to school.
HEAD LICE POLICY (Policy #563)

The school district has adopted a "nit free" policy. A child with head lice will be allowed to attend school only when they are nit-free as determined by the principal or designee. If a child has head lice, treatment should be sought.

ARRIVING LATE TO SCHOOL

Students are NOT to arrive to school before 8:35 AM. If students are not eating breakfast or riding the bus, they should arrive at 8:45 AM. If students are late to school (first bell rings at 8:50 a.m.) they must come to the office to receive a pass to be admitted to class and be recorded as present.

LEAVING EARLY

Children leaving the building during the day must be signed out by the legal parent or guardian (or as indicated on registration card). If your child must be picked up before 3:30 p.m. please come to the office to sign him/her out.

BUS RULES OF CONDUCT

(Policy # 540) Riding the school bus is a privilege. The bus driver has authority to take disciplinary measures or recommend suspension/expulsion of students whose misconduct violates the rules.

APPROPRIATE BUS BEHAVIOR includes:

- Quiet talking.
- Keeping feet out of the aisle.
- Remaining seated while bus is in motion.
- Fighting, verbal abuse, and throwing objects will not be allowed.
- Appropriate language.
- Opening windows or extending any part of the body beyond the window ledge at any time, will not be allowed.
- Firearms, weapons, breakable containers, flammables, plastic 'tote' trays, live animals, or other objects that could adversely affect the safety of students and driver, will not be allowed.
- Repeated abuse of rules, designed for all students' safety, can result in loss of riding privileges.
- Please remember that motor vehicles must stop for buses loading or unloading children when the bus stop sign is out and when red lights of the bus are flashing.

BUS TRANSPORTATION (Policy #540)

State law states that bus transportation is provided to and from school for those students living 1.5 miles or more from their school. Questions involving bus stops, schedules, etc. should be addressed to the Transportation Office at 667-3451. Riding a school bus is a privilege. Each rider is responsible for maintaining appropriate behavior while loading, riding and unloading.

If your child plans to go home with a friend on a bus he/she does not normally ride, you must call to get permission from the Transportation Dept.and then send a note to the bus driver. If your child rides the bus, he/she will be given a copy of the bus rules.
SNOW DAYS

There may be days during the winter when it is not safe for buses to transport children. We have many bus routes to outlying areas. IF YOU SUSPECT THAT SCHOOL MIGHT BE CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED VIA TEXT AND EMAIL.

Decisions to close schools or to start late because of snow or ice are made only after road conditions have been checked personally by district staff members. Safety of students is the primary concern.

It is district policy that all events that are scheduled when we have a "snow day" are to be canceled and rescheduled.

When the weather becomes extremely cold, we keep all students indoors. Please DO prepare your child for the temperatures of an Idaho winter by dressing him/her properly with heavy coat, hat, boots, and gloves or mittens.

2020-2021 SCHOOL DISTRICT #271 ELEMENTARY CALENDAR

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NO HARASSING (Policy#506)

It is the policy of this school district to maintain a learning environment that is free from harassment, intimidation, bullying and/or threats or violent acts. Each student has the right to attend school in an atmosphere that promotes equal opportunities and that is free from all forms of discrimination and conduct that can be considered harassing, coercive, or disruptive. This policy applies to all conduct on the district’s premises and at school-sponsored events, conduct during transportation to and from school, to and from school-sponsored events, and conduct off the district’s premises that has an adverse effect upon a student’s educational environment. Students involved in any of the above behaviors may be subject to suspension and/or expulsion.

Students attending district schools are:
Prohibited from engaging in any conduct which could reasonably be construed as constituting harassment on the basis of sex, including sexual orientation, race, color, national origin, age, religious beliefs, ethnic background or disability;

Prohibited from sexually harassing other students, and;

Required to report, to the school principal or designee, harassment of which the student becomes aware.

WEAPONS  *(Policy #541)*

Possession of any dangerous item while attending school is prohibited. School staff are authorized to confiscate such items immediately and to take disciplinary action which may include suspension. Dangerous weapons shall be defined as any article capable of being used as a weapon. Toys of violence including laser pointers are not acceptable at school.

*Coeur d'Alene School District #271 Policy Manuals are located in the office of each school. Please check Winton office for complete documentation and official forms.*

STUDENT RECORDS  *(Policy #510)*

Coeur d'Alene School District #271 keeps records on all students. Educational records may contain the following information: subject, grades, immunization record, standardized test scores, school pictures, birth certificate, records from other schools, etc. Parents have the right to read these records. If you leave the school district, you need to notify the school office so we may forward your child's records to the receiving school when requested.

PARENT CONCERN POLICY

The School District realizes that there may be conditions in the school system that need improvement and that students and parents should have some means to effectively express their concerns that will be considered and handled with fairness. Student and parent complaints shall be resolved through orderly processes and generally at the lowest possible level. However, the board shall provide channels for an eventual hearing, should such circumstances be necessary.

SMOKING NOT ALLOWED

The State of Idaho prohibits smoking in all buildings and on all property owned by public school districts.

DRESS CODE  *(Policy #553)*

Students are expected to wear suitable clothes to school and school related events. Clothing that distracts from the education process will be subject to review. Objectionable graphics, drug, alcohol or tobacco advertising is not allowed. Hats or bandanas for girls and boys may not be worn in the building. The following items are not allowed: midriff tops, short shorts, tank or swim suit strap type garments, make up or wallet chains. We also ask that when there is cold weather, students come to school with coats, hats, gloves, boots, etc. Please make sure coats, etc. have the child's name on them so if lost we can easily return them to the owner.
DISCIPLINE    (Policy #539-543)

Students are expected to conduct themselves in such a manner as not to interfere with the orderly operation of the equational program. The building principals are directed to establish reasonable, and age-appropriate, rules necessary to maintain orderly conduct in the school.

To ensure that students can learn in a safe and positive environment, high standards of behavior are expected. To best achieve this, expected behaviors are taught for the classroom and all common school areas. This involves teaching all rules and routines, modeling and monitoring conduct, and reinforcing appropriate behaviors. Students are held accountable for their own actions through a district philosophy of Discipline with Dignity.

Severe offenses are referred to the principal. These include: fighting, disrespect, possession of weapon, possession of controlled substance, harassment or any other extreme disruption of the educational process.

Any of the following consequences may be followed: loss of recess privileges, parent conference/communication, “in-school” suspension, out of school suspension, and/or expulsion.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Cd’A School District is prohibited from discriminating against students on the basis of a disability. The District provides a free and appropriate public education to each student within its jurisdiction regardless of the nature or severity of the disability. The District ensures that students who need or are believed to need special education or related services will be identified, evaluated, and provided with appropriate educational services.

Section 504 also stipulates that students with disabilities have the right to participate in school sponsored extra curricular programs and activities to the maximum extent appropriate to their needs.

Under Section 504 and IDEA, students with disabilities have the right to be placed in the least restrictive educational environment. To the maximum extent appropriate for the needs of the student, the District will educate students with disabilities within their regular school program.

Students with disabilities and their parents have a number of rights and protections. Questions or requests for assistance or information about services for students with diagnosed or suspected disabilities should be directed to the student’s school principal or Frank Maier, Director of Special Education, or Kathryn Keinert, Section 504 Coordinator. Both can be reached at (208) 664-8241, 1400 N. Northwood Center Ct. Coeur d’Alene, Idaho, 83814.

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CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

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CRISIS INTERVENTION

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Current prices on school meals are available at the beginning of each school year.

**SPELLING BEE**

Students in grades 3-5 may choose to enter the PTA sponsored Spelling Bee which takes place in January this year. 4th & 5th grade winners qualify for the Regional Bee.

**INVENTION CONVENTION**

Students in grades 3rd-5th are invited to participate in the Invention Convention. This will take place prior to the District Invention Convention.

**PARKING**

We ask all parents to be careful and patient when dropping off or picking up their children. LaCrosse Ave. becomes very congested, especially at the end of the day. Please observe the following directions:

1. Car pick up is in the front of the school. Students will not be released until an adult sees your vehicle and it is safe.

2. Please observe all signs and orange cones before school, during school hours, and at 3:30 when you pick up your children.

3. Plan to park and walk into the fenced area of the school for parent pick up.

   Please encourage your child to follow these safety rules.

4. Use designated parking areas only.

**WINTON VISITORS**

We ask **ALL** visitors to sign in at the front office and obtain a visitor sticker before going elsewhere in the school or on school grounds. A drivers license will be scanned and visitors will wear a printed visitor tag. Please call and make an appointment with a teacher if you need to have a conference or would like to visit.

**ATTENDANCE / ABSENCE**

(*Policy #522*) Regular attendance is essential for learning. However, if you child does not feel well, she/she should stay home. The first day of an illness is the most contagious period. To assure the school of your child's safety please call the office to report an absence by 9:15 a.m. if he/she will be absent. When your child returns to school, please send a note explaining the absence. If your child will be out for school for longer than 5 days, please inform the office and classroom teacher. A plan for keeping school work up-to-date will be devised. It is felt that **A CHILD TOO ILL TO PARTICIPATE IN RECESS IS TOO ILL TO BE IN SCHOOL.**
CHILD PROTECTION ISSUES *(Policy # 514-P)*

Unfortunately, school personnel do come in contact with children who have been victims of child abuse. By state law when professional school personnel have reasonable cause to believe that a child has suffered child abuse or neglect, he/she shall report the incident, or cause a report to be made, to the proper law enforcement agency or the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. The law also states that **any other person** who has reasonable cause to believe that a child has suffered child abuse or neglect **may report such an incident** to the proper law enforcement agency or the Department of Health and Welfare. The local phone number for child protection is 769-1515.

SCHOOL PLUS

Before and after school child care is available for a fee at Winton. The hours of this adult supervised program 6:45-8:55 in the morning and from 3:30 -6:00 in the evenings. Crafts, snacks and homework assistance are provided. For more information about School Plus and registration, call School Plus at 769-0700.

PTA

The Parent-Teacher Association is an active group that carries out various activities and programs for Winton School. Take a look at the PTA volunteer form and find a project that interests you! The PTA meets monthly, times will be announced through the reader board and office newsletters. Ruth Northrop is our Chairperson.

We need volunteers to help in the library, classrooms, playground and computer center. Special projects, activities, and students tutoring also depend on parent support. If you would be interested in volunteering, please fill out the PTA volunteer from or contact your child's teacher.

SPECIAL CHORUS 3rd-5th

MARIMBAS 4th-5th

4th and 5th graders are welcome to join in either or both of our special musical groups. 3rd graders are invited to join in Special Chorus. Each group meets at 7:45 a.m. once a week, usually Tuesdays and Thursdays. They enjoy many opportunities for performing in the community and at school during the school year.

STRINGS

5th graders are invited to participate in the district Strings Program. Thorough information regarding this program is sent home early in the school year. The Strings group performs at several school and district functions during the second half of the school year.

ELECTRONICS

We ask that children leave personal belongings such as tape recorders, radios, cameras, skateboards, headsets, cell phones, IPODs, etc. at home. They are frequently broken or lost.
PHONE USE

Prior to leaving home in the morning, please make arrangements for your child's after school activities since we must limit phone use. Students will be issued a phone pass to allow use of the phone when the call is approved by the classroom teacher. **Students with cell phones shall keep them turned off during school hours and stored in a backpack or purse.**

GOING HOME WITH A FRIEND –

Students will not be allowed to make last minute plans *from school* with friends for after school activities. Prearrangement should be done *from home* with each other’s parents and a note should be sent for the bus driver if that is necessary.

DISTRICT WIDE POLICIES

Coeur d’Alene School District Title IX Officer
Pursuant to Idaho Code 92-318, notice is hereby given that the Title IX Officer for the Coeur d’Alene School District is:
Kelly Ostrom, Human Resource Officer
1400 N. Northwood Ct.
Coeur d’Alene, ID  83814
PH:  208-664-8241  x.232
Fax:  208-664-1759
Inquiries, complaints and information regarding Title IX should be directed to the Title IX Officer at the address above.

MORE PROGRAMS & SERVICES

THE WAYS OF WINTON

Programs and related services for students with disabilities are available in schools designated as target schools under federal guidelines. Teaching for homebound students, psychological testing, and counseling are available in all buildings. Consult your student’s counselor for information about referrals, eligibility and service procedures for any of the above services.

DRUG, ALCOHOL, TOBACCO POLICY  *(Policy #551)*

We believe that there is no such thing as responsible use of tobacco, alcohol and/or other illegal drugs by adolescents. It is the firm stand by this school district that any use of mind altering substances by students is abuse. Students, while on school property, or within a Drug Free School Zone, or attending a school sponsored activity, who possess, distribute, sell, use, or give evidence of having consumed alcoholic beverages, drugs, or narcotics, (not taken at the direction of a physician), other controlled or dangerous substances, or are in possession of paraphernalia, shall be subject to intervention, discipline, suspension, expulsion and/or reported to law enforcement officials.