

Elite College Prep Academy

“Our mission is to develop strong critical thinkers that will graduate from four year competitive colleges by providing strict character development and a rigorous academic curriculum.”

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Welcome back to another exciting school year!

On behalf of the entire Houston Gateway Academy staff we would like to extend a huge welcome to all of our families as we begin an enriching and exciting new school year with your child.

Communication: There will be monthly newsletters sent home to provide pertinent information. Please feel free to contact us at any time with concerns or questions you may have. We can be reached at (832) 649-2814

Dismissal: Your patience and cooperation is requested during the dismissal process. As an increased safety measure and an effort to reduce wait time in the student pick-up area, the outline procedures must be followed:

--- 6th – 12th Grade students are dismissed thru the main entrance of the school. All students are escorted out by their teachers to the designated dismissal area.

---The designated dismissal area is located adjacent to the school parking lot.

---Students picking up siblings from the elementary must do so prior to exiting the building.

--- A grace period of 30 minutes will be given to ensure all students are picked up. After the 30 minutes grace period, a fee of \$15 will be charged.

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Cell Phone Policy: Keep in mind that our school has a policy of NO cell phones or electronics. If confiscated, the parent must come to the office to retrieve it and pay a \$15 fee. All collected fees are applied to our scholarship account.

School Uniforms: All students must be in uniform. We need your cooperation with the following: Uniform pants must be “regular fit” and not “skinny fit”. No student 6th – 12th may wear shorts to school.

Benchmarks: Benchmark assessments will be administered August 18th - 21st and ITBS (Iowa Test of Basic Skills) testing is scheduled for August 25th through August 27th. The benchmark results are included in the student’s averages.

New School Hours: Effective on Monday, **August 24th** the hours will extend to **5:00 p.m.** on Monday through Thursday. The Friday schedule will remain the same from 7:45 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Holiday: The school is closed on September 7th due to Labor Day.

Character Development: The character virtue for this month is **RESPONSIBILITY**. We believe it is important that our students practice and embody this trait. A healthy dialogue regarding responsibility is important and we encourage all traits to be modeled throughout your daily routine.

Let the new school year begin!

Be the change you want to see at Elite College Prep Academy!