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**First Day of
School is
Sept. 7th!**

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If you know your party's ext. **Press 1**

Office **Press 2**
Nurse **Press 3**

Guidance **Press 4**

Media Ctr. **Press 5**

Absence Line **Press 6**

Allen Info. **Press 7**
District Office **609-654-6416**

Emergency Closing Number:
668

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Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that we are completing the end of the 2005-2006 School Year and what an exciting time it has been! So many great things have happened at Allen School. Our children are excelling in the classroom and they have been exposed to a variety of activities. New programs such as the KC3 Positive Label Program and the recess running program have been extremely successful.

As we plan for the closing of school, please note that our last day is Tuesday, June 20th and it will be an early dismissal at 1:05 p.m. We will be having "Move Up Day" in grades K-4 on the 20th. Students will be given their teacher's name for the next year and they will visit their new classroom for thirty minutes. This will enable them to meet their new classmates and interact with their teacher.

Look for the Summer Reading List on the District and School Web Site in the near future. A letter explaining Medford's summer reading program will be included in your child's last report card.

On behalf of our entire Allen School Community, I would like to express my thanks for all the time and effort our volunteers have given for the benefit of our students. You have been instrumental in organizing many activities such as the skating parties, starting the running program, monitoring the media center, planning alternative lunch activities, organizing dances, facilitating parent activities, sponsoring an ice cream party, helping in classrooms, and participating in many other opportunities. Our volunteers are an integral part of our Allen School program. We recognize and appreciate all your efforts. Please accept our heartfelt thanks for all that you do.

Congratulations Fifth Graders on a job well done and best of luck at Haines School! To our returning "Gators", we look forward to great things in 06/07!

Have a happy and safe summer. See you in September!

Christine G. Pukenas
Principal

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2006-2007 School Calendar

Next Year will be packed full of great happenings at Allen! Take a sneak peek at next year's Calendar!

[Check out the 2006-2007 Allen School Calendar!](#)

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Teacher Bios, Supply Lists, and Summer Reading!

Learn a little about your upcoming teacher, stock up your school supplies, and “read up” on your summer reading! [Disclaimer](#)

Kindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Incoming Kindergartners: Read about the Kindergarten Teachers!
1st Grade	Incoming 1 st Graders: Get info. on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• your summer book with activities• 1st Grade Teachers,• your supply list!
2nd Grade	Incoming 2 nd Graders: Get info. on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• your summer book with activities• 2nd Grade Teachers,• your supply list!
3rd Grade	Incoming 3rd Graders: Get info. on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• your summer book with activities• 3rd Grade Teachers,• your supply list!
4th Grade	Incoming 4 th Graders: Get info. on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• your summer book with activities• 4th Grade Teachers,• your supply list!
5th Grade	Incoming 5 th Graders: Get info. on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• your summer book (and printable Readigator with questions!) with activities• 5th Grade Teachers,• your supply list!

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What's New on Allen's Website?

The Allen School website changes often! Make sure you check it daily! [Disclaimer](#)

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Learning Links for Kids

These are some great sites with ideas to prevent the dreaded “summer slide” [Disclaimer](#)

- [Teacher First: Student Activities for the Summer \(Grades K-5\)](#) “*Summer is a time for fun and relaxing, but you don't want your brain to turn into mush either. Here are some fun ideas you can try that will give your mind a little exercise.*”
- [Summer Reading Tips for Parents \(Grades K-5\)](#) “*Experts agree: Children who read during the summer gain reading skills, while those who do not often experience learning losses. Kids across the nation are sure to find reading enticing this summer with these tips.*” [Enter the “Summer](#)

[Reading is Out of This World" Reading Contest for your chance to win a Target Gift Card!](#)

- **[My Cyberchase Summer: Math](#) (Grade K-5) This is a great site from PBS with awesome ideas on how to "play math all summer long." There are many fun printable math activities to do in the car, on a plane, or just about anywhere.**
- **[Science in the Summer](#) (Grades K-5) This is another wonderful site with "cool science activities for hot summer days." Kids can experiment with frozen water, create a rock and roll band, make a crystal garden, and so much more!**
- **For more great sites and ideas on preventing the summer slide, take a look at the [June 2005 Newsletter!](#)**

[For more fun links and resources click here!](#)

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