



# Campus Communicator

## SCHOOL DISTRICT OF TURTLE LAKE

### Welcome Back!

This edition of the Campus Communicator includes information that will be useful for 2023-2024 back to school planning, Laker Welcome Day, student fees, free and reduced lunch application, school calendar, and more! If you have questions or need other information that is not included in this newsletter, please call the school at 715-986-4470 and we will be glad to help.

### From the Desk of the Superintendent

I am excited to welcome everyone back for the start of the 2023-2024 school year and hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing summer. I also welcome the new families that have chosen Turtle Lake School for the education of their children. We are looking forward to another great year.

As an administrator, school safety is always on my mind and my number one priority. We have done a lot with security and mental health in the past five years. We are in the process of evaluating our compre-

hensive systems and looking for ways we can upgrade to provide an even safer school for our students and staff. We will now have some funding from the state to add more mental health initiatives for our students.

You may have seen some construction near the playground area of the building. This is a CESA funded project to provide a separate entrance for the Headstart program. This entrance will funnel all students and staff through this door rather than walking through the school. We are happy to have CESA operating the Headstart program in our school. Anyone interested in their children attending Headstart can call 715-986-2020 opt. 4 or email [hscentral@cesa11.k12.wi.us](mailto:hscentral@cesa11.k12.wi.us) for more information.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me at 715-986-4470 ext. 2012 or [kkindschy@turtlelake.k12.wi.us](mailto:kkindschy@turtlelake.k12.wi.us). I am excited to start the school year and

**School District of Turtle Lake**  
**BUDGET HEARING AND ANNUAL MEETING**  
**Monday, October 23, 2023 5:00 p.m. in the IMC**

help make Turtle Lake the best small school in Wisconsin!

Back to school is always an exciting time and I look forward to another successful year at Turtle Lake School.

Kent Kindschy, Superintendent

**The first day of school is Tuesday, August 29th, 2023**

**PLEASE NOTE** - August 29th-August 31st are considered summer school. Although these days are not required, it is VERY strongly recommended that all stu-

### 2023-2024 NEW STAFF MEMBERS AND POSITIONS

- Bridget Bader - Administrative Assistant
- Mary Glodowski-Warner - Elementary Special Education
- Bryce Meverden - Elementary PE
- Jill Quade - Records Secretary
- Carson Schneider - Technology Coordinator
- Autumn Tinman - 4th grade

**WELCOME TO THE LAKER FAMILY!**



### LAKER WELCOME DAY

Laker Welcome Day is Thursday, August 24th with scheduled appointments between 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Keep in mind, this is not a full day of school but all students in grades PK-12 are required to report at their appointment time. You will soon be receiving a letter containing your scheduled meeting time and additional information about the Welcome Day.

The first "regular" full day of school/summer school (when buses will be running) will be Tuesday, August 29th.

The first official day of school is September 1st.

Laker Welcome Day will be held on Thursday, August 24th between the hours of 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Students will meet with their

teacher by scheduled appointment. School pictures will also be taken during the Laker Welcome Day. More information on the Laker Welcome Day and school pictures is located in this newsletter.

### School Pictures

School pictures for students in grades PK-12 will be taken on Thursday, August 24th during the Laker Welcome Day. Photographers from Cahill Photo Studio will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The order process has changed. All orders are now placed after picture day. Photo galleries go online 2-5 business days after picture day. Watch your email for a link to view and order!

Cahill Studios will be sending you a picture day reminder a week before picture day from the following email address: [no-reply@imagequix.com](mailto:no-reply@imagequix.com) so keep a lookout! You will be able to view the 100+ FREE background options so you can best coordinate your child's outfit!

Don't like your first day photos? Wait to purchase photos, and your child can have their picture taken on retake day, Wednesday, September 27th.

Please note...the email with your link to order may go to your junk, spam, or promotions folder. It is a secure link and it will allow access to your student's gallery. If you don't get an email within 5 business days after picture day, please reach out to Cahill Studio's customer service team.



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## From the Desk of the MS/HS Principal

Welcome back to another school year! I am excited to see everyone again. I hope everyone has enjoyed the break and is ready for another school year. I am looking forward to hearing about the summer adventures of our students and to share in their excitement as we start a new school year together. It is going to be a great year!

Here are some important dates to remember:

☐ Open House is scheduled for Thursday, August 24th from 11:00 - 7:00.

☐ 6th Grade Orientation at 5:00 in the auditorium on Thursday, August 24th.

☐ 9th Grade Orientation at 6:00 in the auditorium on Thursday, August 24th.

☐ Summer School starts on Tuesday, August 29th.

☐ Official 1st day of school is Friday, September 1st.

Parents and students are encouraged to attend the Open House. Students will get their pictures taken and will receive their Chromebooks that day. It is a great opportunity to also

meet with each of their teachers. Students will get their schedules and locker assignments. Parents may pay money into their students' lunch accounts on that day. Parents may also pay any activity fees that day. The 6th and 9th grade orientation is optional for parents and students. This will be an opportunity to discuss student expectations during these transitional years.

Turtle Lake has a long-standing tradition of providing a top-notch education to our students. We are dedicated to excelling in academics and athletics. Our mission each day is to make a difference in our students' lives and help them prepare for their futures. This can only be achieved through strong partnerships with our parents and I appreciate all of your support this coming school year.

Please let me know if you have any questions and how I can help to make this the best year of your child's life. Go Lakers!

Mr. Hinze,  
MS/HS Principal

## Turtle Lake High School Driver Education

*Provided by: Safety and Respect Driving School*

At Turtle Lake School, driver's education online classes and behind the wheel training is offered through Safety and Respect Driving School.

Students may take the online classroom portion of Driver Education as early as 14 and 3 months of age. It is recommended that students take the online classroom portion between the age of 14.6 and 15.6 years of age.

To register your child in driver's education or for more information, please go to the Safety and Respect website at: [www.safetyandrespect.com](http://www.safetyandrespect.com). The user-friendly website will walk you through the enrollment and payment process. If you have questions or need additional information, please email Safety and Respect at: [info@safetyandrespect.com](mailto:info@safetyandrespect.com).

Safety and Respect Driving School is a private commercial driving school. All students enrolled in the program must follow the guidelines established by the State of Wisconsin for commercial driving schools.

active lunch balance, or unexcused absences, you can use Family Access to immediately see that information. Quarterly report cards are also available to parents on Family Access.

Through Skyward Family Access, parents are also able to sign up to receive an e-mail notification when there is a low balance in your child's lunch account. Just log in to your Family Access account and go to "Food Service" to turn on the feature.

If you have not activated your Family Access account, please call the office at 715-986-4470 to set up your account. Once you have a username and password, go to the school's web site

(<http://www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us>), click on "FAMILY ACCESS", and follow the prompts.

If you do not have access to the internet we need to hear from you so that we can make sure to mail report cards and any discipline or progress report information to you.

## NOTICE . . .

If you have recently moved into or will be moving out of the Turtle Lake School district this summer, please notify the school office (715-986-4470) as soon as possible. Thank you!

## School Start / Dismissal Times

8:10 a.m.- Start time for all classes (PK- 12)

3:23 p.m.- Dismissal time for grades PK-5

3:28 p.m.-Dismissal time for grades 6-12

Breakfast will be served from 7:50 a.m. to 8:05 a.m. daily.

Buses will leave at 3:35 p.m.

For the safety of all of our students, DO NOT enter the building if you will be picking your child up from school prior to 3:30 p.m. Please arrange to meet your child at your vehicle or on the sidewalk outside the front entrance of the school.

## STUDENT FEES

### Middle School/High School

MS and HS student fees for the 2023-2024 school year are as listed:

Athletic Activity Fee: \$25.00 per sport  
Chromebook Insurance: \$20.00 (optional)

## ACTIVITY PASSES

Activity Passes to 2023-2024 home athletic events are now available in the office. The passes are for all regular season home athletic events. These passes are not valid during WIAA tournament games.

Adult Activity Passes: Single - \$25.00  
Couple - \$35.00  
Senior Citizen (age 62+): Free

Turtle Lake students in grades PK-12 will be admitted to all regular season home athletic events free of charge.

## Family Access Accounts



Parental access to grades, attendance, lunch, and health and discipline records are only a click or two away! We strongly encourage parents to take advantage of accessing information about their child via Family Access.

Parents can log on and check attendance, lunch accounts, grades, health records, and discipline referrals. If students have missing assignments, a neg-



## Eat breakfast at school--It's FREE for everyone this year!

Mornings can be crazy, but we have good news for you. Breakfast is served daily at Turtle Lake School! School breakfast will not only give your child a healthy start to their day, it will energize them throughout the entire day. A nutritious breakfast also helps students be more alert so they can learn more in class, and has plenty of vitamins and nutrients for a strong and healthy body.

For the 2023-2024 school year, Turtle Lake School will once again be operating under the Universal Free Breakfast Program. That means FREE BREAKFAST to every student!\*

Help your child start the day right with school breakfast!

\*This applies to breakfast only. The free/reduced application must be completed and returned to the school to qualify for free or reduced school lunch.

## MEDICATION TO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL

A parent consent/physician's order form must be completed each time your child is to receive any doctor-prescribed medicine at school. A separate Asthma Inhaler Administration Authorization form must be completed by parent and physician if a student will have an inhaler at school. A new form needs to be filled out every year. A physician's order form is not needed if your child is to receive over-the-counter medicine. However, we need the parent/guardian consent form completed and sent to school with the medicine in the original container.

All doctor-prescribed and over-the-counter medicine **MUST** be brought into school by a parent/guardian, not sent in with a child. The medicine must be in the original container with the pharmacy/manufacture label, giving a full description of the drug and complete instructions for properly administering the medicine. Controlled substances will be counted and signed off by the person dropping off and office staff.

The medication authorization forms are available anytime in the PK-12 Student Office or online at [www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us](http://www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us). Both prescription and over-the-counter medicine will be kept in the Student Office and given by office personnel.

For questions or concerns, please contact the school nurse at [kmateski@turtlelake.k12.wi.us](mailto:kmateski@turtlelake.k12.wi.us). For urgent needs, please call the PK-12 Student Office. Parents will be contacted if a medication needs to be refilled or if it will expire soon.



## Student Sign-Out Procedure Change

Parents should notify the office in advance if their child will be leaving school early. Any student in grades Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade leaving the school during regular school hours will be sent to Door #2, where they will meet or wait for their parent. If someone other

than a parent will be picking the student up from school, we ask that the parent notify the office in advance.

## Student Attendance

Student attendance is taken very seriously at the School District of Turtle Lake. Did you know, missing just 2 days a month will result in a student missing 10% of the school year which can

drastically affect a student's academic success? In the article Help Your Child Succeed in School: Build the Habit of Good Attendance Early by Attendance Works, "Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school-and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Good attendance will help children do well in high school and beyond." As stated in the School District of Turtle Lake Student Handbook, "Regular attendance is a responsibility that is shared by parents, students, and

## School Security

**DOOR #1** will be locked at 8:10 a.m. after all buses and students have arrived at school, and will remain locked until 3:30 p.m. when all students have been dismissed from class. Between the hours of 8:10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., all students need to enter the school through **DOOR #2**. At this location we have installed an intercom system and security camera and staff will be available to assist you.

Parents who are dropping things off for their child during the school day should enter at Door #2 and leave the item(s) there. Staff will ensure your child gets the item(s). Parents who are picking up their child/children early

from school will be asked to wait for their children in the reception area at Door #2. Parents who are waiting to pick up their child/children after school should wait outside the main entrance of the school.

If you need to enter the building between 8:10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., you will be required to wear a visitor badge. Visitor badges may be obtained at Door #2. A driver's license is required to process visitor badges.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at 715-986-4470.

the school. It is the student's workplace, and preparation for entry into the world of work begins with the habits and skills developed within the home, school, and community. Attendance is a very important part of developing an individual's work ethic."

According to state law, a student may be absent from school for any reason for up to 10 days. Six additional absences may be accumulated for doctor's appointments, family emergencies, or personal illness with a written doc-

tor's excuse. Any absences beyond 10 require a written doctor's excuse or they will be considered unexcused and subject to truancy. Once a student has reached 16 absences, any absence beyond that will be considered unexcused and is subject to truancy. The School District of Turtle Lake Attendance Policy is located in the Parent/Student Handbook on the school website.

Please note the following highlights of our attendance policy:

- If a student comes late to school or needs to leave prior to the end of the school day, they must check-in/check-out with the office. Failure to do so may result in the absence being unexcused.

- All student absences must be reported by a parent/guardian to the school on the day of the absence. Please call or e-mail office personnel by 9:00 a.m.

- A doctor's note is strongly recommended for a student excuse due to a medical or dental/orthodontic appointment.

Please be aware of and respect our attendance policy. If you are unsure of how many days your child has missed during the school year, please check your Family Access Account or call the office at 715-986-4470.

# 2023-2024 Turtle Lake School Calendar

Turtle Lake School Calendar 23-24

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### Important Dates

#### August

- 9-10 New staff orientation
- 7-18 Floating in-service - 8 hours
- 21-23, 28 No School-Teacher In-service
- 24 PK-12 Open House 11-7
- 29-31 Students Begin - Summer School

#### September

- 1 First Official Student Day
- 4 No School-Labor Day
- 25 No School-Teacher In-service

#### October

- 9 MS/HS Parent/Teacher Conferences-4-8 00 p.m.
- 30 No School-Teacher In-service

#### November

- 3 End of First Quarter
- 2 & 9 Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences - 4-8:00 p.m.
- 20 No School-Teacher In-service
- 21-24 No School-Thanksgiving Break

#### December

- 7 MS/HS Parent/Teacher Conferences - 4-8 00 p.m.
- 25-29 No School - Holiday Vacation

#### January

- 1 No School - Holiday Vacation
- 19 End of 2nd Quarter/Semester
- 22 No School-Teacher In-service

#### February

- 12 No School-Teacher In-service
- 19 MS/HS Parent/Teacher Conferences-4-8 00 p.m.

#### March

- 11 No School-Teacher In-service
- 22 End of 3rd Quarter
- 25-26 Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences - 4-8:00 p.m.
- 28-29 No School - Vacation

#### April

- 1 No School - Vacation
- 23 MS/HS Parent/Teacher Conferences - 4-8 00 p.m.

#### May

- 17 Graduation
- 20 No School-Teacher In-service
- 24 End of 4th Quarter 11:30 Release
- 27 Memorial Day

#### June

- 3 First Day of Summer School
- 27 Last Day of Summer School

**Save the Date!**

## Laker Welcome Day

Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- School pictures
- Family Access Accounts
- Make lunch payments
- Bring school supplies to classroom/locker

- Meet the teacher
- Pick up class schedule
- Transportation Info

Watch your mailbox for your scheduled appointment time. All appointments will last approx. 1 hour.

The first day of school is Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

# BACK to School

# Student Immunization Law Age/Grade Requirements

Table 144.03-A  
Required Immunizations for the 2023-2024 School Year

Age/Grade	Required Immunizations (Number of Doses)							
5 months through 15 months	2 DTP/DTaP/DT		2 Polio			2 Hep B	2 Hib	2 PCV
16 months through 23 months	3 DTP/DTaP/DT		2 Polio	1 MMR		2 Hep B	3 Hib	3 PCV
2 years through 4 years	4 DTP/DTaP/DT		3 Polio	1 MMR	1 Var	3 Hep B	3 Hib	3 PCV
Kindergarten through grade 6	4 DTP/DTaP/DT		4 Polio	2 MMR	2 Var	3 Hep B		
Grade 7 through grade 12	4 DTP/DTaP/DT	1 Tdap	4 Polio	2 MMR	2 Var	3 Hep B		

The following are the minimum required immunizations for each age and grade level according to the Wisconsin Student Immunization Law. These requirements can be waived for health, religious, or personal conviction reasons. Additional immunizations may be recommended for your child depending on his or her age. Please contact your doctor or health department to determine if your child needs additional immunizations.

1. Children 5 years or age or older who are enrolled in a Pre-K class should be assessed using the immunization requirements for Kindergarten through grade 6, which would normally correspond to the individual's age.

2. D = diphtheria, T = tetanus, P = pertussis vaccine. DTaP/DTP/DT/Td vaccine for all students Pre-K through 12: Four doses are required. However, if a student received the 3rd dose after the 4th birthday, further doses are not required. **NOTE:** A dose four days or less before the 4th birthday is also acceptable.

3. DTaP/DTP/DT vaccine for children entering Kindergarten: Each student must have received one dose after the 4th birthday (either the 3rd, 4th or 5th dose) to be compliant. **NOTE:** a dose four days or less before the 4th birthday is also acceptable.

4. Tdap is an adolescent tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis combination vaccine. If a student received a dose of a tetanus-containing vaccine, such as Td, within five years before entering the grade in which Tdap is required, the student is compliant and a dose of Tdap vaccine is not required.

5. Polio vaccine for students entering grades Kindergarten through 12: Four doses are required. However, if a student received the 3rd dose after the 4th birthday, further doses are not required. **NOTE:** a dose four days or less before the 4th birthday is also acceptable.

6. Laboratory evidence of immunity to hepatitis B is also acceptable.

7. MMR is measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine. The first dose of MMR vaccine must have been received on or after the 1st birthday. Laboratory evidence of immunity to all three diseases (measles and mumps and rubella) is also acceptable. **NOTE:** A dose four days or less before the 1st birthday is also acceptable.

8. Varicella vaccine is chickenpox vaccine. Students with a reliable history of varicella disease are not required to receive the Varicella vaccine. A parent or guardian may indicate that their student has had chickenpox on the Student Immunization Record form (F-04020L).

## ATTENTION PARENTS:

Elementary students are not to arrive at school before 7:45 a.m. unless they are enrolled in and attending the Little Laker Program. This includes students who are dropped off by their parents and students who walk or ride bike to school. There is no adult supervision available before 7:45 a.m.

Please contact the office at 715-986-4470 for more information on or to register your child/children for the Little Laker Program.

## Teacher In-Service

In-service for district teachers and staff will be Monday, August 21st through Wednesday, August 23rd and Monday, August 28th. Laker Welcome Day is Thursday, August 24th. Classes start Tuesday, August 29th, 2023.

## Visitor/Staff/Student Parking

Visitor temporary parking is located in front of the main entrance on Oak Street. We ask that you do not park in the bus lane when picking up your child. All visitors should report to Door #2 upon arrival where you will need to present your driver's license to office personnel.

Parking facilities for the staff are located on the south side of the high school. Student parking is located on the east side of the building.

## PK-12 LAKER WELCOME DAY

The PK-12 Laker Welcome Day will be held on Thursday, August 24, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The format of the Laker Welcome Day will be similar to previous years. Classroom teachers and MS/HS advisors will be meeting with students and parents at scheduled times throughout the day to privately discuss grade-level expectations and classroom curriculum. This is a great opportunity for parents and students to meet one-on-one with their teacher and to explore the classroom in an informal setting. Middle school and high school students will be receiving their class schedules, locker assignments, and Chromebooks at their scheduled meeting with their advisor during the open house. Most visits will take at least one hour, but plan for more time if possible.

Office personnel will be available during the Welcome Day to help set up Family Access accounts and to collect lunch money and milk money. A Kobussen representative will be here to answer any bus questions parents may have. A Little Lakers staff member will also be here and Cahill Studios will be set up in the Elementary Gym to take school pictures of students in grades PK-12 during the entire event.

Each family will be receiving a letter in the mail containing their scheduled meeting times. You only need to come to the open house at your scheduled appointment time(s). Keep in mind, every student in grades PK-12 is required to meet with their teacher/advisor during their scheduled time. Please call the school at 715-986-4470 if you need to change your appointment time.

The first day of school is Tuesday, August 29th.

# Become a Turtle Lake Student Use the Alternative Open Enrollment Application to make it happen!

The Turtle Lake School District community is a special place. There are great things happening in our schools each and every day. Our students are engaged; taking part in countless volunteer activities, events, fundraisers and educational opportunities.

Through our mix of core and elective classes, students can fully explore their interests - whatever

they may be. High school students have access to a variety of AP classes as well as online classes. Students typically graduate with college or technical school credits, giving them a head start on their future. We would be remiss if we didn't mention the Fab Lab with our cutting-edge equipment and technology, the fitness center with the state-of-the-art equipment and our awesome swimming pool!

Enrollment process allows parents to make application for their children to attend Turtle Lake at any time during the school year. Stop in - we'd love to show you around! Contact Bridget Bader at 715-986-4470, Ext. 2010 for more information, or visit the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction website: [dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment](http://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment).

The Alternative Open



It's Everything Lakers,  
on the go!

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We are mobile! Search "Turtle Lake School" in your app store, look for the Turtle mascot, and click install. #lakerpride

# SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVEAWAY



AUGUST 24, 2023  
TURTLE LAKE SCHOOL

Due to generous donations from local businesses and organizations, there will be free backpacks and limited school supplies available during the Laker Welcome Day on Thursday, August 24th.

## From the Desk of the Elementary Principal

I hope this article finds you and your family healthy and happy! It is that time of year again where the summer begins to wind down and teachers and families begin the adventure of starting another new school year. It wasn't long ago that summer school ended and we are right back at it all over again. I am excited to see the returning students and families again, as well as welcoming new students and families to the district as we embark on another exciting fun filled school year.

As with any school year, there will be a few new faces joining the school district and the elementary school this year. Autumn Tinman will be joining us as our new 4th grade teacher. Autumn previously worked in the Siren School District as a 2nd grade teacher. Mary Glodowski-Warner will be added as an Elementary Special Education teacher. Mary previously taught in the Barron School District working with a wide range of students with special needs at many different grade levels.

Bryce Meverden will be our new Elementary Physical Education teacher. Bryce comes to us from the Ladysmith School District where he taught as an elementary PE teacher as well. I am very excited to have Autumn, Mary, and Bryce join the district and the elementary school as they offering their many talents and leadership to our great students and district. This school year will bring about continued educational endeavors from previous years and implementations of new teaching strategies in reading. Many staff took part in professional development through the summer in order to prepare their classrooms

for this year. The school year at a glance will be filled with teachers working on: establishing essential math standards, continued work in Professional Learning Communities, continue adding strategies to strengthen our Response to Intervention period, fostering healthy relationships with students with our Character Strong curriculum, and strengthening our reading program with the implementation of Orton-Gillingham phonics instruction in grades K-2. I look forward to the on-going collaboration with staff, students, and families as we continue to make Turtle Lake Elementary the best school around.

As we get closer to the start of another school year, if you have questions regarding your child's education in Turtle Lake, don't hesitate to email me or call me. Let's have another great school year!! Go Lakers!! #lakerpride

Troy Wagner,  
Elementary Principal

## Laker Snack Pack



Because good nutrition is essential for extra-curricular performance, the Laker Café Food Service Department has a program that will provide a light, nutrient dense meal for student to have when they participate in after-school events.

The Laker Snack Pack will help eliminate the problem of student athletes either going to after school events without any nourishment or bringing/buying the typical "junk food" that offers little in the way of energy for performance or nutrition for growing bodies. The snack packs will be offered at a nominal cost to students and with minimal "extra work" for students, parents, coaches, or advisors.

The cost of a snack pack is \$3.50. It includes: sandwich (ham/turkey and cheese), bag of Sun Chips or other similar item, string cheese, granola bar or similar treat, fruit or vegetable, and a bottle of water. Snack Packs must be ordered by noon the day before the event. Order forms are available in the PK-12 Student Office.

# Breakfast & Lunch Program

The School District of Turtle Lake offers breakfast and lunch through our food service program. Breakfast will be served daily from 7:50 a.m. to 8:05 a.m. in the Commons area, while lunch is served at scheduled times dependent on your child's grade.

Each family must have a meal account with a positive balance in order for students to eat breakfast/lunch. Payments for your meal account may be made at any of the offices or on-line. A \$10.00 minimum will open an account and allow students who only eat occasionally to have an account. **We cannot allow students to eat if the account does not have funds available.**

All students will have their own meal account number. The four-digit account number will be entered each day the students eat breakfast or lunch. It is very important for students to understand the need to keep their account number to themselves. We ask your assistance in this matter so that we might avoid conflicts and misuse of accounts throughout the school year.

Through Skyward Family Access, parents are able to sign up to receive an e-mail notification

in your child's account. **We cannot allow students to eat if the account does not have a positive balance.** Lunch money can be collected in any of the offices. Please be sure to include your child's name somewhere on the payment. Payments can also be made on-line through the school website.

Persons who may be eligible for free or reduced lunch are asked to complete the free and reduced breakfast/lunch form (which is included in this newsletter and is available online at [www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us](http://www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us) under the "Food Service" tab) and return it to the district office for processing by **FRIDAY, AUGUST 18th**. This will guarantee the processing of the forms will be complete by the first day of school. Remember that you must apply each school year and can apply at any time during the year. Your children are not eligible for free or reduced lunches until you have received a letter from the District Office informing you that they are eligible.

**Daily Breakfast:**  
\*\*FREE breakfast JK-12 for 2023-2024\*\*

**Daily Lunch:**  
PK-5: \$2.50/meal  
Grades 6-12: \$2.60/meal  
Reduced: \$0.40/meal

Extra Milk: \$0.30  
Extra Entrée:  
\$1.75 (grades 4-12 only)  
Dessert: \$0.75 (grades 4-12 only)

**Adults:**  
Breakfast: \$2.65/meal  
Lunch: \$4.65/meal

Please ensure there is money

## e-Funds for Schools

Using "e-Funds for Schools" you are able to make payments to your family's meal account 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

There is a minimal fee of \$1.50 per transaction for a checking account or ACH transaction or a flat fee of \$2.95 per \$100 transac-

tion for a credit card transaction - \$200 daily limit. Please be sure to read the disclosures carefully when registering.

To register, click on the following link: <https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/55199>, instructions can be found on the school website under the "Food Service" tab. Please note, your Family Account Number = your phone number. It

must be entered in the following format: (XXX) XXX-XXXX.

Payments must be made prior to 8:30 a.m. to be available by lunch for that day. Consequently, funds may not be available for breakfast.

If you have any questions or difficulty registering, please do not hesitate to call Bridget Bader at 715-986-4470, Ext. 2010.

## Elementary Milk Prices

The milk break prices for JK - Grade 5 for the 2020-2021 school year are as follows:

**\$40.00 per year**  
**\$20.00 per semester**

By paying this fee, your child will receive a carton of milk every day during their classroom afternoon snack break. Milk money is due the first week of school. Please keep in mind, there is no charge for milk during afternoon snack break if a student has been approved for Free or Reduced meals.



## Turtle Lake Middle & High School STUDENT ORIENTATION

Come get a glimpse of your future!

**6<sup>th</sup> GRADE – CLASS OF 2030**  
**Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00 p.m.-TLHS Auditorium**

**9<sup>th</sup> GRADE – CLASS OF 2027**  
**Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:00 p.m.-TLHS Auditorium**

During this meeting, we will discuss student expectations and look over the student handbook. There will also be a Q&A session with MS/HS Principal, Mr. Hinz. We *strongly* recommend all 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents attend these meetings which will be held in conjunction with the Laker Welcome Day.

# Turtle Lake School-Student Supply List 2023-2024 School Year

**JR. KINDERGARTEN**

- 2 - Crayola 10 count markers
- 1 - Crayola 24 count crayons
- 3 - large Elmer's glue sticks
- 1 - Crayola watercolor paint set
- 3 - Expo dry erase markers
- 4-fold resting mat
- Headphones (NOT ear buds)
- Paint shirt
- Large backpack

**KINDERGARTEN**

- 1 - box 24-count crayons
- 10 - large glue sticks
- 1 - pocket folder
- 1 - pack colored Expo markers
- Headphones (NOT ear buds)
- Yoga mat/rest mat (no blankets)
- Full sized backpack/school bag

**FIRST GRADE**

- Plastic pencil box
- 1- PLASTIC pocket folder
- 1 - wide lined notebook
- 20 - #2 sharpened pencils  
\*NO decorated pencils
- 2 - 24-count crayons
- 1 - 12-count colored pencils
- Scissors (Fiskars recommended)
- 3 - glue sticks (0.7 oz or larger)
- 4 - black dry erase markers
- 2 - black erasers
- Headphones (NOT ear buds)
- Full sized backpack

**SECOND GRADE**

- Pencil box
- 24 - #2 pencils
- 2 boxes - 24-count crayons
- 4 - pink block erasers
- Scissors (Fiskars recommended)
- 4 - glue sticks (0.7 oz or larger)
- 12-count colored pencils
- 4 - black dry erase markers
- 10-count markers
- 1 - wide lined spiral notebook
- 2 - pocket folders
- Headphones w/3.5 mm jack (NOT ear buds)
- School bag or backpack

**THIRD GRADE**

- 2 - wide lined notebooks
- 24 - yellow #2 pencils
- 1 pack - pencil top erasers
- 24-count crayons
- 12-count colored pencils
- 10-count markers
- 4 - glue sticks (0.7 oz or larger)
- 1 - Elmer's School Glue
- Pencil box
- 3 - pocket folders
- Scissors
- 1 - 5-pack dry erase markers
- Notecards
- Headphones (NOT ear buds)
- School bag or backpack

**FOURTH GRADE**

- 24 - #2 pencils
- 2 - Red pens
- 12-count colored pencils
- Scissors
- 3 - wide lined spiral notebooks
- 4 - pocket folders
- 1 - highlighter
- 4- dry erase markers
- 1- jumbo glue stick
- Pencil pouch or box
- Headphones (NOT ear buds)
- School bag or backpack

**FIFTH GRADE**

- 24 - #2 pencils
- 2 - Red pens
- 12-count colored pencils
- Scissors
- 3 - wide lined spiral notebooks
- 4 - pocket folders
- 1 - highlighter
- 4- dry erase markers
- 1- jumbo glue stick
- Pencil pouch or box
- Headphones (NOT ear buds)
- School bag or backpack

**ELEMENTARY PHY ED**

- Tennis shoes & socks for gym class
- Comfortable clothes on gym days
- Swimsuit during swimming unit

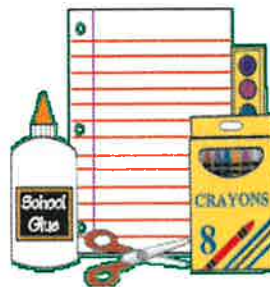
**\*MIDDLE SCHOOL (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> GRADE)**

- 12 - #2 pencils
- 4 - spiral notebooks
- 6 - folders
- 12 - pens (blue or black ink)
- Colored pencils
- Jumbo book covers
- Scientific Calculator:  
\*Model TI-30XIIS
- Glue stick (0.7 oz or larger)
- Trapper Keeper or zippered binder
- Headphones or ear buds
- Tennis shoes
- PE clothes (shorts, t-shirt)
- Swimsuit

**\*HIGH SCHOOL (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> GRADE)**

- 12 - #2 pencils
- 12 - pens (blue or black ink)
- 4 - Spiral notebooks
- 6 - Folders
- Jumbo book covers
- Scientific Calculator:  
\*Model TI-30XIIS-
- 9<sup>th</sup> grade, Physical Science,  
Geometry & Chemistry

**\*THIS IS A  
GENERIC LISTING.  
Teachers and/or  
grades may require  
other supplies not  
listed.**



## Hello Music Parents and Students,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year and another Music Booster tailgate season! Tailgate parties will be held September 8, September 15, October 6, and October 13.

The Music Boosters is an organization made up of parents like you who support the students in Band and Choir by doing things such as providing instruments, food during trips, and scholarships for college and summer music camps. We are looking for more Music Boosters as some of our most active members' children have graduated. We will

meet the second Monday of every month at 4:00pm in the choir room. Please contact Ms. Lee or Mrs. Molls if you are interested in being a music booster but are unable to make the meeting time.

This year we are asking for help working the tailgate parties or a \$10.00 donation for the purchase of tailgate party supplies. \$10.00 can be dropped off with either Music teacher. Please make checks payable to Turtle Lake Music Boosters.

Thank you for your continued support of the Music Boosters and the Turtle Lake Music Department.

Christina Lee and Jill Molls  
clee@turtlelake.k12.wi.us  
jmolls1@turtlelake.k12.wi.us

**Please return this portion of the letter no later than  
Friday, September 8th.**

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark which tailgate parties you will be able to help with. Set up begins at 4:30. We serve from 5:00 until 6:45. Clean up is immediately following serving times.

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday, September 8

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday, September 15

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday, October 6 (Homecoming)

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday, October 13

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in being a part of the Turtle Lake Music Boosters. (First meeting Monday, September 11 at 4:00 pm)

## TURTLE LAKE SCHOOL ON THE WEB

Visit the Turtle Lake School's website for up to date information on the following:

- Athletic Schedules
- Parent/Teacher Conference Schedules
- Holidays/Vacations/In-service
- Plays, concerts, etc.
- Community Education Happenings
- Staff Contact Information
- Student Handbook
- School Board Meetings
- School Board Policy Information

[www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us](http://www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us)

The Turtle Lake School Fitness Center is open to members 24/7. Individual and family memberships are available as well as SilverSneakers, Silver & Fit, One Pass and Renew Active memberships!

Contact the District Office at 715-986-4470, Ext. 2010 for an appointment to set-up your membership.

## Title I Programs/ Teacher/ Paraprofessional Qualifications

Since the School District of Turtle Lake received federal Title I program funds, the district has developed a parent involvement policy. It is the desire of the District to establish positive partnerships with families and community. Everyone gains if school, home and community work together to promote high achievement for all students. To that end, the District shall provide a variety of opportunities for families and community to become involved in children's education. (Board Policy 2261)

Additionally, parents and/or guardians may request and obtain information regarding: (1) the professional qualifications of their child's teachers including - whether the teachers has met state licensing criteria for the grade level(s) and subject area(s) taught; whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status through which state licensing criteria has been waived; and the undergraduate degree major of the teacher, and any graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, including the field of discipline of the certification or degree; (2) the professional qualifications of paraprofessionals providing instructional-related services to their child. Parents will be notified if their child is assigned to, or taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not

"highly qualified". This applies to all teachers, not just those who work in Title I programs. Parents will be given information on the achievement level of their child on each of the state academic assessments as soon as is practically possible after the assessment is taken.

If you want to see the state qualification for your student's teacher, you may ask personnel at the district office or access the information on the DPI website at: [www.dpi.wi.gov/tepd/liearch.htm](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/tepd/liearch.htm) (ESEA as referenced). Board Policies can be accessed at [www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us](http://www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us).

## Special Education (Child Find) Activities

The School District of Turtle Lake must locate, identify, and evaluate all resident children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities. The school district has a special education screening program to locate and screen all children with suspected disabilities who are residents of the district and who have not graduated from high school. Upon request the school district will screen any resident child who has not graduated from high school to determine whether a special education referral is appropriate. A request may be made by contacting Director of Pupil Services, at 715-986-4470 or by writing: Director of Pupil Services, 205

Oak Street North, Turtle Lake, WI 54889. (Wis. Stats. §§ 115.77(1) (a) and (h), 115.77(3) (d), 115.792, 115.80).

## Student Academic Standards

The board of education adopts the Wisconsin Academic Standards for all subjects taught within the School District of Turtle Lake. The board will review the academic standards at the July board meeting annually. (Wis. Stats. § 118.30 (1g) (a)).

## Student Privacy - Rights Under The Protection Of Puil Rights Amendment

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232h; 34 CFR Part 98) applies to programs that receive funding from the U.S. Department of Education (ED). PPRA is intended to protect the rights of parents and students in two ways:

- It seeks to ensure that schools and contractors make instructional materials available for inspection by parents if those materials will be used in connection with an ED-funded survey, analysis, or evaluation in which their children participate; and
- It seeks to ensure that schools and contractors obtain written parental consent before minor students are required to participate in any ED-funded survey, analysis, or evaluation that reveals information concerning:

1. Political affiliations;
2. Mental and psychological problems potentially embarrassing to the student and his/her family.
3. Sex behavior and attitudes;
4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating and demeaning behavior;
5. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
6. Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers;
7. Religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parents; or
8. Income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).

Parents or students who believe their rights under PPRA may have been violated may file a complaint with ED by writing the Family Policy Compliance Office.

Complaints must contain specific allegations of fact giving reasonable cause to believe that a violation of PPRA occurred. For additional information or technical assistance, you may call (202) 260-3887 (voice). Individuals who use TDD may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1 - 800-877-8339, or you may contact us at the following address: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-4605 (Federal PPRA law as referenced and Board Policy 2416).

## AHERA Management Plan

As a result of federal legislation (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response act - AHERA), each primary and secondary school in the nation is required to complete a stringent inspection for asbestos and to develop a plan of management for all asbestos-containing building materials. Turtle Lake School District has a goal to be in full compliance with this law and is following the spirit, as well as the letter, of the law. As a matter of policy, Turtle Lake School District shall continue to maintain a safe and healthful environment for our community's youth and employees.

In keeping with this legislation, all buildings (including portables and support buildings) owned or leased by the school district were inspected by EPA accredited inspectors and samples were analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the school prepared and the state approved a comprehensive management plan for handling the asbestos located with its buildings safely and responsibly.

Previously the Turtle Lake School District conducted the following with respects to its asbestos containing building materials; implemented our operations and maintenance program. Federal law requires a periodic walk-through (called surveillance) every six months of each area containing asbestos. Also, the law requires for all buildings to be re-inspected three years after management plan is in effect. CESA 10 will accomplish this under contract.

Short-term workers (outside contractors - i.e. telephone repair workers, electricians, and exterminators) must be provided information regarding the location of asbestos in which they may come into contact. All short-term workers shall contact the lead maintenance person before commencing work to be given this information. The Turtle Lake School District has a list of the location(s), type(s) of asbestos-containing materials found in that school building and a description and timetable for

their proper management. A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review in the school office. Copies are available at 25 cents per page. Questions related to the plan should be directed to the designated Asbestos Program Manager under contract with CESA 10 725 W Park Ave. Chippewa Falls, WI 54729. (AHERA law and Board Policy 8431.01)

## Child Nutrition Program

The School District of Turtle Lake participates in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program and Special Milk Program. Its participation policy for families unable to pay the full price of meals served under the School Lunch Program may be found at each school office and the District central office. The policy may be reviewed by any interested party. Children unable to pay full price of meals served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program may apply for free and reduced meal based on income eligibility. Applications for Free and Reduced meals were included in the back to school edition of the Communicator and can be obtained in our district office or school website. (USDA law and Board Policy 8500, 8510, 8531).

Parents wishing requesting meal modifications to accommodate the child's disability should consult with the building principal and kitchen staff. Any disputes can be resolved by the building principal. The parents/guardian is able to participate in this meeting along with counsel and records can be examined. The district administrator will make the final decision and notify all members of the meeting. A review process can be made to district administrator.

## Meal Charge Policy Notification

Food service accounts are required to maintain a positive balance. In the event that a food service account reaches a negative balance the following procedure will be followed. PK-5 teachers will be notified of students with a zero balance and a note will be sent home with the student. Parents are encouraged to sign up for a Low Balance Alert on the Skyward system. Students coming through the food service line shall be charged the daily rate or they will be offered a sandwich and a carton of milk for lunch for up to three days.

{Board Policy 8500}

### COMMUNICATION CORNER!

#### PLEASE KEEP US UPDATED!

Change in telephone number, e-mail, or address? Make sure the school is one of the first places you notify! Please contact the office if you have a new phone number or change of address. We want to be sure we can contact you!

#### MESSAGE CENTER

We will be using Skyward's "Message Center" to send e-mail notification for important notices. One such example would be early closing of school or cancellation of events due to inclement weather, etc. If you would like to receive these e-mails, it is important that we have your current e-mail addresses on file. (An e-mail would be sent to each e-mail address in our student records system.) You may use Family Access to add an address, or you may contact the office for assistance in making sure we have the necessary information. This is one more way to keep you informed!

#### "RSCHOOLTODAY"

What a great tool for parents and Laker Fans! Using rSchoolToday, you will be able to view Laker middle school and high school athletic and activity schedules. You can also sign up to receive e-mail notification of any changes to those schedules, including event cancellations and date/time/location changes. To access the site, go to [www.lakelandconference.org](http://www.lakelandconference.org), click on "Turtle Lake High School", "NOTIFY ME", and then follow the prompts. It's a great way to follow your favorite Laker groups and teams! GO LAKERS!

#### LAKER MOBILE APP

Sign up for the Turtle Lake School app! With this app, parents and students can quickly and easily access important information about Turtle Lake School on-the-go. Search "Turtle Lake School" in your app store and look for the Turtle mascot and click install. You can find newsfeeds, events, staff directory, Skyward, meal prices, meal menus, and links to our website, Facebook, Instagram and YouTube. You can also get alerts of events as they are updated. Check it out!

## Little Laker Club

The Turtle Lake School District will continue to offer the Little Laker Club before and after school program for district students for the 2022-2023 school year. Early morning hours are available with the program starting at 6:00 a.m.

The Little Laker Mission is to "serve the needs of school-age children and youth by providing a safe haven while encouraging educational, social and emotional development." This program is designed to provide a safe and supervised environment for elementary aged children in grades 4K- 5 with opportunities to exercise, homework/study time, activities, and quiet reading time.

Students can bring their own snacks and have the opportunity to have breakfast before school. Enrichment activities will be provided through arts and craft projects, computer time, board games, guest speakers, and more!

All students must be pre-registered in order to participate in the program. The yearly registration fee is \$10 per family. Registration forms can be found in this publication, on the Turtle Lake School District website, and in the school office. Parents can also contact Jennifer Raddatz, LLC Director at 715-986-4470, ext 2241 or email jraddatz@turtlelake.k12.wi.us.

In addition to the yearly, one

time per family \$10 registration fee, the daily cost for the program varies:

### Before School:

If your child is dropped off between 6AM-8AM, the fee is \$3.00/child per day.

### After School:

If your child is picked up by 6:00PM, the fee is \$3.00/child per day.

If your child is not picked up by the scheduled time, a late fee of \$5.00 applies for every 15 minutes past the pickup time. If your child is not regularly scheduled to be at LLC and unexpected care is needed, drop in rates of \$6.00/child will be charged for before or after school care.

Parents are asked to pay in advance for one month of child care ensuring appropriate programming and staffing. Before a child may leave the Little Laker Club, a parent/guardian or an authorized ADULT (indicated on the registration form) must sign out each child with a signature and time of day. Persons picking up children MUST have some form of photo ID. If you have any further questions, please contact Jennifer Raddatz at 715-986-4470 extension 2241 with a message or email jraddatz@turtlelake.k12.wi.us.

## Student Nondiscrimination In Relation To Career And Technical Education

Prior to the beginning of each school year, districts that receive federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Education must advise students, parents/guardians, employees and the general public that all career and technical education opportunities will be offered on a nondiscriminatory basis (without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, etc.). This annual notice is required by C.F.R. 34, Appendix B to Part 100 and must include a brief summary of program offerings, admission criteria, and the name or title, office address and phone number of the person designated to coordinate district compliance with nondiscrimination laws.

Information for our Career and Technical Education can be found at [www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us/sites/turtlelake.portal.schooltoday.com/files/files/Private\\_User/cjump/Turtle%20Lake%20Academic%20and%20Career%20Plan.pdf](http://www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us/sites/turtlelake.portal.schooltoday.com/files/files/Private_User/cjump/Turtle%20Lake%20Academic%20and%20Career%20Plan.pdf).

### Inquiries should be directed to:

Jason Hinze, Middle and High School Principal  
Turtle Lake School District  
205 Oak Street North  
Turtle Lake, WI 54889  
jhinze@turtlelake.k12.wi.us  
715-986-4470 Ext 2023

## Notes from the School Nurse

I like to remind parents of our guidelines for assessing children. We aim to keep the school environment healthy for all children. A child may be sent home if he or she has:



- 1) a temperature of 100 degrees or higher
- 2) vomiting or diarrhea
- 3) a rash/skin eruption, with or without drainage, of unknown origin
- 4) suspected contagious illness (pinkeye, chicken pox, strep throat, impetigo, etc.)
- 5) a serious injury

### Guidelines for keeping your child home:

- 1) Children with a temperature above 100 degrees should be kept home from school and return after they are fever free without medication for 24 hours.
- 2) If a child vomits or has diarrhea, the child should be kept at home for 24 hours after the last episode.
- 3) Injuries that occur at home should be taken care of before returning to school.
- 4) If your child has a contagious illness, a physician's note may be required with proof of antibiotic treatment and instructions for returning to school.
- 5) If a parent or guardian is called by school personnel, please pick up your child in a timely manner. We will only call home if the child needs to leave school.

Please be aware that we encourage students to stay in class when possible. School personnel do not routinely notify parents of minor illnesses or injuries that occur at school. Encourage your child to eat a nutritious breakfast and lunch, as this prevents many stomachaches, headaches, poor concentration, and fatigue. Encourage your child to get adequate rest. Teach your child to wash their hands frequently - before and after meals, after using the bathroom, etc.

Please update your contact information (home phone, cell phone, work phone) and emergency phone numbers throughout the school year if there are changes.

For questions or concerns, please contact the school nurse at [kmateski@turtlelake.k12.wi.us](mailto:kmateski@turtlelake.k12.wi.us). For urgent needs, please call the PK-12 Student Office.

## BOX TOPS FUNDRAISER

### Make a Difference for Our School

Turtle Lake Elementary School is once again participating in the Box Tops for Education program for the 2023-2024 school year.

Box Tops for Education is a school fundraising program started by General Mills in 1996. To date, Box Tops has helped America's schools raise over \$250 million to buy the things they need but can't always afford or support projects otherwise unfunded. The Box Tops for Education program offers school supporters easy ways to earn cash for schools through everyday activities such as buying groceries.

Simply download the Box Tops mobile app on your phone. Every time you shop, scan your grocery receipt within 14 days of purchase...the app will find participating products and instantly adds the Box Tops to the Turtle Lake School online account. For more information or to download the app, visit [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com).



ally filled out during the Laker Welcome Day. Parents/guardians will be asked to verify address, phone number, emergency contact information, and student health information. Instructions for completing the Returning Student Registration can be found on the school's website. The online Returning Student Registration portal will be available August 1st through September 16th.

If you need to activate your Skyward Family Access account or have forgotten your username and/or password, please contact the school at 715-986-4470. The link to Skyward Family Access can be found on the school's website ([www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us](http://www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us)).

## Post Prom Committee

All parents of this year's junior class are invited to join the Post Prom Committee. The Post Prom Committee fundraises for, plans, and hosts the Post Prom Lock-In following the dance. All parents of the junior class are encouraged to become involved in the Post Prom activities.



## Student Accident Insurance

The School District of Turtle Lake does not carry insurance if your child is injured at school or while participating in school-sponsored events or activities (sports, field trips, recess, etc).

Information concerning additional insurance coverage that is available for families to purchase can be found on the First Agency webpage: [www.1stagency.com](http://www.1stagency.com).

A copy of this information and a waiver form will be sent home with all families during the Laker Welcome Day. Copies of the forms are also available in the office.

## Returning Student Registration

For the 2023-2024 school year, the School District of Turtle Lake will once again be using the "Returning Student Registration" feature on Family Access. Parents/guardians of currently enrolled Turtle Lake students who are planning to return to the district for the 2023-24 school year will be asked to complete an enrollment verification form online through Skyward Family Access. This online process will replace the blue emergency cards parents/guardians have tradition-

## HELPFUL HINTS

Did you know you can print or view full season schedules for individual sports, music events, and other activities from the school website? Go to [turtlelake.k12.wi.us](http://turtlelake.k12.wi.us), click on "Calendar", and then click on "Activity Specific Calendars". This will bring you to the Turtle Lake calendar on the Lakeland Conference website, where you can view all of our scheduled activities for the year. If you want to see only the schedule for a specific activity, click on "VIEW SCHEDULES" on the right side of the page and you will see a list of Laker activities. Check the schedule(s) you wish to see and click "VIEW". It's a great way to keep track of your child's upcoming events. GO LAKERS!

## PLEASE NOTE

To ensure the safety of our students, we ask that parents make **PRIOR** arrangements for where their children need to go at the end of the school day. **Calling the office to make arrangements should only be done in case of an emergency or when an unforeseen circumstance has taken place. In that case, calls should be placed before 2:30 p.m. if possible. We will make every effort to respond to each call, however, the later the call, the greater the chance of our staff not being able to respond to your request. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!**





# School District of Turtle Lake 2023-24

## Important Dates for the School Year

For planning purposes, here are key dates for the upcoming school year.

August 24	PK-12 Laker Welcome Day
August 29	First Day of School-Summer School
September 1	First Official Student Day
September 4	NO SCHOOL - Holiday
September 25	NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-service
October 9	MS & HS Parent/Teacher Conferences
October 30	NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-service
November 2 & 9	Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 20	NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-service
November 21 - 24	NO SCHOOL - Holiday/Fall Break
December 7	MS & HS Parent/Teacher Conferences
December 25 - January 1	NO SCHOOL - Holiday/Winter Break
January 22	NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-service
February 12	NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-service
February 19	MS & HS Parent/Teacher Conferences
March 11	NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-service
March 25 & 26	Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences
March 28 - April 1	NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
April 23	MS & HS Parent/Teacher Conferences
May 17	Graduation
May 20	NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-service
May 24	Last Day of School - 11:30 a.m. dismissal
June 3 - 27	Summer School

*\*Subject to change.*

## NOTICE

If you have recently moved in to or will be moving out of the Turtle Lake School district this summer, please notify the office (715-986-4470) as soon as possible. Thank you!



Sign up for important updates from Mr. Kindschy.

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# Frequently Asked Questions About Free And Reduced Price School Meals

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. The School District of Turtle Lake offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs grades JK-5: \$1.40, grades 6-12: \$1.50; lunch costs grades JK-5: \$2.50, grades 6-12 \$2.60. Your children may qualify for free meals or reduced price meals. Reduced price is \$0.30 for breakfast and \$0.40 for lunch. This packet includes an application for free or reduced price meal benefits, and a set of detailed instructions. Below are some common questions and answers to help you with the application process.

## 1. WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?

- All children in households receiving benefits from FoodShare, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or W-2 cash benefits are eligible for free meals, when listed on the application.
- Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
- Children participating in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
- Children who meet the defini-

tion of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.

Children may qualify to receive free or reduced price meals if your household's income is at or below the limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines.

**2. HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY?** Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and have not been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail Joel Schneider: 715-986-4470, Ext. 2243, School Homeless Liaison/ Migrant Coordinator.

**3. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD?** No. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: Turtle Lake School, Bridget Bader, 205

Oak Street North, Turtle Lake, WI 54889, 715-986-4470, Ext. 2010 or bbader@turtlelake.k12.wi.us.

**4. SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE ALREADY APPROVED FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?** Please read the letter you received carefully and follow the instructions. If your letter indicated you qualify for free meals, then no application is needed. If any children in your household were missing from your eligibility notification, contact Bridget Bader, 205 Oak St North, Turtle Lake, WI 54889, 715-986-4470 Ext. 2010 or bbader@turtlelake.k12.wi.us immediately. If your household was notified it qualified for reduced price meals, we encourage you to complete an application to potentially qualify for free meals based on household size and income.

**5. MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT A NEW ONE?** Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year, through October 13, 2023, or when a new eligibility is determined. You must submit a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year. If you do not submit a new application that is approved by the school or you have not been notified that your child is eligible for free meals, your child will be charged the full price for meals.

**6. I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?** Children in households participating in WIC are eligible for free or reduced price meals, but it is based on

income. Please submit an application.

**7. MY CHILD(REN) QUALIFIES FOR BADGERCARE PLUS OR MEDICAID. CAN MY CHILD GET FREE MEALS?** Children with BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, or subsidized insurance may be eligible for free or reduced price meals, but it is based on household income and household size. Please submit an application to determine if your household qualifies.

**8. WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED?** Yes. We may also ask you to send written proof of the household income you report.

**9. IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?** Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed or experience a financial hardship may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.

**10. WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION?** You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: Linda Flottum, 215 Maple Street North, Turtle Lake, WI 54889 715-986-4929 or lflottum@turtlelake.k12.wi.us.

**11. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN?** Yes. You, your children, or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens to apply for free or reduced price meals.

**12. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME?** List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work

overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

**13. WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT?** Household members may not receive some types of income we ask you to report on the application, or may not receive income at all. Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. However, if any income fields are left empty or blank, those will also be counted as zeroes. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, as we will assume you meant to do so.

**14. WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY?** Your basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. If you get any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, it must also be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. Do not include any combat pay resulting from deployment as income.

**15. WHAT IF THERE IS NOTE-NOHOUSESPACEONTHEAPPLICATIONFORMMYFAMILY?** List any additional household members on a separate piece of paper and attach it to your application.

**16. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR?** To find out how to apply for FoodShare or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 1-800-362-3002.

If you have other questions or need help, call Bridget Bader at 715-986-4470, Ext. 2010.

Sincerely, Kent M. Kindschy

Household size	Yearly (\$)	Monthly (\$)	Weekly (\$)
1	26,973	2,248	519
2	36,482	3,041	702
3	45,991	3,833	885
4	55,500	4,625	1,068
5	65,009	5,418	1,251
6	74,518	6,210	1,434
7	84,027	7,003	1,616
8	93,536	7,795	1,799
Each additional person:	9,509	793	183



## How To Apply for Free and Reduced Price School Meals

Please use these instructions to help you fill out the application for free and reduced price school meals. You only need to submit one application per household, even if your children attend more than one school in the

The application must be filled out completely to determine the eligibility of your child(ren) for free or reduced price school meals. Please follow these instructions in order! Each step of the instructions is the same as the steps on your application. If at any time you are not sure what to do next, please contact

Please use a pen (not a pencil) when filling out the application and do your best to print clearly.

**Step 1: List ALL children, infants, and students up to and including grade 12**

Tell us how many infants/toddlers, children not in school, and elementary/middle/high school students live in your household. They do NOT have to be related to you to be a part of your household.

**Who should I list here?** When filling out this section, please include ALL members in your household who are:

- Children age 19 or under AND are supported with the household's income;
- In your care under a formal foster arrangement through a court or state/local agency, or qualify as homeless, migrant, or runaway youth;
- Students attending regardless of age.

**A) List each child's name.** Print each child's name. Use one line of the application for each child. When printing names, write one letter in each box. Stop if you run out of space. If there are more children present than lines on the application, attach a second piece of paper (or a second application if completing electronically) with all required information for the additional children. This also applies to adults in Step 3. "MI" is short for middle initial. Print the first letter of each child's middle name in the box.

**B) Is the child a student?** If "Yes," write the grade level of the student in the "Grade" column to the right.

**C) Do you have any foster children?** If any children listed are foster children, mark the "Foster Child" box next to the child's name. If you are ONLY applying for foster children, after finishing Step 1, go to Step 4.

**D) Are any children homeless, migrant, or runaway?** If you believe any child listed in this section meets this description, mark the "Homeless, Migrant, Runaway" box next to the child's name and complete all steps of the application. Homeless, Migrant, Runaway status must be confirmed with the appropriate program staff. If the school district cannot confirm your student's homeless, migrant, or runaway status, then the school district will contact you to complete an income-based application. You may choose to provide income information now in order to prevent the school district from potentially needing to contact you later.

**Foster children who live with you may count as members of your household and should be listed on your application.** If you are applying for both foster and non-foster children, go to Step 3. Note: Adopted children are not considered foster children. A foster child is a minor child who has been taken into state custody and placed with a state-licensed adult, who cares for the child in place of their parent or guardian.

**Step 2: Do any household members currently participate in SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR?**

If anyone in your household (including you) currently participates in one or more of the assistance programs listed below, your children are eligible for free school meals:

- The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or FoodShare
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or W-2 Cash Benefits
- The Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR).

**A) If no one in your household participates in any of the above listed programs:**

- Check "No" in Step 2 and go to Step 3.

**B) If anyone in your household participates in any of the above listed programs:**

- Write a case number for SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR. You only need to provide one case number. If you participate in one of these programs and do not know your case number, contact <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/imagery/index.htm>
- Go to Step 4.

**Step 3: List ALL household members and income for each member**

**How do I report my income?**

- Use the lists titled "Sources of Income" & "Examples of Income for Children" on the back side of the application form to determine if your household has income to report.
- Report all amounts in GROSS INCOME ONLY. Report all income in whole dollars. Do not include cents.
  - Gross income is the total income received before taxes and deductions.
  - Many people think of income as the amount they "take home" and not the total "gross" amount. Make sure that the income you report on this application has NOT been reduced to pay for taxes, insurance premiums, or any other amounts taken from your pay.
- Write a "0" in any fields where there is no income to report. Any income fields left empty or blank will also be counted as a zero. If you write "0" or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report. If local officials suspect that your household's income was reported incorrectly, your application will be investigated.
- Mark how often each type of income is received using the check boxes to the right of each field.

**3.A. Report income earned by adults**

**Who should I list here?**

- When filling out this section, please include ALL adult members in your household who are living with you and share income and expenses, even if they are not related and even if they do not receive income of their own.
- Do NOT include:
  - People who live with you but are not supported by your household's income AND do not contribute income to your household.
  - Infants, children and students already listed in Step 1.

2023-24 Household Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals

APPLY ONLINE: RETURN TO (School/District Name): ADDRESS:

Complete one application per household. Please use a pen (not a pencil). In Community Eligibility Provision Schools (CEP), receipt of free meals does not depend on returning this application; however, this information is necessary for other programs.

STEP 1 List ALL children, infants, and students up to and including grade 12. Attach another sheet of paper if you need space for more names.

List ALL children in the household. Do not forget to list infants, children attending other schools, children not in school, and children not applying for benefits. This includes children not related to you in your household.

Form for listing children with fields for Child's First Name, MI, Child's Last Name, Grade, and checkboxes for Foster Child, Migrant, Runaway, Homeless. Includes a note: 'If you checked any of these boxes, please refer to the Application Instruction's Step 1: Part C & Part D.'

STEP 2 Do any household members (including you) participate in: FoodShare (SNAP), W-2 Cash Benefits (TANF), or FDIPIR? Badgercare, Medicaid, Pandemic-EBT are not eligible.

Form for Step 2 with radio buttons for NO and YES, and fields for PROGRAM NAME and CASE NUMBER (NOT EBT NUMBER).

STEP 3 List ALL household members and income for each member (before taxes and deductions)

A. All Adult Household Members (Anyone who is living with you and shares income and expenses, even if not related, including you.)

List all Adult Household Members not listed in STEP 1 (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. For each Household Member listed, if they receive income, report total gross income (before taxes and deductions) for each source in whole dollars (no cents) only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Table for listing adult household members with columns for Name, Earnings from Work, Public Assistance/Child Support/Alimony, and Pensions/Retirement/Social Security/SSI/VA Benefits. Includes a note: 'Please see application's back for list of income sources.'

B. Child Income

Sometimes children in the household earn or receive income.

Include the TOTAL income (before taxes and deductions) received by ALL children listed in STEP 1 here.

Form for reporting child income with a field for Child Income and frequency options.

STEP 4 Contact information and adult signature. RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL. Insert school address here.

I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds, and that school officials may verify (confirm) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws.

Form for Step 4 with fields for Print Name of Adult Signing the Form, Required: Signature of Adult, Today's Date, Mailing Address, City, State, Zip, Phone, and Email.

Return completed form to your child's school.

SOURCES AND EXAMPLES OF INCOME For additional information on income, please refer to the instructions that accompany this application.

Table with columns for Sources of Income (Earnings from Work, Public Assistance, Pensions/Retirement) and Examples of Income for Children.

OPTIONAL Children's ethnic and racial identities. This information is kept confidential and may be protected by the Privacy Act of 1974.

We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Form for optional ethnicity and race information with checkboxes for various groups.

Return this completed form to your child's school. Do not mail, fax, or email completed applications to the U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights.

DO NOT FILL OUT For school use only. If all students listed on this application attend CEP schools, the processing of this application cannot be paid for by the nonprofit school food service account.

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice a Month x 24, Monthly x 12. Do not annualize income to determine eligibility unless more than one income frequency is listed.

Form for Annual Income Conversion with fields for Total Income, Household size, and Eligibility (Free, Reduced, Denied).

Form for signatures with fields for Determining Official's Signature, Date, Confirming Official's Signature, Date, and Verifying Official's Signature, Date.

Use of Information Statement

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires that we use information from this application to see who qualifies for free or reduced price meals. We can only approve complete forms. We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them deliver program benefits to your household. Inspectors and law enforcement may also use your information to make sure that program rules are met. Please be sure to provide the last four numbers of the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult does not have one, check if no Social Security Number. Applications for a foster child do not need to list a Social Security number. Applications for children in households receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) do not need to list a Social Security number. Some children qualify for free meals without an application. Please contact your school to get free meals for a foster child, and children who are homeless, migrant, or runaway.

The contact information below is solely to file a complaint of discrimination

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity. Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

\*MAIL: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 FAX: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442, or EMAIL: program.intake@usda.gov

\*Do not mail applications to this address, only complaints of discrimination.

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Return completed form to your child's school.

# Fall 2023 Athletic Dates and Reminders

The start of fall sports is upon us! Following are a few important reminders for parents and athletes.

**REMINDERS** – Prior to starting any practice, all students must have a physical clearance form on file with the Activities Director. Contact Mary Schradle-Mau at [mschradle@turtlelake.k12.wi.us](mailto:mschradle@turtlelake.k12.wi.us) with any questions regarding individual physical due dates.

Parent meetings have been scheduled for MS and HS fall sports. It is mandatory that at least one parent/guardian attend with their student athlete. Insurance forms, schedules, and other pertinent information will also be shared at that time.

### JV and Varsity Football

Parent Meeting – Monday, July 31st - 7:00 pm in the auditorium.

1st day of practice – Tuesday, August 1st - 3:30 pm.

### MS Football

1st day of practice –

Monday, August 21st.  
Parent Meeting - TBA.

### JV and Varsity Volleyball

1st day of practice – Monday, August 14th - 4:00 pm

Parent Meeting - Monday, August 14th 7 pm in the auditorium

### MS Volleyball

1st day of practice – Monday, August 14th - 4:00 pm.

Parent Meeting: Tuesday, August 15th - 7:00 pm. Location TBD.

The online Activity Code meeting is accessible now! Parents and student athletes can view the Activity Code Meeting and read, download, and submit necessary forms and documents all from the comfort of home! As a new added convenience, all forms and fees (if parents choose) will be collected through rSchool Today. rSchool Today manages the Lakeland Conference website, our team schedules and student-athlete eligibility informa-

tion. This new feature will streamline the collection and maintenance of important forms and documents.

This online method has replaced the traditional Activity Code meeting. Students will review the Activity Code with Mrs. Mau during the first week of school, but all student-athletes and their parents are required to watch and sign off on the online video prior to the first competition. The video and related documents will be found on the District website under the Athletics tab.

Instructional sheets for the online meeting, form submission and fee payments via rSchool Today will be shared at parent meetings prior to the start of each sports season. Directions are also found on the school website under the activities tab – eligibility documents. With the exception of the physical clearance form, all documents are just due PRIOR to the first competition.

## Youth Athletic Booster Club

You are cordially invited to join the Turtle Lake Youth Athletic Booster Club. In fact, if your child/children participate in any Booster Club activities, you are already a member!

The TL Booster Club was originally formed to oversee all grade school sports programs as well as help with middle school sports. It has evolved into much more than that and has contributed to many organizations and causes from elementary through high school. So, what exactly does the Booster Club do? In a nutshell, they organize youth athletic programs for students in the Turtle Lake School District. The Booster Club also provides scholarships to graduating seniors and donates to high school athletic programs when needs are present. The club has also helped to build athletic fields for both the youth and the high school programs.

The Booster Club is always looking for volunteers to help us succeed in our mission to improve the lives of our kids. If you are interested, come and join the team! For more information, visit our Facebook page ("Turtle Lake

Booster Club") or our web page on the school website (under "Community" and "Booster Club"). We are dependent solely on volun-

teers who wish to share their enthusiasm with "our kids."

## TURTLE LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS  
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2<sup>ND</sup> WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH-5:00 P.M.

\* The School Board meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday or as posted in The Times. Meetings are held at 5:00 PM in the IMC.

## WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

Did you know, school district office personnel are available Monday through Friday throughout the summer? We are here to answer any questions you may have about the upcoming school year. We are also accepting payments if you would like to put lunch money in your child's food service account, pay 2023-2024 milk money, or pay sports fees. Office hours may vary, so please call the school at 715-986-4470 prior to your arrival to ensure we are here!



**School District of Turtle Lake**  
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"Like" us on Facebook (School District of Turtle Lake)! This is another great way for parents to receive important information on upcoming events and school cancellations and delays. We also love to share pictures and videos of all of the great things happening here at Turtle Lake Schools!

You can also follow us on Instagram---@turtlelakeschool.

## Laker Tailgate Parties

The Turtle Lake Music Boosters will be hosting tailgate parties before each regular season home football game. All proceeds will go towards Music Booster sponsored activities, equipment, and scholarships.



**\$6.00/plate**

Menu: Hot dog/brat/hamburger, potato chips, beans, bar, pickle, and pop or water

**September 8th vs Boyceville**

**September 15th vs Colfax**  
\*Military Appreciation Night

**October 6th vs Glenwood City**  
\*Homecoming

**October 13 vs Clear Lake**  
\*Youth Night

Serving time: 5:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Hosted by the  
**Turtle Lake Music Boosters**

Food will be served in front of the school by the main entrance. Come early, support the Music Boosters, & cheer the Lakers on to victory!