

Greetings Wildcat Parents,

As we move closer to September 8th, I would like to share some updates with you. The re-opening of schools is a hot topic right now, and we understand there are many unanswered questions. I hope to provide you with some information in this letter and as the first day approaches, continue to update you as I can.

The first item many have asked about is Cub Camp. For our new Wildcats, this is always the most exciting tradition because they have the opportunity to explore the campus, receive their schedule and walk the hallways before their first day. This year, Cub Camp will be very different, as it will be presented virtually. Our assistant principal and counselor will create a video and students and parents will take a virtual tour of the campus. Schedules will be available through Home Access Center (HAC) around September 6th.

Many of you have also asked questions regarding masks. All staff and students will be required to wear a mask or face shield that fully covers the nose and mouth. If your student will attend classes on campus, please make sure they have a face covering that fits and can be worn comfortably while on campus. I recommend purchasing a mask lanyard or have a plan for storing their mask while eating lunch. Please provide opportunities for your student to practice wearing the mask for an extended period of time at home to help adjust to being back at school.

There will be no lunch visitors or delivery of lunches for the fall semester. Students may bring their lunch or purchase a school lunch. If a student arrives without lunch, we will make sure they get a lunch from the cafeteria.

We also want to reduce the number of student items dropped off by parents. If your student's item can be emailed to the teacher or wait until the next day, we would greatly appreciate it.

If you need to pick up your student during the school day, please email our attendance secretary, Ms. Fleming at Cynthia.fleming@cfisd.net. Include your student's name, student ID#, grade level, specific time of pickup and the name of the person picking up the student. This will help us have your student ready upon your arrival. Meetings with administrators will need to be scheduled in advance. When possible, these meetings will be via phone or Zoom.

If you must come on campus, all visitors will be required to wear a mask and answer the COVID-19 health screening questions prior to entering the building. Your driver's license will be scanned into our system and will be our method of documenting that all visitors on campus have answered the COVID screening questions successfully.

We will have a staggered bell schedule to minimize the number of students in the hallways during class changes. Students will have four minutes to move to their next class. We will implement a 10 minute freeze at the beginning of each class period so that our custodians can sanitize the restrooms, stair rails and any other common areas.

The list of school supplies can be found on the Aragon Website. More information will be coming about electives that have additional supplies they might need. We will continue to allow only clear backpacks on campus. We will have clear backpacks available to purchase for \$10. If you purchased an EPI package of supplies, it will be delivered to your home.

The preferred method for all payments you may need to make is [School Cash](#). Please deposit your student's lunch money in their [School Café account](#). The cafeteria will be as hands free as possible, and we would appreciate not having to handle money.

During the July Board Meeting, the Board approved the purchase of Chromebooks to make it possible for CFISD to implement CFISD LTE 1:1. The goal is for every CFISD student to have a Chromebook issued to them by the end of the Fall semester. The district has developed a schedule for rolling out these devices. Our students that are remote learners with the highest technology needs will receive their devices first and once that has been accomplished they will move to the rest of the students. This process will take all of the Fall semester. CFISD has always been a BYOD district, and if you choose to allow your student to bring their own device to campus they can. Wildcats must comply to the electronic policy we have on campus. Devices, including cell phones, will be off and out of sight unless permitted by the teacher for academic use.

We are very excited to be getting closer to the first day of classes and to see our Wildcats again! Regardless of the method of instruction your student will be using, we will all be here to support them and help them succeed.

Please monitor our social media, marquee, and your email for additional information.

Sincerely,

Maria Mamaux
Principal