



# Slade Elementary School

Albany County School District #1

**Believe to Achieve!**

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### Congratulations Slade Eagles!

On Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, Slade Elementary School was designated an **Exemplary High Performing National Blue Ribbon School for 2020!** Slade is one of 367 schools in the nation and one of two schools in the state of Wyoming to earn this honor for the 2020 school year.



In December of 2019, the Wyoming Department of Education contacted Slade Elementary to encourage the school to apply for this award based on consistent high achievement data at the state level. The Slade Leadership team met in January and February to work on the application. The application for the Blue Ribbon Award was submitted in April.

We are very proud of the hard work and commitment our students, teachers, and families that contributed to the success of ALL Slade students. Way to go Slade Eagles!

### Daily Drop-off and Pick-Up Success:

Thank you to all of our families, day care providers, and bus drivers for making drop-off and pick-up times run more smoothly.

You may have noticed that there is now a bell that rings just before 8:00 am that signals the start of our drop off time. The bell indicates that students may come on campus and head to their classroom doors. Thank you for holding your child(ren) in the car until this bell rings. Your help in this matter supports our teachers as they prepare for the day.

The tardy bells rings at 8:20 am. Please drop your child(ren) off at the front door if it is after 8:20 am.

Afterschool there is now a bell that rings at 2:45 pm to dismiss our bus and daycare van riders. At 2:50 pm a second bell rings to dismiss all students who are being picked up or walking home. This process has helped the buses leave around 2:50 pm and makes Sully Street much easier to navigate to pick up kids.

### There is Magic in Those Cones:

For the last few weeks we have been using green and orange cones to make pick-up and drop-off zones. This seems to work well and we plan to continue to mark these locations.

### A Change in School Meal Options:



Continuing into the month of October, and possibly longer, the school district is utilizing a Federal Meals program to provide breakfast and lunch to students free of charge. The changes include:

- Breakfast will consist of a cold entrée and white milk
- Lunch will consist of 1 option and will alternate days of a hot or cold entree with a fruit and vegetable and a chocolate milk.
- Ala carte items or drinks are not available for purchase.

### Free and Reduced Lunch Applications:

We still need families to complete the **Free and Reduced Lunch application**. [This information is a key part of our school funding.](#) Also, when the lunch program described above ends, all families will revert back to their paid, free or reduced status.

Here is the link to the application form:

[Free and Reduced Lunch Application](#)