

This is Ms. Krapfl hoping this finds you healthy! If you do not hear all of this message you can visit our school website where all principal calls are posted for you to read. This call is full of information to help guide you as our focus has been on preparing for the safest school year. Our staff returns during the week of August 17<sup>th</sup> and every teacher will be reaching out to their families, whether students are attending traditional school or MySchoolOnline you will hear from your child's teacher with important details. On August 20<sup>th</sup> MySchoolOnline families can come through our car loop from 1 to 3 pm to receive resources in order for your child to learn from home. Teachers will prepare textbooks and other materials and we do have limited devices for those families in need. Current supply lists can be found on our school website and MySchoolOnline students will also need the same supplies. Drinking fountains will be open for use and are not allowed to be shut down, we would highly encourage adding a purchase of a personal labeled water bottle that would diminish the amount of visits to a community water source. All families, staff, and students will be expected to wear a face covering or mask when coming on campus. This week we will be mailing home 1 mask and 1 lanyard to all **traditional** students. Students can wear their own specially designed masks, but this 1 is just to get you started. Please put them on your child's face before arriving on campus the first day of school and the lanyard will help them keep their mask near their own body when they can take them off.

A few Campus changes that you need to know are as follows;

- Parents are no longer allowed to walk students to their classrooms the first week of school. I know this is not our normal process, but to keep our students, staff and families healthy we feel this is the safest way to begin. Teachers will be letting you know which buildings are designated for each grade level and each team has some sort of animal mascot printed on large posters for students to find their way on the first day of school, as well as each teacher door will have the same mascot and the teacher name. The first two days we will allow one kindergarten family member only to escort your child to the classroom door.
- Walking families can still walk up to the outside gates and wait for the bell to ring at 8:20 each morning and again at 3:08 pm in the afternoon. We do ask that you socially distance while you wait and try not to arrive too early. The 8:20 bell is a new time, which is when teachers will be standing at their doors greeting students. Breakfast this year is a grab and go breakfast for students choosing to eat. They will arrive, go directly to the cafeteria, then eat at their seats in their classroom. The school day has been extended due to the delayed 2 week start. Students will be dismissed each day at 3:08 pm, which means the car rider gates will not open until 2:45.
- Our staff will not be opening car doors this year in the car loop as this would increase us transferring germs from car to car. Please practice with your child opening and closing their own car door or you as their parent can get out of the car to open the door. Top priority is all parents to check the parent portal and have the most up to date information. You can do this right now and directions will be mailed home this week if you forgot how to log in. Parent Portal is also where you will complete all legal documents that normally are completed during Meet the Teacher day. You can pay school fees on your parent portal as well. All students that are NOT riding the bus will receive one car tag in the mail this week, even if this is not your primary way to dismiss

as you might chose to use our car loop during rainy days. If you need more than 1 car tag you can communicate this to our office and they will come home with your child once school starts.

- Bus passes will be printed at school and mailed home next week, but you can print your own from the Parent Portal as well.
- Visitors will be by appointments only and volunteers will be very limited on campus for the first half of the year. This will be revisited in semester 2
- Families are not allowed to join your children for lunchtime, again this will be revisited as the situation changes.

As you plan for school to resume, I am asking that you make your final decision of how your child will attend school. On August 20<sup>th</sup> the district will be freezing any changes and it's so important that I have accurate decisions in order to have my teachers prepare for the different ways of teaching. You can update your choice just by calling the school at 727-774-8900. I know this is not an easy decision, but try to remember it is only temporary. Again, I want to thank you for your understanding and remind everyone that nobody would choose to begin the school year this way, but we are going to make the very best of the situation and continue on being a constant in your children's lives. Wishing you a peaceful last 2 weeks of summer vacation.