



August/September Monthly 2024

Spencer Trail Times

Principal - Mrs Deirdre Scott
Assistant Principal - Mrs Jennifer Christophersen
Secretary - Mrs Jamie Key
Secretary - Mrs Jillian Foytik

Superintendent - Dr Lori Motsch

Office Hours - 7:20am - 3:50pm
Phone number - 815-462-7007

Dear Spencer Trail Families,

It is with great excitement that we welcome you to the 2024-2025 school year. We are honored to have the opportunity to lead a school that is dedicated to excellence, but more importantly, to children. Not only are we excited to begin working with your children, but we look forward to the work we will do together. As an old Proverb states, "It takes a village to raise a child." We truly believe this! Along with you, we also have a group of talented educators that are passionate and dedicated to educating children. In order for us to be successful, we ask you to work with us as a partner in education. Open communication is encouraged. Please call if you have questions or concerns. Any member of the Spencer Trail staff is more than happy to answer any questions you may have. Additionally, you will receive various weekly and monthly newsletters. We also urge families to refer to the NLSD website and our school website for the most current district wide information. The district website is a wonderful resource for parents.

Once again, welcome to Spencer Trail. We are so thankful to have you here.
We look forward to getting to know you and your children.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Deirdre Scott

Principal

Mrs. Jennifer Christophersen

Assistant Principal

SEPTEMBER

September 2nd - Holiday; No School

September 17th - School Board Meeting at 6PM

September 19th - Character Counts - wear **GREEN** for Responsibility

September 20th- Half Day Institute. *AM students attend for an extended day 8:25AM-11:25AM.* Please add 30 minutes to bus drop off time. **NO SCHOOL for PM students.**

September 26th - Open House AM Students -5:45-6:15PM
PM students 6:30-7:00PM



A Note from Nurse Cami

Spencer Trail families:

Thank you for helping us meet the state requirements by returning your physical and immunization information. **If you still have not uploaded your child's physical and immunizations, please do so ASAP and no later than October 15th to avoid having your child excluded from school.** Public Act 95-0671 became effective January 1, 2008 requiring all children enrolling in kindergarten, or any student enrolling for the first time in a public or parochial school on or after this date to have an eye examination by a physician or an optometrist within one year prior to entering school. This exam is to be completed and the form turned in by October 15th. Proof of dental evaluation is needed by May 1st so please remember at your child's next visit to have the dentist complete the dental examination form. Copies of all health related forms are available on www.nlsd122.org website, just click on registration forms and you will see a list of all related health forms you might need. Thank you.

If your child is sick and will be absent from school, please call the office to let them know.

815-462-7007

Meet the Staff

Principal: Deirdre Scott
Asst Principal Jennifer Christophersen
Secretaries: Jamie Key
Jillian Foytik
Nurse: Cami Kaczor

Teachers-
Green Neighborhood: Patti Chimino
Julie Groos
Cathay Brinkmeier
Cheryl Martino
Leslie Kinsella

Yellow Neighborhood: Nicki Anderson
Kim Langlois

Red Neighborhood: Nina Davis
Jen Fyke
Jeanine Tustin
Marissa Walsh

Blue Neighborhood: Jaymie Callahan

Classroom Aides: Shannon Dicola
Lisa Ritter
Tanya Perez
Kelli Cleven
Gabriela Guerrero-Magana

Speech Pathologist: Dana Rains
Social Worker: Kaitlyn Hamaker
Psychologist: Collen Dewan
Reading Specialist: Erica Oberts
OT: Colleen Patton
PT: Tracy Riley

Art/Music: Catie Tinny
Library: Sheena Ozbolt
Gym: Bruce Lundborg

Custodian: Keith Hospodor



Specialists' Spotlight

P.E. News

Below is our P.E.
Schedule:

**Monday - Chimino - Groos -
Martino - Brinkmeier**

**Tuesday - Anderson -
Langlois**

**Wednesday - Fyke - Davis -
Tustin - Walsh**



Library News

Below is our Library
Schedule:

**Monday - Anderson -
Langlois**

**Wednesday - Chimino -
Groos - Martino -
Brinkmeier**

**Friday - Fyke - Davis -
Tustin - Walsh**



Art and Music News

Below is our Art and Music
Schedule:

**Tuesday - Fyke - Davis -
Tustin - Walsh**

**Thursday - Chimino - Groos
- Martino - Brinkmeier**

**Friday - Anderson -
Langlois**



Important Information

Absence - If your student will be absent from school please call the office at (815) 462-7007. If you call after hours, leave a message with your student's name, teacher and the reason for their absence.

Departure - Please let the teacher and the office know of any changes with your student's departure. For example, if your student normally takes the bus and you want them to be a car rider for the day, call the office to let them know of the change.



-SMILE

Picture Day is
October 10th

Open House at Spencer Trail

Mark your calendars! We will have an Open House on Thursday, September 26th.

AM students 5:45-6:15PM
PM students 6:30-7:00PM

Come with your student to see our school and meet their teachers!

Preschool Screenings

New Lenox School District will be screening children from ages three to five in the areas of motor, cognitive, and speech/language development. Early childhood educators will present "game like" activities to your child which assess various development skills. All preschoolers who reside in our district are eligible to attend free of charge. This is a preschool screening, **not** a kindergarten readiness screening. This year the screenings will be held at Cherry Hill Elementary and Early Childhood Center.

2024-2025 Screening Dates

September 20th

November 22nd

March 14th

May 5th

Call Cherry Hill School at 815-462-7831 to schedule an appointment.