



## About Castelar

Colors: Red & Black  
Mascot: Cardinal

### Castelar Cardinal Pledge

*I promise to do all that I can, to respect myself and others, and to achieve my very best. Cardinals~ Determined to Succeed!*

8:35 Breakfast

8:50 Instruction Begins

4:05 Dismissal

Principal: Mrs. Vargas

Assistant Principal: Mr. Kaldahl

Secretaries: Ms. Vega & Ms. Ledesma

Bilingual Liaison: Mr. Vega

(531) 299-1160

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### Mission Statement

The Castelar community  
inspires life-long learners  
in achieving excellence!

La comunidad de Castelar inspira  
a los estudiantes hacia el aprendizaje  
continuo para alcanzar la excelencia.



## Homework Expectations

Thank you for your commitment to ensuring your student completes their homework each night. By partnering together, your student will achieve excellence!

#### Daily Homework:

1. Read **20 minutes** each night.
2. Practice math facts 10 minutes each night

#### Weekly Homework

Math practice will be sent home.  
Additional Homework will be sent as needed.

Homework will be noted in student agenda.



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Every Student. Every Day. Prepared for Success.

# Welcome to 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

## Meet Your 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Team

**Ms. Venditte** – Room 117

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BS Degree in Business-  
Creighton

Masters Degree in Education-  
Creighton

Partial Early Childhood

**Paraprofessional: Ms. Steele**

# Castelar Elementary

## School-wide Expectations

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible



## School-Wide Behavior Plan

- Step 1 – Corrective Feedback/ Reteaching
- Step 2 – Think Time Sheet
- Step 3—Phone Call Home
- Step 4 – PAC Room Referral
- Step 5 – Office Referral

## What to Expect in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

**Reading:** Students will read and comprehend second grade level reading material.

- Identify Main Idea and Details
- Retell the characters, setting, problem, and solution of a story
- Make connections about the reading to my self, my experiences, and my world.
- Know 200 or more sight words

**Writing:** Students will write a story with a beginning, middle, and end or a main idea and four supporting details.

**Math:** Students will use numbers and shapes to solve second grade-level problems.

- Add and subtract 2 and 3-digit numbers.
- Identify and describe shapes, money, and time.

**Science:** Students will describe interdependent relationships in ecosystems, plants and animals, habitats, processes that shape the earth, structure and properties of matter.

**Social Studies:** Students will explore citizenship and community, geography, natural resources, and historical events.

## Grading Scores

Above Grade Level	4 = Advanced
On Grade Level	3= Proficient 2= Basic
Below Grade Level	1= Below Basic 0= Beginning

## Assessments

- Sept./Oct. & Apr./May: Benchmarking
- Sept. & Jan. & May: MAP
- Oct./Nov. Inview
- Feb./March ELPA21 – ESL students only
- Throughout the year: Chapter and Unit Assessments
- Bi-weekly: Reading Running Records

## Report Cards:

Grading scores and assessments will be used to determine proficiency levels each quarter. Parents are invited to conferences in October and March to discuss student progress and determine goals to reach grade level by May.

## School Procedures

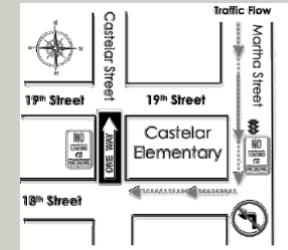
**Arrival:** At 8:35 a.m., all students will enter the southwest doors of the

cafeteria for Grab-N-Go breakfast.

Students will eat in their classroom.

**Dismissal:** At 4:05 p.m., please be sure your student knows how

they will be getting home. Please follow the flow of traffic described in the diagram. *If the regular dismissal needs to be changed, please contact the office by 2:00.*



**Lunch:** We eat lunch at 12:05 you are welcome to eat lunch with your student after signing in at the office.

**Absences:** Please call the office to report an absence. Being at school everyday is important and is responsible for growth. completing work missed during the absence at 531.299.1160

**Volunteers:** Parent volunteers are teacher or Mr. Vega at least one week welcome. Please arrange times with the ahead of time. All volunteers must fill out a volunteer form online.

**Special Notes:** Only store bought and healthy treats may be given to the class for special celebrations or birthdays. Contact the teacher before sending any snacks. Please look for the list of allowable items in the school handbook.