

# Garnet Mesa Elementary Panther Express

## August 25, 2020



### Lunch Hours

Kindergarten 11:00-11:40  
First grade 11:20-12:00  
Second grade 11:40-12:20  
Third grade 12:00-12:40  
Fourth grade 12:20-1:00  
Fifth grade 12:40-1:20

### Important Dates

8/28 Fire Drill 8:35  
9/7 Labor Day no school

We are asking that all parents dropping off children in the morning or picking up after school use our designated area by the flagpole. Thanks for your support!

*A reminder that dogs and other pets are not allowed on GMES school grounds.*

### Launch of the week

At GMES, our launch is a quote we share at the end of every day with our students. It is a positive reminder of the work they have done and will continue to do. Our quote this week is: "It's time to start something new and trust the magic of new beginnings." - Unknown

### Welcome Back

We are so excited to have our students return for the 2020-2021 school year! Students have been learning some new procedures, such as sitting further apart at lunch, and lots and lots of hand washing!! The year has started so positively and we thank you parents and families for your contributing to this success.

### New Staff

Garnet Mesa Elementary happily announces new staff members to our family. They are Heather Wilczek (kindergarten teacher), Kenzie Markley (1st grade teacher), Aspen Cannon (2nd grade teacher), Jenny Urich (EL teacher), Elvia Sanchez (school counselor), Glenn Haupt (school psychologist), Jessica Crawford (art instructional aide), Ken Timmerman (reading interventionist), and Stephanie Elliott (special education paraprofessional). Each is a wonderful addition to our team!

### Drop Off/Pick Up

Students being dropped off should only use the loop on 7th Street. There are two lanes and two gates for students to enter the playground. Please use both lanes and gates to help prevent backing up traffic on 7th Street. Drop off begins at 7:45am. Students arriving after the whistle blows at 8:08 should go to the front office.

### Morning Routine

Students are on the playground before school starts. Students walking or being dropped off should be here at 7:45 or later. Students eating breakfast at school should go straight to the cafeteria when they arrive so they have plenty of time to eat. The doors to the cafeteria open at 7:45. In the event of inclement weather, students will report to their classrooms before school starts.

