



# August



# Cougar Report

## Amsterdam School 2022-2023

Amsterdam School's staff is looking forward to welcoming all of our new and returning families to the 2022-2023 school year! This first Cougar Report of the year includes important information, so please read carefully so that you and your child are ready for the first day of school.

We are excited to welcome new teachers and staff at Amsterdam School this year!

- Mrs. Holly Boers- Office Manager
- Mrs. Michelle Haag- First Grade teacher
- Mrs. Monica Armstrong- First Grade teacher
- Mr. Kevin Germann- K-6 PE teacher

There will be a few changes to the flow of our school day this year.

- All exterior doors to both school buildings will be locked during the school day. There is a buzzer located at the main doors to the office; please ring that and someone will let you into the school. We have made this change to increase safety and security for the staff and students at Amsterdam School. Please be patient as we all learn this new system.
- Students will be eating lunch in their classrooms during their scheduled lunch periods. Classroom teachers will be supervising students during lunch.
- One Wednesday each month, Amsterdam School will have an early release at 2:00. Parents are asked to pick their child(ren) up from school on those days. (More information will be coming home once school starts)



Amsterdam School will NOT have a food service program for the 2022-2023 school year. Students are expected to bring their own lunch from home. On Wednesdays, starting August 31st, students will have the option to order pizza and/or hotdog lunches. Wednesday will be the only day that students will be eating in the lunchroom. Prices and information about Wednesday hot lunch will be sent home at the beginning of the school year.



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## Back to School Information & Paperwork

All back to school paperwork is linked below and is available on the website ([amsterdamschool.org](http://amsterdamschool.org)). Each family is encouraged to fill out a Free and Reduced Lunch Application. Those students who qualify will be charged the reduced or free rate on Wednesdays. Every student enrolled at Amsterdam School needs an updated student information sheet. Please fill one out for each of your children. Each family must submit a consent and release form annually. This form allows families to provide consent to sharing contact information, the state electronic photo directory, technology usage at school, attendance on field trips, and the student handbook. The [2022-2023 Student Handbook](#) is linked for your reference. Let us know in the School Communication Form how you would like to receive information. We are looking forward to Amsterdam School's Open House on Tuesday, August 23 from 2:00-4:00. This is a great time to meet your child's teacher and bring school supplies! Finally, please let us know how your child will be getting to and from school by filling out the transportation survey. This is very important information that allows us to ensure your child is in the appropriate place after school!

[Free and Reduced Lunch Application](#) (one per family)

[Student Information Sheet](#) (Needed for each student)

[Consent and Release Form](#) (one per family)

[School to Home Communication](#) (one per family)

[1st-6th Grade School Calendar](#)

[Kindergarten Calendar](#)

[Open House Information](#)

[Transportation Survey](#)

Parents of Amsterdam Children (PAC) is a group of parents and staff who support the success of Amsterdam students in a variety of ways throughout the school year. Meet some of these amazing volunteers during the Open House while they serve ice cream. All parents are invited to the Welcome Breakfast on the first day of school, once students go to class. There are several ways to volunteer and get involved through PAC!

[PAC information- Open House Ice Cream Information](#)

[Welcome To Amsterdam Breakfast](#)

[PAC Volunteer Opportunities](#)



All 5th and 6th grade students are invited to participate in athletics at Amsterdam School. All athletic information is available in the Athletic Handbook on the website. If your child would like to participate, please let the office know in advance. All participating students must have a signed Athletic Handbook and physical filled out by their doctor prior to the first day of practice. If your child is interested in playing volleyball or basketball at Amsterdam, please plan to attend a parent meeting on August 23 at 4:00pm in the gym!

# Upcoming Events...

- August 8-12 Office Hours (8-12)
- August 11 School Board Meeting
- August 15-19 Office Hours (8-12)
- August 23 Open House & Ice Cream(2:00-4:00)
- August 23 5th & 6th Grade Athletic Meeting (4:00 in Gym)
- August 24 First Day of School
- August 24 Welcome Breakfast
- August 24 First day of Volleyball Practice (3:45-5:00)
- September 2 Volleyball @ MCS
- September 5 No School- Labor Day
- September 6 PAC Meeting (7:00pm)
- September 8 Picture Day
- September 8 School Board Meeting
- September 12 Volleyball @ Amsterdam
- September 12 Volleyball @ Monforton
- September 15 Hearing Screening
- September 15 Volleyball @ Gallatin Gateway
- September 17 PAC Ladies Brunch
- September 21 Early Release (2:00)
- September 22 Climb-a-thon
- September 27 Volleyball @ Amsterdam
- September 29 Child Find/Developmental Screening