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Park Elementary

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August 6, 2024

Park Families,

We are excited to welcome our Tiger Cubs on Thursday, August 8th for the start of the 2024-2025 school year!

To ensure a smooth first day, we ask your help with the following preparations:

1. Set bedtime routines to prepare for early bus pick-ups and campus arrivals between 7:20-8:00 AM.
2. Confirm afternoon transportation plans with your child's teacher or the front office.
3. If your child is a bus rider, plan to receive them from the bus stop at the designated time window.
4. Most importantly, send them off with confidence, a smile, and a hug! We've missed them and are thrilled to see them.

Staff members will guide all students to their classrooms from the gym and bus ramp areas. Rest assured, our staff will provide a smooth and exciting transition.

As a proud Title I, STEAM certified school, we know that Park parents are a vital part of our team. We appreciate your support, patience, and kindness during arrival and dismissal times, especially with increased traffic and safety precautions. Please refer to the directional map to plan ahead.

Important Information:

Plan to attend our Sneak-a-Peek on TODAY, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
After parking and entering through the side cafeteria doors, families are welcome to make their way to classrooms and meet teachers, paraprofessionals, and support staff.
At Sneak-a-Peek, you will find tables where you can sign up for:

- PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)
- ASEP (After School Enrichment Program)
- CarriderPro (for car riders only)
- School Nutrition Free and Reduced lunch
- EZSchool Pay

We look forward to seeing all our Tiger Cubs for their first day of the school year, Thursday, August 8th! If you have any questions, please contact our office at (706)-628-4997 for your first line of communication. We're here to help and team up with you for a successful year ahead.

With Children Our Focus,
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School Day Times:

Arrival: 7:20 a.m to 8:00 a.m.
Breakfast served: 7:20 a.m. to 7:55 a.m.
Students are considered late at 8:01 a.m.
Beginning of instructional day: 8:00 a.m.
Latest time for early check out: 2:00 p.m.
Car dismissal: 2:30 p.m. to 2:55 p.m.
Bus dismissal: 3:00 p.m.

Accompaniment:

All students will enter the school building independently under the supervision of multiple hallway monitors. In adherence to the district's policy, during the first **THREE** days of school, **ONLY Pre-K & K students** have the option of accompaniment by one parent.

Check In/Check Out Procedures

While the goal is to have children at school for all instructional times, the following are the procedures when students need to arrive late or leave early:

Check In:

Parents walk to the front door of the school, buzz the office and tell them your child's name and reason for being tardy. DO NOT drop students off without supervision.

Check Out:

The latest time for early check outs is 2:00 p.m. Parents buzz the office and state their name, student's name, reason for check out, and present identification.

MORNING Car Rider:

1. Vehicles enter the Main Entrance of Park Elementary off US HWY 27 N and proceed to the Gym.
2. Beginning at 7:20 a.m., while being monitored by attendants, students will independently exit the vehicles at the Gym on the **Driver's Side**.
3. Vehicles will proceed to the access road behind the school and make a right turn only, yielding to any oncoming traffic from the bus ramp.
4. Vehicles will continue to follow the paved road past the Carver Resource Center facility and turn right OR left onto Carver Circle.

AFTERNOON Car Rider:

Procedure remains the same as last year with vehicles entering from US HWY 27, loading on **Driver's Side**, and forming a line down the access road behind campus. Car Rider tags will be issued at Sneak-a-Peek. If you cannot attend Sneak-a-Peek and have not received a communication from your child's teacher, call the office to report your child's transportation arrangements.

All drivers need to adhere to a mandatory **10 mph speed limit** during travel from Park to Carver Circle with extreme attention to limited sight around curves

