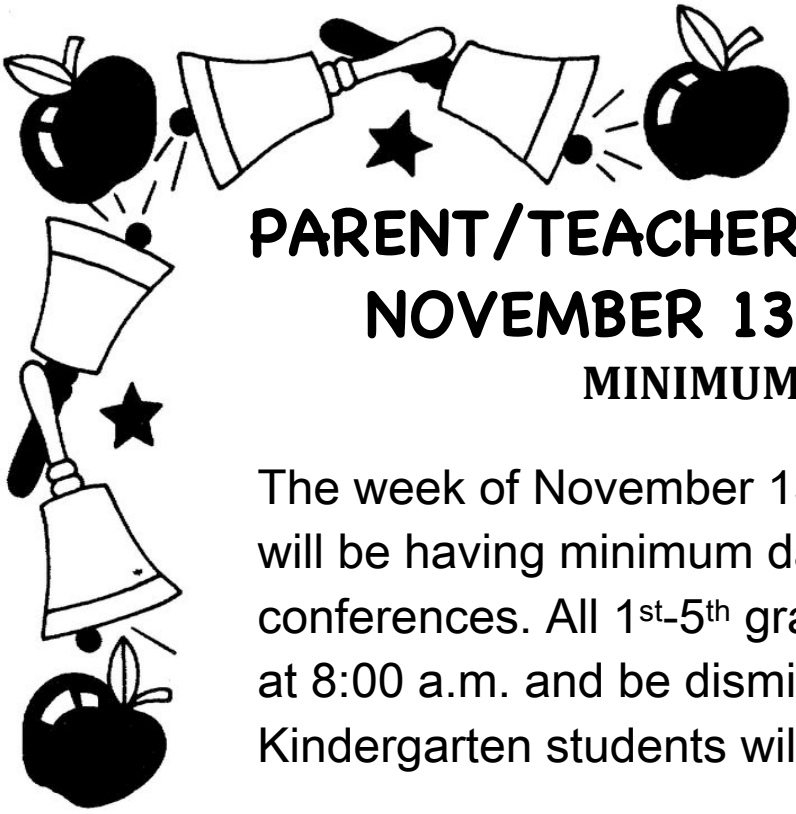

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES
NOVEMBER 13 – 16, 2012
MINIMUM DAYS

The week of November 13-16, the Elementary School will be having minimum days for parent/teacher conferences. All 1st-5th grades students will start school at 8:00 a.m. and be dismissed at 12:30 p.m. All Kindergarten students will attend their normal schedule.

Tips for a successful conference

- **Plan for it.** Write out questions you would like to ask. Some suggestions are: Does my child get along with others? How is my child behaving? Is my child at the level you expect in all areas of the curriculum?

- **Keep an open mind.** Cooperation between you and your child's teacher is the goal. Should something be said that you don't agree with-keep an open mind, listen, and discuss it.

- **Ask to see your child's work.** This is one of the best ways to see how your child is progressing.

- **Ask for suggestions.** If your child is doing well you will want to know how to maintain that progress. If there are problems, ask how you can help.

- **Clarify and summarize as you go.** Make sure you understand fully everything the teacher is saying. If you don't, then be sure to ask.

- **Be an advocate**. You are your child's best advocate. Make sure you understand what is said and the best way to assist with your child's education. Translators are provided for parents who do not understand English. If you feel bringing someone else in to translate helps to assure you that your child's best interests are fully represented, please let us know.