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Dear Parent(s):

We are so excited to welcome all our families back to Brick and Mortar learning this upcoming school year. We invite all our families to come to our Open House "Meet and Greet" day on August 6th from 1:00 pm until 6:00 pm. This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher, complete any paperwork that is needed at the school level, or just come and meet the staff of educator's that make this a great Riverview Elementary School.

At our Open House "Meet and Greet" day we would like every family to do the following before they leave:

- Use the QR code provided to apply for Free and Reduced Lunch, regardless if you think you would qualify or not.
Note: *We are a Title 1 school which provides our students a tremendous amount of resources to support their needs. Our Free and Reduced % determines if we keep our Title 1 status each year.*
- Stop by our Cafeteria and meet some of our local groups who support students each year.
- Go onto hillsboroughschools.org and fill-out a volunteer form.
- Update all your contact information with the office and get your car tags if your child is a car rider or inquire about your bus stop information.
- This is also a great time to consult with the school Nurse regarding any health or medication needs your child may have.
- **Most Importantly:** Finalize with your child's teacher how your child will be getting home from school each day.

Please take note that the first day of school is Tuesday, August 10th. All students should be on-time and in their classroom seats ready to learn by 7:40 am. Last year, we had an increase in the number of students who were tardy. My expectation is that we are now leaving a prior year of COVID-19 challenges, and all families will value the importance of having their child at school by 7:40 am. After the first week of school, a tardy will be unexcused unless an acceptable form of documentation is provided to excuse the late arrival. I will continue with the policy of only having the students on the campus when we open our doors at 7:10 am. This allows all students the opportunity to get to their class on time, have breakfast, and begin instruction at 7:40 am. Parent's who do arrive late will be expected to enter the main office and sign their child into school for the day. Parent's will also be expected to walk their child to the Cafeteria and drop them off with a staff member so they can have a late breakfast before they go to class. Many of our classes will be utilizing the 7:40 am -8:00 am time for daily recess activities.

If you are planning to pick your child up early, you MUST do so no later than 12:25 pm on Early Release Monday's, or 1:25 on Tuesday-Friday. The front area must be shut-down after these times to ensure our buses can arrive and line-up for dismissal.

Many of the forms and procedures we use to keep each child safe and each family actively involved will come home with your child in their "First Day Packet". Please take the time to read the packet very carefully and get familiar with our proven and effective procedures we use daily at Summerfield E.S. Early release day is again on Monday throughout the school year. Students will be released at 12:55 pm each Monday so our teachers can use that extra hour each week to plan exciting and rigorous content lessons for your child.

Sincerely,

Carmine Alfano, Principal