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| August 2020 Newsletter |
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Chickasaw Elementary School



**August 27**

First Day of School for All Students

Board of Education Meeting 6:00 p.m. 201 North Craft Hwy

**September**

Attendance Awareness Month

September 5

Destination Church is providing a drive by giveaway at CES. 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

September 7

No School: Labor Day

September 17

Progress Reports Go Home

September 24

Board of Education Meeting 6:00 p.m. at 201 North Craft Hwy

September 21 – 25

#startwithhello week

CES will participate in this national initiative to make all kids feel welcome and a part of our school.

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| Dear Parents,The first day of school went so smoothly on Thursday, August 27!This year we have several new faculty and staff members. We are looking forward to you helping us to welcome them to the Chieftain Family.* Mary Taylor, Kindergarten
* Brooke Dean, Kindergarten
* Angie Quebodeaux, 1st Grade
* Sally Bailey, 2nd Grade
* Hannah Ellis, 2nd Grade
* Brantley Harrison, 3rd Grade
* Jennifer Burris, 4th Grade
* Dana Berry, 5th Grade
* Kristie Bullock, Special Education
* Jennifer Garris, Special Education
* Tammie Brown, Gifted Services

(Mrs. Brown is transferring from 2nd.)* Ms. Dawes will be our Science Lab Teacher.
* Ms. Love will be our dedicated Math Coach.
* Dominique House, Registrar and Secretary
* Lori Wilkinson, Special Education Paraprofessional
* Whitney Jemison, Special Education Paraprofessional
* Lilly Kelly, Kindergarten Paraprofessional

**School Times/Procedures*** Arrival 7:45 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.
* Kindergarten Breakfast in Cafeteria, 1st – 5th Breakfast in Classrooms 7:45 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.
* Tardy Bell 8:15 a.m.
* K, 1st, and 2nd Grade Lunch in Cafeteria
* 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Lunch in Classrooms
* Car Rider Dismissal 3:20 p.m.
* Van and Walker Dismissal 3:25 p.m.
* Bus and Tribe Time 3:30 p.m.
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## Communication

Safe and Civil Schools

CES is a proud demonstration site for Safe and Civil Schools! Here is why:

1. Faculty and staff are focused on making all students and parents feel welcome and a part of the school family.
2. Positive and safe arrival and dismissal procedures.
3. Faculty and staff are circulating and monitoring cafeteria, hallway, and restrooms to minimize off task behaviors.
4. Teacher practice a 3 to 1 positive interaction to corrective feedback.
5. The administration focuses on minimizing interruptions to instructional time so teaching and learning are always occurring.

Our Guideline for Success is Chieftain **PRIDE.**

**P** – Prepared

**R** – Respect

**I** – Integrity

**D** – Determined

**E** – Excellence

Clear communication between parents and teachers are key for student success! Please join us on Facebook on the following pages:

**Chickasaw City Schools**

**Chickasaw City Schools Kindergarten Class**

**Chickasaw Elementary 1st Grade**

**Chickasaw City Schools Second Grade Class**

**Chickasaw Elementary Third Grade**

**CES 4th Grade**

**CES 5th Grade**

**Chickasaw Elementary School Counseling**

**Chickasaw Elementary Library**

Make sure your phone number stays current in the school office. We a communication platform called School Status to send emails and text messages.

Check your child’s red communication folder daily (K – 3rd). Fourth

and 5th Grade students will have planners to help with

communication and organization.

**COVID Information**

* The COVID email address for reports of positive COVID results, questions, and concerns can be sent to covid@chickasawschools.com.
* COVID Symptoms:
	+ Fever or chills
	+ Cough
	+ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
	+ Fatigue
	+ Muscle or body aches
	+ Headache
	+ New loss of taste or smell
	+ Sore throat
	+ Congestion or runny nose
	+ Nausea or vomiting
	+ Diarrhea
* Once the school nurse receives a report of a student with COVID symptoms or a possible COVID exposure, she notifies the parents.
* Once the nurse notifies an administrator, we will notify the following:
* the classroom teacher
* Ms. Stokes (Safety Coordinator for the district)
* the counselor (Vaughn Pre-K - 3rd) and Ching (4th and 5h so services can be provided during the quarantine
* Mrs. Smith (Special Education Support Specialist) and SPED teacher
* If a student has a positive result, an administrator will send a note home with any students within 6 feet or less for 15 minutes or more for possible exposure.
* Once a student tests positive, the classroom of the child is disinfected with the mister and PH7Q Dual.

# Cleanliness and Safety Features of the School

# Classrooms are sprayed throughout the day, and each afternoon with PH7Q Dual. Common areas (bathrooms, cafeteria, gym, etc.) are misted each evening.

# Hand washing stations and water bottle filling stations have been added in each hallway.

**Help Keep Our Chieftains Safe Please…**

* If the way your child needs to dismiss changes at any time, please send a note to his/her homeroom teacher.
* The office staff cannot make transportation changes over the phone for the safety of the students.
* Parents/guardians/others MAY NOT park and walk up to take students from dismissal.
* Stay in your car during arrival and dismissal when in the car line.
* DO NOT drop students off in any of the 3 parking lots or the street behind the cafeteria.
* Abide by the speed limit on the streets before and after school.
* Drive slowly in the parking lot.
* A water bottle and 6 masks have been provided for every student.
* Plexiglass has been set up for the classrooms to separate students when working on a small group task where their proximity may be close.
* An air purification system has been installed to remove viruses from the air.
* Logos are placed down the hallways 6 feet apart to help teach students about social distancing. Logos are used in the cafeteria to help younger students with spacing while eating.
* Two additional outdoor learning areas have been created and shade sails are being added.
* The nurses station is separated into a well and sick area. The sick area has 3 cots that are stationed 6 feet apart.

***Snack***

*Snack is sold daily for $0.50 to $1.00.*

*Chips $0.50 Ice Cream $1.00 Drinks $1.00*