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Coral Post The Next Chapter By: Mr. Arroyo

Hello parents!

Welcome to an exciting 2011-2012 school year. Once a month I will be sending you a newsletter to keep you informed regarding upcoming events and important information. Please feel free to call me at any time with concerns or questions that you may have. My cell phone number is **(832) 216-1740**.

- There is no school Monday, September 5, 2011.
- The After School Program (ASP) begins Tuesday, September 6, 2011. This means that Monday through Thursday dismissal will be at 4:40 p.m. for students in grades K - 8th. Pre-K P.M. will be dismissed at 4:00 p.m. and High school students will be dismissed at their regular time of 3:25. There is no after school program for High School students.
- **DISMISSAL HOURS :** When there is no ASP (M -Th.) dismissal will be at 3:25 p.m. Dismissal on Fridays will be at 2:30 p.m. for all students.
- For the first four weeks of the ASP students will be involved in tutorials and enrichment activities. After that time, students will be tested to determine their areas of need. Those students who do not qualify for tutorials will be involved in enrichment activities. Benchmarks will be administrated from September 19-22.
- Since we are dismissing more than 500 students on a daily basis, we ask for your patience and cooperation. Please do not double park on the street, or leave your cars unattended. Also, make sure to have the green signs given to you with your children's names and grade levels.
- Any student arriving at 8:05 or later will be marked tardy. Breakfast starts at 7:30 a.m. for all students. Please bring your children on time.
- Sessions for parents begin on September 6, 2011. Sessions will continue throughout the school year every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and 6:30p.m. on the months of September, October,

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November, January, February and March. For more information contact Mr. Yanez at (832) 274-6973 or Ms. Anderson at (832) 647-6101.

Sessions for parents will be held at the Evergreen Campus

- Houston Gateway Academy provides **FREE** adult computer, citizenship and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes for members of the community. For more information contact Ms. Garcia at (281) 300-2015.
- Once again I want to share the news that the Coral Campus is a <u>Recognized</u> charter school for the 2010-2011 school year according to Texas Education Agency (TEA) criteria.
- Please request a parent-teacher conference if you have any concerns regarding the academic progress of your children. Progress reports for academics and conduct will be going home twice a month for all grades. Please do not wait until mid year or the end of the year to share your concerns.
- Make sure to complete the emergency cards given to your children last Tuesday. It is critically important to have this done and turned in as soon as possible.
- The goal for HGA this year is to have 50% or more of all students (grades 3-12) obtain "Commended Performance" on all STAAR exams. This means that students must not only pass these exams but also obtain results of 95% or higher.
- Lunch applications were given to students last Thursday. Please make sure that you fill them out and send it back to us as soon as possible.

Thank you

