

August 1, 2017

Dear Titan Students and Parents,

We hope that this letter finds you doing well and enjoying your summer. In just under a month, we will be back in the swing of things and school will be in session. During the summer, many people have been working diligently to ensure that we are ready to welcome approximately 1,250 students through our doors when school starts on Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. We look forward to welcoming you and all of your classmates back to school!

As we approach the start of school, we wanted to inform you of several important items, the first of which is Student Orientation. Orientation is an event where students will pick up their class listings (not a schedule, but a list of classes), receive their locker assignment and combination, have an opportunity to add money to their cafeteria account, and purchase PE uniforms for a cost of \$20.00 for a set of shorts and t-shirt. ***Please note that students with any outstanding fees or fines from last school year, and/or any student who has an incomplete immunization record may not receive his/her class listing, locker, or textbooks until their records are cleared.*** Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. Orientation is a come-and-go event; please come at any time during your child's scheduled orientation time (below). Please park in the parking lot on the East (bus ramp) side of the building, and enter through the doors near the bus ramp.

The schedule for Orientation is as follows:

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Wednesday, August 9th (9:00-Noon)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – Tuesday, August 8th (1:00-4:00)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Tuesday, August 8th (9:00-Noon)

Supplies needed for the first day of school include

- Pen or pencil
- Lunch or lunch money
- String bag (roughly 15" x 15")
- School Supply List is on our campus website at [www.fortbendisd.com/slms](http://www.fortbendisd.com/slms); 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents please take note of our AVID Binder pilot project this year, described in the school supply list

First Day of School Reminders

- School Hours: 8:55 (tardy bell) to 4:10 (dismissal)
- Building Hours for Students: 8:15 to 4:20. Students should not arrive before 8:15 AM
- Bike riders should utilize the bike rack near the main entrance off of Seventh Street
- Car riders should only utilize the front circle drive by the main entrance off of Seventh Street
- Bus rider information should arrive at your home soon (if your child is eligible for bus service)
- 6<sup>th</sup> graders will report to the Commons (cafeteria)
- 7<sup>th</sup> graders will report to the Boys' Gym
- 8<sup>th</sup> graders will report to the Girls' Gym

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## Football and Volleyball Information (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students)

Football	Volleyball
Equipment Checkout – August 12 from 8:00-Noon in the Cafeteria  Physicals must be turned in by August 12 in order to receive equipment. Forms may be found on Rank One ( <a href="http://www.rankonesport.com">www.rankonesport.com</a> ) and must be completed prior to receiving equipment, as well. Contact Coach Davila with any questions you may have at <a href="mailto:Christopher.Davila@fortbendisd.com">Christopher.Davila@fortbendisd.com</a>	Tryouts are August 23, 24, and 25 from 6:45 to 8:20 AM each day.  You must have a doctor-completed physical dated after May 1, 2017 on file with Coach Efron in order to try out. Complete all online forms at <a href="http://www.rankonesport.com">www.rankonesport.com</a> prior to trying out. Contact Coach Efron at <a href="mailto:Karen.Efron@fortbendisd.com">Karen.Efron@fortbendisd.com</a> with any questions

### Additional Information

During the first week of school, 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will participate in our “Where Everyone Belongs” (WEB) program to get them adjusted to life in middle school. We will also conduct assemblies with each grade level to demonstrate and model school-wide procedures, as well as to outline our expectations.

### Upcoming Dates to Mark on Your Calendar:

- Parent Coffee with the Principal – Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 AM
- Open House – Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>; more details coming soon

Be sure to visit our campus webpage frequently at <http://www.fortbendisd.com/slms>, and follow us on Twitter at @SugarLandMS. We look forward to working with you and your family this year as we strive to make it the best year yet. Do not hesitate to contact us at the school any time you have a question, concern, or compliment. We may be reached at (281) 634-3080. See you soon!

- The SLMS Administrative Team

Keith Fickel, Principal

Monika Martin, Associate Principal (8<sup>th</sup> Grade AP)

Luster Goodwin, Assistant Principal (7<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Sarah Brown, Assistant Principal (6<sup>th</sup> Grade)