

Spencer Brook Schoolhouse 6978 305th Ln NW Princeton, MN

Dear Friends of Spencer Brook,

It's that time for us to travel back in time and experience Spencer Brook Pioneer School Summer 2025! Your teacher will be Ms. Erika Knight. Our session runs Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Students in grades 1-8 and over age six are eligible for enrollment.

Our school day starts with the flag pledge, reading outdoors, arithmetic, spelling, history, science, and practicing plays and poems. Students and parents are encouraged to bring home items for show and tell. Suggested items include old pictures, wood tools, and any items that engage our students in learning about history. All craft and project materials will be supplied and various outdoor activities. Students should bring two sharpened pencils.

We ask that students dress in old-fashioned clothing. In 1904, girls would have worn long skirts or dresses and a bonnet or straw hat to keep the sun off their faces. Boys would have worn overalls, jeans, t-shirts, suspenders, and hats. Check your local thrift stores for fun and inexpensive ways to dress your student(s). Modern tennis shoes are ok as the students will be running around outside. In keeping with the theme and time of 1904, please be sure students do not wear shirts or other clothing with modern logos or writing.

Students should bring their lunch in an old lunch pail or basket. Food items can be wrapped in wax paper and tied with a string. Glass jars of water or lemonade are encouraged and can be wrapped in foil to keep chilled. Please no pre-packaged food items. Restrooms are available at the neighboring town hall.

Families and friends are invited to a program by the students at the end of the session on Friday at 10:30. In previous sessions, students have had a spelling bee, sang songs, and shared artwork or poems. On Friday, Families are encouraged to bring a blanket, a picnic lunch, and a favorite outdoor game. The schoolhouse will be available and open for tours and photos on the last day.

We are thrilled that you chose to be part of a wonderful tradition at Spencer Brook School. Your support is greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Erika Knight by phone at 612-232-1255 or email at erikajeanknight@gmail.com.