

Sessums Elementary School

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Dear Parents,

August, 2020

Welcome to **TERRELL SESSUMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HOME OF THE STALLIONS!** Thank you for choosing Sessums for the 2020-2021 school year, either in the face-to-face model or our eLearning model. Both our traditional classrooms and eLearning classes will soon be filled with positive energy and new learning. This summer our teachers engaged in numerous virtual professional development trainings to ensure and prepare for continued rigorous, standards driven curriculum for every student. The 2020-2021 school year will be amazing! Sustaining excellence takes both the family and the school working closely together. Please contact the office for assistance or information. We will ensure the appropriate staff member assists you with your needs: 813-672-5230.

As we prepare for our students to return, I understand that you may have concerns around student health and safety. Our District staff is closely monitoring the CDC, State and District guideline to ensure that we provide the safest possible environment for students. Some of the procedures in this letter may be adjusted based on time sensitive CDC/State/District guidelines, but all changes will be communicated to you. I appreciate your understanding and flexibility as we navigate together through the next few weeks and months.

The First Day of School is Monday, August 24: The first week of school is eLearning for all students.

The week of Monday, August 31: students in an eLearning homeroom will continue eLearning – students who are in an on-site homeroom will come back to Sessums Elementary

Student hours are from 7:40am until 12:55 a.m. Monday - for BOTH eLearning and On-site 7:40 a.m. until 1:55 p.m. Tuesday-Friday - for BOTH eLearning and On-site

The front office is open from 7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Breakfast is free Student Lunches are \$2.25

Please ring the buzzer to enter the office. A photo ID is always required.

On-Site Important Information: The district is continuing to monitor the situation with COVID-19. We are following all district and CDC guidelines

**Masks:** All students and staff must wear a mask on campus, unless eating, drinking, or when they are able to social distance. All masks must be appropriate for school and worn over the nose and mouth. Face shields may be worn in addition to masks. Students will receive 3 washable masks from the school. If a student forgets their mask, they will be provided a disposable one for that day only.

**Students only on campus:** At this time, students and staff are only allowed on campus. Students will walk to their classes with a staff adult or on their own. At this time, parents can not sign in to walk students to class in the morning or to have lunch with students.

Birthday: We are excited to help celebrate your child's birthday! At this time, we can not accept or distribute any items from home.

Conferences: At this time, all conferences are via phone or Zoom. Please contact an administrator if you have a concern.

Visitors to Campus: At this time, all visitors must have an appointment. Please call the office at 672-5230 to set up an appointment.

Office: There is limited space for adults in the office, if the office is full, you may have to wait outside to be served. You may always call us.

Arrival/Dismissal: Please see the documents titled: arrival and dismissal – ORANGE Car tags will be handed out August 31 in the PM carline.

Thank you for trusting us with your child! We can't wait for the year to begin!

Sincerely, Mrs. Norgard - Principal