



Spann Elementary Panda Paws



"On our way, on the MOVE every day, to be WORLD class."

Mission: Spann Elementary provides opportunities to meet the academic, social, and emotional needs of all learners.

Vision: Spann Elementary desires to prepare all students for the world by valuing diversity, opening their minds through personalized learning, and encouraging them to be lifelong learners in the global community.

Principal Panda Post

Personalized Learning Is Our Superpower! We are excited to motivate our students this year with a focus theme most of them love - superheroes! Classes have chosen superheroes for their class, discussed the characteristics of superheroes and how they relate to our MOVE behaviors, and we will feature superhero themed days and events throughout the year. Students will learn that superheroes have a growth mindset (believe they can accomplish great things with hard work, not abilities that they are born with) and EVERYONE has a superpower. The powers we are going to focus on are reading, writing, math, science, social studies, music, art, and physical education. Students will hone their strength and work to make growth in a weakness by setting goals quarterly. Parents, what is your superpower?



Schoolwide Communication: As always, we will be using the Blackboard system to send our important parent notifications via phone, e-mail, and/or text. This information will also be shared via our Spann Elementary Facebook page and website. Finally, we are introducing Class Dojo schoolwide for the first time. You will be able to receive communication from your child's teacher and the school this way. If you haven't signed up for Class Dojo, what are you waiting for? See your child's teacher for more information!

Who's New?: Join me in welcoming the following new staff to Spann: Erica McCarty (ESOL); Reagan Dutton (2nd); Karin Burrridge (2nd); Gina Sawicki (3rd); Madison Crawford (cross-cat); Gracie Leftwich (music); Wyatt Olson (PE); Deitra Gibbs (guidance)

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5th : Labor Day-school closed

8th: PTA/SIC Meeting 5:30 pm
Open House 6-7:30

22nd: ** Early Dismissal 11 am**

23rd: Bingo for Books 6 pm

28th: Spirit Night @ Donatos

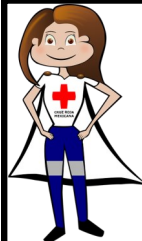
30th: Terrific Kids 7:45 am
Spirit Day

30th: Fall Picture Day



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September 21-October 6



FROM THE NURSE: School students **may not** have medication (**prescription or over the counter**) in their possession during the school day or at school events. If your student requires medication at school, please have the prescribing professional complete the Dorchester District Two Medication Permission Request Form (found on the Spann website or obtained from the school nurse). Return this form and the medication with a prescription label (**even over the counter medications require a prescription label**) to the school nurse who will then administer the medication as ordered.

Also, it is always helpful to have a change of clothes in the student's book bag for all ages. Not only for accidents, but the occasional slip in the mud at recess or spilled milk in the cafeteria.

For students who test + for COVID please refer to the DD2 website at ddtwo@org. Utilize the Student Covid-19 Report link found on the right side of the main page. Completion of this form notifies the DD2 Director of Nursing who will then contact parents/guardians and provide further instruction.

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures (School Hours 7:15am—2:05pm)

Students are not allowed to enter the classrooms prior to 6:50 due to lack of supervision. All car riders should be dropped off between 6:50 a.m. and 7:15 a.m. in the car rider loop behind Spann.

Students cannot be signed out at the front office after 1:35pm

Parents entering the school near arrival and dismissal times must park appropriately in the front parking lot across the street. **Remember: All visitors must enter through the main doors at the front of the school and stop by the office for a visitor's pass from our computerized system. YOU MUST PRESENT A PICTURE I.D.**

EDULOG Parent Portal Lite Bus App information:

We are pleased to introduce a new service, **EduLog Parent Portal Lite**—a free smartphone app, that will give you information regarding the location and timing of your student's bus. We will also be able to communicate information about your student's bus with you through the app. Be sure to download "**Parent Portal Lite**," not "Parent Portal." After you download the app, you'll need to:



Sign up for an account-you'll see a sign up bar.

Tap the "**Districts**" tab at the bottom of your screen.

"Subscribe to a District" and Enter your school's code. **Spann-11541413**

Add your child's bus number

We hope you find these instructions helpful and that you will take advantage of this service to enhance your experience with the Dorchester District Two school bus system.

Students riding buses to school will exit buses in an orderly fashion and proceed on the sidewalks. If they are eating breakfast, they will enter the cafeteria and go directly to the breakfast line. Otherwise, students will go directly to their classroom. Do not enter/park in bus and day care van loading area (street in front, John McKissick Way) or the front driveway between 6:30-7:30 a.m. or 1:30-2:45 p.m. Do not park in handicapped spaces unless vehicle is properly identified.

Safety Drill Procedures – Throughout the school year, we conduct weather and emergency safety drills with our students and staff (fire, earthquake, tornado, intruder) to empower them with the knowledge of what to do in case of an emergency.

Open House/Title I Annual Meeting

Join us for our Open House September 8, 2022

6:00pm – Title I Presentation/Annual Meeting
Classroom presentations

6:40pm – Repeat of Classroom Presentations for those par-
ents who have more than one child



Please consider joining Spann Elementary's
Parent Teacher Association. membership
cost \$5.



Join us for a PTA meeting Sept
8th at 5:30pm. Pizza, drinks and
dessert will be served at 5:15 pm,
but you must RSVP by September
6th for dinner Scan the code to
RSVP

****Spirit Night Sept 28 @Donatos****

Scan code or visit [https://linktr.ee/
spannpta](https://linktr.ee/spannpta) to join PTA, get information
about volunteering, order yearbooks and
more!



**Early Dismissal 11:00 am
September 22th**

Please remember transportation
changes have to be sent **in
writing!** Keep an eye out for Early
Dismissal forms in your child's red
folder.

MEDIA CENTER

Mrs. Skipper and Mrs. Leiendecker are ready for another Spanntastic year in the Media Center! As students begin to check out books, please reinforce good book care habits at home. Together, we can keep our library books in great condition!

- Turn pages carefully



- Use a bookmark to save your place- no bending pages
- Keep books away from younger siblings, pets, food and drinks
- Return books on time so others can enjoy them too!

Overdue notices will be sent home in your child's folder. We do not collect late fees, but students are responsible for paying for lost or damaged books.

Students in grades 2 – 5 will be working hard this year to meet their quarterly reading goals! To meet their teachers' goals, students must read books on their level or books that are approved by the teacher. Meeting their quarterly goals will help students earn extra games and activities at our mega-fun Reading Carnival in May!

DD2 Family Engagement Centers

Award winning,
engaging and
exciting programs
and resources to
help parents and
family members
support their child's
success in school.



Located at JPES, KES, ENES, WHAIES and Spann
Find them on Facebook or <https://www.ddtwo.org/Domain/7798>

<https://www.smores.com/f8sujq>



Spann's School Counseling Department is ready to provide social and emotional support to our students. This year, Ms. Tanner will serve students in grades 4K/K, 2nd, and 4th. Ms. Gibbs will serve students in grades 1st, 3rd, and 5th. If you would like to request assistance for your child, please simply scan the QR code for your child's grade level counselor with your phone to complete the electronic form and let us know if you have any questions or concerns.



Gibbs



Tanner

In addition, counselors would love your feedback on Spann's School Counseling Program as well as suggestions as to how we can best fit the needs of your child(ren)! Please take a moment to complete the survey below in order for us to assess the needs of our students for the 2022-2023 school year. We appreciate your time and effort!

Parent Survey QR Code:

