



## Willow Elementary

### September Principal's Message

September 16, 2016

Dear Willow Elementary Parents,

This year has started off amazing! Thank you to all of the parents, who attended Back to School Night. We had an excellent turn out. Thank you for your support in working as a team to help prepare our students for success. We are continuing with our goal this year to have students in charge of their own learning by tracking their progress in their "Wolf Tracks" folders. The students have set goals and will be working toward these goals. They will share them with their teachers, who will provide quality feedback and with you at parent/teacher conferences. Ask them at any time to communicate their goals and progress with you. We BELIEVE in our students and our whole Willow Team!

We welcome parent volunteers at Willow. Thanks for all that you do! Please make sure to get the paperwork from the office. The district does background checks on Tuesday and Thursday from 2pm to 4pm. Please call 833-1900 to make an appointment.

Please remind students to pay for lunch in the morning before school.

We love to read at Willow Elementary! We hope that you take some time this month to share with your children some of your favorite books as a family. The 40

Book Challenge form for the library is posted on Peach jar and was sent home with each student

The Willow Elementary Community Council will meet for the first time on September 13. This year we had two open positions on our community council for parents, who were interested in serving as voting members of the committee. Two people expressed interest before the deadline in that position. Therefore, the positions has been filled. Anyone interested in attending community council meetings, please see the schedule below and posted on the website. Your community council parent members and their email addresses are:

Parent members are:

Ann Staley                      [ann3staley@gmail.com](mailto:ann3staley@gmail.com)

Jolene Mulford                [blackfootair@yahoo.com](mailto:blackfootair@yahoo.com)

Julie Hartley Moore         [julie.hartley@usu.edu](mailto:julie.hartley@usu.edu)

Shannon Mower               [gsmower@netzero.com](mailto:gsmower@netzero.com)

School Members:

Teacher –to be announced

Angie Gillette, Principal       [agillette@tooeleschools.org](mailto:agillette@tooeleschools.org)

Contact information for community council members may also be found on the Willow Elementary School website and at [schoollandtrust.org](http://schoollandtrust.org).

Dates of meetings for the school year are:

All meetings are held in the school media center beginning at 4:00 p.m.

September 13, 2016

October 11, 2016

November 8, 2016

January 10, 2017

March 7, 2017

May 9, 2017

Scheduled meetings, agendas, and minutes from the meetings may also be accessed on the school website.

School Safety is always a priority. Please remember to use the crosswalk in front of the school during drop off and pick up times. It is not safe to walk between cars. Help us with the safety of all of our students. **Also, please remember to drive all the way through to the front of the building to drop your student off before and after school.**

**My goal is to keep you informed. Please watch for announcements on our website, Peachjar, Facebook,** our school marquee, PTA email list, and the bulletin board at Soelbergs.

I am including some dates of upcoming events.

September 13	Community Council and School Board Meeting
September 27	Picture day
October 6	PTA Carnival 5-8 PM
<b>October 7</b>	<b>No School for students-Tehtoberfest</b>
October 14-27	ELA and Math Benchmarks grades 3-6
<b>October 20-21</b>	<b>No school for students,</b> Utah Teacher Convention
October 27	Term Ends
<b>October 28</b>	<b>No School for students</b> Teacher Professional Development
November 1	Flu Clinic
November 2 & 3	Parent/Teacher Conferences

Starting the first week in October we will have the "Student of the Month to Howl About" signs coming home to those students doing an outstanding job. The most improved students will have a "picnic with the principal" on the last Wednesday of the month. **New this year "My Principal Believes in Me...We Howl" buttons.** Please watch/listen for your student to tell you when they have earned one of these for doing an outstanding job. When they earn one I would like them to wear it every day of the year!

Thank-you parents for working with us to make Willow Elementary a school of academic excellence. I BELIEVE in our students!

Sincerely,

Angie Gillette

Principal of Willow Elementary

