Dear Boyd Families,

I’m pleased to inform you that Boyd’s 2014 bond program renovations are in the final phase of construction. For the work to remain on schedule, the building must prepare for the move back to Boyd Elementary prior to the end of the school year. I wanted to share the following information with you so that you may plan accordingly.

**Building Move:** Jacobs Engineering Group and OPS Building and Grounds department have informed us that the Mills Building will need to be packed up prior to the end of the year, so teacher’s classrooms will be ready to move to the newly renovated Boyd Elementary as soon as it is completed.

**Non-Student Days:** In order for teachers to have adequate time to pack-up their classrooms and prepare for the move, Tuesday, May 21 will be the last student day for Boyd students. All other OPS schools will remain open until May 22. Teachers will work with students to ensure that all work and tests are completed prior to the 21st and Boyd’s school calendar will be adjusted accordingly. Students will return to school at the start of the 2019-20 school year on Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2019.

**If You Move Over The Summer:** If your address will change between now and the start of the 2019-20 school year, please contact the school prior to May 21 or the Student Placement Office at (531)299-0302 to update your student’s records. If you move out of the Boyd attendance area and wish to remain at the school, you will need to apply for a transfer. Busing may or may not be provide based on whether or not you remain in Boyd’s partner zone. Student Placement can assist you with the transfer request and any questions you may have.

**Classroom Assignment for Next School Year:** You should receive the annual back to school letter with your child’s classroom assignment approximately a week before school starts. If you do not receive one, please contact the school after Monday, Aug. 1, 2019 at (531)299-1140.

**Safe Walk to School Night:** Our Safe Walk to School Night will be Monday, Aug. 12 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to meet their new teachers and for families to see the newly remodeled school. We hope you can join us!

I’m excited to start next school year in our newly remodeled school, as I know you are. I appreciate your patience throughout the renovation process. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at (531)299-1140.

Thank you for your continued support of Boyd Elementary and the Omaha Public Schools.

Sincerely,

Briana McLeod-Larsen, Principal
5th Grade Recognition

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2019
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Where: Druid Hill Elementary
4020 N. 30 St.
In the gymnasium
MEDICATIONS: If your child has any medication(s) at school (including inhalers and other emergency medications), they must be picked up by a parent (or designated adult) on the last day of school. Medications can NOT be sent home with any students. Please plan now to make arrangements for this. Any medications left at school after May 21 will be destroyed. This is an OPS Policy and while some years parents have been able to pick up medications later, this year everything is being packed and moved, thus no medication can be transported and will be destroyed!

Remember though, there are field trips the last week of school where medications may be needed, so please wait until May 21 to pick up all medications. Thank You!

PREPARING FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR:

Students entering Kindergarten are required by Nebraska Law to have a Physical Exam and a Vision Exam. Make those appointments now or before summer, as offices get very busy making summer appointments difficult to schedule. Save all forms in a safe place to turn in at the beginning of the school year.

Immunizations: Student entering Kindergarten must also be up-to-date with the required immunizations. Even if your child met the requirements for Pre-K, there are additional boosters needed for Kindergarten. Students who do not have these (or a medical or religious waiver) will not be allowed to attend school per Nebraska Law. Even if you cannot get your child in for his/her physical exam before school starts in the fall, the shots must be completed before your child can attend school.

Students (of any age) who will need to take medications at school next year must have new written orders from the Health Care Provider, as well as written parent permission EACH NEW SCHOOL YEAR. Please plan ahead so this can be ready when school starts.

Students who have severe food allergies will need a medical statement completed by the Health Care Provider for special meals. This is essential to make sure the student with allergies has meals that do not include items of concern.
Warm Heart Wednesday!
Student: Dwight Kellogg
Nominated by: Miss Wheeler 5/15/19

At indoor recess a group of students were playing basketball. A student from Mrs. Prentis’ class got knocked down from a ball hitting her. She was struggling to get up. I ran across to help her but before I was able to get to her, Dwight was there helping her up and asking if she was okay. He then took a ball and rolled it to her, encouraging her to play. What a thoughtful way to use your hands and words for helping Dwight!