



August 11, 2022

6th Street SW Now Open to Traffic

Happy to report that 6th Street SW south of 76th Avenue is now open to traffic! The 6th Street SW, south of 76th Avenue project included pavement reconstruction and access to new development via a roundabout, new sidewalk and trail, additional turn lanes, utility upgrades, and new trees and plantings.

Busing Information Now Available

Attention Parents, your child's busing information for the 2022-23 school year is now available on-line. Please utilize Campus Portal and your username and password for viewing your child's busing information. We made many changes to routes, stop locations, and bus numbers over the summer. It is very important that you take a look at this information at this time to verify if everything is correct. Please talk with your student(s) regarding their new busing information to help make the first days of school flow smoothly.

Daycare, High School, and Open Enrolled busing must be set up every year, it does not carry over. If you need to set up daycare, high school, or open enrolled transportation please visit the transportation page at:

- www.crprairie.org
- Click on Menu
- Click on Transportation

Requests for transportation must be made prior to August 12, 2022 to ensure a ride on the first day of school. If you have any questions, please contact the Transportation Department at 319-848-5204.

Internet Speed

As you all know, fast internet speeds are critical to a modern education. That is why the State Office of the Chief Information Officer is working with stakeholders to identify areas needing upgrades to information infrastructure. Fast internet speeds are needed for students to study, do their homework, and gain the skills they need for their futures. Many areas in Iowa still lack access to high speed Internet that is needed for tasks such as video calls.

If you have troubles with Internet connectivity, make sure to take the Internet Speed Test from the Iowa Chief Information Officer linked below. The results will help determine where investments in upgrades will go. The deadline to complete the speed test is September 1.

Link: <https://ocio.iowa.gov/broadband-availability-map-version-5>

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow!

We are looking forward to welcoming students back for the first day of school!

- The first day of school for K-12 students is August 23.
- Preschoolers start on August 30.

Research shows that attendance in the **first 30 days** of school sets the stage for the rest of the year. If you need assistance with starting the school year on time, we want to help. Please reach out to your school's principal(s), building facilitator, or counselor.

At College Community, we are striving to increase the number of students who are present at school for over 90% of school days. Consistent attendance sets predictable, healthy routines that students can carry with them throughout school and after graduation. Attend today, achieve tomorrow!

Breakfast & Lunch

Legislators did not extend free meals for all children for the 2022-23 school year. We will return to charging for meals as we did before the pandemic.

Meal Prices:

- Breakfast for Grades K-12: \$1.95. Adult \$2.30
- Lunch for Grades: K-4 \$2.95, 5-6 \$3.05, 7-12 \$3.20, Adult \$4.15
- Milk: \$0.50 (1 carton of milk is included with a meal.)
- Students approved for reduced price meals: \$0.30 for breakfast, \$0.40 for lunch. Snacks, beverages (including milk), and additional meal items are available for purchase at all grade levels. If a student would like to purchase these items, their meal account must have enough funds to cover the cost. Creek limits these purchases to 2 items. Spending limits may be set for all students in the Total Access Parent [Portal](#).

If you feel that your household may qualify for free or reduced price meal benefits, please complete the online application [here](#). Printable forms or paper forms are also available. Contact Ginny Scott by phone at 319-848-5337 or email vscott@crprairie.org for more information or assistance. A new application for your household needs to be completed each year. (One application per household.) Free and reduced status is confidential and protected by federal law. This information can only be shared with your consent. Please do not hesitate to apply.

We are returning to real trays and silverware as fast as possible but due to product shortages and staff shortages, we may not be able to make the switch for everyone at the same time. Also, to help us keep enough trays and silverware on hand, please remind your children not to throw away their tray or silverware. If silverware comes home in a lunch box, please send it back to us. We appreciate your help!!

New at Point: We will now offer more choices for lunch each day. We will have a traditional line, pizza line, grille line, and sub/salad line.

If you are looking for more information such as menus (coming soon), Total Access, and other forms for Food & Nutrition, visit our [page](#).

[USDA & Iowa Nondiscrimination Statements](#)

Annual Notices Posted

Each year school districts are required to give public notifications regarding annual notices. School, state and federal notices are posted on our district homepage, www.crprairie.org. Click the menu button and Annual Notices are also posted under District.