

Absence Hotline
208-855-4355
Call by 9AM

Donnell Tidbits

Please remember to call in any absence before 9AM!

If your child is dropped off after 9:10AM, you MUST escort them into the building and sign them in at the office!

A reminder that students will not be called out of class for appointments until you arrive to school. This allows your child to receive the most amount of instruction time as possible.

Teachers available before school by appointment only. This is their planning time. Notes, treats, homework, etc. can be left in the wagon by the front door to be delivered to the classroom.

Please call the office no later than 3:00 PM to report a change in the way your child will get home from school that day. If your child knows of the change when they arrive at school, please do not call just to remind them.



Notes from Mrs. Leipf

Hello Donnell Families,

Intent to Re-enroll

It is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of 2019. That means that it is time to begin thinking about the 2020-21 school year. **Today** is the day that we begin accepting **Intent to Re-enroll forms** from our families. The **link is on the CDSA Homepage**, as well as being provided at the end of this newsletter.

- This year, the Intent form is **DIGITAL ONLY** and must be submitted by **January 9, 2020**. If you need to access a school computer, you may come in to CDSA during school hours and check in at the office.
- When you submit the Intent form, we suggest that you take a screen shot or photo. There is **no** emailed confirmation.
- Beginning January 10, any unclaimed seats will become available for 2020-21, to new students through our lottery process.
- For interested families of **5th graders transitioning to 6th**, there is an informational meeting on Thurs., Dec. 12, 5:30-6:30 pm, in the CDSA auditorium. Sixth graders and their parents are invited to attend to share their experience with our current 5th graders and parents. Pizza will be provided. Please let your child's teacher know if you will be attending by Wed., Dec. 11, to guarantee that the pizza order is adequate!
- We are offering **tours to new families** on Jan. 9, 2020, at 10:30, and Jan. 15, at 4:15. Please share this information with any interested families.

<https://survey.k12insight.com/r/ReenrollForm2021-20>

Snow Days

We are blessed to be part of a large district that provides us with bountiful resources. One of the challenges, however, during inclement weather, is that our boundaries span such a broad area, and weather patterns can vary from Star to South Boise. On the district website, you can read information about how the West Ada district makes the decision to call a snow day, a decision that is made between 5:00-6:00 a.m. You can check local television networks and will also receive parent notification from the district to the contact info that you have in Power School. The goal is always, "Safety first!"

New Artwork at CDSA

Last year, one of our students suggested that our student bathrooms could use some beautification. His suggestion was put into action this fall! The four student bathrooms have colorful murals that add so much cheer to otherwise institutional looking spaces. In addition, a core values mural is now hung just outside the office, a location that every student sees daily. These murals were painted by Sara Aycock, one of our CDSA parents. We are so happy with the color that she has created for our school and proud to consider her a part of our family. Thank you, Sara!

Have questions about what it's like to be part of the CDSA experience through 6th grade? Interested families of **5th graders transitioning to 6th** are invited to an informational meeting on Thurs., Dec. 12, 5:30-6:30 pm, in the CDSA auditorium. Come with questions and be ready for some of our current and past students to share their perspectives. This meeting will help you make your decision within the response time for stating your intent for the 2020-21 school year.

- Sixth graders and their parents—as well as past students—are invited to attend to share their experience with our current 5th graders and parents.
- Pizza, cookies, and drinks will be provided.

Current 5th and 6th graders, please let your teacher know if you and your parents will be attending the 12-12-19 meeting by **Wed., Dec. 11**, to guarantee that the pizza order is adequate!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DONNELL!

December 1-31

- 11th—Blaze Pizza Night 6-8 PM
- 12th—Parent Information Night for incoming 6th Grade
- 13th—Kindergarten Performance 10:30 AM
- 18th & 19th—3rd Grade Performances
- Dec. 23rd-Jan. 3—Christmas Break

January 1-13

- 6th—School Resumes
- 9th—Class Spelling Bees
- 9th—School Tour 10:30 AM
- 9th—Final Day for Intent to Re-enroll



**Tennis
is FUN!**



Tennis is Elementary at

Christine Donnell School or the Arts!

Tennis is Elementary, an after-school beginning tennis program developed by the Idaho Tennis Association, will be held at Christine Donnell. *TiE* introduces children to one of the USA's fastest-growing sports on their level. The program is instructed by qualified staff and uses smaller racquets, foam balls, and reduced court sizes set inside the school gym. All equipment is provided. Tennis shoes are recommended.

Grades: 1-6

Location: Christine Donnell School of the Arts

Dates: 1/28, 1/30, 2/4, 2/6, 2/11, 2/13 (6 lessons)

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Times: 3:50 – 4:50 P.M.

Cost: *\$39

*Cost includes an approximate \$3 USTA registration processing fee

Space is limited to the first 27 registered students

Please register no later than January 23, 2020

All equipment will be provided. Your child may bring their own racquet.

FREE WATER BOTTLE WITH REGISTRATION (provided at first class)

For registration or financial assistance questions, please contact:

Kyle Jewett at kjewett@ita.usta.com or 208-322-5150

Christine Donnell TiE On-line Registration

- Please register your child on-line at www.idtennis.com
- Click on the *Juniors* tab
- Drop down to *Tennis is Elementary*
- Scroll down to find your school and session
- Sign up as a **non-member**
- Make an account for yourself, **then** an account for your minor child.
- You will need to input your child's USTA number back on the original registration page and proceed to checkout to complete the process. Register one child at a time to make sure it goes through!
- Contact kjewett@ita.usta.com with any questions or registration assistance.



CDSA NIGHT @

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Join us for dinner & help raise money for
our CDSA Artist in Residence Programs!!!

DECEMBER 11TH

from 6-8PM

20% of sales from guests who mention
CDSA will be donated back to our school PTA

Valid for DINE-IN & Carry Out orders only!



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