



# Griffin Elementary

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## EAGLE GAZETTE

### ADMINISTRATION



Acting Principal, BJ Stinson



	
May 28	<b>5th Grade Moving On Ceremony</b>  (Due to COVID restrictions, will be LIVE streamed)
May 31	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
June 3	<b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>  <b>EARLY RELEASE 12:45PM</b>

It has been a busy time with testing but our students & staff have been giving their all. I am so proud of each & every one.

Parents- you should be so proud to see how well behaved the students are. They are positive thinkers and polite to adults. It is an honor to be their Principal! I cannot wait to see everyone next year and to see how much they have grown. To my Fifth Graders: You will be missed! It has been my pleasure to serve you as an administrator & cannot wait to hear of all of your successes as you move from elementary & into the future.

You are all so Capable and have so much potential. Please be sure to keep in touch through email. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer break and returns ready to work and learn.

I will miss you!

Ms. Stinson

#### 20-21 Griffin Elementary Testing Schedule

Day	Date	
Thursday	April 8	4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Writing
Tuesday/Wednesday	April 13-14	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade ELA
Tuesday/Wednesday	May 4-5	4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> ELA
Tuesday/Wednesday	May 11-12	3 <sup>rd</sup> Math
Thursday/Friday	May 13-14	4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Math
Tuesday/Wednesday	May 18-19	5 <sup>th</sup> Science

#### ATTENDANCE

- School attendance is DIRECTLY related to school achievement.
- Parents have the responsibility to make sure students attend school every day, arrive promptly, and remain throughout the scheduled day.

#### Check Out Policy


All students must be checked out through the front office. Adults must present a photo ID and be listed on the student's emergency card to check out a student. We DO NOT allow students to be checked out after 2:30

**\*REMEMBER TO CLEAN YOUR MASKS REGULARLY\***

#### CAMPUS SAFETY

There is **no** supervision for students before 7:45 AM. Therefore, students **CANNOT** be dropped off nor walk to school before 7:45 AM. Any student that is late to school **MUST** report to the office and be accompanied by a parent or guardian before the student will be allowed to report to class.

#### Morning Drop Off



Please drive through the car line & only unload at the walkway next to the school. **REMEMBER...**students **CANNOT** be unloaded before 7:45AM. Students who arrive after 8:15 AM **MUST** be accompanied to the front office by a parent and/or guardian.

**\*Reminder for afternoon pickup-when leaving the school- it is a right hand turn only! \***

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR POLK COUNTY SCHOOLS**

**PLEASE REMIND YOUR CHILD HE/SHE MUST WEAR ONE EACH DAY!**

#### School Hours 8:15 - 3:15

**8:10** First Bell

**8:15** Tardy Bell

**Afternoon Dismissal: 3:15** Car Riders, After School/Day Care Riders, Walkers, & Buses on Campus.

**3:25** Remaining bus students dismissed to the Cafeteria until bus arrives on Campus.

**3rd Grade:**

We're a little bit excited,  
 We're a little bit sad,  
 We're a little bit nervous,  
 We're a little bit glad.  
 We're a little bit older,  
 It's the end of the year,  
 We'll miss these classes  
 We're glad you were here!

*Have a wonderful summer!*

*Mrs. Hardee, Mrs. Hipp, and Mrs. Steinbauer*

**4th Grade:**

Fourth grade has taken the FSA Writing and Reading test. They worked with purpose, and we are extremely proud of them. We will continue working until the last day of school to prepare them for 5th grade.

**Library News:** Tips for encouraging reading.:

Model good reading habits by reading alongside your child; parents set the stage for children to become better readers. Encourage your child to read new & challenging books, articles & magazines.

**5th Grade:**

Our 5th grade students have worked extremely hard in Math, ELA, and Science this year. They continue to amaze us by going out of their way to do kind things for others around campus. We are proud that they will be going off to middle school next year, and confident in their abilities to succeed. "Reach for the moon even if you fall short, you will land among the stars" Congratulations on all your accomplishments in elementary school.

You will always be Griffin Strong!

**Kindergarten:**

Our Kindergarteners have been hard at work learning all about how they can take care of the Earth! We read nonfiction texts and learned how to find the main topic of a text and pick out key details to support the main topic. In math, we began our unit on measurement and data! We learned all about measuring height, weight, and length. They did an awesome job identifying the different attributes of objects found within our classrooms! We encourage our kindergarten parents to keep reading with your child for at least 20 minutes each day and to continue practicing those sight words!

**1st Grade:**

We cannot believe that we are in our final weeks of school – what a great year it has been! Even through all the craziness this year has brought, we have worked so hard. We are ending our math unit learning about 2D and 3D shapes and still working to meet our AR goals in reading.

We want to wish each of you a very happy and safe summer vacation!

**Behavior– Thanks to all the students who exhibited good behavior & followed expectations during testing, YOU ROCK!!! I hope you all have a fun, safe & relaxing summer, I look forward to seeing you next school year– Mrs. Brown**

**2nd Grade:**

As this school year ends, the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade team would like to thank all of our parents & guardians, for your continued support throughout this year. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade continues to work diligently to complete our learning targets in literacy and math.

In Literacy, we are reviewing all of the learning targets from Units 1-6. The learning targets include author's purpose for writing, compare & contrast, main idea & key details, and cause & effect.

In Math, we are working on Geometry (2-D & 3-D shapes) & Fractions. Students must **READ, READ, READ** throughout the summer. Please continue to work on reading comprehension assignments with your students, and to practice their math facts.

As always, Thank You for supporting 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade! Have a Wonderful Summer!

**Yearbooks**

Yearbooks will be on sale May 24<sup>th</sup> - Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> for the 2020-2021 school year.

Books will be \$17.00 and will be shipped directly to your house.

Books are only available online and will include a digital copy to view on any device.

Go to the link below to order your yearbook today:

<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/GriffinElementary2021>

**Parker's Place:**

This year has been a transformative year, and I'm incredibly proud of the hard work of each and every one of my students. This year's end-of-year celebration will be Camp Read-A-Lot!

Stay in touch through ClassDojo for all the latest updates.