



## Dakota Elementary School Newsletter

May 1, 2023

*Our vision is to prepare all students to make positive contributions in an ever changing world.*

### Principal's Message

I really appreciate the opportunity to write a monthly newsletter. It provides me a moment for professional reflection and a platform to share some of the achievements of Dakota Elementary School. The monthly newsletter also serves as an additional communication tool to keep families updated on school information and important dates. I hope it has been helpful to families. Our last day of school is May 31, so I am anticipating this will be my final monthly Dakota Newsletter. I want to express my gratitude for the opportunity to serve as the Principal of Dakota Elementary School. The students, staff and families will always have a special place in my heart.

I believe the last month of school will go by quickly. We have music performances, field trips, assemblies and a field day planned. I am very excited for students to experience these special moments that provide us with great memories as adults. Just as important, we will continue to work towards achieving our building goal, which is to have all our students meet their typical growth goal on the IReady assessment. Parents can help us achieve our goal by ensuring students are completing homework and reading each night. As the proverb states: *It takes a village to raise a child.* I really appreciate the school-family partnership that exists in Dakota.



Students enjoyed several fun activities during Ag Day

### Important Information

- Students will preview our book fair on 5/5 and have the opportunity to purchase books the following week during their library time.

- Teacher Appreciation Week is 5/8-5/12. This is a great week to provide a quick thank you for all that teachers and staff do to support students.
- We are unable to honor all parent requests for teachers. If you have a concern about your student's placement next year, please email the main office by May 26, 2023.
- Students in K, 2nd and 6th grade must have a dental exam submitted this year.
- All students entering Pre-K, Kindergarten and 6th grade will need physicals to start the 23-24 school year. Kindergarteners also need a comprehensive eye exam.
- If your student takes medication at school, please coordinate an end of year pick up time with Nurse Brown (sabrown@dakota201.com).
- Dakota's new Principal, Ginnie Cunningham, will officially start on July 1, 2023. Her email address is gcunningham@dakota201.com.



The artistic talent of all students was on display at the Art Show

### Mark Your Calendar

- 5/8-5/12 Bookfair
- 5/8 Spring Music Concert (5th and 6th grade)- 7:00
- 5/9 Spring Music Concert (3rd and 4th grade)- 7:00
- 5/30 Field Day
- 5/31 Last Day of School
- 8/18 First Day of the 23-24 school year