



TIPPS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



TITLE I SCHOOL

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May 2024

Important Dates

- April 30 Pre-K & Kinder Roundup
- April 30 Progress Reports go home – 4th nine weeks grading period
- May 1 2nd grade Field Trip - Houston Zoo
- May 2 Kindergarten Field Trip – Dewberry Farm
- May 3 1st grade Field Trip – Oil Ranch
- May 3 Last Day for Parent Lunch Visits
- May 3-10 Spring Book Fair
- May 6-10 Staff Appreciation Week
- May 7 F.A.M.E. Night – 5:30-6:45 pm
- May 7 5th grade Field Trip – Downtown Aquarium
- May 8 3rd grade Field Trip – Children’s Museum
- May 10 4th grade Field Trip – George Ranch Historical Park
- May 27 Memorial Day Holiday
- May 28-29 Field Day – More details to follow
- May 30 5th grade Recognition Ceremony 9:00 am in Cafeteria
- May 31 Last Day of School – Report Cards go home with students

Title I Notice to Parents

As a parent at a campus receiving Title I funds, federal law allows you to ask for information about the certification, college major, and advanced degrees of your child’s teacher(s). You also have the right to request information about the qualifications of a teacher aide or paraprofessional providing direct services to your child. If you would like to receive this information, you may contact the Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. Human Resources Department at 281-897-4099.

Principal’s Corner

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this message finds you well. As we move towards the end of the school year, I wanted to update you on some exciting developments and opportunities for you to get involved.

Introducing Spark Park Playground Committee

We are thrilled to announce the formation of our Spark Park Playground Committee! This dedicated group of parents, teachers, and staff will spearhead the planning and design of our new playground addition. Spark Park is an innovative initiative that transforms school playgrounds into community parks outside of school hours, providing a safe and engaging space for our children to play and learn.

We are incredibly excited about the potential of this project and invite you to join us in shaping a playground that will benefit our school community for years to come. If you are interested in participating, please attend the initial meeting on May 20th at 5:30 pm.

School Renovation Update

We are also excited to share that our long-awaited school renovation will commence this summer once school is out. To facilitate this process, the school building will not be open starting June 3, 2024.

Important Reminders

End of School Year Clear Out: Please ensure your student takes all their belongings home during the last week of school. Any items left on campus will be discarded as the building undergoes renovations.

Chromebooks: Chromebooks for 5th-grade students will remain in storage over the summer and students will receive a new one at their middle school. All other grade levels are required to take their Chromebooks home for the summer and should not bring them to school after May 24, 2024.

Field Day: Due to the renovation and packing activities taking place on campus, we regret to inform you that we will not be hosting visitors for Field Day this year. However, parents are encouraged to chaperone field trips. Please remember to come to the building to get your

Upcoming CPOC Meeting

Additionally, I would like to extend an invitation to our upcoming Community and Parent Outreach Committee (CPOC) meeting on May 20, 2024, from 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM. This meeting will provide an opportunity for you to share your valuable insights, suggestions, and feedback on how we can continue to improve and enhance our school environment. Your voices are crucial in shaping the future direction of our school, and we highly value your input.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation as we embark on these exciting new ventures for our school community. We look forward to working closely with you to make these projects a resounding success!

Warm regards,
Mrs. Thomas, Principal

Attendance Incentive

We have had a great time celebrating all our students who achieved perfect attendance this year. Thank you for making sure your student is at school every day.

Birthday Ads on Marquee

Due to summer construction, we will close ad sales on May 17, 2024. We will resume birthday ads in August.

Lunch & Bus Tag Replacement

Parents can pay for lunch/bus tag replacement fees in School Cash. There are 2 options to choose from. You can either select Bus Tag Replacement or Lunch Tag Replacement at a cost of \$5.00 each. All students must have a bus tag to board the bus.

Lost Library Book Payment Option in School Cash

In order to make payments for lost library books easier for our families, you will now have the option of paying for a lost book in School Cash.

There is a custom form that can be filled out for the student along with the amount that you are paying. This eliminates sending cash to the campus and provides payment options of either debit or credit cards. If your student owes a fine, please send an email to: tipps@cfisd.net and your student will be attached to this custom form allowing you to pay for lost book(s).

If your student finds the book and returns to the library; a refund can easily be issued in School Cash.

Tipps School Website

Check out our school website by visiting:

www.cfisd.net/Tipps

There is a lot of information about our school including calendar information and newsletters.

Follow us on Social Media



Facebook - @tipps elementarycfisd



Twitter - @TippsElementary

NEW My Ride App

Starting May 1st, the Ride360 transportation app will be discontinued. To ensure that you continue to receive accurate transportation information for your student, you are urged to download the new app, My Ride K-12. This upgraded app offers a host of new features, timely notifications and enhanced visualization of information. Make the switch today to stay connected.

Your usernames and passwords from Ride 360 will transfer over to My Ride K-12. You can use your existing login credentials to access a web version of My-Ride K-12 at: <http://myridek12.tylerapp.com/>

PBIS At Home Lesson

The lesson this month focuses on “Respectful at Home.” (Adjust for your Family)

Please review the following with your family:

- Check in with each other when someone is sad or hurt
- When an adult says “No” to technology or TV: Say “Ok” or ask when it would be a good time for that.....
- If someone is already doing a chore, ask how you can help or find another chore to do.

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*R*is for Responsible

*O*is for Ownership

*A*is for Always Safe

*R*is for Respectful

Summer Renovation is Coming

Tipps Elementary will be undergoing renovation this summer. **Our campus will be closed to all visitors starting on Monday, June 3, 2024.** It is very important that you collect all your student's belongings including their final report card, jackets, lunch kits, etc... before our campus is closed.

Certain projects have already started over Spring Break. Our roof is being replaced and work has begun on the restrooms in the main hallway. There will be no access to the school over the summer.

Pre-Registration for 2024-2025 Pre-K and Kindergarten

Pre-Registration for students entering Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year will be open through May 20, 2024. Registration will reopen in June. (Dates will be provided)

Visit: www.cfid.net/CFISDregister

If you have questions, please contact our front office at 281-345-3350.

News from the Library

Due to summer construction/renovation; the Tipps' Library is closed. Please remember to turn in any books that were checked out so that they can be packed up and stored over the summer.

If your student owes money for a lost book, you can pay for the book online in the School Cash Payment Portal. Please contact the Front Desk if you would like to be linked to the option for online library lost book payments.

Don't forget the Mobile Library will be on site for book checkouts on April 27th and May 25th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at the Glencairn Community Center on Kieth Harrow

Blvd. across from Lieder Elementary School. This is a great way to continue reading and exploring new books.

The Spring Book Fair is slated for May 3rd - May 10th. Ms. DonLevy will share more information as it gets closer to the Book Fair.



Field Trip Chaperone Expectations

As part of our efforts to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all students during field trips, I'd like to outline our expectations for chaperones. If you're interested in volunteering as a chaperone for any of our upcoming field trips, we kindly ask that you visit the school to have your State issued Driver's License scanned in our RAPTOR system and receive a Field Trip chaperone tag the morning of the event. This is a standard procedure to ensure the safety of all students under our care. (Note – no ID's that are scanned to a phone can be accepted.)

Chaperones will be expected to accompany their assigned group of students throughout the duration of the field trip, following the designated itinerary and ensuring that all safety guidelines are adhered to. Your presence and guidance are invaluable in enhancing the educational experience for our students outside of the classroom.

Please note that while we appreciate the enthusiasm of younger siblings, we kindly request that they do not accompany chaperones on field trips. Our focus during these outings is on the students and their learning experiences, and we want to ensure that chaperones can dedicate their full attention to the students they are supervising.

By working together to uphold these expectations, we can ensure that our field trips are not only educational but also safe and enjoyable for everyone involved. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

F.A.M.E. Night on May 7th

Please plan to join us and support our Art, Music and Physical Education programs.

There are many activities planned which will include a music performance, displays of student artwork and various fitness activities. Guest will rotate to the different stations during this event. The Book Fair will also be open for shopping.

Tuesday, May 7th – 5:30 – 6:45 pm

Pre-K and Kindergarten Roundup

Parent who have a student that will be Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year are invited to attend a special meeting on Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Cafeteria.

Information on the Curriculum and what you can expect will be shared with parents.

There will be assistance provided for anyone who wants to register their student. Current students do not need to register again.

2024-2025 School Information

Keep an eye out for the School Supply lists for the 2024-2025 school year. The lists will be posted on our school website and will be emailed out to all current students.

School Supply Packets will go on sale in July 2024 in the online School Cash portal. All sales will online this year due to the construction at our building. Don't delay in ordering your supplies as we will only order a few extras for each grade level. More information will be shared with parents as the lists are finalized and pricing is determined for the packets.

Information on school shirts and Meet the Teacher will be sent out over the summer.

Keep in mind that the building will be closed and there will be no access as in the past.

Thank you for your patience and understanding!



5th grade Recognition Ceremony

Parents and Guardians (Limit 2) are cordially invited to attend the 5th grade Recognition Ceremony on Thursday, May 30, 2024 at 9:00 am in the Cafeteria.

Pre-registration forms will be sent home with all students are due no later than Tuesday, May 28, 2024. A Visitor Pass will be printed for you that will enable you to enter at the cafeteria at Door #14. If you do not pre-register, you will check in at the front desk to get a visitor pass and proceed to the cafeteria.

Due to space limitations, there is a limit of 2 guests per student and no younger students/students not in school will be able to attend this year.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, students will have a "fun day" with their peers with many activities planned. There will be a Sign-Up Genius for parents to donate snacks, water, etc..... for the Fun Day.



Staff Appreciation Week is May 6-10, 2024

We are asking for support from our families to provide a Staff Pizza Party during Staff Appreciation Week. If you would like to contribute to our party, you can make your donation in our online School Cash portal by following this link:

<https://www.cfisd.net/Page/1863>

Thank you one and all for your donation. Our staff work so very hard each day, and we love celebrating and showing appreciation for our awesome teachers and support staff! (Donation is Voluntary)

