

Cougar Chronicle

"Committed to Excellence in Education"

Welcome back for the 2017 – 2018 school year! It is our mission to help every scholar feel welcomed, connected, and a part of our HGA family. We have highly qualified professional educators and support personnel who spend countless

Dates to Remember

August 21 – 23: Benchmarks

August 28 – 30 : IOWA testing

August 28: ASP (After School Program begins)

September 4: Student Holiday

September 8: Grandparents' Day

hours planning and creating classroom activities to engage our scholars in learning. Our teachers utilize research-based test practices and analyze academic data to determine current skill levels and to set goals for growth and improvement. We extend a special, yearlong invitation to our families to join us at school activities and events whenever possible. We want, need, and value your involvement and support in your child's education!

Empowered Parent Coalition: The parent sessions will begin Tuesday, September 12 at 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. at the Elite Campus. There will be parent session calendars available for your convenience.

Attendance: Regular school attendance is a key factor in scholar success. It is just as important that scholars arrive to school on time. Scholars are expected to be at their desks ready to learn promptly at 7:45 a.m.

Parent visits during lunch: To ensure a smooth transition from summertime to school time, lunch visits will begin after Labor Day. Scholars may eat with their parents on **Thursdays** only.

The parent must check in and obtain a visitor badge at the front

office. This ensures a safe and manageable cafeteria environment for all.

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 blue laminated tag should be placed visibly in the vehicle while in the car line. Parents are not allowed to enter through the front entrance doors during dismissal, and parents are to form a line near the student pick-up area at the rear of the building and an assigned staff member will alert the scholars by calling his/her name.

ASP (After School Program): The ASP begins on Monday, August 28th and the hours will extend to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The Friday schedule will remain from 7:45 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Please feel free to call the school office at (832) 649 – 2701 if you have any questions or concerns.

District-wide fundraiser: The school will conduct its second annual car raffle fundraiser beginning September 5, 2017. Tickets are \$10 each, and the grand prize is your choice of a brand new Nissan Maxima or Nissan Titan. The drawing will be held Saturday, December 16th at noon. All proceeds will go towards scholarships, sports, clubs, and activities.

Thank you so much for all your help and support! Let's make it a great year!

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.