



# The Village at Ames

## September 2018 Family Newsletter

### Important Phone Numbers To Keep:

Attendance Line  
303-347-4410

Preschool Office  
303-347-4409

Health Assistant  
(Megan Anderson)  
303-734-3025

Ames Facility  
303-347-4411

*We hope your  
families are  
enjoying a  
wonderful  
start to  
the fall!*

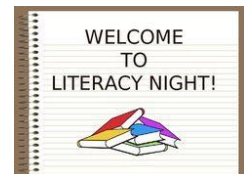


*We have truly  
enjoyed  
getting to  
know your  
children!*

## Upcoming Dates

- Sep 25, Tuesday -- Ames Family Partnership Meeting; 6:30 pm in Ames Gym
- Sep 28, Friday – EARLY RELEASE; 12:45 pm (No Afternoon Extension)
- Oct 3/4, Wednesday/Thursday – Individual School Picture Days!
- Oct 4, PBIS/Literacy Night; 6:30 pm in Ames Gym
- Oct 18, Thursday – No School; Preschool In-Service Day
- Oct 19, Friday – No School; LPS Fall Break

## PBIS/Literacy Family Night October 4th @ 6:30pm



Please join us for this fun-filled family night at Ames!

Each day at preschool, your children are learning important skills that are helping them build a solid foundation for school success. We have carefully planned fun family activities for the evening to help develop and reinforce these skills.

More details will be sent home mid-September on a special flyer!

## Ames Family Partnership:

Welcome back, families! We're looking forward to another great year of supporting the Village @ Ames program, our wonderful educators, kids and families.

Please join us Tuesday, **September 25, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.**, in the gym, for our Ames Family Partnership (AFP) meeting. Our goal is to meet every other month, prior to upcoming events. Although our focus will be on supporting kids and families, these meetings are geared toward adults, so if possible, please leave your little ones at home.

There are many ways that working families and stay-at-home parents alike can be involved in supporting our Early Childhood Program. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Mrs. Hansen - Village @ Ames Director  
Carolyn Wiley Garcia - Ames Family Partnership Chair Person

## Attendance Reminder . . .

Please remember to call the Village at Ames Attendance Line (303-347-4410) when your child is absent from school. This message line can be called 24 hours a day.

If your child is ill, please call each day that they are absent due to the illness.

If your child will be absent due to a family vacation, funeral, or other reason, the entire length of absence can be communicated once with no need to call in each day of the absence.

It is very important that we know why your child is absent, so we appreciate your cooperation! Additionally, LPS requires a parent or guardian call to excuse absences beginning in preschool and continuing through high school ~ so start the habit now!



## Preschool Picture Day!



Studio 5 Portraits will be at our school Wednesday, October 3<sup>th</sup>, and Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup> for individual student pictures.

The majority of students will have their pictures taken on **Wednesday**. Thursday pictures will be our Tuesday/Thursday students and any students that were missed on Wednesday. If needed, picture retake day is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

Order forms with portrait options will be sent home prior to picture days.

## Snack Update:

First of all we want to thank all of our families for helping us to provide a yummy variety of snacks for our young learners! We appreciate your continued support!

We've recently received some new information from Tri-County. We've learned that there has been a change in regulations, and the type of snack items we can ask families to provide.

According to the new regulations all items must be "shelf stable" (nothing that requires refrigeration), and provided in their original packaging.

We will plan to serve water at snack time, and occasionally the program will provide a dairy item as a choice during snack time.

We continue to be an allergy aware program, so we do ask that families please avoid bringing items that contain or are processed with nuts.

We apologize for any inconvenience and are providing an updated list of possible snack ideas:

- Graham crackers
- Teddy Grahams
- Whole grain crackers & bananas
- Bag of clementines
- Animal crackers
- Dried Fruit (mango, apricots, cranberries, cherries)
- Apple chips & pretzels
- Pretzel sticks & applesauce
- Whole grain cereal
- Mini rice cakes
- Veggie straws or chips
- Cheese crackers
- Whole grain crackers & fruit cups (that need no refrigeration)
- Sugar-free jello or pudding cups (that need no refrigeration)
- Breadsticks & jar of spaghetti sauce
- Tortilla chips & salsa
- Bananas & vanilla wafers
- Goldfish crackers & raisins
- Fruit leather & whole grain crackers