Welcome to Andersen Elementary

KINDERGARTEN

We are excited about the adventures awaiting you and your child. Kindergarten is an important year and will build the foundation for lifelong learning. We look forward to working with you to create an enjoyable and successful school experience for your child. We strive to offer a learning environment best suited to each child's specific needs and abilities.

Our Kindergarten Philosophy

Welcome kindergarten families! The wonderful world of kindergarten at Andersen Elementary is filled with joy, excitement and enthusiasm. We strive to help children develop math, science, social studies and literacy skills to become successful and dedicated students. Our wish is that all students will develop a love of learning. We will work as partners with our families to build a strong academic foundation.

Our Program:

• Welcomes each child at their current level of ability and provides developmentally-appropriate learning activities.

• Creates a child-centered curriculum that has high expectations for academic achievement and individual growth for all.

• Allows children time to explore, make discoveries, and experience enriched, hands-on activities.

• Offers an honest, respectful, caring and safe school environment that recognizes, accepts and promotes diversity.

• Encourages cooperation, teamwork and partnership in working with students, their families and faculty.

Why I Teach

“Teaching kindergarten is full of life-changing moments where students continually ‘glow’ and ‘grow.’ I am so grateful that I am able to see students beam with excitement for learning each and every day!”

– Katie DeWall, teacher

“I love Kindergarten because it is a year of meeting new friends and uncovering new learning about the world while having fun!”

– Amanda Jensen, teacher

“I love being a teacher at Andersen as it has allowed me to build genuine relationships with families and students. Making learning a precious and memorable experience for my kindergartners is something that I am thankful for every day.”

– Kathy Ritzer, teacher

CURIOSITY Thrives Here
Join Us for Upcoming Pre-Kindergarten Events

School Tours – December 2018
Please join us for a tour of the school on Dec. 6 at 9:15 a.m., Dec. 10 at 1:30 p.m. or Dec. 18 at 9:15 a.m. The tour offers you a chance to observe kindergarten “in action.”

Kindergarten Orientation - Daytime Friday, March 1, 2019
This event allows your child to spend some time in the kindergarten classroom with a teacher, while parents learn more about the program from the principal and support staff. A letter will be sent in February with additional information.

Ready, Set, Go Conference
The purpose of these conferences is to help develop a student-parent-teacher relationship and give teachers and students a chance to read together. Getting to know parents/guardians and their children personally is important to us. Successful beginnings and transitions help prepare the way for successful experiences.

Please Visit Again Before Next Fall!
While we pride ourselves on having a warm and welcoming community at Andersen Elementary, don’t just take our word for it. You’re invited to join us for any or all of these upcoming school events:

Razzle Dazzle Carnival – Friday, April 26, 2019 from 4 to 8 p.m.
Sponsored by the Andersen Parent Group, students and families will participate in a variety of carnival games, activities, raffle and silent auction.

Andersen Parent Group Meetings
First Tuesday of January, February, April and May
6:30-8 p.m. – Media Center
A wonderful opportunity for parents/guardians to meet other parents/guardians and hear first-hand about what is new at Andersen Elementary School. Each month you will hear from our principal, updates from various teachers, and information regarding current and future activities, projects and programs.

Join students for lunch in the cafeteria – Daily 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Lunches can be purchased on an individual basis from the school’s Bay Cafe. Student - $2.60, Adult - $4.00 (must have exact change)

For more information regarding the above events, please contact the school office at 651.351.6600.

Please check our website: stillwaterschools.org/andersen for upcoming activities and other information about Andersen Elementary School.

Enrolling is easy!
• Go to our website stillwaterschools.org and click on “Enroll now”
or
• Visit us at Central Services 1875 S. Greeley St. Stillwater MN 55082

Questions? Call 651.351.8412

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