

August 24, 2009

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! For those of you who are new to the Vogel Family, we look forward to serving you.

After much thought, discussion and soul searching, I have decided to retire. This was my twentieth start of a new school year here at Vogel, and I feel it is the right time for my family and I to move in a different direction. While I do see myself working in some capacity, I will be looking for a job with more time for family and friends. It has been my pleasure to be associated with the fine students, parents, and staff at Vogel School. Good Luck and God Bless!

Tom Bennett



Dear Parent(s) or Guardian:

It is challenging to express the excitement I am feeling in being the new principal of Vogel Elementary School. It is an honor and privilege to be at the service of an outstanding faculty and staff, the wonderful parents, and the students who make up the community of Vogel. I am certain you will experience a sense of innovation, pride, and excitement as you walk through the halls of our school. I hope you will feel welcome as you become involved with your child's experiences at Vogel Elementary School.

Throughout the school year, your child's teacher and I will be making a special effort to stay in touch with you. We will keep you informed of your child's progress and school activities. Look for papers coming home from school each day—newsletters, invitations, updates, tips, and reminders.

I hope you will take part in your child's education by inquiring about his/her time spent at school. I am confident that your child will demonstrate greater motivation as you continue to show interest in his/her academic and social experiences. We will most definitely work on our end to provide your child with the best education possible. Let's work together to make this an excellent school year in every way!

Sincerely,

Carl D. Underwood
Principal

SCHOOL MORNINGS – School starts at 7:55 a.m. Students who arrive after this time are tardy. If your child arrives after 8:10 a.m., they need to go to the office for a late slip. No students should arrive prior to 7:40 a.m. unless they are going to Day Care.

VISITORS TO VOGEL – All visitors to Vogel are expected to stop by the office to register and pick up a visitor’s tag. If you need to pick up your child for an appointment, come to the office to sign them out and we will call the teacher to send them to the office.

STUDENT’S ABSENCES – If for some reason your child is unable to attend school, please call the school at **477-6109** and **press 1** for attendance. Doctor/Dentist statements are needed for excused absences.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Day Care 474-6944

Cafeteria 469-5087

Vogel Fax 474-6909



SCHOOL RULES – On the first day of school, students were given a calendar with a copy of the **STUDENT CONDUCT: RIGHTS, RESPONSIBILITIES, DISCIPLINE POLICY, ONLINE NETWORK POLICY AND STUDENT RULES.** Students and parents were required to sign for the receipt of these rules.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY STATEMENT

It is a policy of the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, veteran status, national origin, age, limited English proficiency, or disability in its programs or employment policies as required by the Indiana Civil Rights Law (I.C.22-9-1), Title IV and Title VI (Civil Rights Act of 1964), the Equal Pay Act of 1973, Title IX (Educational Amendments), and Section 504 (Rehabilitation Act of 1973).

Questions concerning compliance with these laws should be directed to the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation, 1 S.E. Ninth Street, Evansville, IN 47708, phone number 435-8428.

Adopted 6/5/00

CONSULTATION TIMES WITH TEACHERS

5 TH Grade	8:10 – 8:50
4 th Grade	8:50 - 9:30
3 rd Grade	9:30 – 10:10
2 nd Grade	10:10 – 10:50
1 st Grade	12:50 – 1:30
Kindergarten	1:30 – 2:10

STANDARDIZED TESTING IN THE EVANSVILLE-VANDEBURGH SCHOOL CORPORATION

Testing is important to students, teachers, and parents because it provides useful information. Standardized tests help determine how students are doing in school. As a parent, you can help your children do their best by:

1. Making sure they get a full night's sleep and have a good breakfast before the test.
2. Having them dress in comfortable clothing the day of the test.
3. Planning ahead to avoid conflicts just before the test.
4. Being positive about taking the test.

Remind your children that tests can be hard, but they should try to do their best.

AUGUST NUTRITION NOTES

Good nutrition during school-age years is so important to help children grow, feel good, and do their best. Healthy food and regular meal times is like a prescription for health that can reduce the risks of chronic disease like high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity, eating disorders, and heart disease. Start this school year by thinking of one thing that your family could do to improve the nutritional health of your child. Possibly start by eating a healthy breakfast before school, limiting sugary drinks, or by having fruits and vegetables prepared in the refrigerator for snacking after school. You can feel good about creating healthy eating habits for your child that will keep them healthy, fit and ready to learn for a lifetime.

BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Vogel on August 25 and August 27. Your child will be bringing home a book wish list. Students have an opportunity to preview the books and make a wish list of books they would like to purchase.

You can also give a gift to your child's classroom. Look for the Classroom Wish List sign and pick out the name of a book your child's teacher has requested. We will place a special sticker with your child's name on it inside the book's front cover.

You may also buy a gift certificate for your child's teacher. The teacher can use it to buy any item at the Book Fair.

Please stop by the Book Fair at Open House from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Vogel Gym. We will have lots of books and educational toys and computer software for sale!

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 25

- **Book Fair – 6:00-8:00 p.m. – Vogel Gym**
- **PTA Meeting – 6:00-6:30 – Vogel Cafeteria**
- **Open House – 6:30 - Grades K, 1, 2**

August 27

- **Book Fair – 6:00-8:00 p.m. – Vogel Gym**
- **PTA Meeting – 6:00-6:30 – Vogel Cafeteria**
- **Open House – 6:30 - Grades 3, 4, 5**

September 2

- **PTA Popcorn/Cookie Sales begin-25 cents each**

September 11

- **Family Fun Night – 3:30-7:30 p.m. – Vogel Soccer Field (Free with current PTA Membership card)**

September 15

- **PTA Meeting – 6:30 – Media Center**

