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2020-2021

School Hours

School Opens: 7:45 a.m.
School Starts: 8:15 a.m.
School Dismissal: 3:35 p.m.

Hello Franklin Families!

I am looking forward to another amazing year at Franklin Elementary. Things will certainly be different, but rest assured that our staff is ready for students whether that be face-to-face or remotely. Please be patient and flexible as we work through our new protocols and procedures.

Thank You!
Mrs. Betts, Principal

First Day of School

While we welcome everyone back to school, parents will not be allowed to walk their children to class each day. Due to COVID-19, all parents must remain in cars and Franklin Staff will ensure children are directed to their homeroom class. Parents must also remain in cars during dismissal. Please read the dismissal plan for details.

All Franklin Staff + Students
will wear masks/shields.

District COVID-19 Priorities

The situation with COVID-19 is continuously changing, as are the protocols and measures needed to keep students and staff safe. Plans will remain flexible to accommodate potential changes and these guidelines may be modified as needed. As adjustments may be necessary throughout the coming year, it will be our priority to keep the community informed of those changes and updates. The WFISD website, www.wfisd.net, and social media pages will provide you with the most up-to-date information.

Student Drop Off and Pick Up

In order to provide a safe environment for our students, we ask that you follow these guidelines while dropping off or picking up your child.

- Parents will remain in cars for drop off and pick up of students.
- Be patient. Waiting a few extra minutes is worth the safety of our children.
- At pick up, students will remain in classrooms. Parents will remain in car and display student number tag in windshield. Dismissal staff will notify teachers upon your arrival, and students will be sent to designated pick up area to load car.
- If you have multiple students, all students will load in the youngest student's pick up lane.
- Remember that Speedway Avenue is a one-way street going east to west (toward Taft) from 7:30-8:45 am and 3:00-4:00 pm. The street between the Forum and the school is also one-way going south to north. Camelot Drive, behind Franklin, is one-way going west to east (toward Harrison) from 7:30-8:45 am and 3:00-4:00 pm.
- Students will enter and exit building at specified doors listed below.
- The Forum has asked that parents refrain from using their driveway and parking lots.
- Dexter Learning is now located in the Fain Presbyterian Church building. This is no longer an acceptable area for Franklin parents to park or load cars.

Kindergarten & 1st Grade Drop Off and Pick Up

- Kindergarten and 1st grade students will drop off and pick up on the east side near the Forum.
- Parents will remain in their car on curb nearest the school.
- Once student is in or out of the car, traffic moves north to Camelot Street and must turn right toward Harrison.

2nd & 4th Grade Drop Off and Pick Up

- 2nd and 4th grade students will drop off and pick up in front of the school on Speedway.
- Parents will remain in their car on curb nearest the school.

3rd Grade Drop Off and Pick Up

- 3rd grade will drop off and pick up on the west side (near large playground) of the building.
- Parents will remain in their car on curb nearest the school.

5th Grade Drop Off and Pick Up

- 5th grade will drop off in front of the school on Speedway.
- 5th grade will pick up on the west side (near large playground) of the building.
- Parents will remain in their car on curb nearest the school.

LUNCH

Due to COVID-19 safety protocols, student will either have lunch in their classroom or the cafeteria. **Parents will not be allowed to eat lunch with their student or drop food off for their student until further notice.**

When sending a lunch to school with students, please include only items that students will not need assistance opening.

Franklin students will not be entering the serving line. Meals will be delivered directly to the students.

Cafeteria menus are available online or download the free app:

Phone App: Nutrislice

Website: wfisd.nutrislice.com

Breakfast

Breakfast is free of charge for all students each morning in their homeroom.

Breakfast begins at 7:45 and ends at 8:10 each day.

mySchoolBucks

mySchoolBucks.com is a convenient and preferred way for you to pre-pay for your child's school lunches & a great way for you to keep track of what types of food your child is purchasing.

mySchoolBucks link can also be accessed from the WFISD web page (www.wfisd.net). Once you click on the link, you will be redirected to the lunch money site where you can learn more about the program and enroll if you like.

Remote Instruction @Franklin Elementary

- Students will have assigned times for live discussions and lessons with teachers at different times of the instructional day (8:15am-3:35pm).
- Some 3rd-5th instruction will be done while teachers lead lessons through synchronous (live) instruction.
- Some 3rd-5th instruction will be done asynchronously at a specific time provided by the homeroom teacher.
- All KG-2nd instruction will be done asynchronously at a specific time provided by the homeroom teacher.
- Parents will be needed at home to assist their student with logging into Google Classroom, monitoring their participation and progress in the learning, and ensuring completion of activities.
- Attendance will be taken daily for all remote learners.

What to expect on the first day...



- School Opens at 7:45 a.m.
- Franklin Staff will greet your student at the car and assist all students in finding their homeroom classroom.
- Dismissal is at 3:35 p.m.

University Days

Join us every **Wednesday** by wearing your favorite university shirt with approved uniform bottoms.

VISITORS

At this time, parents should contact the school via e-mail and phone to communicate with school personnel. Access to the campus by parents will be limited to the front office and will be subject to additional screening procedures and PPE requirements.

Campus visitors will be required to make arrangements in advance if they must meet with an individual on campus.

20-21 Student Handbook

WFISD Student Code of Conduct books will be available to view online at www.wfisd.net.

- Type www.wfisd.net into your browser
- Click on **Student Resources**

Reminders:

- Adults must have the student car tag to pick the student up from school.
- Make a plan with your child before they come to school in regards to pick up and make sure the teacher knows the plan daily.
- Bus riders are not allowed to take a friend home with them on the bus.
- **No smoking on campus inside of vehicles.**
- **No animals on campus.**
- If your child is not inside the classroom and ready to learn at 8:15am, they will be counted as tardy.



Birthday Invitations & Treats/Class Parties

Due to COVID-19 safety protocols, sending birthday treats or invitations will not be allowed. Until further notice, class parties will not be scheduled. This is subject to change.



Student Water Bottles

Students may only use water fountains to fill their personal water bottles. The district is researching the feasibility of installing hydration stations at each campus. The district's Child Nutrition Department will begin offering water as an option with school lunches.

- Students are expected to bring their own reusable water bottle for use throughout the day and are expected to take water bottles home to be cleaned.
- Parents are asked to secure a reusable water bottle for their child to bring to school on a daily basis.
- Parents are asked to assist students, as needed, to clean water bottles.
- Teachers/Staff will demonstrate how students should fill water bottles instead of drinking directly from the water fountains.
- Teachers/Staff will help monitor that students take water bottles home to be cleaned.



Daily Schedule

- 7:45 am - School doors open
7:45 am - Students go directly to their homeroom for breakfast and morning activities upon arrival
8:15 am - Tardy, Classes begin
3:35 pm - Dismissal

Reminders:

Please have your children on campus by 8:10am, so they are ready to begin class at 8:15am. If your child is not inside the classroom and ready to learn at 8:15am, they will be counted as tardy.

Attendance:

If your child is absent please call the school to let us know **before 10am** & send a note to school within 72 hours of your child returning to school.

From the Nurse

Medication

If your child needs to take medicine at school, please contact the nurse's office for a medication form. This must be filled out by your doctor before we can administer any medication. The medication brought to school must match the medication form and be in the original bottle.

Electronic Devices

According to the student handbook, students are permitted to bring cell phones to school; however, phones must remain turned off for the entire school day. A student, who uses the cell phone during the school day, will have it confiscated. A parent must come to school to pick up the cell phone. All other electronic devices are prohibited including, but not limited to: iPods, mp3 players, handheld video games, etc, unless prior approval is granted by the principal.

The district will not be responsible for damaged, lost, or stolen cell phones or electronic devices.

Family Access

We would like to encourage you to utilize the district's electronic gradebook. This is a great way to stay informed about your child's grades and progress.

Previous users:

-Go to www.wfisd.net

-Parent Resources

-Click on Skyward Family

Access (Student Gradebook)

-Use the same username and password as last year

New users:

Please contact Marilynn Adams in the front office for login information.

mjadams@wfisd.net

940-253-1156

DRESS CODE

Franklin Elementary School follows a Standardized Dress Code. Students must select from the following:

- Face mask (over the nose and mouth) or full-face shield
- Solid (any color) polo style shirt (with collar and sleeves) 2 in. by 2 in. logo acceptable
- Solid color (brown, black, khaki, navy or gray) pants, shorts, skirt, cargo pants/shorts, skorts, capri pants, jumpers
- Blue jeans without holes, rips or tears
- Solid color dresses with collar and sleeves may also be worn
- Solid color long sleeved shirt may be worn under uniform or Spirit shirt
- Stretch pants, yoga pants, leggings, jogging pants **NOT** allowed
- Tights worn under shorts or skirts should be a solid color
- Heavy coats should not be worn in the building
- Lightweight jackets worn inside the building must be a solid color
- A Franklin Spirit Shirt or WFISD shirt may be worn on any day with appropriate pants, shorts, skirt, etc.

Reminders

Please remember to...

- Slow down in school zones.
- Do not exit your vehicle during arrival and dismissal.
- For the safety & security of all students, please do not use your cell phone during pick-up/drop-off times.
- No parking in handicap spaces without a placard.

If you have questions/concerns about the bus service, please contact Durham Transportation at 766-2113.

Meet our New Staff

Kinder - Andrea Berry

3rd grade ELAR - Emily Perez

4th grade ELAR -
Maggie Anderson

4th grade Math/Science -
Kathleen Davenport

Special Ed. - Brenda Woodward

T-SHIRTS

Franklin t-shirts will be sold on
Friday, August 21st, from 4pm-6pm.

This will take place under the
pavilion on the west side of the
school.

Parent Link Messages

Please provide the office with
the correct email and phone
number to ensure that you
receive all important Franklin
information through our parent
link messages.

Internal Moves

Mrs. Musquiz has moved to 1st grade.

Mrs. Bourgoin has moved to 5th grade.

Mrs. Camp has moved to 1st Grade.

Mrs. Garcia has moved to Reading
Instructional Coach.

FRANKLIN PTA

Like us on Facebook:

Franklin PTA

President-Amber Reed

Secretary-Amy Yowell

Treasurer-Kim Baber

Homeroom Coordinator-Sarah Fukasawa

Keep up with the latest Franklin News:

Facebook:
Ben Franklin

Twitter:
@FranklinLionsWF

KINDERGARTEN

Andrea Berry
Hally Davis
Rebecca Ruddy
Sheri Yonts



THIRD GRADE

Michelle Church
Kelli Doley
Emily Perez
Christian Tidmore

FIRST GRADE

Sandy Camp
Erin Henderson
Jamie Monroe
Stephanie Musquiz

FOURTH GRADE

Maggy Anderson
Kathleen Davenport
Courtney Kittrell
Erica Rollins

SECOND GRADE

Christi Bultena
Connie Ginnings
Bre Molina
Miranda Nutt



FIFTH GRADE

Cheryl Bourgoin
Alexis Michalski
Rachel Perry
Molly Stone

OFFICE

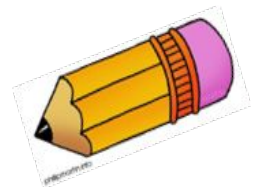
Angie Betts - Principal
Ashley Murdock - Asst.
Principal
Alison Crittenden - Counselor

OFFICE

Marilynn Adams - Secretary
Edie Castro - Attendance
Sue Callahan - Nurse



Support Staff



Lisa Adams
Debra Barker
Ashlyn Brown
Jena Chavez
Amy Chong
Suzanne Farr
Laura Garcia

Cody Kenner
Tracy Little
Kendra Maroney
Jody McFeley
Alex McGaha
Abi Parker

Annette Pierce
Shelly Proctor
Claudia Schultz
Kimberly Thomas
Donna VanDeVyvere
Brenda Woodward

District Health Protocols

Wichita Falls ISD is following TEA public health guidance, coordinating with state and local health officials and has used feedback from the Safe Return Task Force and the Health and Safety Advisory Group to develop health and safety protocols for the reopening of Wichita Falls ISD facilities for the 2020-2021 school year. Wichita Falls ISD expectation is that all students and staff will self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms daily. Individuals who appear to be symptomatic in WFISD facilities will be separated and sent home. Parents need to screen students daily before sending to school using guidance from the WFISD Health Attestation Form. All families will complete an annual statement affirming that they will adhere to all health and safety expectations developed by WFISD. All students who accept on-campus instruction will be required to sign a statement at the beginning of the year that COVID-19 screenings will occur at home daily and that they will abide by COVID-19 health and safety protocols. The statement will be included in the 2020-2021 Student Handbook, and reminders will be posted. If an individual who has been in a school is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19, the Director of Nursing will notify the local health department and provide recommended guidance to the campus and district. A COVID-19 point of contact will be established at each campus. All COVID-19 information will be communicated through this individual. WFISD is permitted to prevent any individual who fails the health screening criteria from being admitted to the campus until they meet all of the criteria for re-entry to the campus. Due to The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the names of any individual who has contracted or displays symptoms of the virus will not be revealed.

Student Health Protocols:

- Families will NOT send students to school if they have a lab-confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or any of the following COVID-19 symptoms: feeling feverish or fever 100.0 or greater, loss of taste or smell, cough, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, headache, fatigue, chills, sore or scratchy throat, runny nose, shaking or exaggerated shivering, significant muscle pain or ache, diarrhea. Families must immediately notify the school if a child has COVID-19 symptoms (described above) or if the student has tested positive for COVID-19. The student may be required to stay home for an incubation period of 14 days.
- Families must also immediately notify the school if a child has had close contact or household contact with an individual who is lab-confirmed with COVID-19. The student should not report to campus and may be required to stay home for an incubation period of 14 days.
- Students will follow campus-specific guidelines to support social distancing to the fullest extent possible.
- Reminder posters outlining proper protocols will be displayed for all employees and students to follow.
- Students who consistently fail to follow the guidelines will be disciplined in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct and may be asked to leave campus with an unexcused absence.

Student Isolation Protocols:

- Students who are showing symptoms of COVID-19 or are feeling feverish will receive a clinical assessment by the school nurse to determine if he or she needs to be sent home.
- Students who are ill will be separated from their peers and should be picked up within 30 minutes and no later than 1 hour from the time the campus has contacted the parent/guardian.
- Other students will be removed from the classroom and taken to an alternate location on campus (go on a walk outside, move to a different classroom, etc) so that the classroom can be disinfected.
- If a student is sent home from school because of COVID-19 symptoms, he or she should contact their family physician. If it is determined that the student does not have COVID-19, the student should bring a note from the physician and/or documentation of a negative COVID-19 test before returning to school. If a student has other health concerns that share symptoms with COVID-19, it is recommended that the student obtain a physician's note to keep on file at the campus.
- If a student who has been in a school is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19, the district will notify its local health department, in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations, including confidentiality requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- Schools must close off areas that are heavily used by the individual with the lab-confirmed case (student, teacher, or staff) until the non-porous surfaces in those areas can be disinfected.
- If there is a lab-confirmed case on a campus, all parents and staff at that campus will receive communication about the case. More detailed district communication will be provided to the students who came in contact with the student or staff member displaying COVID-19 symptoms.
- Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 will be permitted to return to school once they are released from the control order by the Wichita Falls-Wichita County Public Health District or receive clearance from a physician.
- Students who come into close contact or household contact with a COVID-19 positive individual should not come to the campus and should (a) contact the school; (b) self-quarantine for 14 days or obtain a physician's note clearing the student for return based upon an alternate diagnosis or negative COVID-19 test.

SUPPLY LIST

Kindergarten

6 folders -1 red, 1 purple, 1 blue, 1 yellow, 1 green, 1 orange
(brads & pockets, plastic preferred)
2 composition notebooks
1 pkg. of pencils (12 pack, #2 wooden)
2 pkg. of crayons (24 pack)
1 pkg. of washable markers (8 pack, broad
tip, classic colors)
12 glue sticks
1 bottle of Elmer's glue
1 pair of scissors (blunt tip, Fiskars brand
recommended)
Headphones (that cover ears/no earbuds please)
1 supply box (plastic preferred)
1 box of tissues
1 backpack (no wheels) - large enough to
accommodate folders
Face mask or face shield (recommended)
Water bottle or thermos

Wish List

Hand sanitizer Play dough
Wet wipes (bleach free) Expo markers
Additional folders Additional scissors
Ziploc bags (quart or gallon size)
Additional composition notebooks

***Note:** Wish list items are not required but are often needed in class throughout the year.*

SUPPLY LIST

1st - 2nd Grades

4 folders—1 red, 1 blue, 1 yellow, 1 green
(brads & pockets, plastic preferred)
3 composition notebooks
1 pkg. notebook paper - **2nd grade only**
(100 wide ruled sheets)
2 pkgs. of pencils (12 pack, #2 wooden)
2 box of crayons (24 ct.)
1 pkg of washable markers (8 pack, broad tip, classic
colors)
6 glue sticks
1 pair of scissors (blunt tip, Fiskars brand
recommended)
2 pink pearl eraser
1 supply box (plastic preferred)
1 boxes of tissues
Headphones
1 backpack (no wheels) – large enough to
accommodate folders
Face mask (it is recommended to purchase 5) or face shield
Water bottle or thermos

Wish List

Hand sanitizer
Wet wipes (bleach free)
Bottle of Elmer's glue
2 Dry Erase Markers (fine tip)
1 pack of colored pencils
Ziploc bags (quart or gallon size)
Additional tissues, glue sticks, crayons,
composition notebooks, scissors

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SUPPLY LIST

3rd - 5th Grades

5 folders with pockets & brads (different colors, if possible)
4 composition notebooks
1 pkg. of colored pencils
Erasers (pink pearl or pencil toppers)
2 pkgs. notebook paper (100 wide ruled sheets)
1 pkg. markers (8 count, broad tip, classic, washable)
6 glue sticks
2 pkgs. of pencils (12 pack, #2 wooden)
Scissors
1 box of crayons (24 ct.) - **3rd grade only**
1 zipper pencil bag
2 boxes of tissues
Earbuds
1 backpack (no wheels) – large enough to
accommodate folders
Face masks (it is recommended to purchase 5) or face shield
Water bottle or thermos

SUPPLY LIST

3rd - 5th Grades

Wish List

Hand sanitizer
Notecards (3.5X5)
Wet wipes (bleach free)
Tissues
Glue Sticks
2 Dry erase markers (fine tip)
Ziploc baggies (quart size)

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