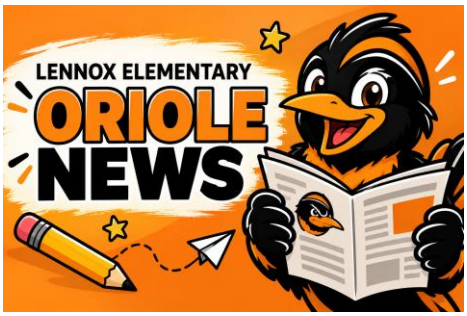
LENNOX ELEMENTARY
November 17, 2026

School 8:20 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
Doors 8:00 a.m. • Tardy bell 8:25 a.m.
605-647-2203 option 3



Website links

- Lennox Elementary
- District website
- Lunch menus
- District events
- Food Service and meal applications

ORIOLE ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

SCHOOL SCHEDULE CHANGES

THURS NOV. 18 • NO SCHOOL
Volleyball State Tournament • 11 a.m.
Premier Center, Sioux Falls • Go O's!

WED NOV. 25 • 3-HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL
Begin Thanksgiving Break

NOV. 26–27 • NO SCHOOL
Thanksgiving break

Tue, Dec 22• 3-Hour Early Dismissal
End of 2nd Quarter / 1st Semester

Dec 23–Jan 3: NO SCHOOL
Christmas Break

Mon, Jan 4: Classes Resume
2nd Semester Begins

CONCERTS & COMMUNITY

NOV. 18 • Giving Tree applications due

NOV. 19 • Title Family Reading Night- see flyer below for info
4–6 p.m. • Lennox Elementary

DEC. 3 • Grades 1–2 Christmas Concert
6:30 p.m. • LHS Performing Arts Center

WEEK OF DEC. 14 • Giving Tree delivery

School day reminders

Plan changes: Tell the office and your child's teacher about dismissal changes before 3:00 p.m.

Pickup: Keep the curb lane moving; park if waiting. Use 5th Avenue from Elm toward Cedar. The Main Street/Intermediate gym loop may be faster if your child can safely meet you there.

Arrival and dismissal: JrK–4 non-bus students enter under the orange canopy. Before 8:00 a.m.: paid Totally Kids only. At dismissal, grades 1–4 walkers and pickup students use the main entrance; preschool and kindergarten use Door 3.

Office: Check in for late arrivals, visits and deliveries. Arrange visits with the teacher. Call ahead for early pickup; 30 minutes is appreciated.

Recess: Wear layers, long pants, socks and shoes. Follow Magic 5 and **label all clothing and belongings**.

Stay in touch

Contact the office right away when your address, phone number, email or emergency contacts change so school mail reaches you and we can reach you in an emergency.

Email Angela Smit • 605-647-2203, option 3

Lennox Giving Tree

Need assistance? Holiday gifts are available for children under 18. Applications are online or at school offices and the district business office.

Apply by November 18. Return to Mrs. Fodness at any Lennox school or email Amanda.fodness@k12.sd.us.

Want to give? Choose a tag at American Bank & Trust's display or drive-up. Return a wrapped gift to the bank with the original tag securely attached. FCCLA collects gifts daily.

Delivery: Gifts arrive the week of December 14; families do not need to be home. Questions? Email Mrs. Fodness.

Food and family support

Meal benefits: Apply each year unless directly certified. Prior-year benefits have expired. Breakfast and lunch are included; South Dakota covers reduced-price family copays.

Backpack Program: Weekend food bags are available. Use the form below.

Questions? Becky Jorgensen or Robbin Symens

Click to find

- Giving Tree application
- Magic 5 recess guide • page 2
- Family Reading Night flyer • page 3
- Drop-off and pickup procedures
- Illness policy
- Backpack food form
- 2026–2027 school calendar

Magic 5 recess guide

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MAGIC 5

Are You Recess Ready?

If the temperature is...	You should be wearing at least...	This looks like...
32 Degrees or below *Use best judgement on weather to use actual temp or windchill	**SNOW or NO SNOW** 1. Coat 2. Hat/Hood 3. Mittens/Gloves 4. Boots 5. Snow pants	 
33-45 Degrees *Use best judgement on weather to use actual temp or windchill	**SNOW** 1. Coat 2. Hat/Hood 3. Mittens/Gloves 4. Boots 5. Snow pants are required for the grass and playground. (Otherwise blacktop only) **NO SNOW** 1. Coat 2. Hat/Hood 3. Mittens/Gloves *Wear what they bring- (no gloves mean hands in pockets)- natural consequences will cause no harm and teach responsibility.	 
46-49 Degrees *Use best judgement on weather to use actual temp or windchill	**SNOW** 1. Coat 2. Hat/Hood 3. Mittens/Gloves 4. Boots 5. Snow pants are still required for the grass and playground. (Otherwise blacktop only) **NO SNOW** 1. Coat *Wear what they bring- natural consequences will cause no harm and teach responsibility.	 
50-59 Degrees	**Long sleeves only allowed**	
60 Degrees & above	**Short sleeves allowed**	

***Shorts, capri's, dresses, and sandals will be allowed at the principal's discretion, depending on weather forecasts, and generally are NOT allowed from mid-October through Mid-April. ***

•••49 and below•••

STRONG SUGGESTION: When the temperature is under 50 degrees at any point in the day long pants or leggings are recommended outside if you wear a skirt or shorts. DRESS IN LAYERS !!

When in doubt wear it out!

Family Reading Night

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