



Major Elementary School

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Dear Major All Star Families,

Welcome to the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year at Major Elementary as an ALLSTAR! I am excited to welcome our students and staff back to in person learning at school. Over the last few months, we have focused an immense amount of attention on details on our safety. With that in mind, every decision made considers the safety of our students, staff and community as a top priority while we define our in person instruction. As we continue the planning process, Spring ISD has considered all state and local health recommendations to help us make the best and safest decisions for the health and well-being of our students and staff. The partnership between school and home will be important as we look to support children and families. The physical and social-emotional safety of our students, families, and staff will remain as the highest priority.

The first day of school is quickly approaching – Wednesday, August 11, 2021. The Major Elementary School theme this year will be “We Are Better Together”. Parents and students can stay informed about all things through the website, newsletters, parent connect messages, student binders, and Twitter- Major (@Major Elementary).

As we prepare for the upcoming school year, we will continue to focus on scholar and staff social and emotional needs, attendance, accountability, culture, rigor, relevance (effective PLC’s and data conferences), teacher support, building relationships with scholars and staff, restorative circles, TLAC strategies, **LITERACY**, coaching and feedback, student work, open communication, solutions, parental involvement and customer service. Best practices will have to be implored as our data suggests the need to meet the needs of ALL scholars through Literacy and Math. We will also need to continue to improve the work with our SPED and EL scholars. Homework will consist of all scholars having a Reading log to complete every night and to receive a signature from an adult, math will consist of problems to practice. I am excited about our curriculum that we started piloting this past school year, Amplify and Eureka with a focus on blended learning.

Each scholar 3rd-5th grade at Major will be required to carry an organizational binder to help with organization, which helps close the gap, so scholars can be prepared for college, career and life. Scholars will not be allowed to have technology (cell phones) out and visible on campus. We are a “NO ZONE” campus. We are also a campus with standardized dress code (please reference the dress code policy and the school supply list).

The daily start time will begin at 8:05 A.M. and conclude at 3:25 PM. **For safety purposes, students may not be on campus until 7:45 a.m. or after 3:50 p.m. unless they are with a teacher.** Breakfast is served at 7:45 a.m. Like last year, the bus loop pick up and drop off pattern will be along the back of the building and car riders will be dropped off at the front of the building through the car rider line. Please remember that car riders can’t be dropped off in the parking lot or on the street (scholars must remain in the car).

Scholars will be issued a photo identification badge free of charge. Should a student badge become damaged or lost, students/parents will be expected to purchase a replacement badge in the grade level office for \$5.00. Scholars will be expected to wear these daily and they must be visible on the front of the scholar. Scholars can provide their own school-appropriate lanyard or purchase one through the office. I.D. badges have been bar coded with their student number and will be used to access their student accounts in the lunch line and for other school business. All school staff will be wearing I.D. badges as well.

Our food services will be operating in full swing on our student’s first day of school. Breakfast is available free for all students and students will eat in their classrooms. All parents are required to complete lunch applications for each student

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online. Parents have the opportunity to place money on student accounts through the school/district website and are encouraged to establish an account to pay for meals unless approved free lunch. Information about applying for free and reduced school meals are available online.

A few reminders:

Please ensure you visit the website for more helpful information such as dress code, cell phone policy, student parent handbook, and the school supply list.

Please follow us on Twitter at Major Elementary.

Students may not have rolling backpacks on campus. Once issued free ID badge students must wear ID badges.

New Student Registration- Register new students online (any student who has never attended a Spring ISD school or previous Spring ISD student who withdrew and is now re-enrolling) using our online registration system.

Returning Student Registration-Review your student's information electronically. Complete the process prior to the start of school from your computer or phone.

Meet the Teacher-Wednesday, August 4, 2021 from 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Open House-Thursday, September 9, 2021 from 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

As a reminder, please submit all student notes for absences to Ms. Beltran, attendance clerk (dbeltran@springisd.org).

Remember our goal for scholar attendance is 98% or higher. Attendance will be very important.

Scholars may not run in the hall and must walk at all times.

Cell phones or earbuds are not allowed in the hallways or cafeteria. The first time is a warning and the second time the fee is \$15.

Foul language and sagging is unacceptable and consequences will be issued. Please discuss appropriate and inappropriate language with your scholars.

3rd-5th grade scholars will need the following campus binder set up: 3 ring binder with pocket inserts, 8 tab subject dividers, zipper pouch, pens/pencils, notebook paper. The purpose of the binder will be to assist our scholars with organization and help them maintain notes and schoolwork in one place. Students will be expected to maintain a binder and keep it organized the way they will be taught.

Parents if you are interested volunteering on the campus please ensure that you go online to register by using the VIP form on the district's website. We would love you to volunteer and join our PTO.

We look forward to a successful partnership,

Kenisha Williams

Principal