## Parent/Student Newsletter

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#### Parent/Guardian ID Required

REQUIRED

Parents/Guardians visiting the campus for ALL events, picking up a student prior to the end of the school day or picking up a student without the dismissal tag must always show a valid governmentissued photo identification. Your valid government-issued photo identification is required each time you visit the campus.



## Dismissal Tags REQUIRED

Please remember to **ALWAYS** have the student's dismissal tag displayed on the rearview mirror of the car and have in hand when picking up a Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, First and Second grade walkers at the designated area.

All parents must present with dismissal tag during rainy day dismissal and/or emergency pick-up.



#### **Change of Transportation**

9 -2- 2022

For the safety of your child, we can accept notes signed only by parent/guardian or an email from the parent/guardian (Emails must be received from an email address on file in Family Access). Your change of transportation can be sent to attendancetwe@fortbendisd.com NO Phone Calls Will Be Accepted. In an emergency, you may fax your letter to 281-634-4494 before 2:00 pm on the day of the change. Transportation changes CANNOT be accepted over the phone. Exceptions will be only cleared through an administrator. We cannot accept changes to transportation after 2:00 pm. Also, if you need to check out your child for any reason, please do so no later 2:45 p.m.



#### **Student Leaving Early**

Parents/Guardians picking up a student prior to the end of the school day must show a **valid government-issued photo identification**, sign the student out and wait in the designated area for the student. **The child will not be released to anyone except the parent/guardian unless a written note from the parent/guardian with a signature has been received.** A student needing to leave during the school day for appointments should remain in the classroom to maximize instructional time until the parent/guardian arrive(s). School personnel will inform the student that the parent/guardian has arrived.

Students who are not present for the 10:00 a.m. roll call will be marked absent for the day, unless they have a healthcare provider excuse. **No early pickups will be allowed after 2:45 pm**. Please help the front office by minimizing early pickups unless there is an emergency. Students being picked up early on a consistent basis without significant cause will be referred to the Attendance Committee and District Social Worker for truancy.

#### Lunch Visitors

Lunch visitors are limited to two (2) guest per student per lunch visitation day ONLY on the designated days by the campus except on special events such as Grandparent's day. Unusual circumstances must be approved by the campus principal. No school age students and/or sibling allowed. No parent conferences during lunch visits.

#### The designated days for lunch visitors are **Tuesday** and **Thursday** only.



Parents/Guardians visiting for lunch must always have a valid government-issued photo identification. Your valid government-issued photo identification is required each time you visit the campus for lunch. If you do not have your valid government-issued photo identification, you will not be allowed to have lunch with your child(ren).

✓ Student lunches dropped off must be in the office 15 minutes before the students scheduled lunchtime.

Lunch Visits will start Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Pre-Kindergarten	10:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Kindergarten	10:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Frist Grade	10:30 AM – 11:00 AM
Second Grade	11:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Third Grade	11:30 AM – 12:00 NOON
Fourth Grade	12:00 NOON – 12:30 PM
Fifth Grade	12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

# All absence notes: doctor notes and change of transportation should be emailed to:

## attendancetwe@fortbendisd.com

Parents and Guardians have 4 days to turn in an absent note to the attendance office. Please contact the attendance office if you have questions at 281-634-4480.

Absences <b><u>Not</u></b> Excused, but not limited to this	Excused Absences with Supporting
list	Documentation
Out of Town for Vacation	Student Illness' after four or more days
Non-Severe FBISD ISD Weather Days	Doctor's Appointments
Family Weddings	Family Emergencies
Family Members Graduation	Court Appointments
Missed School Bus	Family Hospitalized
Traffic	Funerals
Waking Up Late	Visa/Passport Appointments

Mask wearing at Townewest is **NOT** a requirement but a parent's personal choice. Mask will not be provided if you want your child(ren) to wear a mask please send them to school with their personal mask.





Start Date: Wednesday, August 10, 2022

**End Date** Friday, October 7, 2022

All student assignments and make-up assignments grades are due to the teacher by 3:00 PM

Townewest car rider parents please <u>do not</u> line-up for car rider dismissal using **Kent Towne Lane Street** the residents have complained about their driveways being blocked and parents leaving trash in their yards.

Starting Monday, August 15, 2022 please line-up for car rider dismissal using **Old Towne Lane street coming from the swimming pool area**. We ask that all parents take turns at the stop sign, do not block the resident driveways and/or mailboxes.

Parents of Townewest Walkers should not park on Old Towne Lane because that street will be used for car riders. Parents of Townewest Walkers should be walking to campus not driving to campus.

Thanks in advance for your assistance with this community concern.





Parents of Townewest Walkers,

All parents picking-up a student in grades Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, First Grade and Second Grade out of an abundance of caution and for student safety please form a line at the gate and a staff member will call your child to the gate one at a time.

This will allow our staff the opportunity to ensure all students go home with the correct adult and to easily check dismissal tags.

We made the change on Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at the end of the school day and we apologize for not sending an email before today. All decisions are made to keep our students safe.

Thanks in advance for your continued school support.

### **Campus Arrival and Dismissal Map**

The dismissal area for ALL Sugar-Field Walkers in the grades listed below is under the tree. Students will not be released to a parent waiting at the corner. Parents must have their dismissal tag when they arrive under the tree.

- Pre-Kindergarten •
- Kindergarten •
- First Grade

Started January 2021 Second Grade Richtown Road Car Rider Entry Only Car Rider Exit Only Road Parking Lot with Teacher Cars puor Richer BO The side of the School

The dismissal area for ALL Townewest Walkers in the grades listed below will be the back-gate area. Students will not be released to a parent waiting at the corner. Parents must have their dismissal tag when they arrive under the tree.

- Pre-Kindergarten
- Kindergarten
- First Grade
- Second Grade



The dismissal tag is being used as a safety precaution for our students. The only students that will be released without the dismissal tag are students who walk home alone with an older sibling. If an adult is picking up the

student from the walker areas the dismissal tag is required daily. When a parent does not have the dismissal tag, they should report to the front office with a valid government ID to check the student out. On rainy day dismissal all walker parents will need to present a dismissal tag.



Parents we need your help during **morning arrival** to ensure the safety of your children. We have procedures in place to assist with keeping our students safe but those procedures only work if parents adhere to the procedures.

- 1. Please follow the flow of the car rider traffic.
- 2. Have your child/children ready to pop-out of the car.
- Have all their school items with them.
- Have all items in the backpack/lunch kit and zipped.
- If wearing a mask, the mask should be on when the car door opens.
- Say your good-byes before the car door opens.
- Share your good-bye kisses before the car door opens.
- Please drop your child off at one of the cones during morning arrival.



- 3. Do not park in the staff parking lot our staff need those spots when they arrive to work.
- 4. The front of the building is designated for bus, day care and students with special accommodations **ONLY**.
- 5. Do not park on the side of the street to drop of your child/children we do not have supervision in the area.
- 6. If you are walking your child to school, that means you are walking from home; not parking in front of the school and walking to the door.
- 7. Arrival time is 8:10 AM and
- 8. Breakfast is 7:30 AM 8:00 AM.

When parents change the dismissal procedures, other parents are not happy because it is skipping the line.

It is extremely hot outside for the staff and we are working to get all our students to breakfast and class on time but we need parents to help us.

Parents we also need your help during **dismissal** to ensure the safety of your children. We have procedures in place to assist with keeping our students safe but those procedures only work if parents adhere to the procedures.

- 1. Have your dismissal tag visible in the window until your child/children are in the car.
- 2. When you do not have the dismissal tag please have your valid government issued ID.
- 3. Follow the flow of the car rider line (we only have 1 line).
- 4. Do park on the side of the street to pick-up your child/children the campus dose not have supervision in the area.
- 5. If your child/children are designated as a walker that means they are walking home, or you are walking to campus to pick them up (no car is involved when the student is a walker).
- 6. If the student is in grade third, fourth and fifth they will walk home, or you can meet them at the stop sign. Do **NOT** come to campus.
- 7. If a student is in grade, third, fourth and fifth with a sibling in grades Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, First Grade and Second Grade, they will walk home with the older sibling or you can meet them at the stop sign. Do **NOT** come to campus.
- 8. If your student is in Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, First Grade and Second Grade **without** an older sibling to walk home with, you must meet them near to picnic area with your dismissal tag as a form of identification.

- 9. Do not park in front of the school to walk on campus to pick-up your student. A walker is a student walking home or the parent walking to pick-up the student.
- 10. If you drive and park, you will need to make your child a car rider.
- 11. All car rider parents please follow the traffic flow; do not cut the line; do not block the driveways of our school neighbors and please be kind!
- 12. Dismissal time is 3:25 PM please be present and on time.





The TWE Book Fair is scheduled for Sept. 21-28 for students only.

Parents are invited to attend the Book Fair on Thursday, September 22, 2022 from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

## Monday, September 5, 2022 Holiday No School



#### Wednesday, September 7, 2022 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM



#### School T-Shirt Order Reminder:

This is the last chance to order Townewest School T-shirts. You can place your order through the school WebStore. The last day is this Sunday, Sept 5th.

\$15.50

Extra shirts will not be ordered.

Don't delay. Place your order now.





### **TWE Curriculum Night**

Date: Thursday, October 20, 2022

Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

More Information Coming Soon!





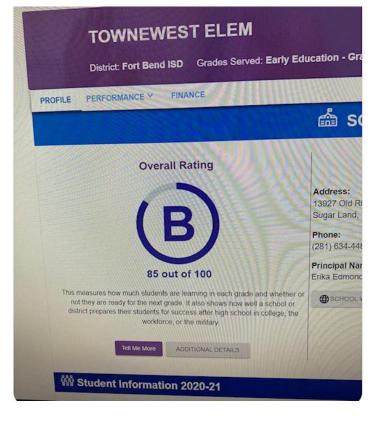


Our 4<sup>th</sup> grade **Scholar David Lopez** stopped to bring his 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teachers Hot Donuts! He made their day.

Thank YOU to the parents of Scholar Penelope Vasquez for treating the front office staff to HOT Donuts. We appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness.



**Chase Bank** stopped by to donate school supplies to out campus.



TWE received a (B) rating for the 2021-2022 school year! We are working HARD to maintain our B rating or move to an A rating for the 2022-2023 school year!

Students attending school daily will help us reach our goal.

At Townewest our mission is to develop excellence in each student in a safe and innovative learning environment!



## WE ARE OPEN and here for you

LATEST UPDATES



Greetings Townewest Families! This month our Texans are learning all about TRUST. Students will learn about people that they can trust and where they should go if they ever need help. This falls in line with the FBISD Profile of a Graduate traits: a servant leader, an effective communicator, a collaborative team member, and equipped with skills for life. They will learn about TRUST through literature and activities and be able to apply it to their lives.



This month 3rd-5th grade students will also be learning about the TalkLine. TalkLine provides a safe outlet for students who are experiencing serious emotional or behavioral issues. The hotline is answered by trained professionals 24/7.



Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns, we will gladly help!

TWE School Counseling Year At-A-Glance

Click the link below if you would like more information on this year's Programs.



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Kelly Summerville (281) 634-4485 kelly.summerville@fortbendisd.com If possible, please donate Lysol and Clorox Wipes to our classrooms to help keep away COVID19 and other germs while keeping our students safe and classroom clean. (*This is not a requirement but highly recommended and would be greatly appreciated*)

Thank you in advance for your help!





This message is sent on behalf of the Child Nutrition Department.

## INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS



At the conclusion of the 2021-22 school year, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) waiver that allowed all students to receive free meals expired, and beginning in the 2022-23 school year, breakfast and lunch meals will once again be available for purchase for both students and adults.

Student meal prices have increased by \$0.75 for breakfast and \$0.25 for lunch due to the increased cost of production and continuing supply chain issues.

Meal prices will be as follows:

- Student Breakfast \$2.00
- Elementary Lunch \$2.75
- Secondary Lunch \$3.00
- Adult Breakfast \$2.50
- Adult Lunch \$4.25

All Fort Bend ISD families are encouraged to complete the Free and Reduced-Price Meal application, which opens on August 1. It can be completed at <u>www.schoolcafe.com/fbisd</u>. Families must complete an application for each school year.

Students enrolled at FBISD campuses that are listed under the USDA's Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) will continue to receive breakfast and lunch meals available free of charge. The following campuses are designated CEP and are listed alphabetically:

- Armstrong Elementary
- Blue Ridge Elementary
- Briargate Elementary
- Burton Elementary
- E.A. Jones Elementary
- Ferndell Henry Learning Center
- Fleming Elementary
- Glover Elementary
- Goodman Elementary
- Heritage Rose Elementary
- Hodges Bend Middle School

- Holley Elementary
- Hunters Glen Elementary
- Jordan Elementary
- Lake Olympia Middle School
- Lantern Lane Elementary
- Marshall High School
- McAuliffe Middle School
- Mission Bend Elementary
- Mission Glen Elementary Mission West Elementary
- Missouri City Middle School
- Parks Elementary
- Ridgegate Elementary
- Ridgemont Early Literacy Center
- Ridgemont Elementary
- Townewest Elementary
- Willowridge High School

Please note that completing the Free and Reduced-Price Meal application may result in additional benefits for students and families, including reduced fees and tuition for Extended Learning programs, Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses, and athletics programs. Visit the <u>FBISD Child</u> <u>Nutrition webpage</u> to learn about additional benefits.