**Welcome to Clements! 2020-2021**

COMMUNICATIONS:

**PHONES:**

Front Office: 281-634-2150

Clinic: 281-634-2178

Attendance: 281-634-2172. 281-634-2173 or 281-634-4352

Registrar Office: 281-634-2176, Ms. Yurcak; 281-634-2175 Ms. Flores

Counselor Office: 281-634-2171, Mrs. Hein: 281-634-2170 Ms. Clark, 281-634-6765, Ms. Smith

College & Career Center: 281-634-7674

**Marquee:** Great source of quick and reliable school event information posted on the school marque.

**Websites:**

* **District Website:** [www.fortbendisd.com](http://www.fortbendisd.com) - great source of information including the FBISD school calendar, the parent handbook, athletic forms, bus schedules, volunteer registration information, etc.
* **Clements** [www.fortbendisd.com/CHS](http://www.fortbendisd.com/CHS) – faculty/staff emails, important announcements, twitter, and resources
* **Counselor Resources**-Clements website : <https://www.fortbendisd.com/domain/2549>
* **College and Career Readiness Advisor** – Ms. Raven Hollins Crowder <https://www.fortbendisd.com/domain/5069>
* **Skywards Family Access** <https://www.fortbendisd.com/Domain/170>

Sign up first; once in the system you will have access to your studen’ts grades, absences, each notes plus ID and password protected, REMEMBER YOUR ID & PASSWORD.

Students have their own access and can check their grades, absences and sign up for classes each year.

* **Teachers** use Schoology. Contact information and links are on the CHS website. Parents can login to Schoology with their own access. Information is on the CHS website.
* **Volunteer Email** volunteerclements@gmail.com
* **Y.E.S**. (Youths Expanding Services) – <http://chsyes.info> – all needed info and forms

This is a great optional program here at Clements, designed to promote student volunteerism. Students who achieve 100 volunteer hours, (per specific guidelines) receive special recognition and medal at graduation.

* **FINE ARTS, SPORTS, BOOSTERS**
* **Band** <http://clementsband.com>/
* **Choir** <http://clementschoir.com/>
* **FFA** <http://clementsffabc.weebly.com/>
* **NJROTC** <http://clementsnavyjrotc.weebly.com/>
* **Orchestra** <http://chsoboosterclub.weebly.com/>
* **Theater** <https://sites.google.com/view/bluecurtainproductions/home?authuser=0>
* **CHS Athletics**  <https://goclementsfootball.com/>
* Ask your coach or teacher if your group is not listed—all athletic information can be found at the CHS Athletics link above and on the CHS District site: <https://www.fortbendisd.com/domain/2536>
	+ Send additions to volunteerclements@gmail.com

**Information and “How To’s”:**

**Ranger Camp**

* For all new students, August 4, 2020; Times TBD
	+ - Registration is open through Quick Links on the CHS website
			* Select Online Payment Options (Rev Trak) and then Ranger Camp
			* Look for Registration information to be sent
			* Contact Nicole.Kitagawa@fortbendisd.com with questions
* A great way for students to learn all about the campus from staff and peers
* TENTATIVELY: We will hold a parent general information session in library offered by VIPS at drop off.

**First Day of School 2020-2021**

* August 12, 2020: 7:30 am to 2:45 pm, doors open at 6:30 am
* Student’s, advisory room information is posted on several windows
	+ Go to your assigned advisory room (you will receive your schedule)
* Staff members are available to help with directions
	+ Encourage hour students to ask for directions if needed.
	+ You will have a few days before tardies are strictly enforced.

**Getting Here**

* If your student can use the bus, please do so. Efficient and easy!
* Doors open at 6:30 am. Classes start at 7:30. Come early to avoid the carpool lines.
* Cars may drop-off and pick-up students in three ways:
	+ - Front drive, two lines form, the right exits right. The left exits left. For pick up, three lines are used in the curbed area. Cars wait on the left and right side, the middle is used to drive through to exit the circle.
		- Student’s lot, near Sweetwater, enter far right, drop off by auditorium, avoid bus area, exit middle driveway.
		- Teacher lot (left of building), enter far left, form line far right aisle only, exit right only.

Student Parking (**Seniors and Juniors only with permit**).

* + TENTATIVE INFORMATION BASED ON LAST YEAR PRACTICES (THIS COULD CHANGE): Permits go on sale mid-August and need a parent-signed form, DL & Current Insurance. Seniors may pay extra for an assigned spot upon which they paint their name. A drawing to fairly assign and select those spots is done after school one day during the first two weeks.

**What to Expect**

* Textbooks are available using the student’s ID number and barcode system.
	+ Have students memorize their ID number but carry their ID with them to more efficiently check out books
	+ Many books are online only; some books are optional and not automatically issued
	+ Books are distributed within the first two weeks of school; they are collected the last three weeks of school
* Lockers are not automatically provided. You must request a locker. Do this from Mr. Morgante in the attendance office.
* You cannot deliver food to your student for lunch. Students cannot leave campus for lunch or order food. If a student forgets their lunch, they will need to eat from the school cafeteria using their account.
* Photos for ID cards and yearbook will be taken sometime the first week or two.
* High school is an adjustment from middle school! You may have to revisit study habits and homework time. The progress period may come as a shock but students can work to bring up the term grade. Peer tutorials are currently available in the form of PAT Cave during lunch. Pat Cave will start the third or fourth week of school.
* All teachers offer tutorial times. Students are responsible for scheduling tutorials with teachers.
* In November, freshmen are checked for height, weight (confidential) and blood pressure in the clinic.

**Medical**

* Sick: Send in a note the next day, no later than 5 days. Your student takes the note to the attendance office in the far right, back corner of the school.
* Doctor’s Appt: Send in a parent note the same day as the appt., AND GET A DOCTOR NOTE. Submit all no later than five days after the event.
	+ You may park by the attendance office (in the far left corner of the student lot) briefly while picking up your student. You will need an ID to check out your child.
	+ After the appointment, your student must take the doctors’ note to the attendance office to make it an excused absence. Turn in no later than 5 days after the event.
	+ More info on attendance and notes: <https://www.fortbendisd.com/domain/4749>

**THINGS YOU MAY NOT LEARN FROM YOUR STUDENT**

* Daily announcements are done during 3rd period on CTV.
* Discounted football games tickers are on sale the day before and the day of all varsity games during lunch on the stage. Season tickets are available. See FBISD website.

**Open House**

* Usually occurs in September
* Parents are invited to visit their student’s classes for brief talks by each teacher.
	+ Learn about syllabus, conference times, class expectations, grading system.
* Bring your student’s class schedule. If possible, map it out beforehand, as you will have limited time to find the next class.
* Student clubs and many elective classes set up tables in the commons during open house.
* Students are invited to visit with these groups while their parents “attend” class.

**Clubs and Organizations**

Clements has many great after (or before) school clubs and organizations. Your student may show an interest in a club and please encourage this if possible. Joining a club, sport, society, etc., all help students learn new skills, meet other students and develop leadership skills. Review the clubs/organizations on the CHS website. New club applications are currently accepted at the beginning of each term and are available on the CHS website under “Quick Links”.

**Visiting Campus**

* Visitors are welcome for appointments with the teachers, counselors, or other staff.
	+ You MUST enter in through the front door closest to the flag pole and check in.
* Visitors and Volunteer parking areas
	+ - In the front circle drive, spots without designation.
		- You may park in the teacher lot (left side of building), spots without designation.
			* During marching band season in the fall, move cars out before 2:45 pm

Your driver’s license will be scanned on your first visit of each year.

* Wear the printed badge while on campus, and return it to the front office upon leaving.
* If you want to meet specifically with a staff member, make arrangements via email first.

**Volunteering**

* Volunteers are needed and welcomed at Clements
	+ All volunteers first complete an annual criminal history online form at the district’s website

 <https://www.fortbendisd.com/site/Default.aspx?PageID=164>

 (find under Department & Services: Volunteer)

* + - When you receive your approval from FBISD, FORWARD it to volunteerclements@gmail.com and to your booster club representative.
	+ On campus, check in at the front office first. Let them know you are a volunteer.
		- Volunteer hours are totaled and sent to the district monthly.
		- Please estimate your off-campus and after school volunteer time each month and send to your VIP coordinators.
* Here are some ways you can help out.
	+ VIPS (volunteers in public schools) assist staff and teachers with school-wide needs and supply food for hospitality events. If you volunteer in any way, you are a VIP.
		- Email: volunteerclements@gmail.com to get started.
		- When a volunteer is needed you are emailed to sign up if you are available.
	+ Booster clubs support sports, fine arts and some electives.
		- These are all 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations.
		- They are run by a board of volunteers who work closely with the teacher/coach sponsors to support their program.
		- They need many parent volunteers.
* Various clubs and Organizations Occasionally need adult volunteers for chaperones or fundraising.
* PAC (Parent Advisory Council) currently meets monthly on the last Thursday of each month, 12:00 pm, to share information with boosters, VIPS and administration.
* Hospitality – Several volunteers coordinate special days of food and fun for the staff and teachers. If you are on the VIPS distribution, you will receive these emails.