



# Wolf Tracks

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Rawson Elementary

Hello Rawson Families!

As you all know, November is the month of giving thanks. Here at Rawson I have much to be thankful for.

## Important Dates!

11/3	Early Release 11:45 NO LUNCH
11/6	NO SCHOOL
11/7 - 11/17	STUFF THE BUS FOOD DRIVE
11/14	Math Drop in Day
11/17	1st Trimester Ends
11/18	Barnes & Noble Bookfair
11/21	End of 1st Trimester
11/22-11/24	NO SCHOOL
12/6	PTO Meeting 6:00
12/8	1st Trimester Report Cards
12/25 - 1/1	NO SCHOOL Winter Break

- I am thankful for the supportive staff that I have the honor of working with on a daily basis.
- I am thankful for the energetic group of students that grace our hallways.
- I am thankful for the families and friends of Rawson Elementary, who continue to provide support to our students and staff throughout the school year.
- I am thankful for our school district as it strives to continually acknowledge and support the learning needs of each and every child.
- I am thankful for our South Milwaukee community as we continually strive for growth and progress in moving our community forward.

As I reflect and share the items that I am thankful for, I would ask that you do the same.

### What are you thankful for this holiday season?

If an item that you are grateful for includes / concerns another person, make sure you share your thinking ... you never know how powerful, timely, and important a kind message might be in another person's day.

**A little thought and a little kindness  
are often worth more than a great deal of money.  
- John Ruskin -**

Happy Holidays!

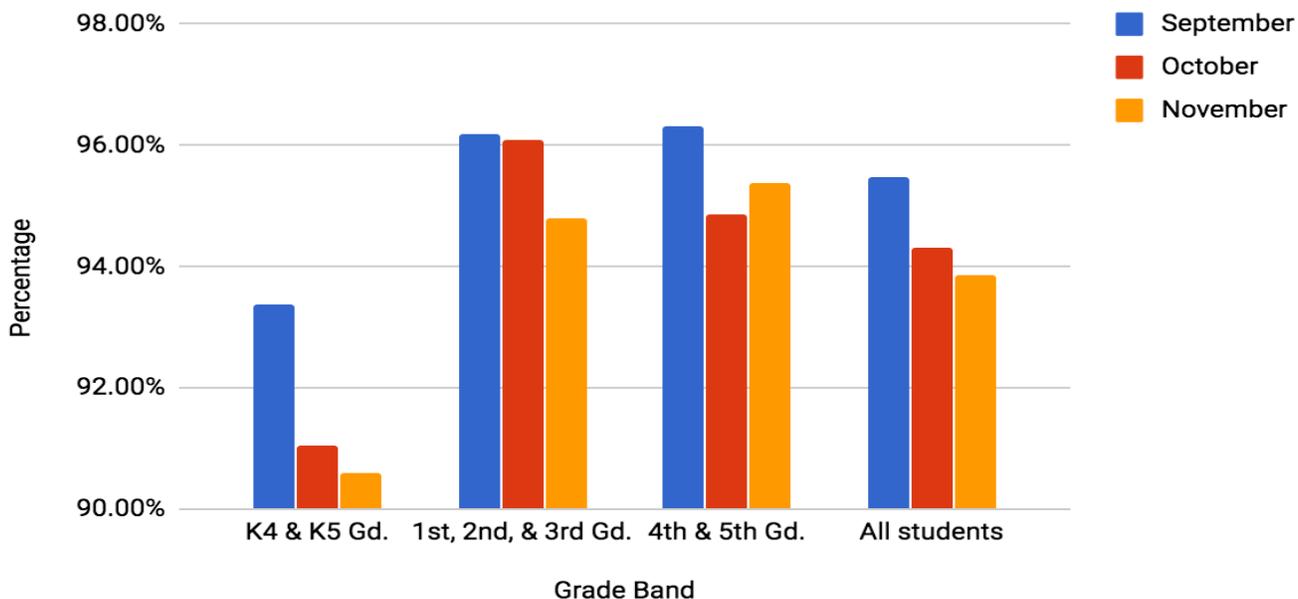
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## Rawson Student Attendance

Curious about what attendance looks like at Rawson Elementary on a monthly basis? Here is a quick visual to help you get an idea!

### Rawson Student Attendance



As you can see, our student attendance percentage has declined each month for almost every grade band since the start of the year. Please be sure that your child attends school each and every day that they are able.

For information with regard to the SDSM student attendance policy, please refer to the SDSM Student Handbook, page 7. (To locate the Student Handbook please go to our school website, <http://www.sdsm.k12.wi.us/schools/rawson/> and click on "Student Handbook" in the menu on the left. If you require assistance with locating our Student Handbook, please contact the Rawson Elementary School office at 414-766-2904.)

## News from Mrs. Cosgrove, GT Coordinator

I hope everyone has had a wonderful fall! The year seems to be flying by, and as we approach December and January, I want to make you aware of some upcoming opportunities. The **Geography Bee** is an enrichment opportunity available to any student in grades 4 and 5. At Rawson, we will hold two required practice sessions for any interested 4th or 5th grader on December 11th and December 18th. The Geography Bee is scheduled for Monday, January 29th at 1:00 pm. **Spelling Bees** are also coming up following Winter Break! This is especially true for 5th-8th graders who will have the chance to qualify for the District Spelling Bee, held on January 23rd at 1:30. For more information on GT news and happenings, please check out the link on your elementary school's home webpage or contact Mrs. Cosgrove at [jcosgrove@sdsd.k12.wi.us](mailto:jcosgrove@sdsd.k12.wi.us). Thank you!

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## OFFICE NEWS

### HAVE YOU MOVED? HAVE YOUR PHONE NUMBERS CHANGED?

### HAS YOUR CHILD'S EMERGENCY CONTACTS CHANGED?

If you have had changes in any of your contact information please be sure to stop in the office as soon as possible so we can update your child's records. It is very important for us to be able to reach you if your child is sick or gets hurt here, or there is an emergency situation here at school.

The **Phone number** for Rawson Elementary School is 766-2904. If your child will not be attending school or will be late to school it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to contact the office, **prior** to the start of school. You can leave a message on the voicemail telling us why your child will not be at school. By doing this we will (1) know your child is suppose to be absent (2) we will know your child is safe (3) we will be able to properly mark your child's school attendance record and (4) we will not have to contact you at work.

**If your child has an appointment that will get them to school late or having them leave early we need an excuse from the doctor or dentist to mark the absence as medical.**

**If your child is going to be late and would like hot lunch, the office needs to know this by 8:45 for the child to be included in the hot lunch count.**



Please send a change of clothes with your child to keep in his/her locker. Accidents of all sorts can happen at anytime and the office does not always have extra clothing. This will prevent us from having to call you at home or work.




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### DROP YOUR EYEGLASSES IN LIONS COLLECTION BOX LOCATED IN OUR FRONT HALL Free for You - Priceless to Them

Imagine if you could help a child read. An adult succeed in his job. A senior maintain her independence. And provide a community with more opportunities to grow and thrive. Everyday, our recycled eyeglass programs do all of this and more. Here's how you can help. Drop off your old eyewear at our Lions-sponsored collection box in the front hall.

### Breakfast/Lunch Accounts

The Rawson office can not look at the balance of your child's account. You can do that by going to [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com). You will need your child's ID number. You can stop in or call the Rawson office at 766-2904. Once you have an online account you can check the balance and make deposits on line. Deposits can still be sent with your child to school in an envelope marked "Lunch Money" with the students name, grade and amount being deposited. The cashier will pick up your deposits from the office mid-morning.