



Back to School Newsletter August 2020

Dear Parents,

We welcome you to Collins Elementary for an AWESOME 2020 - 2021 school year! It is certainly not like we had anticipated; nevertheless, we are e-Learning ready!!! As we enter this school year, please review our school's protocols for beginning our school year as outlined below. **As we progress through the year, some of these protocols are subject to change.** If you have any questions or concerns regarding these procedures, please contact the main office or administration for clarification.

- 🐾 **Please complete all Back to School forms and sign up for Class Dojo messaging as soon as possible. Links for these items along with Immunization information are located on this Homepage.**
- 🐾 **Student Resource and Laptop Distribution will take place on Friday, August 14 and Monday, August 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** Please come to the school to pick up the student resource materials even if your child already has a student laptop. Students will need **both** student resource materials and a student laptop for academic instruction. **Your child's daily academic schedule will be a part of the student resource materials so please be sure to pick up this important information.**
- 🐾 **Since we are not meeting in the school building due to COVID-19, the initial parent contact will be made by classroom teachers. Classroom teachers will be contacting students in their Homeroom class via phone call beginning Friday, August 14, 2020.** In that phone call your child's homeroom teacher will introduce himself or herself and provide information for your child to attend his or her Canvas class on the first day of school.
- 🐾 **SCHOOL STARTS ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020!!** Please mark your calendars. **Daily Attendance will be taken by your child's classroom teacher beginning August 19, 2020. Class instruction begins at 8:00 a.m. Your child needs to be logged into class by 8:00 a.m. The school day ends at 2:00 p.m. Your child will have academic instruction with breaks and lunch time from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.**
- 🐾 **Our Virtual Open House will be held on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** We will present general information and then you will have a breakout meeting with your child's teacher. If you need a copy of the school supply list, it is located on this homepage.
- 🐾 **We are accepting visitors to the school campus at this time, and you may call the school with inquiries. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, protocols for school visits have been modified. It is imperative for visitors to do the following:**
 1. **All visitors must wear a mask while on the school campus. Social distancing (6 ft. apart) will be followed while on campus.**
 2. **If you need to register your child, please call the school to make an appointment. We will inform you of the documents you need to bring with you for that appointment to assist with limiting multiple trips to the campus.**

3. If you are exhibiting flu-like symptoms or have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14-21 days, please do not come to the school campus. Please contact us by phone at 754-323-5150 and we will address your concern.

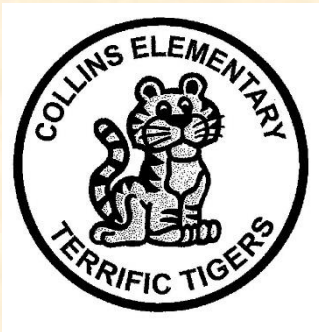
- 🐾 Our theme for this year is; “One Team, One Goal – Achievement! No Matter What!” In order for us to help our students be successful, we have to work together. We are here to work with our parents in the best interest of student achievement. Therefore, parent conferences will remain an integral part of academic achievement within the virtual environment. As the year progresses, please know that our staff will be in communication with you AND you can also make a request for parent conferences. Additionally, parents can make contact with the child’s teacher through Class Dojo messaging (info is on this website) and through the Canvas Course.
- 🐾 Finally, we would love for you to BE INVOLVED AT COLLINS!!! If you are interested in becoming a PTA member or business partner, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you in advance for your support, and I look forward to working with you to ACHIEVE a successful school year!

Sincerely,

Tracy D. Jackson, Ed.D.
Proud Principal

Maureen Keenan
Proud Assistant Principal

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Collins “Paws”itive” Tiger Expectations

- 🐾 Are Kind to Others
- 🐾 Show Respect to Others
- 🐾 Use Self Control
- 🐾 Resolve Conflich

Collins Elementary is a school of excellencethat ensures a nurturing environment to meet the academic and social needs of children. Our mission is to operate with high expectations that are met through rigorous instruction, personal growth, and effective collaboration with all stakeholders.