



Parent News from Armstrong Elementary

Main: 651-425-4100

Attendance: 651-425-4106

Website: aes.sowashco.org

School hours: 8:40 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.

October 13, 2020

Fall Picture Day

We have set dates for the Armstrong fall school pictures as the following:

- Tuesday, October 27 – Group B students – during school day
- Tuesday, October 27 – VLA students – 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, October 28 – Group A students – during school day

Our district is using Jostens this year for school photos and yearbooks. **All ordering will take place online (see link below for flyer).** All photos will be taken in the school gym.

Parents of VLA students – no appointment will be necessary. Please park in the bus lot on the north side of the building and come to door #10. Parents will be asked to wait outside while the student is brought in for their picture. Please remember to wear masks and keep distance between you and other families. Thank you.

Re-Take Dates:

- Wednesday, November 11 – Group A students – during school day
- Thursday, November 12 – Group B students – during school day
- Thursday, November 12 – VLA students – 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Our Event Code: FE70920

More info can be found on the Armstrong website at [Fall School Pictures at Armstrong Elementary](#)

Virtual Learner Families: Library Book Checkout

Virtual Learner Academy (VLA) Families:

We are excited to offer Curbside Book Checkout for our Armstrong VLA students! If you would like to check out books from our Armstrong Library, visit our website for directions and a tutorial video:

[VLA Book Checkout for Armstrong Elementary](#)

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Sorenson at asorenso1@sowashco.org. Happy Reading!

Trimester Two Registration

South Washington County Schools will open registration from Oct.12-25 for families who wish to change learning models for trimester two.

Families will have the opportunity to change from:

- The district learning model (**hybrid**) to the **Virtual Learning Academy** (distance learning only) or;
- The Virtual Learning Academy (distance learning only) to the district learning model (hybrid)

The district learning model is currently in **hybrid**, but could change to in-person learning at school or distance learning at home based on COVID-19 infection rates and other factors related to staffing, illness and classroom space.

Once registration opens, only families who want to change learning models for trimester two will need to complete the form. Families who are happy with their current learning model do not need to do anything.

All families received more detailed information on Monday, Oct. 12 through email. You may also find this information online at sowashco.org/fall2020.

Yearbooks On Sale – Early Order Special

Yearbooks for the 2020/21 school year at Armstrong Elementary are now on sale at www.jostensyearbooks.com or by calling 1-877-767-5217. Early order special – free icons on the front of the yearbook if you order by October 23. Please see the Josten's flyer at our website for details and ordering information. <https://aes.sowashco.org/>

Winter Clothing Assistance

SoWashCo CARES is working again this year to provide families with winter gear (coats, mittens, boots, etc). If your family is in need, please complete the form at this link on our Armstrong website. Please return the completed form to the office at Armstrong by Friday, October 23rd.

[Winter Clothing Help Opt In](#)

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Fall Parent/Teacher conferences will be held virtually in November. Teachers will be sending out more information with specific dates and times.

PTO News

- Next PTO meeting is tonight, October 13 at 6:30 pm. All are welcome! The meeting is virtual at:

Topic: October PTO Meeting

Time: Oct 13, 2020 06:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2403539763>

Meeting ID: 240 353 9763

- Wendy's Night, Wednesday, October 14 from 5:00-7:00 pm at the Cottage Grove Wendy's. A percentage of all sales during this time will go to the Armstrong PTO.

Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday, October 14, 2020** – Flex Day – Students Work from Home
- **Thursday, October 15, 2020** – NO SCHOOL, MEA
- **Friday, October 16, 2020** – NO SCHOOL, MEA
- **Monday, October 19, 2020** – NO SCHOOL, Teacher Work Day
- **Friday, October 23, 2020** – Group A in school day
- **Tuesday, October 27, 2020** - Fall Picture Day 1 (Group B students during school day) (VLA students from 3:30-6:30 pm – no appt necessary)
- **Wednesday, October 28, 2020** – Fall Picture Day 2 (Group A students during school day)
- **October 28 through November 10, 2020** – VIRTUAL Fall Scholastic Book Fair