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Parent Newsletter

September 2017

Arredondo Elementary School

From Your Principals

It is our sincere hope that each one of our jaguars return to school safe and sound! Despite the start of school being postponed, we are ready for learning and excited to open our doors for Arredondo's third year.

We started with Jaguar Camp to remind students of our essentials, expectations and reminders about how to be successful with routines and procedures here at school. The administration and staff would like to thank you for allowing your children to walk themselves to class. We have teachers stationed throughout the building to help guide the students safely to class.

If you do visit our campus to volunteer or eat lunch, please remember to bring your id, sign in at the front office, and wear your visitor's sticker.

Remember that all beginning of the year forms are completed online. Your emergency information that the school staff needs such as parent contact information, student allergies, who is allowed to pick up your child, should be updated annually. The due date for the form completion is September 15th, 2017. If you need assistance, please contact the front office.

We appreciate your support and look forward to a spectacular school year!

Ms. Amber Borborow, Principal

Mrs. Michelle Miles, Assistant Principal



Thank you parents for having your car rider tags ready and visible so that our pick up line runs smoothly. Parents must remain in the car rider line to pick up students at dismissal. If you need an additional tag, let your child's teacher know. Your assistance makes a huge difference!

Any change in transportation arrangements for any student requires a note or phone call to the front office from the parent by 2:00pm or 30 minutes prior to dismissal of the school day on early release days. This is to ensure that your child gets home the correct way!



Communication is Kev!

<u>Arredondo Elementary's Phone Number:</u> 832-223-4800

<u>Our Address:</u> 6110 August Green Drive, Richmond, Texas 77469

Our campus website: <u>http://www.lcisd.org/campuses/arredondo/home</u>

LCISD Family Access: <u>http://www.lcisd.org/students-parents/family-access</u>

Food Service: <u>http://www.lcisd.org/departments/business-office/food-service/</u>menus

Find us on facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/ArredondoES</u>



September 11 First Day of School

September 15 Color Day – Wear House Color

September 19 Open House (K, 2nd, 4th & 5th)

September 21 Open House (PPCD, PK, 1st & 3rd)

> September 22 PTO Dress Down Day \$1

September 26 Papa John's Spirit Night

September 28 Free Dress /Fall Picture Day

September 29 No School (FBC Fair Day)







Jaguars must be in the building by 7:30 a.m. so they are not counted tardy.

The Counselor's Corner

I want to welcome all our new and returning Jaguars to Arredondo Elementary! Many of our families have been

affected by Hurricane Harvey and may need assistance with school uniforms and supplies. LCISD has a wonderful organization called Common Threads that can assist our families. For more information, parents may contact me at <u>mschmidt@lcisd.org</u> or call 832-223-4800. Let's have an awesome year! Go Jags!

I have a

GROWTH MINDSET!

Melissa Schmidt-Arredondo Elementary Counselor

The Gifted Paw

What a great start to the 2017 -2018 school year! The first couple of weeks involves testing newly enrolled students by request. Don't forget to "like" our Arredondo GT facebook page so that you get weekly updates of what's happening in GT.

Mrs. Gay Clark GT Facilitator

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Are you looking for a way to help your child feel confident about math? Practicing math facts with your student every night will help with fact fluency. You can practice in the car or while cooking dinner. Turn it into a game and make it fun. For online practice, visit these websites for more math fun:

Math Playground: A math learning site for students in grades K-6. It features a large collection of word problems, math games, and logic puzzles.

http://www.mathplayground.com/

Mrs. Stacie Johnson Math Instructional Coach

Science Matters

Pine Cove Information for 5th Grade Parents

We are very happy to announce a wonderful opportunity for your child! We are going to go to an overnight science camp that offers a variety of activities that focus on the science skills we learn about in class, except we get to do it in a real live setting. Arredondo Elementary teachers will chaperone as the camp counselors guide the students through the learning experiences. This will be our 3rd year to go to Pine Cove, and we have had such a great time that we decided to make this an annual trip for our 5th graders to have this opportunity!

WHO: All 5th grade students at Arredondo Elementary WHAT: 3 days, 2 nights - Outdoor Education Science Camp WHERE: Pine Cove Camp in Columbus, TX WHEN: November 15 – 17, 2017

WHY: To give our students an opportunity they might never have AND reinforce those science and team building skills! *Parent Informational Packet with all of the permissions slips and information will be coming home with each 5th grader soon!* **REMINDERS**:

-Each student will need to turn in the required field trip forms by October 6th.

-Each student will need to turn in the required \$20 by <u>October 27th</u>. -Please contact Mrs. Todd if your child would like to attend but will need support with the \$20 fee. Please don't let this be the reason why your child cannot attend.

-If you are interested in sponsoring any additional students, please contact Mrs. Todd at altodd@lcisd.org.

Roar Into Reading

Are you wondering why your Jaguar's teacher assigns 20 minutes of reading for homework each night? The more students read, the more words they will learn and the more successful they will be in school. Our goal is for our Jaguars to be strong readers and life long learners. Welcome back!

Mrs. Katrina Avinger Reading Instructional Coach

At Arredondo, every jaguar belongs to a house representing different aspects of character. Each house has a corresponding color. Throughout the year we will have days where students and staff will wear clothing and accessories to show their house pride. Students also go to specials with their houses: Ambition (green), Determination (red), Friendship (yellow), Integrity (blue), and Respect (purple).

Aspen Todd, Instructional Coach

From Our Specials Team

Ahoy Mateys! Here we go with another great year at AES! Our choir will "Kickoff" in September, and meet on Tuesday afternoons from 2:35-3:45 p.m. Don't miss Lamar CISD Honor Choir auditions on Saturday, September 16th for all interested 4th and 5th graders, We will again host our Veteran's Day program in November to celebrate those who gave so much to our country. This year, our third graders will present a fun musical, "A Pirate Christmas" in December, Those students interested in having a speaking part will audition using a new system called Charms, This is a program that allows students to listen and practice to music, then audition over the internet, Keep watch for information through email and handouts, Away we go! **Mrs, Linda Harrell, Music Teacher**

We are celebrating International

Dot Day inspired by Peter Reynolds

book, The Dot. What will your mark

be? Don't for-

get to like and

follow us on

Facebook:

Arredondo Art @AESJaquART



Kelly Schlepphorst, Art Teacher



I'm thrilled to be your child's librarian and look forward to helping them become a critical thinker, enthusiastic reader, skillful researcher, and ethical user of information. Students will visit the library once a week during their specials time and will start checking out books week 2. Please encourage your child to enjoy and take care of our library materials and return them for more. Also, please enjoy the blog with your children.: http:// rubinsreads.blogspot.com/ Happy Reading!! Mrs. Aimee Rubin 🚄

The Language Corner

WELCOME back JAGS! As we begin a new school year we want to equip our Jags with tools they can use at home to practice being scholars, As a parent it is our job to help them practice these study habits, Today's tip is what you can do at home with your jag.

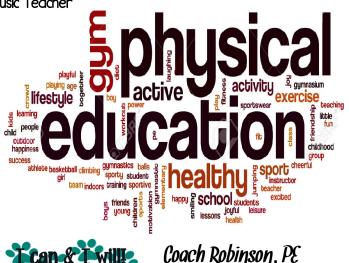
- Provide a place where your jag can do their homework
- Check that homework is completed each night
- Ask your jag to tell you about what they learned each day
- Keep in regular contact with us about their child's progress
- Ask teachers about any questions that arise
- Read and tell stories in your native language,
- Talk about the things you see in your neighborhood, on trips around town, or on television, These conversations help build a child's understanding of her world,
- Tell your children stories from your own life, or about the day they were born, This helps develop their personal and cultural identity,

Parents/Volunteers Need-

ed...Please mark your calendars for November 10, 2017, We will be hosting our 2nd annual INTERNATIONAL DAY, Its a day to celebrate the cultural diversity of our campus, However, we need your help to



make this day even more successful than last year. We want to celebrate you!! With over 26 different languages spoken from our students and family we want all our students to be represented throughout the day. Think about ways you can highlight your talents and nationality through cultural items, dress, art, music, dance, etc, Please call 832-223-4800 or email me at dbishop@lcisd,org if you would like to help or donate any items on or before October 20th, 2017,



Notes From Our Nurse



Welcome back Jags! Here are a couple of reminders for the upcoming school year: <u>Immunizations</u>: If you have received a parent notification of immunizations due, please send in an updated copy of your child's immuniza-

tion record as soon as possible. Texas law states that your child will not be able to attend school if the immunizations are not up to date.

Allergies/Asthma/Seizure/Medical Conditions: It is very important if your child has any allergic reactions to foods/ insects/other items, has asthma, diabetes, seizures, or any medical condition that requires medication, that you provide me with signed paperwork and medication to treat the symptoms. These forms must be filled out completely and signed by your doctor. I cannot treat your child if I do not have these forms and medications. Medication orders expire at the end of every school year, so you must provide me with a new order at the beginning of each school year. Please remember that you as the parent must bring in your child's medication and that they cannot bring it in their backpack. All medication forms can be found online at http://www.lcisd.org/campuses/arredondo/about/ **nurse's-notes.** Please let me know if I can help you! Chandra Longoria, RN **AES School Nurse**

Diana Bishop, ESL Lead Teacher

Jaguar Behavior Expectations

Jaguars will have a **behavior** chart as a part of our home school connection. Our communication is very important so we can work as partners in helping your child to be successful at school both academically and socially. You will hear references to our "essentials" that we have adopted as the foundation of our campus culture. We are equipping our jaguars with skills that will help them in and out of school. We appreciate your support!





Please be informed that we will follow the district guidelines for enforcing appropriate **bus behavior**. Per the LCISD Elementary Student Handbook on p. 72, behavior violations reported to the assistant principal will be handled as follows: **First Referral:** Student conference/ Parent signature or contact and 5 day bus

suspension.

Second Referral: Student conference/ Parent signature or contact and 10 day bus suspension. Third Referral: 20 day bus suspension and a student/parent conference with transportation supervisor is mandatory before the student is allowed to ride the bus again.

Fourth Referral: Student/parent conference and suspension from riding the bus for the remainder of the school year. Serious incidents may result in stricter consequences and prior year referrals can be taken into consideration when considering consequences.

Mrs. Michelle Miles, Assistant Principal



we are in need of parent representatives for Arredondo's site-based committee. The site-based committee is made up of staff, parents, and members of the community. They meet to discuss and decide on policies, procedures, and budgetary items for our jaguars. Our meetings this year will be at 3:15 pm on the following dates: october 25th, December 13th, January 24th, and May 23rd. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please email Mrs. Miles at mmiles@lcisd.org. Thank you for your consideration!





Tops are any solid color, collared shirt or school shirt with navy, khaki, black or denim bottoms. Students must tuck in their shirts.

Grade Level	Teachers	Time	Table #
PreK AM	Strange	10:15-10:45	5
PPCD AM	Thompson	10:20-10:50	11
Kindergarten	Thai, Hanks, Dunham	10:45-11:15	8,9,10
	Henke, Ulrich	10:50-11:20	1,2
	Adams, Schneider	10:55-11:25	3,4
Fourth (4 th)	Honeycutt, DeRouen	11:10-11:40	6,7
	Johnson, Spates	11:15-11:45	8,9
	Drabek, Byrum	11:20-11:50	10,11
PreK PM	Strange	11:25-11:55	1
PPCD PM Pegasus	Thompson	11:30-12:00	1
Second (2 nd)	Herrington, Sirajuddin, Hall	11:35-12:05	3,4,5
	Berdou, Carson	11:40-12:10	6,7
Third (3 rd)	Gordon, Ceballos	11:45-12:15	8,9
	Kuhar, Lorenz	11:50-12:20	10,11
	Musavi, Pooley	11:55-12:25	1,2
First (1 st)	Zamora, Gonzalez	12:15-12:45	3,4
	Brackin, Stockton	12:20-12:50	6,7
	Pingelton, Newman	12:25-12:55	8,9
Fifth (5 th)	McAtee, Kerr	12:30-1:00	10,11
	Davis, Smith, Jones	12:35-1:05	1,2,5

Cafeteria Prices

Breakfast: \$1.25 **Visitors: \$2.25** Lunch: \$2.10 **Visitors: \$3.75**

To apply for Free and Reduced Priced Meals please go on–line at www.schoolcafe.com



We would like to give a big jaguar thank you to the members of our

community that helped us kick off the year with fabulous donations:

Brazos Valley Credit Union: Breakfast and \$200 in gift cards

Dolce Living Rosenberg Apartments: Breakfast

Rudy's Barbecue: Breakfast Tacos

PTO: Breakfast

Morton Street Merchants in Downtown Richmond: Breakfast

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- ⇒ If you visit Papa John's on September 26th, you can support your school just by ordering pizza for your family because 10% of sales will be given back to AES!
- ⇒ Don't forget to join our PTO. Your dues and support help fund many things like buses for field trips and other treats for our jaguars throughout the school year.
- ⇒ If you want to volunteer, we need you! Email Tiffany Kennerly at tiffany.aespto@gmail.com.
- ⇒ If you are interesting in serving on the PTO board, please contact Marina Roberts at <u>marina.aespto@gmail.com</u>.

Thank you, Mrs. Kye Sampson, PTO