Welcome to Afton-Lakeland 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

As teachers we strive to inspire in every child a passion to excel with confidence and hope. Our goal is to help children develop an appreciation for education and achieve their highest potential. We consider ourselves lifelong learners who continually build upon our foundation. We foster a nurturing environment so your child’s kindergarten experience will be enjoyable and successful. We are looking forward to getting to know your children and working with them this fall.

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.

Meet our teachers

"I chose to become a teacher because I want every student that walks through my door to feel special, loved, and valued. I believe it is my purpose in life to help children discover their passion and love of learning, as well as guide them to reach their fullest potential."

~ Gina Flynn

"I enjoy teaching because I get to see the amazing potential each child brings to a class, not to mention the amazing staff. I love kindergarten because the kids grow so much in this year. We are laying the building blocks for the rest of their formal education. I take that job very seriously!"

~ Tim Hackbarth

"I absolutely love teaching kindergarten because of the students. They make me laugh every day!"

~ Lindsay Matthews

"I love teaching kindergarten for all of those big WOW moments they experience throughout the year. Giving them time to learn, explore, play and be kids together is the best part of kindergarten!"

~ Kim Schneider

CURIOSITY Thrives Here
Join us for upcoming pre-kindergarten events

School tours
December 2, 6 and 9, 2019
9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Please join us for a tour of the school. Tours are designed for adults only and offers you a chance to observe kindergarten in action. Call the office at 651.351.6500 to confirm which tour you will be attending or to make other arrangements.

Kindergarten Orientation
Friday, February 28, 2020
9 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

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 and your specific time.

Ready, Set, Go (RSG) Conference

The purpose of the RSG conference 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.

Opportunities to visit before next fall!

Spring Carnival
April 25, 2020,
10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Students and families participate in a variety of carnival games and activities, a raffle, and a silent auction. Lunch and snacks will also be available for purchase.
(Sponsored by the Afton-Lakeland PTA)

Kindergarten Garden Party
May 8, 2020, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.
Kindergarten classes will sing songs and perform plays.

Spring Scholastic Book Fair
May 18-22, 2020,
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Purchase books for summer reading.
(Sponsored by the Afton-Lakeland PTA)

Afton-Lakeland PTA Meetings
Second Monday, every month, alternating start time of 3:30 p.m./6:30 p.m., in Media Center

A wonderful opportunity for parents/guardians to meet other families and hear first-hand about what is new at Afton-Lakeland Elementary School. You will hear from our principal, and get information regarding current and future activities, projects and programs.

For more information regarding these events, please contact the school office at 651.351.6500.

Please check our website: stillwaterschools.org/aftonlakeland for upcoming activities and other information about Afton-Lakeland 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

“We were impressed with the communication from the district and from the school and as a result felt very well prepared for the kindergarten adventure! Our son has grown so much in the first couple of months – this was most evident when he read a book to me for the first time. I will never forget that moment.”

– Bridget Johnson, Parent

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