



LITTLE PEARL ELEMENTARY

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Dear Families and Caregivers,

The 2020-2021 school year is upon us, and we are beginning it with a new theme, "Building the Foundation for Success." You will see construction and Lego decorations around our campus as we embrace our new theme.

Even though the beginning of this year looks quite different, I can promise your child will be happy, healthy, well-loved, and lots of learning will be happening every day. It is always my goal to protect instructional time, keep your child safe and make learning a priority. The faculty and staff at Little Pearl Elementary educate and nurture each child, every day. Your child's safety and educational success are of the utmost importance to us. Please make sure to fully read the Student Handbook for other important information regarding your child's school year, which will come home in the near future.

Instead of our usual "Meet and Greet", your child's teacher will contact you to introduce herself. Additionally, we will have a "Beep and Greet" for you to smile at your child's teacher, drop off school supplies and pick up important paperwork. This paperwork must be completed and sent back with your child on his or her first day of school. Included in this paperwork, will be a name tag. We ask that you put your child's first and last name and have your child wear this on his or her shirt for the first day of school. If you are not contacted by your child's teacher by Wednesday, September 2nd, please call Little Pearl at 985-863-5906 to inquire.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, only essential personnel is allowed to enter the school. Unfortunately, this means that you will not be allowed to walk your child to his or her classroom. You must stay in your car when you drop off your child. With help and guidance from our loving staff, your child will exit the bus or car and go immediately to his or her teacher's classroom.

Prior to entering the building, students will sanitize their hands under the direct supervision of our staff. Until further notice, all meals will be served in the classroom. Please know that charges can apply for breakfast and lunch. Below are some important dates concerning your child's first day of school.

September 8th	Safe Start Day- Students Last Name A-D
September 9th	Safe Start Day- Students Last Name E-K
September 10th	Safe Start Day- Students Last Name L-Q
September 11th	Safe Start Day- Students Last Name R-Z
September 14th	All Students Attend

The first bell rings at 7:40 am, at which time buses and cars may begin drop-off. The tardy bell rings at 8:10 am and the school day will begin. School ends at 3:21 pm at which time dismissal will begin.

Car riders will use car line for arrival and dismissal. Cars will enter the campus through the main gate, closest to the Pearl River Head Start. Upon entrance, turn right and follow the car line around to the front of the building. Car riders will have a colored card on which to write your child's name (in large letters) and place on dashboard. You must have a car sign to pick up your child in the car line. If no sign is visible, you will have to park, show your ID and be on the child's emergency card to pick up your child. This is for the safety of all of our children. Students will be loaded and unloaded under the covered area in front of the school. **Parents are not allowed to park their car and walk to get their child from the car line.**

Again, welcome to Little Pearl Elementary, where we are "building the foundation for success" each and every day.

Sincerely,

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