



# The Emmons Lake Scots Spotlight


Emmons Lake Elementary

August 28, 2025

Educational Excellence... Every Day, Every Child!

THE WEEK at a glance



MON.	TUES.	WEDS.	Thurs.	FRI.
9/1 Labor Day No School	9/2	9/3	9/4	9/5
9/8	9/9	9/10  Picture Day	9/11	9/12

## A note from the Principal:

## Contact Us:

Emmons Lake Community,

I want to thank you all for a wonderful start to the school year! Our hallways are once again filled with love and laughter, and we could not be more excited to share in the story of the 2025–26 school year with each of you. It has been amazing to see friends reconnecting, new friendships forming, and the foundation of positive relationships being laid during this first week of school.

A quick procedural note that will help our system run more smoothly and efficiently: please remember to pull all the way to the front of the pick-up and drop-off line rather than stopping directly by the door. This keeps traffic flowing, creates more space, and allows students to safely enter and exit vehicles. Additionally, we ask that you say your goodbyes while remaining in your vehicle. This helps the process move faster and gets students into the building more quickly. We truly appreciate your cooperation with this!

One final note: I will be hosting our first “Coffee With the Principal” event on Monday, September 29, at 9:30 a.m. These events are a chance for parents and guardians to engage in shared learning about the magic that takes place within our school, while also creating space for dialogue and partnership as we work together to make Emmons the best it can be.

Topics for this event will include:

- Attendance
- Beginning-of-the-year data
- New systems and structures for this school year
- Supports available for students

I look forward to seeing you there!  
Educationally yours,  
Mr. Walters



Lauren Carpenter  
Angela Royce



616-528-8100

## Upcoming Events:

### Emmons Lake Calendar

- 9/1 No School  
Labor Day
- 9/10 Picture Day  
more info to come
- 9/18 Dental  
Screening
- 9/29 Coffee with the  
Principal

# S.O.A.R.

Safety, Ongoing Kindness, Act Responsibly, Respect

## Table Talk :

Ask your child how they are S.O.A.R.ing this SUMMER.

## Things to Know:



Ordering information will come home on picture day with your child.

### SCHOOL HOURS

START OF DAY: 8:45 AM

(STUDENTS MAY NOT BE DROPPED OFF BEFORE 8:40 AM)

END OF DAY: 3:40 PM

HALF-DAY DISMISSAL: 12:00 PM

**Absence:** It is important let the school know anytime your child will be absent. You can reach us by calling the office at 616-528-8100 or emailing both secretaries and your child's teacher. If you leave a message please be sure to include your child's name, and the reason why they are out. If your child is absent because they are ill, please be sure to share what symptoms they are having.

**Strive for Five :** <https://www.calschools.org/our-district/attendance/>

**Breakfast and Lunch Menus** <https://calschool.nutrislice.com/>

### Bus Information

Need to find your child's bus information? We've got you covered! Visit our knowledge base article for step-by-step instructions on how to access bus details through the PowerSchool Parent Portal. It's quick, easy, and ensures you have all the information you need to start the school year smoothly.

Note: This information is only accessible through a desktop, not the mobile PowerSchool app.

If you have any questions about busing, please reach out to our transportation department at [transportation@calschools.org](mailto:transportation@calschools.org).

**Parent Links** <https://www.calschools.org/schools/emmons-lake-elementary/for-parents/>

## Helpful Links Below:

[Emmons Lake Website Here](#)

[Mobile App Support](#)

[PowerSchool](#)



## Notes from the Nurse:

Just a reminder that medications that need to be taken at school must be brought to the school's main office by an adult. It should never be in a student's backpack or lunch box.

Any medications taken during school hours must have:  
Prescription medications require a doctor's signature.  
Medication must be in the original bottle/prescription bottle with a label attached.

Parent/guardian signature must be on the medication order form. Found on our district website or available in the office.

In order to Self-Carry Medications:  
The doctor must sign the self-carry section of the medication form. The self-carry medication must be approved by the District nurse.

Self-carry medications (medications that must be carried by the student, not in a backpack or locker), per district policy, are emergency medications such as inhalers, epinephrine pens, and diabetes medications.

Medication forms can be found on the school's website under the School Health Program section.

<https://www.calschools.org/schools/emmons-lake-elementary/for-parents/>

Emmons Lake Families,

We are excited to kick off another great year at Emmons Lake! Next week, we'll be launching our biggest fundraiser of the year, Harvest Hustle. The PTO funds many important programs, including staff appreciation, classroom extras, field trip buses, the March reading celebration, and more!

This year, we're adding a twist to the walk-a-thon during the school day on Sept 26th. Afterward, we invite families to join us for dinner, served by Being Cheesy, and ice cream from Oliver Gramm from 5:00 - 7:30 pm! Look for more details in your student's communication folder next week.

Additionally, our first PTO meeting will be on Sept 16th at 4:00 pm in the cafeteria. We'd love for you to join us as we discuss plans for the year and brainstorm ideas for creating more fun, community-building events at Emmons Lake.

Finally, our first Popcorn Day will be on Sept 19th, provided during the school day to everyone! We can't wait to see you at these upcoming events!

Josie Young, President  
Loreliss Williams, Co Vice President  
Amanda Jantz, Co Vice President  
Candice Harig, Treasurer  
Ashley Marchand, Secretary  
Emily Murphy, Committee Chair

As always, reach out to the PTO with any questions!



## Cal Community Flyers



### Glow Golf & Boombox Bingo

Save the date for the Senior Class of 2026 Fundraiser on Saturday, September 20, 2025, at Tyler Creek Golf Course. The evening will begin at 5:30 p.m. and promises a fun night of fundraising to support our seniors. Guests can choose between the Glow Golf Tournament or Boombox Bingo, with food, music, and auction opportunities rounding out the night. Check out the flyer for more details.



### Kindergarten

- 12 -No. 2 Pencils Ticonderoga - sharpened
- Colored Pencils - 12 pack
- Crayola Crayons - 16 pack
- Fine Tip markers - 1 pack
- Broad Tip markers - 1 pack
- Fin Tip Dry Erase Markers - 4 pack
- 6 Elmer's Glue Sticks
- Dixi Cups - 200 pack
- 2- Disinfectant Wipes ( such as Lysol)
- Headphones for Chromebook in  
a Ziplock bag with childs name on it.



### Third Grade

- 1- 5x13 Pencil Box (no handles)
- 24- No. 2 Pencils Ticonderoga - Sharpened
- 24 pack full sized Crayola Crayons
- Erasers- Pink Pearl and Pencil Toppers
- 1-2 Dry Erase markers - no erasers
- 10 pack of Markers
- Mid Sized Scissors
- 3 Highlighters (different colors)
- 1 Black Sharpie
- 2 Elmer's Glue Sticks
- 1 Composition Notebook
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Gallon Ziplock Bags- last name A-M
- Sandwich Ziplock Bags - last name N-Z
- 2 Sets - Headphones for Chromebook in  
a Ziplock bag with childs name on it.



## **Emmons Lake Elementary** 2025-2026 Suggested Supply List

**Desk Space is limited so please  
only send in items that are on the list.**

### First Grade

- 1- 5x13 Pencil Box or 2 small
- 12- No. 2 Pencils Ticonderoga - Sharpened
- 64 Count Crayola Crayons
- 12 Count Crayola colored Pencils
- 1-Composition Wide Ruled Notebook
- 10 Elmer's Glue Sticks
- 2 Fine Tipped Crayola Markers
- 2 Broad Tipped Crayola Markers
- 1 - Fine Tip Dry Erase Markers (4-6 Pack)
- Scissors



- Disinfectant Wipes - last name A-D
- Gallon Ziplock Bags- last name E-I
- Sandwich Ziplock Bags - last name J-N
- Paper Towel - last name O-R
- Paper Plates - last name S-V
- Kleenex - last name W-Z
- Headphones for Chromebook

a Ziplock bag with childs name on it.



**Classroom supplies may be  
brought in during the  
welcome back open house.**

### Second Grade

- 1-5x9 Pencil Box (no handles)
- 24 - No. 2 Ticonderoga Pencils - sharpened
- 1 Broad and 1 Fine tip Crayola Markers 10 pack
- Crayola Crayons 24 pack
- Crayola Colored Pencils 12 pack
- 1- Fine Tip Black Sharpie
- 4 pack Expo Black Fine Tip markers
- 4 Elmer's Glue Sticks
- Scissors
- 1 Composition Book - wide ruled
- 2 Headphones for Chromebook



- a Ziplock bag with childs name on it.
- Quart Ziplock Bags - last name A-H
- Snack Ziplock Bags - last name I-O
- Disinfectant Wipes (Lysol) - last name P-Z

### Fourth Grade

- 1- 5x9 Pencil Box (no handles)
- 12- No. 2 Pencils Ticonderoga - Sharpened
- Erasers for Pencil Top
- 12 count Colored Pencils
- 64 count Crayola Crayons
- 4 Dry Erase Markes/ Clean Sock or Eraser
- 2 Black Sharpies



- 2 Yellow Highlighters
- 3 Elmer's Glue Sticks
- 3 Two Packet Folders
- 1 Composition Book
- 1 Math Compass
- Scissors

- Disinfectant Wipes (Lysol)
- Headphones for Chromebook in  
a Ziplock bag with childs name on it.
- Ziplock Bags (any size)- last name A-F
- Kleenex - last name G-L
- Paper Plates - last name M-P
- Band aids - last name Q-U
- Paper Towel - last name V-Z

