

August 13, 2018

Dear Titan Parents and Guardians,

It is almost here! The start of the 2018-19 school year is this Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, and we are excited to have your children join us for a wonderful year of growth in academics and social/emotional learning. Our building continues to undergo some construction, and will for some time. Thank you for your patience and understanding with this. Note that once school starts, workers will work after hours and on weekends in order to keep students safe. Please take a moment to review the first-day reminders below so that you and your children have a smooth launch to the school year.

Everything you wanted to know about starting the school year may be found on our [Back-To-School Webpage](#). Here are a few of the important highlights for the first day...

### **Where Do I Go, and What Do I Do?**

- Building opens at 8:20 AM (outside supervision is not provided until 8:15 AM)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – report to Commons (Cafeteria)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – report to Boys' Gym
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – report to Girls' Gym
- All Students: In each area there will be an alphabetical list of names on the wall. Students will find their name on their grade level list, and then find the name of their first period teacher. Then, the student will go sit at that teacher's table or in that teacher's line, which is marked with the teacher's name.

### **Limited supplies needed for the first day of school**

- Pen or pencil
- Lunch or lunch money
- String bag (roughly 15" x 15")
- Please **DO NOT** bring all of your school supplies on the first day

### **Volleyball and Football Information (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders Only)**

- Visit the [Football and Volleyball campus webpage](#) for details about Volleyball tryouts, Football practice, and athletic physicals, which are required prior to participation. FYI—volleyball tryouts occur after school on the first day of school; please plan ahead

### **First Day of School Reminders**

- Sugar Land MS strives to maintain a welcoming, yet safe environment and to give superior customer service to our community. On the first day of school, *please support our transition process, and allow your middle-schooler to enter the building independently*, unless you are dropping off medication at the clinic or have a pre-arranged meeting. Parents will have the opportunity to visit their child's classes at Open House on September 6<sup>th</sup>
- School Hours: 8:55 (tardy bell) to 4:10 (dismissal)
- Building Hours for Students: 8:20 to 4:20. Students should not arrive to campus before 8:15 AM, as we do not provide supervision until 8:15 AM
- Parents should observe all traffic signage along Seventh Street, as well as remain patient
- Bike riders should utilize the bike rack near the main entrance off of Seventh Street; please walk bikes once arriving on campus property

- Car riders should **only** use the front circle drive by the main entrance off Seventh Street; there are **no left turns** permitted from the front circle drive onto Seventh Street. **No student drop-off/pick-up in any parking lot**
- Bus route information may be found on [this district webpage](#) (if your child is eligible for bus service). Make sure your child knows his/her bus route information

This is going to be a terrific year. The SLMS staff is eager to help your children grow; our theme is Ready, Set, GROW! See you on Wednesday!

- SLMS Titan Family