



# Kestrel Chronicle

Columbia River Elementary School  
Robin Hay, Principal

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

*September 2021*

## Principally speaking . . .

**Welcome back to Columbia River Elementary!! We are the Kestrels!**

We have a beautiful building and this year; parents will be able to come inside! Not only is the school beautiful, but we also have amazing staff who will work with you and your child to provide an excellent education. We look forward to meeting each and every one of you. Attached is a link to Cornell University with information on the Kestrel Falcon. They are native to our area and in fact, we have seen many of them flying around. Maybe you have too!

[https://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/American\\_Kestrel/id](https://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/American_Kestrel/id)

We are so excited to welcome you to our beautiful new school. Teachers and office staff have been busily working for several weeks to get the school and classrooms ready. Here is the link to our school webpage: <https://www.psd1.org/columbiariver>. Shortly, we will have a schedule for the school days posted on the webpage and sent home to you.

Teacher placement for this year is available through PowerSchool beginning August 19, 2021. If you do not have an account, here is the link for creating one. <https://www.psd1.org/Page/7581>

Students and Parents may drop off school supplies to their new classrooms on Monday, August 30. Here is the schedule that will hopefully mitigate contact between families. Everyone who enters the school must wear a mask for this event. We appreciate your help with keeping everyone safe.

3:30 Families with last names starting with A-M.  
4:00 Families with last names starting with N-Z.

*Repeat the order for families who cannot come during the school day.*

4:30 Families with last names starting with A-M.  
5:00 Families with last names starting with N-Z.

Our school nurse, counselor and office staff will be available during this time. We will have some stations set up outside. We will have our backdrop for student pictures and Krew, our mascot, will be on hand as well. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Our PTO will be electing new officers this year. They will have a table at our School Supply Drop Off event. We are ordering [Student T-Shirts](#) for sale as well. We will have samples to view during this event as well.

My email is [rhay@psd1.org](mailto:rhay@psd1.org). Please do not hesitate to reach out.

Mrs. Hay  
Principal



<b>School Supply Drop Off</b> 3:30-4:00/4:30-5:00 Last Name A-M 4:00-4:30/5:00-5:30 Last Name N-Z	<b>Aug.</b> <b>30</b>
<b>1st day of school for 1st-5th Grade Students</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Aug.</b> <b>31</b>
<b>Family Connection Meetings</b> Kindergarten Families	<b>Aug.</b> <b>31</b> - <b>Sept.</b> <b>1</b>
<b>Regular Wednesday Early Release</b> 1:40 p.m.	<b>Sept.</b> <b>1</b>
<b>1st day of school for Kindergarten Students</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Sept.</b> <b>2</b>
<b>Labor day</b> No classes held	<b>Sept.</b> <b>6</b>
<b>HIV/Human Growth &amp; Development Curriculum Parent Preview—Virtual</b>	<b>Sept.</b> <b>8</b>
<b>PTO Meeting</b> 6:00 p.m.	<b>Sept.</b> <b>8</b>



### 2021-2022 In-Person Learning Schedule (Start/stop times)

- 8:40 a.m.**  
Breakfast served  
Students may be on the playground
- 9:00 a.m.**  
School starts
- 3:40 p.m.**  
Dismissal time on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
- 1:40 p.m.**  
Dismissal on Wednesday

## 2021-2022 Faculty Roster

Mrs. Hay, Principal  
 Ms. Siemon, Vice Principal  
 Mrs. Mitchell, Secretary  
 Mrs. Colvin, Clerk

### Kindergarten

	Mrs. Calveard	Room 122
	Mrs. Minnich	Room 123
	Ms. Torres	Room 121
TWDL	Mrs. Sanchez	Room 120
TWDL	TBH	Room 112

### 1st Grade

	Ms. Carlson	Room 118
	Miss Cowan	Room 119
	TBH	Room 111
TWDL	Mrs. Cruz	Room 109

### 2nd Grade

TWDL	Mr. Cruz	Room 106
	Mr. Romero	Room 107
	Mrs. Rose	Room 105
Combo	TBH	Room 108

### 3rd Grade

BIL Combo	Mrs. Hernandez	Room 213
	Mrs. Huffman	Room 221
	Mrs. Rosenbaum	Room 223
Combo	TBH	Room 108

### 4th Grade

BIL Combo	Mrs. Hernandez	Room 213
	Mr. Kohler	Room 211
	Ms. Taylor	Room 210

### 5th Grade

	Mrs. Sparks	Room 208
	Mrs. Taylor	Room 206

### Special Education

Bridges Program	Mr. Howard	Room 102
Resource Room	Mrs. Berry	Room 110/220

### Special Programs

Mrs. Smith (R.R./L.L.I.)	Room 226
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### Specialists

Ms. Polyukh	Librarian
Ms. Brennan	Visual Arts
Mrs. Payne	Health/Fitness
Mrs. Jenkins	Music/Band
Ms. Ramirez	Counselor
Mrs. McCollough	Psychologist
Mrs. Hultgren	Nurse
Mrs. Sullivan	Speech
Mrs. McElroy	Orchestra
Ms. Boggess	Instr. Coach ELA
TBH	Behavior Intervention



## P.T.O. Board Officers 2021-2022

President.....Open  
 Vice President.....Open  
 Secretary.....Open  
 Treasurer.....Open  
 Media.....Open  
 Volunteer Coordinator.....Open  
 Community Coordinator.....Open

We will have elections for positions on the PTO Board for this school year soon. If you are interested in being on the Board, please contact the our PTO group at

[kestrelpridepto@gmail.com](mailto:kestrelpridepto@gmail.com).

General PTO meetings will usually be held on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. We invite you to be involved at school.



## Contact Information

School telephone number: 546-7440

School fax number: 546-7441

School address: 9011 Burns Road  
 Pasco, WA 99301

## P.S.D. Meal Prices 2021-2022

Meals will be free for all students this school year. However, please complete a Free and Reduced Meal Application, if you think you would qualify.

K-5th gr.....\$0.00.....breakfast  
 K-5th gr.....\$0.00.....lunch  
 .....\$0.00.....milk

Adult .....\$2.50.....breakfast  
 Adult .....\$4.00.....lunch